



Hills Raiders Basketball Association

WABL Player Allocation Policy for HRBA Domestic Seasons

Rationale

As the Raiders WABL footprint continues to develop, it is important that Domestic Basketball continues to thrive in an environment of equality where domestic clubs are not penalised for player development if they produce WABL quality players.

This policy puts boundaries in place to prevent “stacking” domestic teams with WABL players, creating super teams that limit opportunities for their opposition. However, domestic clubs must be encouraged to develop players along a high-performance pathway, but not suffer for that effort by being unable to register those players with their friends and coaches.

A player selected to play in the Western Australian Basketball League (WABL) for any Association, from the most current season, being January to December 2024, will be defined as a WABL player.

When allocating players to a team, the following restrictions apply:

GIRLS:

To play in Age-Appropriate Grade, Division 1:

- Maximum of 2 x Championship WABL Players, no other WABL Players allowed.
- Maximum of 1 x Championship WABL Player, up to 3 other WABL Players, any division.
- Maximum of 5 WABL players, any division, no Championship Players.

If any of these conditions are exceeded, the team must play-up in the next applicable Age Grade.

Normal Grading Procedures will still apply, and teams may be moved as deemed appropriate by the Grading Committee.

BOYS:

- Maximum of 2 x Championship WABL Players, no other WABL Players allowed.
- Maximum of 1 x Championship WABL Player, up to 3 other WABL Players, any division.
- Maximum of 4 WABL players, any division, no Championship Players.

If any of these conditions are exceeded, the team must play-up in the next applicable Age Grade.

Normal Grading Procedures will apply, and teams may be moved as deemed appropriate by the Grading Committee.



Hills Raiders Basketball Association reserves the right to apply an exemption to this rule where appropriate. HRBA reserves the right to refuse any team or player into the competition. Team divisions may change at the end of the grading process as determined by HRBA.

Interpretation

The following definitions apply to the classification of a WABL player.

- A WABL player is considered current for the most recent season of WABL, which in this case is the 2024 season of WABL.
- If a player is moving to the next age grade in the Domestic competition, they will be counted as a WABL player regardless of the WABL age group they participated in during the 2024 WABL season.
- If a player has applied to play in a team a full age grade above their age, their WABL status will not be counted for that team.
- If a player has not participated in the most recent WABL season they are no longer classified as a WABL player.
- The WABL Allocation Policy will be reviewed and updated as required.