WA PREMIER CRICKET

Male Junior Premier Cricket Trials Policy

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PREMIER CRICKET

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The purpose of this policy is to provide structure for WA Premier Cricket Clubs, players and parents around the process for Trials for Male Junior Premier Cricketers who may want to enter into the WA Premier Cricket System.

When Trials May Be Held

A Premier Club may only hold trials for Male Junior Premier Cricket players after the 15th February of the current season. A Premier Club cannot hold any trials prior to this date. Should a Premier Club hold a trial prior to the above date, they are liable to a penalty as listed further below in this policy.

Timing of Offers

Subject to this Policy, a Premier Club can only offer a position within a Junior team for the following season to a prospective Junior Premier Cricket player after 1st April of the current season. A Premier Club cannot make any offers prior to this date.

Should a Premier Club make an offer prior to the above date, they are liable to a penalty as listed further below in this policy.

A Premier Club can only make an offer to a player that resides in their District Boundary as listed within the WAPCC General Rules, or within the District Boundary of an adjoining Premier Club as listed within the WAPCC General Rules (Common Boundary Club).

A Premier Club may apply for dispensation to make an offer to a player that resides outside their District Boundary, or the District Boundary of a Common Boundary Club, should it believe that there are extenuating circumstances that need to be considered. The Premier Club needs to make an application to the WAPCC Management Committee, through the WA Cricket, Cricket Operations Unit for the application for dispensation to be considered.

This provision (relating to Clubs making offers to players) does not apply to prevent a Premier Club from making an offer for the following season to a Registered Player of that Premier Club who has played a match in a Junior Competition or Senior Competition for the Premier Club in the current season.

Squad Selection Submission

Each Premier Club must submit their selected squad for all junior age groups to the WA Cricket, Cricket Operations Unit by May 30th for assessment. The submission must contain the names of all players accepted into each junior age group squad and their residential address. Should a Premier Club not submit selected squads by the above date, they are liable to a penalty as listed further below in this policy.

Penalty for Non-Compliance

Failure to comply with the above requirements of this policy will leave the WAPCC Management Committee with discretion to penalise within the following framework as they see fit:

a) The WAPCC Management Committee may reject any registration of a prospective Junior Premier Cricket Player should they have reason to believe that a Junior Trial or Offer was conducted in breach of the above guidelines.
b) The WAPCC Management Committee may withhold or deduct match points for either the Senior Club Championship or a particular grade in the competition should they have reason to believe that a Junior Trial or Offer was conducted in breach of the above guidelines.
c) The WAPCC Management Committee may instruct the WA Cricket, Cricket Operations Unit to withhold Premier Club Grant Money from an offending Premier Club should they have reason to believe that a Junior Trial or Offer was conducted in breach of the above guidelines.

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Appendix A – Process for Dispensations

A Premier Club may apply for a Dispensation for a player that does not reside within their boundary or the boundary of a Common Boundary Club through the following steps:

a) The WAPCC Management Committee will only consider Dispensations for players outside the residential boundary of the applying Premier Club (and that club's Common Boundary Clubs) once the following criteria has been met:
    i) The applying Premier Club submits evidence that the player has trialled or was invited to trial at Premier Club of which they reside within the boundaries of;
    ii) The applying Premier Club submits evidence that the player has trialled or was invited to trial at a Common Boundary Club of the Premier Club of which they reside within the boundaries of;
    iii) The applying Premier Club submits evidence that the player was not selected at the relevant Premier Clubs set out in part i) and ii) above.
b) The WAPCC Management Committee will consider Dispensations for players that do not reside within in any Premier Club's boundaries (e.g. players from regional areas) once the applying Premier Club has made a submission with the residential details of that player.
c) A Premier Club may apply for a Dispensation for any other circumstance that they believe is extenuating and not covered in parts a) and b) above to the WAPCC Management Committee for consideration. The Dispensation submission must contain relevant information to the extenuating circumstances for the WAPCC Management Committee to consider.