## Team Formation and Selection Policy

Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club promotes:

- Development of basketball through balancing teams and skills, especially in higher grade levels
- Team formation that supports greater participation and enjoyment of the game of basketball
- Cultivation of a positive sporting environment
- Team placement opportunity for all players, based on principles of fairness

Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club aims to create team settings that allow players to participate in an appropriate age group, realise player potential via appropriate grade placement, ensure positive basketball experience, enjoy fair competition and participation.

There is an emphasis on developing the game of basketball, by providing a pathway for players looking to, or suitable to progress to a higher and more competitive standard.

The club achieves this through determining appropriate team selection and formation, player placement, and making suitable coach appointments each season. Team selection and formation is the responsibility of the Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club, led by the club Registrar in consultation with committee members, coaches and age-group coordinators (and a sub-committee if deemed necessary).

Team formation decisions are based upon the following principles:

- Players will be placed in sides based upon age and will only be considered for older age groups where places are available. Permission to play up an age group must be sought in writing from the relevant Registrar
- Players will be selected and placed in teams based on similar skills, ability and/or appropriate team balance, at the discretion of the Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club
- Player dedication and behaviour will be considered, and priority will be given to players who can commit to training and attend games regularly
- Subject to points 1, $2 \& 3$ above, continuity of teams will be considered as part of the selection process. Where possible once a team is selected, the Aberfeldie Jets attempts to maintain continuity of the core group, however team and skill balance will remain a priority for higher grade teams
- Priority for selection of players in teams will be given to existing players
- The minimum number of players per team is eight. In exceptional circumstances we will allow teams to run with seven.
- On some occasions it may be necessary to place a ninth player in a team, particularly where there is high demand in certain age groups. All other teams with nine or more players may only be formed with the approval of the Registrar, in consultation with the teams' coach
- Every season, Aberfeldie Jets Basketball Club will appoint a coach to support each registered team (and assistant coach where applicable). For a team to be viable, it is also a requirement to have a Team Manager to support the team, who is not a relative of the coach.

Unless prior written arrangement has been made and agreed with the Club, only financial members will be eligible for placement within a team.

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Member requests and inputs to influence team selection must be made in writing by the specified deadline during registration period (Please note it is not always possible to fulfil parent/player requests). Changes to the team selection principles can be made at the discretion of the committee.

If you wish to raise any issues regarding your child and the team selection policy, please email Registrar@aberfeldiejets.com.au

