



## BOYS SELECTION GUIDELINES

Selection panels are made up of representatives from the Firsts Coaches on a rotational basis, usually three in number. These members are nominated by the Sports Coordinators' Committee and ratified by the Heads of AGSV Schools.

A first year coach is not permitted to be Head coach a team, however they may perform the role as an Assistant coach if this is deemed appropriate.

A member of the AGSV Sports Coordinators Committee will be allocated to each sport to oversee, advise and maintain the selection process and procedures as outlined below. Failing this, AGSV staff will fill the role.

### 1. NOMINATIONS

- (a) Nomination forms **must be acknowledged and confirmed** by each Sports Coordinator before being submitted by the requested date. It is the Sports Coordinator's role to endorse these nominations as being worthy on grounds of consistency of performance, ability, ranking order, general conduct of the student and availability.
- (b) The nominations submitted by the schools must be placed **in rank order of ability and consistency of performance** from the current season.
- (c) Only students who have been nominated by their school on the official form are eligible for selection.

### 2. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- (a) It is desirable, **but not obligatory** for each school to gain some form of representation in each sport (i.e. selected in a team or an emergency). Where a sport has large numbers, it is more likely this will be achieved and at least one representative may be listed per school, even if only as an emergency. This is more difficult for sports that have fewer selection places e.g. racquet sports. Overall, the selection panel should aim to select the **best available team**, which may mean some schools have a dominance of team members while other schools are not represented.
- (b) It stands to reason that the relative success of a school in a particular sport in that season will have some bearing on that school's representation in AGSV teams. However, it is quite possible that a School may have some outstanding players, yet not win a match for the year because of a lack of depth.
- (c) Where there is difficulty in deciding between two players, preference should be given to the student in the **higher year level**, failing that, to a player from the school with fewer representatives.
- (d) For racquet sports, cricket and cross country, the selection panel has individual results and performances at their disposal to enable a more objective approach to selection. This information should be used to advantage to select and if necessary, justify selections. An appropriate number of Emergencies are to be listed (refer table below). Note: the order of those listed as Emergencies do not necessarily represent an order should a replacement be required. They will also be included in the team photograph.

Those selected in a team, squad or as an emergency must attend a training session (if held) to be considered for selection in the final team. This includes injured players/runners.



In an ideal world, each Assistant coach performs this role for two seasons before becoming the Head coach. It is therefore preferred for both Assistant coaches to accompany the Head coach at any scheduled training session and on event day, where available.

- (e) For all other sports, teams are to be selected and finalised during the online meeting. The appropriate number of Emergencies (as indicated below) are also to be decided during the online selection meeting. Emergencies will be listed in school alphabetical order. Note: the order of this list does not necessarily represent the order of players to be elevated should a replacement be required. Emergencies are not required to attend on event day, unless called into the team. Only those who actually compete on event day receive and keep a uniform and are included in the team photograph. **Captaincy** roles will be allocated **by the Association** and officially announced when teams/squad lists are distributed to Sports Coordinators by the Association [refer 2(f)].
- (f) **A Captain** (and if possible a Vice-Captain) **will be named for each team**. Schools are invited to submit a short endorsement of a student they wish to be considered for captaincy. These positions are typically awarded more on **SERVICE TO AGSV sport** (e.g. previous AGSV representation) than on performance and the team is to be chosen on merit before the Captain is considered. It is preferable that player/s named have a leadership role in their school team. The Executive Officer has a record of previous representation and Captains. The Executive Officer will finalise the naming of the Captain/s.
- (g) Immediately following a selection meeting, the Overseer of each selection panel will discuss proposed teams with the Executive Officer. Publication of the team/s will be withheld until the Association has endorsed a team.
- (h) It is **crucial that students are not informed** of impending selection, by any member of a selection panel or school. Under no circumstances are students to be informed of potential selection until the Association has approved the proposed list. Teams can only be publicly announced the final lists have been confirmed, endorsed and communicated to schools by the Association. The Sports Coordinator from each school is to deliver this news to those selected.

### 3. SIZE OF TEAMS

Sport	Players	Emergencies
Basketball (played Winter)	10	8
Cricket	12	6
Table Tennis	8-9	5
Tennis	10	5
Volleyball	10-12	6
Australian Rules	22	16
*Cross Country	12	6
Hockey	15-16 (two GK may be selected)	8
Soccer	15-16 (two GK may be selected)	8
Badminton	8 – 10	5

\* Younger runners may be included in this Open team based on merit, as per Guideline 2 (d).