

NSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024/25 ELIGIBILITY



METROPOLITAN MALE COMPETITIONS

(U12, U13, U14 and U15)

- Players must have a paid registration and play in a club within the Association they wish to represent in that season.
- Players must play for the Association they played last with. This is defined as being where they played the majority of their regular club competition cricket during the prior summer season, i.e. season-long, round-robin association competitions. One off tournaments e.g. invitational Twenty20, school holiday competitions do not contribute towards player eligibility.
- Players qualify only for the DCA that their club is affiliated with. Players who play in combined competitions e.g. Canterbury Wests, St George and Bankstown qualify for the association their club comes from.
- All players wishing to trial outside the above qualification must nominate their intended change and new Association to NSW Youth Championships management (Cricket NSW) by no later than **31 March 2024** for the coming season.
- Each player may only nominate and trial for one Association per season.

DISPENSATION

- Players who do not meet the above criteria will be considered for dispensation only if:
 - They can provide a bona fide address relocations with supporting documentation.
 - If they are playing Premier, Shires or Private school Cricket. They must then play for the Association they played last with.
- **Note:** Premier or Shires cricket does not include Metropolitan Cup, A W Green Shield and Chappelow Cup competitions.

Substitute players will be considered in the instance of injury or illness. Substitute players must meet the above criteria and be drawn from club level within the same association, or younger age groups within the Youth Championships.

Player eligibility for all CNSW junior representative competitions will be at the final discretion of Cricket NSW Youth Championships management in consultation with the NSW DCA Committee of Management.



CRICKET NSW

WATSON SHIELD COMPETITION

(U17)

- Only NSWDCA or NSW Country Cricket affiliated associations/zones may nominate to enter a team in the Watson Shield.
- All players must have financial registration with a club (junior or senior) within the affiliated DCA/zone they will represent in the current season.
- Players must play for the Association they played last with. This is defined as being where they played the majority of their regular club competition cricket during the prior summer season, i.e. season-long, round-robin association competitions. One off tournaments e.g. invitational Twenty20, school holiday competitions do not contribute towards player eligibility.
- All players wishing to trial outside their last played Association must nominate their intended change and new Association to NSW Youth Championships management (Cricket NSW) by no later than **1 August 2024** for the coming season.
- Each player may only nominate and trial for one Association per season.
- Once a player has played **three (3)** games of Premier or Shires cricket in the current season they will be deemed ineligible from that point on and there will be no considerations for dispensation.
 - **Note:** Premier or Shires competitions do not include Metropolitan Cup, A W Green Shield and Chappelow Cup competitions.

Substitute players will be considered in the instance of injury or illness. Substitute players must meet the above criteria and be drawn from club level or younger age groups within the Youth Championships.

Player eligibility for all CNSW junior representative competitions will be at the final discretion of Cricket NSW Youth Championships management in consultation with the NSWDCA Committee of Management.

METROPOLITAN FEMALE COMPETITIONS

(U13 and U15)

Female players will be eligible to represent an Association or Zone following the satisfaction of any of the criteria below:

- a) The player is enrolled in a school within the boundaries of that Association/Zone.
- b) The player resides within the boundaries of that Association/Zone.
- c) The player plays for a Club within the boundaries of that Association/Zone. (The Club may be a Women's Premier Cricket Club [including Brewer Shield] or a Junior Club within an Association).

Players that meet more than one of these criteria across different Associations/Zones may choose which Association/Zone they represent, however, may only represent one Association/Zone in a single season.

COUNTRY COMPETITIONS

(U13, U14 and U15 Male and Female)

- Players must be registered and play club cricket within the Zone they wish to represent (within the same season.)
- Zones entering more than one representative team into the competition may not share players between teams for Youth Championships or State Championships matches.