



Registration and Team Allocation Policy

In response to member feedback, the club has now revised its Registration and Team Allocation policy. This policy will become effective as at 19 August 2007, and remains current until further notice.

Registration

Registration Deadline

All players must be registered prior to the BNJCA deadline for team declarations. All registrations received after this time will only be accepted providing they do not exceed our maximum team number guidelines.

BNJCA Age Ranges

1 September this year and 31 August next year. Therefore, all players who turn the same age during this period are allocated to the same age group.

Eg. Player turning 10 on 25 Nov this year would play U10s in the upcoming season; Player turning 10 on 12 August next year would play U10s. Alternatively, a player who turns 11 prior to 1 September next year (eg. 25 August) would play U11s.

Queensland Cricket Indemnity Forms

As part of Queensland Cricket's Insurance coverage, all players who are registered with a QC affiliated club must have their parent/guardian read and sign the current QC Indemnity form. Coaches and Managers must strictly adhere to this policy and insist players sit out until this form is signed. The player may only play once the form is signed, and in the possession of an official of the club (eg. Team manager)

Payment of Fees

A fees schedule for the coming season will be approved by the current committee prior to 1 August. This schedule will be advertised on or prior to Sign-on Day.

Player fees must be paid in full prior to 1 November. All players with outstanding fees after this date will be de-registered until such time as their fees are paid. I.e. No pay, no play.

Players/parents may choose to make part payments, up to a maximum of 3 instalments. This arrangement should be made with the club Treasurer at the time of registration, and the amount paid in full prior to 1 November.

Team Numbers

Team Declaration

On the deadline day for team nominations to BNJCA (normally mid-Sep), team numbers will be worked out based on the following player numbers:

Age Group	Full Team	Min. per team	Max. per team
U8 – U9	8	7	10
U10s	10	8	12
U11 – U12	11	9	13
U13 – U16	11	10	14*

* for half season teams, a maximum of 13 players will be allocated.



Eg. If 27 U8's register, then we will nominate 3 teams; if 28 registered, then 4 teams nominated

Players registered for half season, and then subsequently allocated to a full season team, must not be included in the minimum number calculation for the purpose of team declaration. (ie. In the U13s, 25 full season and 5 half season players would only constitute 2 teams)

Redistribution of teams

If minimum number of returning team members not met, this team will be disbanded and redistributed into other teams, subject to new sign-on numbers.

Forming New Teams

In the U8s and U9s, where the majority of new team's are formed, teams will be built on the basis of where the child goes to school and/or your home suburb. For example, unless specifically requested otherwise, all new players who attend Samford SS will be allocated into the same team.

Player Allocation

Existing player / same team

If a player wishes to remain with their same team from last year (in the next grade up) then they will have priority entry into that team providing they are:

- registered by 1 September
- currently playing in their correct age group
- a full season player requesting a full season team, or a half season requesting half season team

New Player and/or Existing player changing teams

Following this, all new registrations will be allocated, followed by those existing players who wish to change teams. In both cases, prioritisation will be based on registration date. ie. Earliest registered will receive first allocation.

Playing outside your correct age group

Our club strongly encourages all players to play within their rightful age group. With few exceptions, players do, regardless of ability, enjoy their cricket more when playing with their own age, amongst others of a similar size and maturity level. Having said this, the club does look favourably at any requests to play one year up for players born between 1 September and 31 December, as the majority of these children would be in the same classes at school. This is in line with our club philosophy of encouraging "mates playing with mates."

All requests to play up (or down) must be received by 1 September. After this date, requests will only be granted subject to current team and player numbers.

Requests should happen at the time of registration, and be clearly marked on the registration form. On the back of the form, please state your reasons for the request, and the team which you would like to play in.

Requests will be collated by the Registrar, and then submitted to the Management Committee for approval. Decisions will be communicated to the parent/guardian by phone or in person prior to Teams Day. Approval will be subject to:



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- Current registration numbers in both this grade and the player's rightful grade
- The physical maturity of the player in comparison to others players in that grade
- The level of cricket ability previously displayed (refer to stats and past coaches feedback)

All requests to play in a lower age group (eg. Player already 11 but wanting to play U10s) must firstly be approved by the Management Committee, and then also approved by the BNJCA Management Committee, with the key consideration based on stats from the previous season.

Half Season players

All half season players will be allocated to a half season team in the first instance. If there are insufficient numbers in that grade to form a half season team, players will be pooled with other half season players in the next age group up. A half season team will then be nominated to play in this higher grade.

For example, if 16 half season players register for U13s, then one half season team will be nominated, with 3 players asked to move up to play in the U14 half season team. If extra players cannot be found voluntary, then the first 13 players registered will be allocated to one team, with the other 3 players allocated to a half season U14 team.

If the displaced half season player does not wish to play up, then they may be allocated to full season teams only if space permits. Allocation of these players will take place no earlier than 21 days prior to the season commencing.

Players choosing to stay on and play full season after initially registering as half season will only be able to do so space permitting and in accordance with Team Numbers policy.

Appeals and disputes

If a member believes that any of the above guidelines have not been adhered to, they may put their complaint to the FDCC Secretary, who will ask the Management Committee to investigate and act in a timely manner.