



Bylaws and Policies 2023

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION



About the Bylaws

1. The Committee and members of the SHPDTBA make every effort to apply these rulings in an impartial manner.
2. If the membership of the SHPDTBA has any cause for complaint, they are invited to submit their complaint in writing to the Secretary of the SHPDTBA for discussion.
3. At no point may individual members of the SHPDTBA be held responsible for the decisions of the SHPDTBA as an incorporated body.

Alteration of By-Laws

4. Alterations to the By-Laws may be made at a General Committee meeting or via electronic correspondence if required due to time frame in between meetings.
5. A majority vote more than 50% of the elected committee for the current elected term is required.
6. Alterations can be made at any time during a season as required by the Committee or when a situation may arise.

Confidentiality of the SHPDTBA records

7. No official information on players or parents may be divulged to persons for interests outside of running the SHPDTBA.
8. In discarding records, the documents must be destroyed to ensure continued confidentiality.

Breach of By-laws

9. Breaches will be assessed on individual circumstances and at the discretion of the committee.

Election and Appointment of Association Officers and Sub Committees

10. Association Officers will be open for nominations at the first meeting following AGM.
11. To nominate for a position on the Executive Committee at the AGM, the nominee must have served the preceding twelve months on either the General or Executive Committee.
12. However, at the discretion of the President, this rule may be overruled.
13. The roles will be appointed from within the elected Committee members, or via a special appointment by the Club President from the associate membership of the club.
 - Coaching Coordinator
 - Umpire Coordinator
 - Registrar
 - Head State Coach
 - Conflict Resolution Officer
 - Canteen Coordinator
 - Grants and Sponsorship Coordinator
 - Uniform Coordinator
 - Equipment
 - Social Media

Sub Committees of the Association

14. Further to the appointment of association officers, the following Sub Committees will be nominated and approved by the General Committee as soon after the appointment of officers.
15. Other sub-committees may be formed as required.
16. Sub-committees are to have the power to make recommendations to the Committee for endorsement. Any post out material by any sub-committee member must be first approved by the Club Executive and noted in the Committee Minutes.

Budgets, Grants and Expenditure Sub Committee (BGE-SC)

Chair: Association Treasurer

Standing Members: President,
Vice President - Teeball,
Vice President - Baseball,
Secretary

Optional Members: Uniform Co-Ordinator,
Grants and Sponsorship Coordinator
Canteen Co-Ordinator

Other members by Appointment of the Association President

17. The purpose of this subcommittee is to validate and approve the yearly budget and any variations to the budget, including any expenses authorisation and grants on behalf of the association.
18. Authorisation to pay non-budgeted expenses or to vary an allocated budget requires approval from at least two members of the subcommittee, and the chair.
19. Authorisation to pay a Player Development Grant as per section 3.1 of the Bylaw

Disciplinary and Grievances Sub Committee (D&G-SC)

Chair: Association President

Standing Members: Vice President - Teeball,
Vice President - Baseball,
Secretary

Optional Members: Conflict Resolution Officer

Other members by Appointment of the Association President

20. The purpose of this subcommittee is to review, maintain and approve the codes of conduct for Players, Parents and Committee members.
21. They are also charged with the review of any conduct complaints or grievances against the association, its officers, and executives, players, and parents.
22. This Sub Committee shall have the power to suspend or terminate membership of the association, and / or suspend or remove any Officer, Coach or Team Manager from their role.

23. If there is a complaint against a member of the Sub Committee, the President may appoint a substitute member of the Committee in their place, for the purpose of the investigation and adjudication.
24. In the event of a complaint against the President of the Association, then the Club Secretary will preside over this sub-committee. If the complaint is upheld against the President, then the Secretary shall have the power to suspend the President for a period of not more than 30 days so that an extraordinary AGM may be called to discuss and vote upon the censorship or removal/replacement of the President.
25. In this event, the remaining members of the executive committee of the association will nominate an acting president for the purposes of calling an Extraordinary AGM and continuity of committee activity.
26. The role of Acting President will not be for a period longer than 30 days but may be extended for a further 30 days by majority vote of the General Committee so that an AGM may be called and executed to discuss this matter.

Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee (TSAN-SC)

Chair: Association President

Standing Members: Vice President - Teeball,
Vice President - Baseball,
Secretary

Optional Members: Coaching Coordinator,
Umpire Coordinator

Other members by Appointment of the Association President

27. The purpose of this subcommittee is to review, maintain and nominate players, coaches and Team Managers to each team at the start of every season.
28. This subcommittee is also authorised to nominate players awards, trophies and recognitions by the association for approval by the General Committee
29. This Sub Committee is also authorised to manage and review all nominations for Life membership and form a recommendation for the General Committee.

Nominations for LIFE MEMBERSHIP

30. Nominations for Life Membership must be made to the club Secretary during the period of club (Senior/ junior/team) nominations.
31. The Nominee must be nominated and seconded by existing financial members of the SHPDTBA.
32. The Nominee for Life membership must have given a minimum of 5 years continuous membership or service with the SHPDTBA as either a committee member or a team volunteer (Coach, Manager or Umpire) unless exceptional circumstances can be cited (e.g. Nominee has been involved in multiple areas of the club co- currently over several years)
33. Length of membership alone is not appropriate reasons for nomination.
34. The Nomination must articulate the reasons why Life Membership is considered appropriate and where possible, specify examples of work or involvement which has significantly progressed the SHPDTBA should be cited.
35. All Nominations are to be treated with the strictest of CONFIDENCE.
36. Once having received nominations the SHPDTBA Executive Committee are to scrutinise all valid nominations, and present valid nominations for consideration to the current Committee.
37. A nomination will be formally endorsed by a majority committee vote (80%).
38. The decision is final and if a nomination is not endorsed by the Committee an additional nomination could be submitted in future years.
39. An Official Life Membership Badge will be presented at the completion of the season.
40. Life membership may be revoked for anyone who brings the club into disrepute.
41. Life members are enabled to vote on any Committee issue as a member of the General Committee, but their participation is not mandatory.
42. Life Members can be appointed in an Association Officer role or elected to serve on a sub-committee of the association.
43. Life Members can be voted, in the event of an early resignation or suspension/termination of their role, to replace a member of the executive committee.

Minutes

44. Full and accurate minutes are to be kept of all Committee, Executive and Sub Committee meetings.
45. Minutes are to be published to the general committee members as soon as possible after the meeting, no longer than 4 weeks.
46. Only AGM minutes can be made public to general members.

Key Data Systems

47. To facilitate the rapid deployment of messages across each of the Committee and send information to Coaches, Managers and Members, the Club has bulk email/SMS system which can be used by the Club Executive.
48. Alternatively emails or phone can also be used between Committee members.
49. Any subject matter that involves the Club must be cc'd to the President and/or the Secretary.

CODES OF CONDUCT

Committee Code of Conduct

50. Upon joining the SHPDTBA committee, members will be asked to agree to uphold the Bylaws of the Association
51. Failure to do so may result in your nomination and selection for committee not being accepted or revoked.
52. Should any committee member participate in or express any intimidating or threatening behaviour whether at a general committee meeting, special meeting, AGM or at any other time towards other members of the club, the committee reserves the right to remove the said member from the meeting and exercise their right to immediately cease the committee position through a majority vote.
53. Any committee member who resigns, is suspended, or removed from the committee in that preceding year will need to complete their 12 months eligibility period on their return, before taking up an Executive role.
54. All elected officers must act ethically, with honesty and integrity, in the best interests of The Association and its members, always.
55. All elected officers must act in a financially responsible manner.
56. All elected officers must not disclose official information or documents acquired through membership of the Committee, other than as required by law or were agreed by decision of the Committee.
57. Respect the confidentiality and privacy of all information as it pertains to individuals or decisions of the Committee and not disclose any information or voting discussed privately within the committee meetings.
58. All elected officers must be diligent in their role.
59. Attend Committee meetings or forward their apology prior to the meeting.
60. Members must attend a minimum of 3 meetings following the AGM and prior to the end of the same calendar year to be eligible in voting rights and to uphold their position on the Committee.
61. Treat all people associated with the Club, including members, volunteers, partners, external stakeholders, and other Committee Members with respect.
62. Attend to their responsibility and make decisions based on what is best for the Club, not for individual interest or gain.

63. Not take advantage of their position on the Committee in any way
64. Declare any Conflicts of Interest as they arrive and act to ensure that these conflicts do not pose a risk to the Club.
65. Be open to feedback from members and respond appropriately.
66. Be honest always.
67. Act as a positive role model with respect to good sporting behaviour
68. Respect the equipment and resources of the Club and only use these in Club related business.
69. Always look for opportunities for improved performance of the Club operations and Committee functions
70. Always represent the Club in a professional manner and not to damage the Club or its reputation in any way.

Parent Code of Conduct.

71. All parents need to sign the parent code of conduct when their child is registered.
72. The SHPDTBA will not tolerate any behaviour which brings the game into disrepute. Parents are bound to proper behaviour as stated in the Parent Code of Conduct signed at the beginning of the season.
73. All codes of behaviour can be found under Codes of behaviour at
 - [Order Publications - Tee Ball Association WA \(tbawa.com.au\)](http://tbawa.com.au)
74. However, the following will also apply during all teeball games:
75. A parent who is the Coach (or acting as a Coach) of the team -
 - is the ONLY person allowed to address the plate umpire
 - has full control of the team
 - is the ONLY one allowed to direct players on the field (unless an assistant coach is also available)
76. A parent who is the Manager, Base Coach or Assistant to the team -
 - will help the coach with the administration/running of the team
 - are to raise any queries through the Coach
 - are not to make any comments/remarks to umpires, other coaches, etc.
 - scorers are only there to score and encourage players (again no direction to be given)
77. A parent who is at the game as a parent -
 - Does not have the right to address the officials during a game

- May only give the children encouragement not direction (as this only confuses the player and may contradict what the coach wants to achieve)
- May not make any negative remarks about another parent, child or family

“A parent may have their membership to the club cancelled if the rules are not followed”

Player Code of Conduct

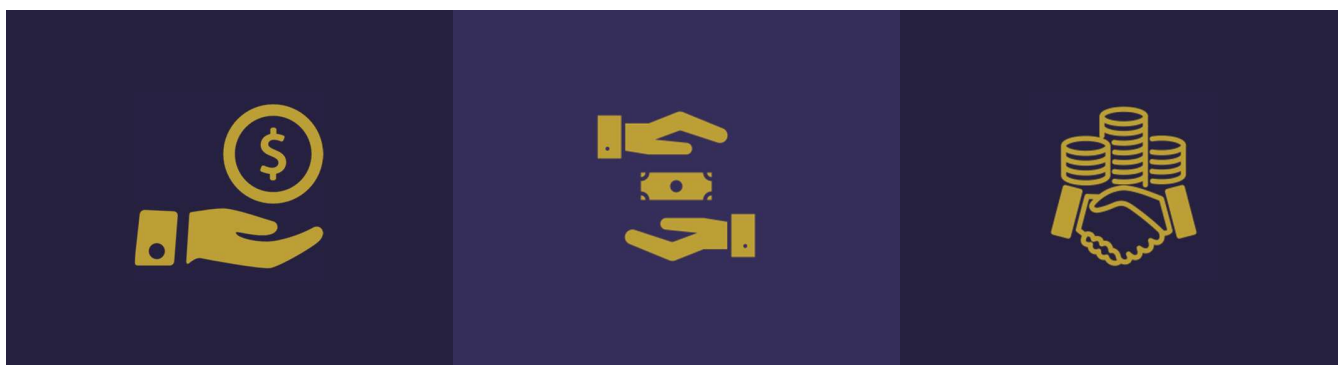
78. Learn the Rules of Tee Ball and always play by them.
79. Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they be by your team or the opposition.
80. Players must wear correct footwear, hats and be suitably attired.
81. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
82. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted in any sport.
83. Never argue with an Umpire, other players, Coaches or Officials. If you have a problem, discuss it with your Coach and allow them to take the necessary action.
84. Verbal abuse and/or deliberate physical interference with opponents will not be tolerated by your Coach or Umpires and will result in immediate removal from the game as per TBAWA Rulebook.
85. Always strive to play to the best of your ability, both at training and during games.
86. Respect the time and efforts put in by your Coaches and Officials. They deserve your full support and commitment.
87. Tee Ball is a team game. Encourage your team mates even when they make mistakes. Remember every player makes errors and has off days. Never ridicule opponents or teammates.
88. Always accept that you will be required to take an equal turn on the bench. When on the bench, always encourage your team and be prepared to play.
89. Respect your opponents and appreciate their good play. Without opposition you would not be able to play the game of Tee Ball.

90. Play for the fun of it and to improve your Tee Ball skills, not just to please parents and coaches.
91. Respect the equipment provided for your use. Tee Ball equipment is very expensive and should be used responsibly. Abuse of equipment such as throwing helmets or bats is unacceptable.
92. Always think of safety to avoid injuries to yourself and others.
93. Foul language of any sort will not be tolerated.
94. Players must still maintain their obligations to their club teams at both training and games.

Protests and Disputes

95. All complaints must be in writing to the Secretary to be acknowledged and acted upon.
96. Letters of complaint will be discussed/ reviewed by the Executive Committee. At the discretion of the Executive committee, other relevant committee members maybe also be involved.
97. Both the author of the complaint and the person, against whom the complaint is levelled, shall have the opportunity to submit their versions of events to the Secretary. The Executive Committee may meet at a time which is suitable to discuss the issue. Both parties involved may be called before the Executive Committee.
98. The Executive Committee will evaluate both sides of the argument and reach a decision. The Executive Committee shall not enforce any penalty unless agreed unanimously by the Executive Committee and a proper and fair process has been carried out. (I.e. Parties in dispute had a chance to put their point forward).
99. The final decision/outcome will be communicated to both parties in writing.
100. Executive Committee decisions are to be reported in brief to the General Committee or minutes of the Executive Committee meeting tabled at the next general committee meeting.
101. Records are to be kept of all written complaints and of the action taken. The Executive Committee recommendations to the Committee are to stand but may be subject to appeal to the Committee in writing.

FINANCIAL POLICIES



Approval of expenditure on behalf of the Association

102. For each financial year, the Budgets and Expenditure Sub-Committee will produce an annual budget for all sub committees for the review and approval of the general committee.
103. Once approved, this budget grants the sub-committee to raise purchase orders and reclaim expenses, up to the value of their approved budget.
104. For all other expenditure, the Budgets and Expenditure Sub-Committee has the authority to amend and approve all other expenditure, up to and include the financial limits of the association.
105. Main account requires a minimum of two Executive Members with signing power
106. If a debit card is linked to the account for debit orders, only one person is required
107. The association must always remain financially solvent.

Player Development Grants

108. Upon written request, a player development grant of up to \$250 may be granted to current financial players who gain selection to play baseball representing Western Australia in a National or International Competition at a Little League, Intermediate League, or Junior League Level.
109. Player development grants are only available for 1 (one) event per player in a single calendar year.
110. A request must be put in writing to the SHPDTBA Secretary and will be discussed at the next Budgets, Grants and Expenditure Sub Committee meeting.
111. The award will be at the Budgets, Grants and Expenditure Sub Committees discretion

112. The monies allocated for the player grants is to be fundraised or received via sponsorship. If via sponsorship, the sponsor needs to be fully aware there are providing funds for the player grants in baseball. Funds received for running the club (fee's, club sponsorship, canteen revenue etc) are not to be used for player grants.

Disposal of Club Assets

113. From time to time, upon recommendation of the Equipment / Uniform Officer and supported by the Budgets, Grants and Expenditure Sub Committee, Tee ball and Baseball equipment/ uniforms may be donated to schools, other clubs, or charitable causes.
114. These assets must first be removed from the Club's asset register using the Asset Disposal Form

Membership/ Fees

115. Prior to registrations each season the committee shall assess the registration fees and any need to increase / reduce the amount.
- Currently membership is set at:
 - Tee ball \$170 (\$140 plus \$30 uniform deposit which will be returned upon uniform returned)
 - Little League Baseball - \$200 (includes \$20 umpire fee)
 - Intermediate League Baseball - \$220 (includes \$20 umpire fee)
116. Discounts:
- Tee ball reduced to \$100 (\$70 plus \$30 uniform deposit) if registered to play baseball as well. Not valid if a promotion for reduced Tee ball fees has already been applied.
 - \$50 discount if registered for 2nd grade of baseball.

Retention of Administration Costs from Registration Fees

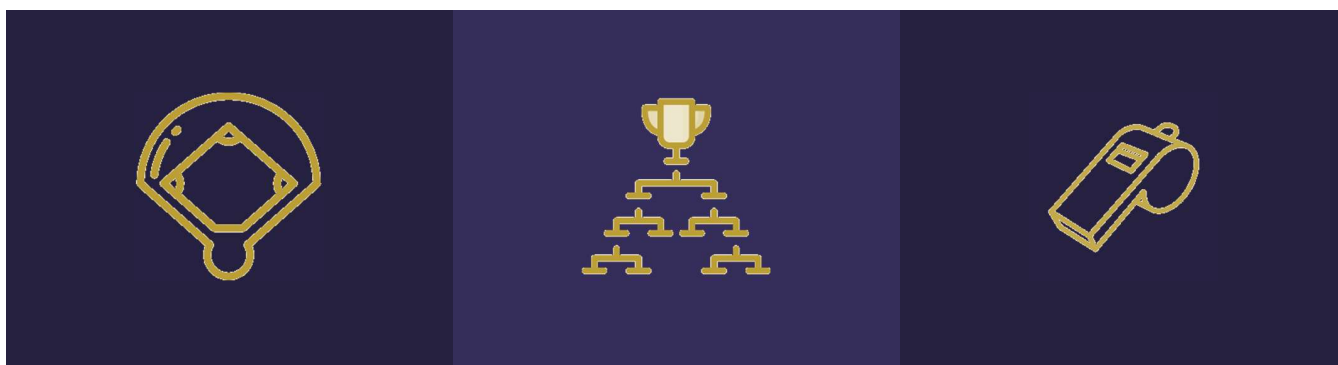
117. A fee determined by the Treasurer and ratified at a General Committee meeting is to be retained by the SHPDTBA on refund of registration fees. The charge is to cover administration costs and each situation is to be reviewed by the Treasurer for approval. (Current fee - \$30)
118. Refund of monies will be considered where any person ceasing to be a member of the Club, due to circumstances beyond the control of the Club, (i.e. cannot be placed in a team), they may on the recommendation of the Committee, be entitled to the return of

their subscription less the administration fee, by submitting a written request for a refund.

119. Resignation from the association for any of the following: -

- Dislike of the team,
- Dislike of members of any team,
- Training venue,
- Playing times or
- Any rules that cannot be adhered to by the member would deem the member ineligible for a refund of the fees.

BASEBALL BYLAWS



General Rules and Information

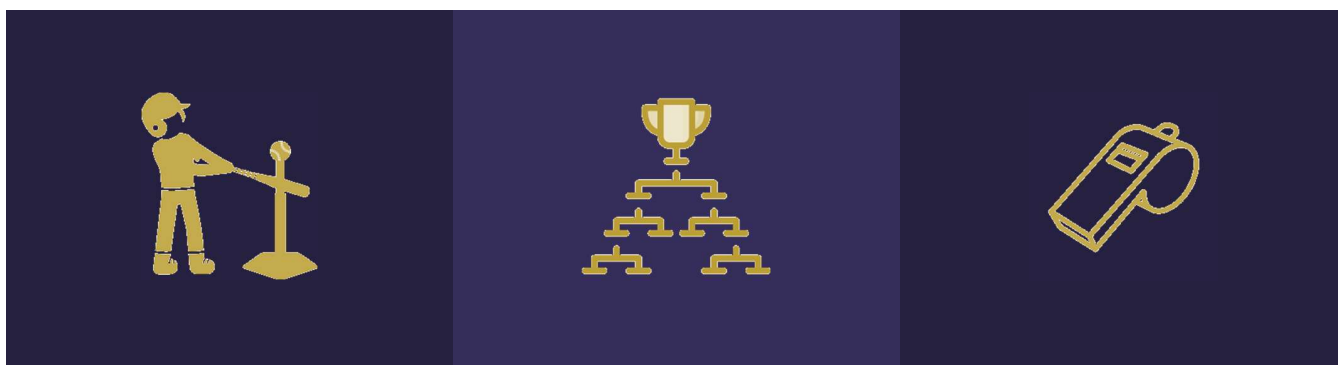
120. All relevant information described in the above sections is also applicable to club baseball.
121. Baseball follows the governance of Baseball WA and the By-Laws passed down by our regional Charter division, Coastal Bay Sharks.
122. All players, coaches and supporters shall adhere to the Baseball Code of Conduct. This can be found at:
https://www.baseballwa.com.au/uploads/1/2/7/2/127255926/baseball_wa_code_of_conduct.pdf
123. Baseball WA Junior Club By-Laws shall apply to all regular season club Little League Minor, Little League Major, Intermediate League, Junior League, Senior League, Big League, and Championship Cup matches. These By-Laws can be found at:
https://www.baseballwa.com.au/uploads/1/2/7/2/127255926/bwa_junior_by_laws_2021-22_season_-_v1.7_-_5-11-2021.pdf
124. Any umpire in control of any Baseball WA game may report any person who engages in conduct detrimental to the best interests of the game of baseball. Further information can be found at:
https://www.baseballwa.com.au/uploads/1/2/7/2/127255926/2021-22_baseball_wa_reported_bwa_player_and_tribunal_procedures.docx
125. Little League teams should not place winning above player development. Each season Coastal Bay Charter will provide updated by-laws relating to this principal; these by-laws are to be adhered to in addition to the by-laws outlined in this document.
126. Clubs are responsible for umpire provision for all games. Home games require the provision of accredited plate umpires, and away games require the provision of base

umpires. Umpiring accreditation is controlled by the WA Baseball Umpires Association. Where possible, parents and volunteers shall participate in the umpire training and assist with umpiring duties to ensure that games can be played. Without an umpire, games cannot go ahead ('No umpire, no game'.)

127. Accredited plate umpires will be paid a fee per game (plate only) as set by SHPDTBA committee (currently set at \$25/ game) but can be changed at Committee discretion.
128. Scorers must be provided by each team on game day.
129. Home games may require setup of diamonds, outfield, netting, benches, etc as described in the Baseball WA Game By-Laws Section A1.1. Parents, supporters and players are required to assist in the setup and removal of all equipment where possible
130. Registration for the appropriate grade of baseball shall be as per your child's age accordingly to the Baseball WA Age Chart.
131. Should a player wish to 'play up' in a higher grade of baseball and is eligible to play in that grade, the club must be informed at the time of the players registration into their age-appropriate grade. Players may register for any competition they are age-eligible for and are encouraged to register for the main competition for their age level. Positions on teams will be allocated based on availability and other factors such as age and skill level of that player.
132. Play up requests are granted at the club's discretion. The club is committed to giving priority to players in the appropriate age range for the relevant baseball grade first. Players wishing to 'play up' will only be considered once all age-appropriate players have been given a place in the relevant baseball grade's team.
133. Any player who has previously registered and played Baseball in Australia, requires a transfer to move from one club to another. The Baseball WA Club Transfer Form is to be completed by all players requesting a clearance to move clubs and then passed to the Baseball WA Operations Support Manager. NB: All club transfers must be endorsed by the players original club's committee before the transfer can be approved.
134. Club Registrars are to request transfer for players and the Baseball WA Operations Support Manager will notify the charter secretary and club when completed. Club clearance must be completed before charter clearance can begin.
135. A Dual Registration Form is to be completed should a player be seeking permission to be registered at more than one club. Dual registration will not be permitted for players if our club offers both grades for which the player wishes to register. Junior players within the metro area may only dual register with a club in their own charter.

136. A player seeking dispensation to play below his/her age group (one year below only) must seek approval from the Coastal Bay Sharks charter committee. A player, once granted dispensation, cannot compete in any other grade for the balance of the current season. NB: A player provided dispensation cannot play for a charter team in the season the dispensation is provided.
137. The club will provide all players with a playing top that must be returned to the club at the end of each season. Players will be responsible to procure white pants, purple belt, and a Secret Harbour Pirates Baseball hat prior to the start of the season.

TEEBALL BYLAWS



Playing Divisions Structure

138. The first season a child is eligible to play Tee Ball shall be the season which commences in the same 'school intake' as the child enters Kindergarten.
139. Children who have not yet commenced Kindergarten may be considered to play depending on team availability, the child's ability, and willing parent participation.
 - U7's Kindergarten and Pre- primary
 - U9's Years 1 & 2
 - U11's Years 3 & 4
 - U13's Years 5,6 & 7
140. All requests to play below an age group (based on medical grounds) or in a higher age group are to be submitted in writing each year to the Registrar accompanied by documentary substantiation of the medical or other disabilities which have led to the request.
141. Any requests will be discussed at the committee meeting and will be assessed on a case by case.
142. The decision is final, and an appeal will not be considered.

Criteria for team sorting

143. Teams in each division should have a maximum of 12 players, except for U7's who will have a maximum of 9 players.
144. Registration to be used in the following manner when sorting players into Teams:
145. Returning players and new players spread across teams evenly.
146. Requests to play with friends to be considered and accommodated as much as possible.

147. State players from each individual age group to be evenly distributed across teams where possible.
148. Gender balance will be even across teams (when able), or at the discretion of the Registrar based on numbers of players available.

Games

149. All games are to be played at the designated time and place provided in the season's fixtures.
150. Game times
- All games must start and finish on the allocated time.
 - If an innings is not completed by the allocated finishing time, then the score will revert.
 - EXCEPTION: if the second team is batting and in front at the allocated finishing time the score will remain.
151. "Fill in" player(s) for U9's, U11's, U13's
- In the event of a team not having 9 (nine) players, fill in player(s) may be used (excluding finals in U11 and U13).
 - A "Fill in" player must not be older than the grade.
 - A "Fill in" player must not be younger than one (1) age group below their registered grade.
152. Even-up rule
- In the situation that one of the teams is unable to field a full team (9 players), a player may fill-in for the other team.
 - If no player is willing to play for the other the team, both teams must only play with same amount in the field.
153. Under 7's only
- 6 fielders/ team. No outfield
 - All batters are allowed 5 strikes
 - Teams are to bat through regardless of outs.
 - However, if the batter gets out, they are out.
 - Pitcher only allowed one tag per innings.
 - Scoring to occur, however result shared at the umpires discretion.
154. A coach can position himself or herself within the diamond but MUST not interfere with any play or player while their team is fielding. (MUST be crouched if in the infield).
155. Games will not be played if both teams have less than seven players per team in

- U13,
- U11,
- U9 and
- less than six players in U7's.

Cancellation of Games

156. A game may be cancelled at least 1 hour prior to games commencing where the following conditions prevail:
- (a) Wet weather
 - (b) Adverse ground conditions
 - (c) Extreme heat concerns.
157. When it is deemed unsafe for games to commence, a notice on Facebook will be posted and coaches contacted.
158. Games will be cancelled at the discretion of the President after consultation with the Executive committee.
159. If games are in progress and lightening is present, games will be suspended immediately.

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Score recording - U11s And U13s

160. Results of U11's and U13's games to be forwarded to nominated officer for collating and recording results.
161. Current ladder is to be made available throughout the season

Finals – U11 and U13's – 2 weeks final.

162. In 4 team final -
- 1 v 4,
 - 2 v 3.
 - Winners play in GF,
 - loser play in play off final.

163. In 6 team finals -

- 1 v 4,
- 2 v 3,
- 5 v 6.
- Winners of 1 v 4 and 2 v 3 play in GF (medal game).
- Loser of 2 v 3 plays loser of 5 v 6.
- Loser of 1 v 4 plays winner of 5 v 6.

164. No draws in finals. Play to continue with even innings until there is a clear winner

165. Top up players can't be used in Finals.

- If you have 8 players, you field without a fielder in a position of your choice and bat to 8 batters each innings
- If you have 7 or less players you forfeit

Player rotation

166. Friday / Saturday games

To enhance the four "F's", in particular **'fair play'** of Tee Nall, no player can:

- Field in the same position more than once during a game
- Field more than two times in a row in an infield position
- Field more than two times in a row in an outfield position
- Be scheduled in the first innings to bat outside of the first nine batters and sit out the fielding innings (player has no possibility of game time in the first innings)
- Cannot sit out two consecutive innings

167. All players must rotate through every position throughout the season.

"All players must rotate through every position"

Safety gear - helmets / chest plates

168. All batters and base runners must wear helmets
169. Catchers must wear a helmet
170. Pitchers will wear a pitcher's helmet with a face guard and a chest plate
171. This is compulsory (As per TBAWA rules 2.3 (e))
172. A cap may be worn under the pitcher's helmet, but it must be worn correctly (not backwards).
173. Additionally, where the Club deems appropriate above the requirements, helmets must be worn in consideration of duty of care to the children by the club, umpires and coaches. (i.e. outfielders.)
174. No child shall be allowed to wear a helmet with a face guard or visor while fielding, except at pitcher.

Umpiring - "Family Involvement"

175. Home team shall supply a plate umpire unless one is allocated.
176. Away team shall supply a base umpire unless one is allocated.
177. A parent who is the Plate or Field Umpire -
 - will officiate to their best of their ability and without bias
 - be courteous always and if dispute arises due to a question by either coach, refer the matter to the SHPDTBA umpire Coordinator after the game, verbally, followed by a written statement.
 - courteously remind any parent (outside of the Coach) that voices their opinion to either umpire, to please be quiet or they will be ejected from the ground.
 - If any situation that arises cannot be resolved, contact a committee member immediately (even if it means stopping the game).
178. If a person who has registered for the Level 1 umpiring course fails to attend without the required notice given to TBAWA, the club will pass the applicable no-show fee charged on to the member.
179. Junior Umpires are only able to umpire age divisions that are at least 2 years younger than their own age.
180. Must complete a Level 1 Clinic before they umpire
181. Junior umpires will be paid a fee per game (plate only) as set by SHPDTBA committee (currently set at \$10/ game) but can be changed at Committee discretion
182. The current TBAWA umpire rules and regulations can be found at:

<https://tbawa.sharepoint.com/Shared Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?id=%2FShared Documents%2FUmpiring%2FRule Book Edition 7%2Epdf&parent=%2FShared Documents%2FUmpiring&p=true&ga=1>

Players' uniforms

FRIDAY/ SATURDAY GAMES

183. All players shall wear the following uniform for Friday/Saturday games -

- Black pants provided by SHPDTBA
- Team shirt as provided by SHPDTBA
- Black 'SH' cap provided by SHPDTBA

184. Shirts must be tucked into the pants as per TBAWA rules 2.3 (a).

185. Enclosed shoes must be worn by all players and anyone (coaches, managers, umpires, scorer, base coaches) involved in the game TBAWA rule 2.3 (b).

186. Team Coaches are also encouraged to wear team shirt and club hats as per the team.

187. In the case of cold or wet weather. Players may wear a long sleeve top under their playing shirt.

188. Jackets and jumpers over playing shirts must be removed before taking the diamond.

189. No jewellery of any kind is to be worn during Friday/ Saturday games. This includes

- earrings of any kind,
- fantasy jewellery of any kind,
- neck chains of any kind (except rule below),
- any rings (other than plain bands),
- bracelets / bands of any kind (except rule below),
- watches,
- Fitbit bands, or
- any hair clip/s (girls) that may cause injury to player/s during a game.

190. Children WILL NOT PLAY if the jewellery rule above is not followed.

191. Umpires need to check players before game starts.

Exception to the above:

- Medic alert bracelets/ neck chains may be worn but must be taped.

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Friday/ Saturday games.”*

SELECTION OF TEAMS TO REPRESENT SHPDTBA

TBAWA Lightning Carnival

Eligible age groups to represent SHPDTBA are defined by TBAWA and normally consist of

- U7,
- U9,
- U10,
- U11,
- U12 and
- U13.

Team selection

- All eligible teams will have the opportunity to nominate themselves to play at the TBAWA Warren Lake Carnival.
- At least 1 team is required to attend to allow nomination for the State Championships.
- If no nominations are received to represent the Club, a team will be chosen by the Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee and nominated to participate.

“Note: more than one team may be nominated”

State Championship Teams

Player selection

192. All eligible club players from U9's and above can nominate if they believe are capable of playing at State Championship level, however SHPDTBA expects players to be well conversant with the rules of the game, be able to achieve a minimum requirement set by the SHPDTBA and be prepared to commit the time and effort to all training and State events that the Club nominates for (This includes Parent's commitment).

193. To be eligible, all players must be: -

- a. Compliant with the appropriate age group based on date of birth groupings provided by TBAWA.
- b. Registered and financial member of SHPDTBA
- c. Played a minimum of 50% of the regular season games (players will be removed from state teams if this requirement isn't met, uniform costs etc will not be refunded). If a medical certificate is provided to the Vice President - Teeball, games covered by the medical certificate will count towards games played.

d. Must have attended at least one try-out to be considered for the team.

194. A player selected by TBAWA to play at Super Squad level will automatically be selected to a SHPDTBA state Team. However, the player and parents must show the same commitments (time and effort) to the team otherwise they may forfeit their place in the team.
195. Selection in each age group is to be completed by trials which will be held at the first 4 weeks (minimal) of the season which will be overseen by the Head State Coach.
196. Day and times to be determined by committee prior to season commencing. Players not able to attend all trials will need to provide strong reasoning to the Head State Coach to continue to be considered for selection.
197. Having previously played at State Championship level does not guarantee automatic inclusion in a team. All players will be notified by the coach selection outcome.

Once Team Has Been Selected

198. Training time/ day will be determined by coach.
199. In the event that club training clashes with state training, state training will take precedence how regular training to be attended whenever possible.
200. Assistant Coaches and Team Managers are chosen by the Coach.

Coach Selection

201. Applications for the position of State Championship Team Coaches are to be opened and closed on dates determined by the committee.
202. Applications are to be sent to the Head State Coach and forwarded to the Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee.
203. The Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee puts forward their recommendation to the Executive Committee.
204. Previous State coaches may be invited onto the Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee, but not guaranteed position for the purposes of making a team nomination.
205. Applicants must be qualified to Level 1 Teeball WA (TBAWA) coaching accreditation or be prepared to take this course prior to the State Competition.
206. Applicants must have a valid Working with Children Card.
207. If no successful candidate is nominated, the Teams Selection and Awards Nominations Sub Committee can propose a suitable candidate without the necessary pre-requisite of coaching an SHPTBA team within the previous 12 months.

- 208. A secret vote may be held by the Committee.
- 209. Any conflict-of-interest parties will not be able to vote.
- 210. Applicants are informed of the Committee's decision.

State Team Carnivals

- 211. All State Teams will attend Carnivals nominated by the Committee with the objective of providing players with match experience prior to the State Championships.
- 212. All State TBAWA rules and other relevant SHPDTBA By-Laws will apply.
- 213. Teams shall play a minimum of 9 players.
- 214. Full State uniform is to be worn (if available), if not then a uniform will be determined by the committee.

Super Squad

- 215. Super squad player nominations are to be selected as follows:
- 216. Players are to be selected from the U12 State Championship representatives from the previous season. These players are to be nominated by the U12's State Coach in conjunction with the Head State Coach.
- 217. Maximum 5 players to be nominated
- 218. Parents of nominated children to be notified to determine if nomination accepted. Once accepted names to be forwarded to Tee Ball VP for nomination through TBAWA.
- 219. If 2 or less children are nominated that year, then the U11's State coach may put forward further nominations.

State Team Umpiring

- 220. Ideally all State teams will have a parent or junior that can 'plate umpire' at pre-State Carnivals.
- 221. If any person completes the Level 2 Umpiring Course, then the Club expects them to help plate umpire games at State Championships in March.
- 222. A junior umpire needs to be aged 11 or older.
 - Must complete a Level 1 Clinic before they umpire
- 223. Junior umpires/ umpires can be paid a fee at Pre state carnivals.
 - Currently set at \$15 for base and \$20 for plate/ game). Amount can be changed at committee discretion.
- 224. Level 1 Skill/ ability/ experience to umpire at Pre states carnivals to be assessed by Umpire coordinator and executive committee.



- Approval must be obtained.
225. State Championship Fees is \$25 for level 1 base umpiring and \$50 for level 2 plate umpiring.
- Amount can be changed at Committee discretion.

Grounds Rules



226. No smoking or Alcohol is allowed at Lark Hill when Tee ball or Junior Baseball is being played. This includes all grassed area and the clubhouse area. Smoking is permitted in the car park.
227. Dogs are not permitted at the games. Assistance dogs are exempt.

Training Grounds

228. Teams **MUST** train in their allocated training diamond on their allocated day.
229. If any changes are required, then please contact the registrar to discuss.
230. Playing diamonds are not to be trained on unless arranged with Registrar.