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## **Manly Warringah Touch Association Representative Team Selection Policy**

### **Selection Criteria and Selection Process:**

All teams representing **Manly Warringah Touch Association (MWTA / Manly Touch)** shall be selected according to this policy with the aim of ensuring that team selections are fair, objective, and ensure all aspiring players are given a reasonable opportunity to demonstrate their skills and abilities.

The trials and selection process shall be finalised at a date determined by MWTA Executive Committee which considers all relevant factors.

Team selections shall occur under the auspices of a Selection Panel drawn appointed by the MWTA Executive Committee.

A selection panel will be appointed by the Executive Committee to select teams in consultation with the relevant Representative Director (Junior or Senior).

MWTA Executive Committee members are ineligible to select any team and must remain independent at all times.

In the instance that a Head Coach is independent and does not have any family members involved in their respective team, then MWTA will allow them to select the side with the assistance of one independent selector and the Development Coach if known at the time. If an Assistant Coach / Development Coach does have family members involved in the team they are to take no part in selections of the team.

In the instance that a Head Coach does have any family members involved in their respective team, then MWTA will appoint two independent selectors to select the side.

In cases where the number of players 'trying out' is less than the player numbers required, a panel may not be required.

Any disputes in relation to the selection process shall be overseen by the MWTA Executive Committee. The final decision on selections shall be made by the MWTA Executive Committee.

The appointed Selection Panel will choose the relevant team based on the below criteria in consultation with the appointed Coach and/or Coaches. The criteria need not have equal weighting but must be taken into account.

### **Player Selection Criteria:**

1. Player fitness including consideration of injuries
2. Player agility, speed and ball skills
3. Player reading of attack and defence including positional play
4. Overall skill needs of team and reasonable comparison of players with regard to positions players are trialling for
5. Player integration into team including teamwork, moves and harmony
6. Demonstrated player respect for others including team-mates, opposition, referees and coaches
7. Must be an affiliated and financial member of MWTA
8. Must be participating in the relevant MWTA competition(s) as well as meeting MWTA and NSWTA tournament eligibility requirements



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**Selection Process:**

1. All players will be informed that selection will occur based on the MWTA Selection Policy
2. Successful players will be notified via the Manly Touch website and Facebook pages
3. Player selections are final

Some unsuccessful players may be appointed as 'Shadow Players' who may be given the opportunity to continue to participate in training and games to assist with their development and in the event of other players being injured or unavailable for any reason.