



TWP Club: A Grade/Div 1 Team Selection Policy

Introduction

Tauranga Water Polo (TWP) is dedicated to the skill development of all our players. The goal is to provide a club programme where players can thrive and realise their full potential while proudly representing TWP. As part of the commitment to fairness and inclusivity, this Policy has been developed to provide clarity regarding expectations of players seeking consideration for TWP A Grade / Div 1 Teams.

At TWP, all players are held to high standards of commitment, dedication, and sportsmanship. However, A Grade / Div 1 players are expected to demonstrate exceptional level of commitment, dedication, and a strong work ethic in both training and games, as these qualities are essential for individual and team success at the highest level.

Selection Process:

The selection process for A Grade / Div 1 Teams is designed to ensure that the strongest players in each age group are identified and given the opportunity to compete at the highest level. This process is streamlined across age groups to ensure fairness and, as much consistency as possible across age groups.

- A separate trial process is implemented for players who wish to be considered for A Grade / Div 1 team selection. By expressing interest, players commit to meeting the club's expectations.
- Selection for A Grade / Div 1 teams is conducted by appointed selectors. The selectors assess players and makes decisions aligned with the club and team's best interests.

Club Expectations:

Players and parents receive clear communication regarding the club's expectations and commitments for the A Grade / Div 1 team within their respective age group. These expectations will be communicated by the Age Group Coordinator.

While all players selected for TWP teams, including A Grade / Div 1 teams, are expected to meet the club's expectations throughout the season, those in the top teams must consistently exhibit these qualities, giving their best effort in practices and tournaments. This includes regular attendance at trainings, unwavering dedication, respect for teammates, coaches, and officials, and upholding the highest standards of sportsmanship at all times. Adherence to the club's code of conduct is mandatory for all players, including those in our top teams.

By implementing these measures, TWP aims to create a supportive and inclusive environment where all players have the opportunity to reach their full potential and contribute to the success of our A Grade / Div 1 teams.

Approval

This policy was approved by the Tauranga Water Polo Club Committee on 12 March 2024