

**Queensland School Sport**



# **13-19 years Water Polo Competition Procedures**

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This document **must** be read in conjunction with the  
QSSMG Competition Procedures.

# 1 Queensland School Sport Internal Structures

## 1.1 Sport Specific Committees and Advisory Groups

The Queensland School Sport (QSS) 13-19 years Water Polo sports specific committee follows:

- Queensland School Sport Management Group (QSSMG) Competition Procedures.
- Queensland School Sport 13-19 years Water Polo Competition Procedures

QSS 13-19 years Water Polo Competition Procedures and QSSMG Competition Procedures must be read in conjunction with one another.

## 1.2 Registration of New Sports

## 1.3 Alternative Procedures Enabling Participation at a School Sport Australia Competition

## 1.4 De-registration of Sports

## 1.5 Sport Specific Committee Reports

## 1.6 State Sport Committee Finances

# 2 Approval of Competitions

# 3 Competition Programs

## 3.1 State Championships (Inter-regional Competition)

## 3.2 State Championship Competition Rules

### 3.2.1 Rules

The championships are to be conducted under the FINA rules ([www.fina.org](http://www.fina.org)) of the game/competition, except wherein stated.

### 3.2.2 Structure

#### 3.2.2.1 Draw

3.2.2.1.1 Grading games (2 x 6min running or 2 x 7min if possible) — round robin with placings at the completion of the grading games determining the top four placed teams to compete in the title championships and the remaining teams to compete in the Plate Championships.

3.2.2.1.2 Round robins in the title and plate divisions with placings at the completion of the round robin determining the semi-final positions.

3.2.2.1.3 Points allocation:

Win – 3

Draw – 2

Loss – 1

Forfeit – 0

3.2.2.1.4 Seven minutes running time with one minute between quarters and two minutes between halves.

3.2.2.1.5 Finalists in both title and plate round, determined by 1 v 4, 2 v 3.

Gold/silver medal game — winner 1 - 4 v winner 2 - 3.

Bronze medal game — loser 1 - 4 v loser 2 - 3.

Only the gold medal is presented in the plate division.

If there are less than four teams in the plate division, each team will play each other twice during the rounds and the winner of the plate division will be decided by the top two teams playing each other on the final day.

3.2.2.1.6 In the event of any draw in team positions which must be decided i.e. —fourth/fifth after grading games or semi-final positions: FINA Bylaws will come into place.

3.2.2.1.7 The short grading games do not count towards semi-final positions.

3.2.2.1.8 Semi-finals will be four by five minutes actual play (if time permits), one minute break at quarter and three quarter time, and two min at half time.

3.2.2.1.9 Grand finals will be four by five minutes actual time (if time permits), one minute break at quarter and three quarter time, and two minute at half time.

3.2.2.1.10 Timeouts allowed for semi-finals and medal matches as per FINA rules.

3.2.2.2 Special equipment

- Electronic timing equipment
- Floating goals
- Five game balls – size 6009, Women's size 4 balls
- Five game balls – size 6006, Men's size 5 balls
- 2m (red), 5m (yellow) and halfway (white) markers
- Red, blue and white flags
- Game cards
- Two referees per game
- One secretary and one timekeeper per game
- Whistles, stop watch, red and yellow cards
- Time out horns for actual time finals

### **3.3 School Based Competitions**

### **3.4 Sponsorship**

## **4 Access to State Championships**

### **4.1 Eligibility**

### **4.2 Centres of Athletic Development**

### **4.3 Guidelines for Gender Equity in Sport**

## **5 Conduct of State Championships**

### **5.1 Championship Host**

### **5.2 Participation**

#### **5.2.1 Requirements of competition**

Players aged 13-19 at 31 December in the year of the championships.

Teams who played in the plate competition the previous year may have two players aged 18 years and under at 31 December in the year of the championships.

#### **5.2.2 Tournament procedures**

5.2.2.1 After grading day, teams will have approximately five minutes warm-up before each round robin game if the games are on time. Teams should attempt to conduct their warm-up on ground, as pool access will be limited and not guaranteed.

5.2.2.2 All players are to wear the cap number as per program (exchange of goalie excepted).

5.2.2.3 The team named first will wear white caps and commence the game to the left of the table (as you face the pool from the table).

5.2.2.4 The team named first is responsible for table duty for the next game. Two are required. Team managers must supervise players doing table duty. Day one grading games only require two for table duty and coaches are to throw the ball in at their end.

### **5.3 Finance**

### **5.4 Accommodation Framework**

### **5.5 Event Officials**

## **5.6 Complaints Management**

The judiciary/appeals committee will be the QSSWP chair and one delegate each from two other regions that are not involved in the dispute.

## **5.7 Meetings**

### **5.7.1 Organisation**

#### **5.7.1.1 Meetings**

- Sport specific committee will meet regularly with host region prior to championships

#### **5.7.1.2 AGM**

- Meet evening prior to commencement of championships
- Sport specific committee elected for coming year

#### **5.7.1.3 Preliminary conference**

- Meet evening prior to commencement of championships
- Convenor of championships outlines details of championships
- State Team selectors elected

## **5.8 Health and Safety**

## **5.9 Excursions and Functions**

### **5.9.1 Official dinner**

Held one evening of state championships.

## **5.10 State Team Selections**

## **5.11 Host Report**

## **5.12 Travel Subsidy**

## **5.13 Requests for Access to Students**

## **5.14 Loss or Damage of Equipment at State Championships**

## **5.15 Photography**

## **5.16 Trophies and Presentations**

- Champion region – male and female
- Plate champion regions – male and female
- Most valuable player – Towel Awards
  - Male and Female Plate
  - Male and Female Title



- Encouragement award – Towel Awards
  - Male and Female Plate
  - Male and Female Title
- Select state team – male and female
- Title medals (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) and Plate medals (male and female)

## **5.17 Areas of Responsibility**

## **5.18 Minimum Venue Standards**

### 5.18.1 Specific areas

- Pool – 25m between goals playing length for both male and female games
- Shade provided for officials, players on team bench and spectators

## **5.19 Regional Delegates Role**

# **6 Queensland Teams**

## **6.1 State Team Selection Policies**

### 6.1.1 Appointment of Queensland team selectors

- Appointed during preliminary conference of state championships
- Coach automatically appointed as a selector
- Nominations accepted during conference
- Two selectors to be elected via preferential ballot
- No more than one selector per region

### 6.1.2 Queensland Team Selection Policy and Procedures

QSSWP selection policy for Queensland teams and development teams:

### 6.1.3 Queensland Team

6.1.3.1 A team of 13 players will be selected.

6.1.3.2 Five additional players will be named as reserves in alphabetical order.

### 6.1.4 Announcement of the Queensland team

6.1.4.1 The selectors must submit the final team to the executive for ratification prior to the announcement.

6.1.4.2 The executive will announce the Queensland team and reserves to team officials if requested prior to the general announcement on the understanding that the selections are not to be made public.

6.1.4.3 The Queensland team and reserves will be announced in alphabetical order at the close ceremony.

## **6.2 Selection Policy Guidelines**

### **6.2.1 Criteria for the selection of Queensland teams and development teams**

6.2.1.1 The major criterion for selection will be the performance of the player at the state championships. Areas of performance considered should include:

- The skills level exhibited by the player
- The performance of the players as a member of the team
- The attitude and behaviour of the player in and out of the pool

6.2.1.2 A player who is ill or injured at the time of the Queensland Championships may be considered for selection provided that a medical certificate is supplied (QSS exemption policy).

6.2.1.3 A player who is representing the Australian or Queensland Water Polo Association at a higher-level competition at the time of the Queensland schools championships may be considered for selection (QSS exemption policy).

### **6.2.2 Selection procedures**

6.2.2.1 The selectors must meet on a regular basis on each day of the competition.

6.2.2.2 The selectors must meet with the coaches of competing teams to give the coaches the opportunity to put forward names of and comment on the players considered worthy of the standards necessary for selection of a player in a Queensland team.

6.2.2.3 Team coaches may submit a written report to the selectors.

6.2.2.4 At least one member of the selection panel must be present at each game.

6.2.2.5 The selectors should maintain a written report of each game viewed for selection purposes.

6.2.2.6 Minutes of all selector meetings shall be kept and made available to QSSU staff upon request.

6.2.2.7 Team officials must ensure that players always wear the same cap number as shown in the official program subject to corrections made at the preliminary conference.

## **6.3 Participation at National Events**

## **6.4 Appointment of Team Officials**

### **6.4.1 Appointment of Queensland team officials**

Appointed as per QSSMG Competition Procedures with a minimum Development Coach water polo accreditation.

### **6.4.2 Selection panel**

6.4.2.1 The number of selectors for each division (girls and boys) will be three, one of whom shall be the Queensland coach.

6.4.2.2 The Queensland coach will be the chair of the selection panel.

6.4.2.3 Applications for the position of selector must be submitted at preliminary conference.

6.4.2.4 The election of the selectors will be by preferential ballot at the preliminary conference

## **6.5 Uniforms**

## **6.6 Travel Policy**

## **6.7 Queensland Team Preparation**

## **6.8 Risk Management**

## **6.9 Guidelines for Interstate Exchanges / Non School Sport Australia Events**

## **6.10 International Tours**

## **6.11 Costs**

# **7 Accommodation framework**

# **8 Codes of Conduct**

## **8.1 Team Members, Parents and Spectators**

## **8.2 Team Officials**

# **9 Team Officials – Duty of Supervision**

# **10 Procedures for the Investigation and Recording of Misconduct**