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**Rockhampton Junior Basketball
Representative Program**



**Player and Parent
Information Handbook**



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Section 1: Program Overview

1.1 Mission Statement

Rockhampton Basketball Incorporated (RBI) is committed to developing a strong junior representative program that fosters the belief that success is achieved when individuals perform to the best of their ability when focusing on team goals.

To help achieve this RBI will provide:

- A sound, safe and caring environment,
- Fun whilst participating in a team based environment,
- Continual development of skills,
- A pathway to higher levels of representative basketball,

Supported by:

- Knowledgeable and accredited coaches,
- Team officials (coaches and managers) who have their “Working with Children” accreditation,
- Ongoing coach and referee development programs.

GOALS OF THE PROGRAM:

- To be in the top 5 for the Vince Hickey Award as the most successful junior association in Queensland. (Based on combined points & final standings of all rep teams at BQ State Championships)
- Division 1 teams to finish in the top 5 in their respective age group at the BQ State Championships
- Division 1 teams to win the Central Districts Carnival (CDC) in their respective age group
- Division 2 teams to finish in the top 5 in their respective age group division at the BQ State Championships
- Division 2 teams to win the CDC in their respective age group division
- Assist talent identified junior representative players with their advancement along the elite development pathway (*State Development Programs and National Development Programs etc.*)

The ranking for nomination to the State Championships is determined by the results of the CDC carnivals. Only teams who obtain a top place ranking in their respective age groups are entitled to automatic entry into Division 1.

The Rockhampton Basketball junior representative program is fully funded by parents. This means the players are responsible for their own travel, food and accommodation expenses, also the travel and accommodation expenses for Coaches, Managers and Referees.



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Section 2: Coach, Player & Parent Responsibilities

All coaches, players and parents involved with the RBI Junior Representative program must adhere to the following Codes of Behaviours and represent RBI with the highest standard of professionalism at all times.

All parents & players must understand that all RBI coaches and managers are VOLUNTEERS and are committed to do their best for the kids involved in our representative program.

2.1 Code of Behaviour

COACHES

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at a young player for making a mistake or not coming first.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport and teach your players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience. All young people are deserving of equal attention and equitable opportunities.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents and spectators. Encourage your players to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young people.
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person.
- Refrain from engaging in negative or destructive discussion or postings on social media about players, coaches, spectators, officials, administrators or other basketball participants, that may be viewed as abusive, harassing or offensive in nature.

Consequences for coaches breaches of this code

Rockhampton Basketball may deal with any breach of this code by imposing appropriate consequences, including not participating in remaining fixtures and may impose longer term consequences, such as suspension.



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PLAYERS

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit, and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud and/or acknowledge all good plays whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Respect all venues and facilities in which you are accommodated, leave each place you stay in better condition than what you found it.
- Refrain from engaging in negative or destructive discussion or postings on social media about players, coaches, spectators, officials, administrators or other basketball participants, that may be viewed as abusive, harassing or offensive in nature.

Accommodation for U16 & U18 Players

- The coaching group will be responsible for children in a room and that unless rooms outweigh coaching group, then consideration needs to be given as to what athletes are then accommodated in a non-supervised room.
- A male coach and or manager will not be permitted to stay in accommodation with female athletes.
- A female coach and or manager is permitted to stay in accommodation with male athletes, however at all times the female manager/coach will be given her own bedroom and ensuite.
- When booking accommodation Dormitory or large houses sleeping 12-13 people will be considered as an option to motel accommodation where possible.
- On arriving at any accommodation when travelling with RBI representative team, check your room for any damages and notify your team manager;
- Always keep your room tidy;
- Do not leave the premises without permission from the team manager or coach;
- If toilets/showers/laundry facilities are not located in your room it is recommended you travel in pairs;
- Players are not permitted in any room other than their own without permission from the coach or manager;
- Under no circumstances are male athletes allowed in female athletes rooms and vice versa.



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Consequences for player breaches of this code

Team coaches/managers may deal immediately with any breaches of this code by imposing appropriate consequences, including not playing remaining fixtures, notification of parents, and being sent home at your parents' cost. Rockhampton Basketball/Basketball Queensland is responsible for imposing longer-term consequences such as suspension.

Travel/Bus Policy U16/U18

Where possible teams are to utilise an 8 seater vehicle for example Hyundai Imax or something similar and the remaining members of the team would then be transported by the manager in their vehicle and the manager will be paid klm allowance for the additional travel. Should the manager not have a vehicle present at State Championships then an alternate vehicle will be sort.

Should the team decide that they want a bus then a parent meeting will be called and all parents must agree in writing that they will accept the responsibility should the bus be involved in an accident. Should an excess or repairs be required, then parents will be charged the additional costs. Should 1 parent disagree then the team must return to the option detailed above with the hire of an 8 seater and the use of the manager's vehicle.

PARENTS/SPECTATORS

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Applaud good performance and efforts from each team.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Encourage children always to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performance and skilful plays by all participants.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Do not use foul language or harass players, coaches or officials.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Refrain from engaging in negative or destructive discussion or postings on social media about players, coaches, spectators, officials, administrators or other basketball participants, that may be viewed as abusive, harassing or offensive in nature.

Consequences for parent/spectators breaches of this code

Rockhampton Basketball may deal with any breach of this code by imposing appropriate consequences, including not participating in remaining fixtures and may impose longer term consequences, such as suspension.



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2.2 Child Suitability “Blue Card” Information

All coaches and managers over the age of 18 years are required to hold a Blue Suitability Card to be eligible to represent Rockhampton Basketball Incorporated in any official capacities.

2.3 Basketball Queensland State Championships Policy

An understanding of the Basketball Queensland Championships policy is encouraged for all players and parents. The policy gives you a detailed account of all procedures and processes from our governing body’s perspective, Basketball Queensland.

The policy can be found by visiting the Basketball Queensland website:

www.basketballqld.net.au

Select Competitions, Junior Competitions

Click: State Championships

Select: State Championships Policy

(NB: This may not be available till several weeks prior to State Championships)

2.4 RBI Rep Program Costs

The Rockhampton Basketball junior representative program is fully funded by parents. This means the players are responsible for expenses associated with their own travel, food and accommodation expenses, as well as the travel and accommodation expenses for Coaches, Managers and Referees. The cost will include the expenses for the carnivals:

- Any official Central District Carnival – generally 3 carnivals in any of below locations:
 - Rockhampton
 - Gladstone
 - Bundaberg
 - Emerald
 - Hervey Bay
- Rocky/Mackay Challenge
- 2017 State Championships

All players in every age group involved in the 2017 representative program are required to pay a \$150.00 commitment fee. This fee is an upfront non-refundable payment that contributes to the cost of training/administration and is included in the first payment. This payment is required by all selected squad members.

All age groups will be the parent’s responsibility to accommodate and provide all travel arrangements and meals for all CDC’s. All U12 & U14 age groups will be the parents’ responsibility to provide travel arrangements and meals for State Championships also. Some teams may still decide to stay together as a group and this is encouraged by the committee however this will be on a team by team basis and parents will be responsible for the payment of all accommodation and those payments are outside of the below schedule.



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All players must be financial with Rockhampton Basketball before participating in any rep programs or carnivals.

Cost Exclusions:

- Additional carnival or competitions which teams choose to participate in;
- Uniform items;
- Travel to and from any carnival or travel whilst participating at the 2017 State Championships. All travel arrangements are to be decided by each individual team however every member of the team must travel by the same method.

Under 12 and 14 Team Management - Expenses

Team management expenses are funded by the team as either reimbursement or allowance.

Player Payments

A compulsory payment scheme will take effect and all funds are to be paid directly to the RBI.

U18 Payment Schedule - \$1200.00

Upfront payments in full	\$1200.00	28 October 2016
1 st payment	\$400.00	27th October 2016 Includes non-refundable commitment fee
2 nd payment	\$400.00	22nd November 2016
3 rd payment	\$400.00	22nd December 2016

U16 Payment Schedule - \$1200.00

Upfront payments in full	\$1200.00	28 October 2016
1 st payment	\$300.00	28th October 2016 Includes non-refundable commitment fee
2 nd payment	\$300.00	28 th November 2016
3 rd payment	\$300.00	28 th January 2017
4 th payment	\$300.00	28 th February 2017



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U12 & 14 Payment Schedule (No 1 teams and No 2 U14 Boys Team) - \$800.00 (includes State Championships and Rocky/Mackay Challenge)

Upfront payments in full	\$800.00	28 October 2016
1 st payment	\$200.00	28th October 2016 Includes non-refundable commitment fee
2 nd payment	\$200.00	28 th November 2016
3 rd payment	\$200.00	4 th February 2017
4 th payment	\$200.00	4 th March 2017

U12 Payment Schedule (No 2 teams) - \$400.00 (those attending CDC's but not attending State Championships)

Upfront payments in full	\$400.00	28 October 2016
1 st payment	\$200.00	28th October 2016 Includes non-refundable commitment fee
2 nd payment	\$200.00	28 th November 2016

Payments must be deposited to the below account, NO payments will be accepted by the Rockhampton Basketball Administration Office. If you are unable to arrange direct debit payments, please deposit monies visiting a Capricornian bank branch.

If parents wish to pay the costs of the season upfront, payment is to be made directly into the below account. For those parents wishing to utilise the payment plan, an Ezidebit form is attached with the Player Pack.

Please ensure when making any payments to use your child's surname, initial and team: eg JONESBU12B – being Bob Jones, Under 12 Boys, SMITHTU14G – being Trish Smith, Under 14 Girls.

BSB: 813 049
Account Number: 100048648
Account Name: Rockhampton Basketball Inc

All payments must be paid by the designated time. Cases of genuine financial hardship can be brought to the attention of a member of the RBI representative committee. Any such requests and subsequent fee repayment arrangement will be dealt with in confidence.



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Once the team has been named, those players will be responsible for the payment of all carnivals - if a player for some reason cannot go to the carnival and a reserve player takes his place, then the reserve player will incur the cost of that tournament. However should no reserve player attend the carnival then the player who does not attend will be charged for the tournament. Should a parent feel there is extenuating circumstances for the non attendance, then a written letter to the Rep Committee should be provided. Consideration will be given on a case by case basis. Extenuating circumstances would include things like a broken arm or leg, death in the family, hospitalisation for an illness etc. Simply not attending due to costs, a sprain incurred the week of the tournament in a club game or attending a social function will not be accepted.

Refunds

All families will be required to complete a "Refund Bank Details" form, which provides RBI with your bank account details and email address. Any refunds due at the end of the season will be paid to the account provided on this form. Any and all refunds will be paid upon reconciliation of representative costs at the end of the 2017 representative season. Parents are **responsible** for ensuring all details are correct and kept up to date with RBI.

2.5 Fundraising and Grants

Fundraising is encouraged for all representative players and teams. Prior to any team undertaking any fundraising, approval must be granted by the RBI Junior Committee to ensure activities are known to the RBI administration office and there are no negative impacts on RBI's Sponsorship partners.

Young Athletes Travel Subsidy

The Young Athletes Travel Subsidy (travel subsidy) replaced the Young Athlete Assistance Program on 1 July 2015. Applications for the Young Athletes Travel Subsidy are now open.

The principles of the programs are the same, but the new travel subsidy will provide additional financial assistance through 3 event tiers. As with the previous program, athletes and officials, who were under 18 at the start of the event, can only apply for the funding after they have competed or officiated at an event, and within 6 months of participating.

Subsidies are provided retrospectively under a tiered funding model, with applicants eligible once every 2 calendar years at each tier.

Program Eligibility can be found at: <http://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/athletes/yats/>

What funding is available?

The travel subsidy will allow up to a maximum of \$1,200 in financial assistance over the 3 event tiers, once every 2 calendar years. Eligible athletes and officials can apply for 1 event per tier once every second calendar year.

- State or state school event - \$200
- National or national school event - \$400
- International event - \$600



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Applicants who received funding for attendance at state, national or international events under the Young Athlete Assistance Program for events held from 1 January to 15 December 2014 will not be able to apply for attendance at a state event in 2015 (i.e. if your last approved event was held in 2013, you can apply for state event funding in 2015. If your last approved event was held in 2014, you can apply for state event funding in 2016). You will still be eligible to apply for funding for attendance at one national and/or one international event from 1 July 2015.

For further information please contact your nearest Sport and Recreation Services office on 1300 656 191.

Section 3: RBI Rep Program Uniform

All players participating will be required to have some essential items. Two sets of representative playing singlets will be provided to each team by RBI and remains the property of RBI. Managers will be responsible for the distribution of the playing singles and their return at the end of the representative season. Any singlets, which are not returned or are damaged, will incur a cost to the associated team.

3.1 Uniform Items

The Rockhampton Basketball Junior Representative Uniform consists of the following items:

- Playing shorts; (compulsory)
- RBI polo shirt; (compulsory)
- RBI Reversible singlet (compulsory)
- RBI bag or backpack; (compulsory – require one of the bags)
- RBI water bottle; (compulsory)
- RBI Warm-up shirt;

A RBI reversible singlet is compulsory and must be worn to all representative trainings. These can be purchased from Power Jam.

The warm-up shirt is available for purchase to all players, however the determination as to whether or not it will be used as part of the uniform for the current season will be determined on a team by team basis and therefore it is not a compulsory item for the 2017 representative season.

All team playing socks should share the same primary colour, however they are at the discretion of each player.



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3.2 Player Uniforms

The 2017 player uniform prices as set out below:

- Playing shorts - \$44.00;
- New RBI sublimated polo shirt - \$35.00;
- New RBI sublimated warm up shirt - \$32.00;
- New RBI bag (with players name) \$35.00 name added extra \$10.00;
- New RBI backpack with embroidered logo \$30.00;
- RBI water bottle \$10.00)
- RBI Reversible Singlet \$22.00.

All prices are GST Inclusive. It is also **recommended** that all players participating in carnivals have 2 pairs of playing shorts. Ordering and sizing will be done at one of your individual team trainings – date to be confirmed by your Team Manager.

3.3 Naming of Uniform Items

In accordance with the RBI naming guidelines the following uniform items are the only items to have a name placed on them:

- Warm-up shirt;
- Bag

3.4 Ordering

All uniform items can ordered in directly from Power Jam or emailed. A time will also be advised when uniforms will be available to try on for sizing and ordering purposes at the Stadium.

Power Jam
Shop 10, 23 Denham Street, Rockhampton.
Phone: 4921 3773
Email: sales@powerjam.com.au

Order forms can be located on the RBI Website under the junior/representative section.

Most items have an order timeframe of 2 weeks with the exception of playing shorts (if not in stock) which are a minimum of 6 weeks.

3.5 Team Management Uniforms

A Rockhampton Basketball Representative polo shirt will be provided to all coaches, assistant coaches and managers on appointment. A replacement shirt will be provided on a fair wear and tear basis at a frequency of no less than two years.



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Section 4: Key Dates - 2017 Representative Year

4.1 Carnival Calendar of Events

The 2017 junior representative season will contain 3 Central Districts Carnival (CDC) carnivals, 1 Rocky/Mackay Challenge (1st teams only) and 1 Queensland State Championships. The proposed calendar of competition for 2017 junior representative season is as follows: -

<p style="text-align: center;">Under 18 Boys & Girls Players born in 2000 and 2001</p> <p>15/16 October, 2016 CDC in Rockhampton 29/30 October, 2016 CDC in Gladstone 26/27 November, 2016 CDC in Bundaberg 10 December, 2016 Rocky/Mackay Challenge (in Rockhampton) for all #1 teams</p> <p>16-20 January, 2017 State Championships at Caloundra Indoor Stadium, North Street, Golden Beach; Sunshine Coast Grammar School, 372 Mons Road, Forest Glen and Meridan State College, 168 Sunset Drive, Little Mountain</p> <p>BOYS (Accommodation Moorings at Golden Beach, 88 Esplanade, Golden Beach)</p> <p>GIRLS (Accommodation Raintrees Resort at Moffat Beach, 1 Bryce Street, Moffat Beach)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Under 16 Boys & Girls Players born in 2002 and 2003</p> <p>29/30 October, 2016 CDC in Gladstone 10 December, 2016 Rocky/Mackay Challenge (in Rockhampton) for all #1 teams 4/5 February, 2017 CDC in Rockhampton 18/19 February, 2017 CDC in Bundaberg</p> <p>BOYS 2 April-6 April, 2017 State Championships at Mackay Basketball (Candlestick Park, 107 Juliet Street, South Mackay) (Accommodation Quest on Gordon Street, 27 Gordon Street, Mackay)</p> <p>GIRLS 2 April-6 April, 2017 State Championships at Brisbane Basketball (NAB Stadium, 16 Dixon Street, Auchenflower) (Accommodation Quest Breakfast Creek, 15 Amy Street, Albion)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Under 14 Boys & Girls Players born in 2004 and 2005</p> <p>12/13 November, 2016 CDC in Hervey Bay 10 December, 2016 Rocky/Mackay Challenge (in Rockhampton) for all #1 teams 4/5 February, 2017 CDC in Rockhampton 4/5 March, 2017 CDC in Gladstone</p> <p>BOYS 11 April-14 April, 2017 State Championships at South West Metro (Hibiscus Sports Complex, 90 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt and Runcorn State High School, 132 Hill Road, Runcorn)</p> <p>GIRLS 11 April-14 April, 2017 State Championships at Cairns Basketball (Early Settler Stadium, 289 Aumuller Street, Banunda)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Under 12 Boys & Girls Players born in 2006 or later</p> <p>12/13 November, 2016 CDC in Hervey Bay 10 December, 2016 Rocky/Mackay Challenge (in Rockhampton) for all #1 teams 18/19 February, 2017 CDC in Bundaberg 4/5 March, 2017 CDC in Gladstone</p> <p>7 April-10 April, 2017 State Championships at Gold Coast City (Carrara Sport & Leisure Centre, Nerang, Broadbeach Road, Carrara)</p>

**Any changes to the above dates will be advised as soon as available. Additional carnivals will be advised. Please note the 2017 costs do not include any expenses for travel to or from any carnival. Any costs advised will not include any additional carnivals.*



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Section 5: Athlete Selection Process

5.1 Selection Process

Overview

The aim of the RBI Rep Team Selection process is to be:

- Equitable and fair to all players.
- Transparent and thorough, and
- Objective to the best of the panel's ability.

Subjectivity is however unavoidable and when selecting players it is critical to complete the following steps to ensure every player attending trials/training has had equitable opportunity to gain selection:

- The selection process is explained to parents and players at the commencement of trials/training.
- Approximate costs are explained.
- An accurate attendance record is kept, and
- Appropriate time is spent on conducting trials/training.

Selection Panel

A selection panel will make the decision regarding the team selection. The head coach will have the casting vote if required. If sufficient numbers attend trials, a need for a development side may occur. In consultation with the RBI Manager the representative committee will appoint the development team coach. Players, who are not successful in selection for the squad, may be asked to continue to train with that squad as a "development player" only. This will be at the discretion of the head coach of the age group involved. The "development player" will be required to pay the non-refundable fee of \$150.00.

Section 6: Program Policies & Forms

6.1 Program Policies

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

All players, coaches and managers must be active and registered RBI members to be eligible to participate in the RBI rep program.

A copy of the player's Birth Certificate or Passport must be submitted with Player Athlete forms.

Absenteeism

Any player who is unable to participate in representative event must communicate their intended absenteeism at their earliest possible convenience preferably before training is scheduled to commence. Late attendance will be treated as absenteeism and repeated offences may result in your **removal** from the program.



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Court Time

Coaching staff have a responsibility to obtain the best results for the team (i.e. win as many games as possible) whilst also providing development opportunities for each player in the team. These two ideals are often in conflict and will result in the less experienced players in the team receiving less court time than other more experienced players in many games.

However, in following years these beginning players may be the dominant court time players, with added experience and skill development.

PARENTS AND PLAYERS SHOULD NOT EXPECT EQUAL COURT TIME FOR ALL PLAYERS AT REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL.

This is an important aspect of the competitive nature of this competition. A lot of travel and costs are involved in the competition and some players may experience limited court time. To avoid any confusion over this issue you are asked to consider carefully the pros and cons of being involved in the representative program.

All players, coaches and managers must be active and registered RBI members to be eligible to participate in the RBI rep program.

STAFF – RBI representative staff shall consist of the following:

- 1 Coach
- 1 Manager
- 1 Assistant Coach (Optional)
- 1 Referee

SCORERS - As part of having our teams compete in any carnival we are required to supply 2 score bench personnel. This role is to be undertaken by parents and we encourage all parents to participate. A team roster may be made for all parents to complete a duty (or several) at both the CDC's and State Championships. RBI will organise a "Score Bench" session at the beginning of the rep season (and possibly a second prior to State Championships).

6.2 Formal Complaints

Any individual wishing to make a formal complaint against any issues relating to the Rockhampton Basketball Representative program must complete fully and sign the RBI Rep Program Formal Complaint Form and return to the RBI Manager. These forms are available on the RBI Website.

Process for making a formal complaint:

1. Complainant is not under any circumstances to approach or communicate with the individual or concerned party/s involved in the incident.
2. Complete the RBI representative program Formal Complaint Form in full and return to the RBI Manager within 24 hours following the incident occurring.
3. Upon reception of the Formal Complaint Form the RBI Manager will assess the complaint and communicate with the appropriate RBI committee.
4. If action is required all concerned parties will be contacted and notified in writing of the outcome of the complaint. A formal hearing may be required in this case.



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5. If no action of the complaint is required, the complainant will be notified in writing on the outcome and the reasoning behind the decision of the RBI committee.
6. No action will be taken on any complaints unless the process outlined above is followed.

6.3 Social Media Policy

Purpose

Basketball Queensland (BQ) Policy when engaging with social media has set out the following guiding principles:

- The web is not anonymous, BQ members and staff should assume that everything they write can be traced back to them;
- The boundaries between Participant's profession, volunteer time and social life can often be blurred. It is therefore essential that members make a clear distinction between what they do in a professional capacity and what they do, think and say in their capacity as a volunteer for BQ, their club or RBI;
- When using the internet for professional or personal pursuits, all members, staff and Directors must respect the BQ brand and follow guidelines in place to ensure BQ's intellectual property or its relationships with sponsors and stakeholders is not compromised or the organisation is brought into disrepute;
- Protect your personal privacy and that of others by not including personal information about yourself or others in your posts;
- Represent Participant's own views and not impersonate or falsely represent any other person;
- Ensure you are not abusive and do not harass or threaten others;
- Do not make defamatory or libellous comments;
- Do not use offensive, insulting, provocative or hateful language;
- Do not use obscene, lurid or offensive language;
- Show courtesy and respect for others and their opinions at all times; and
- Always use social media network forums to add value and promote basketball in a positive way.

Please refer to RBI Website for full Policy details.

6.4 Referees

Central Districts Carnivals:

- A group of referees will be selected to represent our teams at all of the Central Districts Carnivals;
- Teams will be allocated a referee for the Central District Carnivals and will be responsible for their referee's transport to and from the playing venue, accommodation and meals.

State Championships:

- Referees are accommodated by Basketball Queensland who will be responsible for local transport for referees to the playing venues;
- Flights and/or Coach Transport expenses to the city in which the titles are held, will be the shared responsibility of RBI Junior Representative program;



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- It will be the team manager's responsibility to liaise with the referee throughout the tournament as to their welfare and wellbeing, and ensure arrangements are made for their return journey as stated above.

Section 7: Competitions

7.1 *Central District Competition (CDC)*

- 7.1.1 Rockhampton Basketball participates in a series of carnivals, which form this league. The league is contested in Under 12, 14, 16 & 18 age groups, boys and girls.
- The concept of the CDC is to achieve high quality games, which will benefit and reward players' development. Basketball Queensland uses results from this competition series for seeding of teams to the Queensland State Championships.
- 7.1.2 All Basketball Queensland Associations in the Central Queensland region are eligible to compete. The Central Queensland region includes Rockhampton, Gladstone, Bundaberg and Emerald and Hervey Bay.
- 7.1.3 For each age group and gender there will be three (3) scheduled meets per representative calendar year.
- 7.1.4 A round robin system of competition will be played at each meet. Usually the competition is conducted in one division per age group / gender (this depends on the number of teams that nominate for each tournament). A progressive points system (over all tournaments) will be used to determine placing's. At the last tournament meet of each age group, CDC Championship honors will be announced for the overall winning team.

7.2 *Queensland State Championships*

- 7.2.1 These championships are held once per representative year for the Under 12, 14, 16, 18 age groups. Teams from all over the state compete at these, vying for State Championship honours as well as striving to gain Queensland representation. (U16, U18 & U20 only)
- 7.2.2 A number of Rockhampton representative teams in each of the age groups is selected to compete at their respective Queensland State Championships. RBI may decide not to send the second team to the State Championships. Players are selected, usually based on performance and attitude at training and at the above described regional competitions.
- 7.2.3 Each player is responsible for any extra costs that may be incurred if the respective player is in need of a health service e.g. doctor, physio, chemist etc. If there are any further queries please contact the Rep Committee for further details.

If you have any questions in relation to the administration of the RBI representative program, your first point of contact is your Team Manager who will then liaise with the Junior Rep Committee regarding any issue they have not been able to sufficiently resolve.