



VICTORIAN BASKETBALL REFEREES ASSOCIATION INC

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POLICY FOR SELECTION OF VICTORIAN REFEREES TO AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Approved at the VBRA July 2013 Board Meeting)

The VBRA Elite Referees Committee will nominate referees to Basketball Victoria (BV), through BV's governing body for officiating (currently the VBRA), for appointment to the various Australian Junior Championships, based on the following criteria.

General Requirements (these requirements apply to ALL Victorian referees)

To be nominated, the candidate referee must:

1. Be a registered and accredited member of the VBRA.
2. Hold current Level 2 refereeing accreditation.
3. Must not be under suspension from any Basketball Australia tribunal at the due date for nominations.
4. Not have been suspended by a VBRA Tribunal during the 12 months immediately prior to the nomination. Warnings, Bonds, Reprimands and similar penalties are not considered a "suspension".
5. Must have been an active referee (not just a referee coach) available for 80% of possible Junior Championship (metro) or the required number of nominated event (country) appointments in the previous year and intend to be so available in the current year. This policy recognises that while referees may have been granted leave of absence for valid reasons such as injury, travel, study, work commitments etc, they will not be eligible for nomination. This requirement does not apply in the case of Maternity Leave or Military or Social Service Leave, in which case the referee may be nominated if all of the other criteria apply.
6. Must pass fitness and theory tests prescribed by the governing body.
 - The number of referees to be selected from metropolitan and country regions will be in direct proportion (as nearly as possibly) to the corresponding number of teams from those regions.
 - Referees will only be nominated to one Australian Junior Championship in any one calendar year. An exception may be granted in the case of last-minute replacements or to fulfil requests for additional officials.
 - If Victoria is requested to provide additional referees beyond its normal quota, it may do so provided that no additional costs are incurred by the VBRA and the VBRA is satisfied that the additional referees are ready to perform at least adequately at the Championship. The selection of additional referees should aim to be balanced equally between metropolitan and country referees over the course of twelve months, with country officials being preferred for the first additional vacancy for U20 Australian Junior Championships.
 - In exceptional circumstances the Elite Referees Committee or BVC Referees Committee relevant, may by unanimous consent of all members, nominate an official or officials who do not meet these General Requirements, provided that such nomination is explicitly explained to the governing body in writing. An example might be, without limitation or obligation, an official who has completed a number of successful years as a Junior Panel referee may be nominated to the U20s in the year they retire from the Junior Panel, provided that they are willing to continue to provide other forms of support to the Junior Panel.



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Process

This process applies to nominations from the Melbourne Metropolitan regions. Nominations from BVC regions must meet all of the above General Requirements, but nominations may be made directly to the governing body by BVC.

1. The Elite Referees Committee will receive the recommendation of the VJBL Referees Commissioner, who will be expected to consult with the panel of VJBL referee coaches.
2. The number of referees to be selected from Victoria will be determined by Basketball Australia.
3. The Elite Referees Committee will give careful consideration to all nominations received but is not obliged to accept any specific nomination or nominations. Any substitutions from the nominations must be with the consent of the VJBL Referees Commissioner and must fulfil all of the General Requirements.

Championship-Specific Guidelines

Under 20 Australian Junior Championships

This Section applies to Metropolitan and Country Referees. Nominations from either Metropolitan or Country must be submitted to the Elite Referees Committee.

1. There will normally be two referees representing the entire state of Victoria. The referees may be registered in any part of Victoria provided that they meet all of the General Requirements.
2. Nominations may be received from both of the VJBL Referees Commissioner and from BVC, provided that they meet all of the General Requirements.
3. For guidance, the committee would expect that referees from the previous year's U20 Australian Junior Championship who would benefit from a second year of attendance, and successful referees from the previous year's U18 Australian Junior Championship would be given serious consideration.

Australian Ivor Burge Basketball Championship

This Section applies only to Metropolitan Referees.

The Ivor Burge Basketball Championship is conducted for people with an intellectual disability, representing states and regions. The championship is normally run concurrently with the U20 Australian Junior Championship.

1. For guidance, the Elite Referees Committee would expect that nominees exhibit maturity and flexibility in their attitudes and behaviours, and have a sound social awareness of the purposes of the Ivor Burge Basketball Championship.
2. For guidance, nominees need not necessarily be highly ranked but must have the general aptitude and skill necessary to perform commendably in this championship, and may be nominated as a reward for service.
3. The Ivor Burge Basketball Championship is not seen as the entry point to Australian Junior Championship officiating.

Under 18 Australian Junior Championships

This Section applies only to Metropolitan Referees.

1. For guidance, the committee would expect that referees from the previous year's U18 Australian Junior Championship who would benefit from a second year of attendance, and successful referees from the previous year's U16 Australian Junior Championship and



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Australian Schools Championship would be given serious consideration, along with other high-performing officials who meet the General Requirements.

Australian Schools Championship

This Section applies only to Metropolitan Referees.

1. For guidance, the committee would expect that referees from the previous year's U16 Australian Junior Championship would be given serious consideration, along with other high-performing officials who meet the General Requirements.

Under 16 Australian Junior Championships

This Section applies only to Metropolitan Referees.

1. For guidance, the committee would expect that referees from the previous year's U16 Australian Junior Championship who would benefit from a second year of attendance, and successful referees from the previous year's U14 Australian Junior Championship would be given serious consideration, along with other high-performing officials who meet the General Requirements.

Under 14 Australian Club Championships

This Section applies only to Metropolitan Referees.

1. For guidance, the committee would expect nominations of high-performing officials who meet the General Requirements and show potential to advance through officiating ranks. Nominations for Under 14 Australian Club Championships are not expected to hold a current Level 2 refereeing accreditation.

NOTES:

1. The nominated officials must be available for the whole of the championship period, as specified by Basketball Australia. There will be no exceptions to this rule.
2. The official must make themselves available to attend any meetings and educational programs organised prior to or during the championship.
3. The official must be available to officiate at a reasonable number of lead up games prior to the championship, subject to location and reasonable availability.
4. The official must agree to abide by all of Basketball Australia, Basketball Victoria and the VBRA's policies for Australian Junior Championship participation.
5. The official is subject to the VBRA Tribunal By-laws for the duration of the championship, from the commencement of travel to the completion of travel.
6. The VBRA will meet half of the cost charged by Basketball Australia for metropolitan referees, provided that Basketball Victoria meets the other half. The official will not be required to meet any transport or accommodation expenses, but will be required to meet their own out-of-pocket expenses (such as meals) and all fees or charges levied by Basketball Australia as a result of being sent home, damage caused, unacceptable conduct or any other matter for which the official is responsible.