

ACADEMY NETBALL CLUB SELECTION POLICY

Academy Netball Club is a competitive, fun, inclusive and supportive club. We aim to develop every player to achieve their full potential, with a focus on wellbeing and fostering a lifelong love of netball.

Our selection policy is driven by our goal to develop players through having positive, competitive teams in every local league.

Team selection

Players are selected for Academy teams on the following criteria:

- Completed registration and payment of fees
- Overall skill level including ball handling, attacking, mid-court and defensive skills
- Sportsmanship and attitude
- General fitness levels
- Commitment to and attendance at club training sessions
- Performance at training and during matches

Team selection is carried out by the Club Selection Panel (CSP). The panel is made up of qualified coaches, Club Captain plus club Chair or Co-Chairs.

The CSP will meet two months prior to the start of the season to select teams. Teams will be announced on WhatsApp club announcements shortly before the first training session of the new season. Any concerns or queries should be directed to the Club Captain.

In selecting teams, the Club Selection Panel will aim to:

- Ensure all players are placed within a team appropriate to their level of skills and ability
- Ensure opportunities to develop players are maximised across the club
- Create balanced teams with squads of 10-12 players
- Ensure teams are consistent and competitive within their respective leagues

Captain and vice-captain selection

Captains and vice-captains are selected for Academy teams on the following criteria:

- Strong commitment to team, training, club and club vision for development
- Positivity and attitude
- Leadership qualities
- Ability to carry out administrative tasks related to captaincy
- Understanding of the game and an ability to make tactical changes during a game

Captain selection is carried out by the Club Selection Panel (CSP). At the team selection meeting (see above), the CSP will determine one or two captaincy candidates. Individuals will be approached and asked to consider the role (see Coach and Captain Expectations document).