



Litchfield Rugby League Club Inc

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TEAM SELECTION SCHEDULE

GRADES U14 – U18

Our commitment

Our club supports an open and fair process for the selection of teams. Selection will be based on a clear criteria that is communicated with all players prior to the season commencing and within the players/coaches handbooks.

What we will do

Criteria

If player numbers support the need for more than one team, teams will be selected for each Under by a selection panel made up of two coaches, one coaching committee member and two other financial members (not parents of players of that Under, where possible). The definitions of the team types are below:

Club Team

Players selected for the Club Team will have advanced skills and abilities. Their actual age will not be a considered a factor. This will be the Litchfield Bears Club team for their respective under.

Development Teams

The Development Teams' players will focus on the specific training needs of the group. This will include more specialised training in certain areas to help the players develop their skills.

Each year the same selection process will occur and any returning players will have an equal opportunity for selection for the Club Team.

Our goal is to ensure that all players receive the training and support that they need to develop their skills, while also being challenged appropriately.

Selection decisions will be based on:

- Performance at the selection trials
- Past performance in competition games
- Attendance and participation at competition, training and club / team events (commitment)
- Good sportsmanship (values)
- Abiding by the Code of Conduct on the field and at any NTRL sanctioned event (behaviour) ie. any reports or penalties recorded by the LRLC or NTRL for conduct inconsistent with the above code, may result in a player; not being selected, or relegated to another position for one or more matches



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In addition, players:

- must be financial members of the club
- will be selected on their performance, commitment, values and behaviour, not their personal characteristics or attributes (e.g. race, sexuality, religion, affiliations)
- may be precluded from selection if there is a concern about their ability to compete safely or if their participation poses a risk to themselves or others. Players shall respect the advice of official trainers.

Process

- Players in U14s and U16s will play in a series of round robins for the selection panel to assess their achievement towards the selection criteria. If requested, players will be provided with feedback based on the selection criteria.
- The selection process will also highlight the training needs of all players and this will inform the training plans for the season.
- Coaches will not be assigned to a team (Club or Development) for the season until after the selection process has been completed. This is to ensure that no bias influences the selection process. All coaching assignments are made at the discretion of the coaching committee.
- Selection criteria will be reiterated during the season so that players are clear about how teams competing for the season are chosen at the beginning of each year.
- The team selections will be final at commencement of the season but any concerns about team selection can be discussed with the coach and/or team manager in the first instance. A formal written complaint to the LRLC committee should be made if these concerns cannot be resolved and the player/s believe he/she has not been treated in accordance with the selection schedule.