



MARGARET RIVER BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

ABN 52 766 463 871

Hawks Representative Basketball Junior Coaches Agreement

MRBA thank you for putting your hand up to coach. Margaret River Basketball has an appreciation of the benefit you bring to our association and to all the children you develop whilst coaching.

This document sets out expectations for coaching junior (U12 to U18) representative MRBA Hawks teams.

Principles

Coaches should strive to:

- Be a positive role model for all our players
- Show enthusiasm and enjoyment for the task of coaching – It is fun!
- Be honest, self-confident, consistent, friendly, fair and competent.
- Ensure the wellbeing, safety and protection of individual players.
- Be organized, turn up to trainings on time and plan out your training sessions.
- Show respect to players, other coaches, referees, parents and spectators.
- Attend Coaching sessions and meetings as requested by MRBA Committee
- Treat all players fairly.

Coaches Agreement

At Margaret River Basketball, as a coach of a Hawks representative side, you agree to:

- Select Maximum numbers to your team for Regionals and development training. If you have less than 15 turn up to trial, you must take the maximum number of 10 kids with a minimum of 2 train-ons. We are inclusive and want to develop our association players.
- Selections for Country Championships are only finalised after Regionals and may require an additional trial.
- Where it is deemed from Hawks trial numbers there is enough players for two teams in any particular age groups, two teams will be formed for Regionals. After Regionals, this would be reassessed for Country Championships.



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- During trials, all coaches will have 2 independent selectors who are not involved in the age group. Coaches who are non-parents, must work with the selectors to select your team after the trial is completed. Once the players have been decided, a final list must be sent to the Representative Coordinator (development@margaretriverbasketball.com) for approval prior to any communication to players.
- Coaches who are parents will not be involved in the final team selection decisions. The independent selectors will decide your team. While you are welcome to give some feedback regarding the children. The decision for the final team will be selected for you.
- At Regionals, every player must be given the opportunity to play in both halves. Both U12's and U13's should run with near even court time to encourage development to all the kids.
- After Regionals, teams will be reviewed with the coach, selectors and the Development Coordinator to confirm changes in selections for Country Championships.
- If coaches are having players not attending training or prolonged injuries, please communicate with the Development Coordinator so they can follow up with the parents of the players.
- Team Managers are not to be selected until after the team has been finalized. Coaches need to feel comfortable working with their Team Manager and are encouraged to find a parent from within the team. There is to be no husband and wife or partners Coach/Team Manager combinations.
- **All coaches must obtain a working with children's card.** Please reach out to the Development officer before the season starts to organize a working with children's application form.
- Trainings are conducted at a half court 1 x per week for the development season. If teams require more than this, please contact the Development officer plus your team as this comes at an extra charge. Team managers will need to follow up with players to make sure every player is paying.
- At Country Championships, efforts are made for U15 teams and below to stay together as a team. Accommodation is booked by MRBA for this two-day carnival. Male Coaches of female teams will be accommodated in the umpire's accommodation. This option if required is available to all coaches, and we ask Coaches to reach out to the Development Officer by December if they are not staying with the team.
- Lead by example with your attitude to referees. Kids follow in our footsteps so treat and speak about umpires with respect.



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- Read and acknowledge the Basketball WA Codes of Conduct (available on MRBA website)

Congratulations on being selected to coach our Hawks Margaret River representative team this year. By receiving this document and replying to the email that you accept your role, you are agreeing to the details above.

If you have any future questions or need support throughout your season, please reach out to our Development Coordinator and/or any MRBA Committee member.

Let's go Hawks!

Margaret River Basketball Association

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For further details please read the MRBA By-laws.