

MARIST AUCKLAND WATERPOLO CLUB INC

TEAM SELECTION POLICY

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1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. This purpose of this document is to provide clear policy and direction to all Marist stakeholders on team selection.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Marist stakeholders include but are not limited to
 - 2.1.1. Players
 - 2.1.2. Parents of players
 - 2.1.3. Coaches, Managers, Age Grade Coordinators
- 2.2. Through the adoption of this policy, the club is able to provide a consistent policy and set consistent expectations amongst the Marist stakeholders.
- 2.3. The Coaching Appointments Panel appoint the coaches for each age grade.
- 2.4. The Marist Committee appoint the Coaching Appointments Panel.

3. POLICY

- 3.1. Team selections are the sole responsibility of the age grade head coach and their coaching team.
- 3.2. Decisions of team selection shall be final
- 3.3. Pool time in a game is the sole responsibility of the team coach.
- 3.4. Red teams (top team in each age grade) will have a win focus. Players who accept selection in a red team may not get equal pool time.
- 3.5. Players selected for a red team may opt to play for a blue team (2nd team) in order to gain more pool time.
- 3.6. Blue, Black and white teams will have a development focus. All players should get pool time during an event - league, tournament or other competition. Note that clause 3.3 above applies.
- 3.7. Under 12 teams will all have a development focus, although the focus may change in play-off stages in tournaments.
- 3.8. Teams may be reselected between Auckland or other competitions and the National Championships.

- 3.9. For all local and regional competitions, effort will be made to ensure all Marist registered players are part of a team and that they receive fair and appropriate pool time, subject to the other policy clauses.
- 3.10. Team focus may change at National tournaments or play offs of league competitions. Coaches may decide not to play their strongest player in an effort to develop other players
- 3.11. Coaches/coordinators/manager will endeavour to set expectations where relevant for players ahead of the competition or tournament.
- 3.12. A maximum of 2 players may be required to float between 2 teams during local/regional competitions as determined by the head coach.
- 3.13. For national tournaments, coaches will select a maximum of 13 players per team based on player skill, ability, attitude, potential and availability. The team strategy for the tournament and the opposition teams will be taken into account.

Marist Auckland Water Polo Club (Inc)

Adopted by the Marist Committee on 19 September 2012