

Preamble

With a strong history in the Junior cricket competition The Berwick Cricket Club takes pride in the ongoing development and participation of young players at all levels of the competition.

The Club has teams entered in the DDCA Junior competition in each of the age groups Under10, Under12, Under14, Under16 and Under18 for boys and where number allow under 14 and under 18 girls.

Selection Guidelines

Each team coach and manager along with the age group coordinator endeavor to provide a balance of player participation in the quest to ensure that all kids get the opportunity to maximize their involvement in the game over the season. We traditionally have more than one team in each age group that allows this balance with promotion and relegation within the age group

There are competition rules that define the requirements of games played with respect to qualifications for awards and eligibility to participate in the finals series at the end of the season. The Coaches and Team managers strive to comply with and optimize the outcome and balance against the criteria.

In the event that the higher grade of competition has player unavailability due to sickness or injuries during the home and away or finals season, there will be a requirement for players in the lower grades of the same age group to be available to play in the higher grade as requested by the Age Group Coordinator or Junior Coordinator.

Playing in more than one match per round.

Generally, the competition rules prohibit a player participation in more than one match in the same round.

In this regards the rules have been optimized to allow maximum participation of juniors playing on week nights, or days other than the Saturday competition. Consistent with the competition rules these players can then play in the next higher grade on the Saturday competition for under 12's and the Sunday competition for under 18.

- Under 10 players may interchange between the under 10 competition and the under 12 competition without restriction.
- Under 12 players may interchange between the under 12 competition and the under 14 competition without restriction.
- Under 16 players may interchange between the under 16 and the under 18 competition without restriction.

Players may only play in the higher grade competition after all the available qualifying age players have been selected. Therefore, they may only play in the higher grade if needed to fill the team numbers.