



ROTORUA JUNIOR CRICKET – REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS GUIDELINES

PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION

- The Rotorua Junior Cricket Committee (RJCC) will call for nominations for selectors, coaches, and managers of representative teams.
- Selectors, coaches, and managers will be appointed for each grade by the Cricket Development Manager and the RJCC chair.
- The RCA preferred position is nominees for selectors and coaches are not parents of players who are available for selection in the respective representative team, however if that is not possible then parents may be considered provided there are appropriate procedures in place to ensure integrity of selection and fairness in player opportunities.
- Nominees for the position of manager will be decided following the appointment of players and therefore may be the parent of a player. The team manager will not be a selector.
- Each selection group will be convened by the Rotorua Cricket Development Manager.
- To be eligible for selection players must have paid the current junior cricket subscription fee to Rotorua Cricket.
- Preference will be given to local players who play weekly in Rotorua Cricket Assn. competitions.
- A player will not be eligible to play in a Rotorua Junior Representative team if they have made themselves unavailable to play for their regular club or school team in the week preceding the rep game. Exception can only be made at the discretion of the RJCC chair on application in writing providing valid reason for player unavailability.
- A squad of players will be selected. Not every player in the squad will be selected to play in each game. Selection for a particular game should not create expectation that a player will be selected for subsequent games. Teams may be selected from the squad to match the perceived strength of opposition teams and to rotate players.
- Selection for representative teams will be made by identifying junior cricketers who display cricketing skill as well as commitment and dedication to their team and the game. Selectors may identify these players by observing weekly competitions, communicating with coaches, trial sessions and games.
- Selected players will be required to attend training sessions as organised by team management.
- Players may be added to the squad by the selectors at any time during the season.

GUIDELINES FOR PLAYERS and SUPPORTERS

- Excellent communication is important.
- Players and parents should make every effort to respond in a timely manner to team notices and requests.
- Selectors, managers, and coaches decisions are to be respected. If players or parents wish to discuss selection or coaching issues they should make a time convenient to do so. Selectors, managers and coaches should not be challenged or approached during trainings, games or other times that they are working with junior cricketers.
- Players should be on time for training and games. If you are unable to attend or will be late getting to training or a game it is important to let team management know as soon as possible.
- If a player is injured or feeling unwell on game day they need to notify team management.
- Players are expected to sit with their team during the team's batting innings.
- Respect the property of other players and Rotorua Cricket, look after equipment and keep gear tidy.
- Players should stay until the end of the game and until after prizegiving if required unless they are excused by team management.
- Play a part in assisting young players to develop a life long love of cricket

GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT

- Excellent communication is important.
- Junior representative players should be selected using a combination of identification practices.
 - Observation of regular club and school competition
 - Communication with coaches of club and school teams
 - Trial sessions
 - Trial games
- A squad of players should be selected from which teams can be compiled for various games throughout the season.
- Teams should be compiled in such a way that every player has a role within the team. All players should have an opportunity during the match. Each player's role should be communicated to them before the game.
- Captaincy should be shared. Several players should have opportunities to captain the side over the course of the season. Age appropriate guidance should be provided by the coach in regard to bowling and batting order in line with the strategy to give each player a role in the team.
- Excellent communication is vital with stakeholders of each team
 - The whole squad of players
 - Parents and supporters
 - Rotorua cricket development manager
 - Rotorua junior cricket committee
- Team managers and coaches have an important role to play in assisting young players to develop a life long love of cricket.