
BASKETBALL QUEENSLAND



Cross Border Policy

1. Area of responsibility

Technical Development

2. Date last updated

30 March 2008

3. Purpose

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The following policy has been developed in consultation with Basketball NSW and Northern Territory Basketball to ensure Basketball Australia rules of State representation are followed. The policy also addresses the issue of Associations wishing to play across borders for geographical convenience while adhering to registrations and clearances from both States.

5. Policy

Individual players

1. A Registered player moving across the border for permanent reasons requires a clearance from the previous State to Queensland.
2. An individual player may play across the border, whether he/she belongs to an Association within their own State or not. He/she is required to be registered with the State he/she is playing in.

Associations

3. Associations who wish to play across the border in Queensland competitions and those Queensland Associations wishing to play interstate may do so provided that:
 - 3.1 The Association is affiliated with its own State and all State requirements are met.
 - 3.2 Successful application is made to its home State body by the Association and the Association is required to show that (a clearance letter is required from the home State):

- 3.2.1 Its players and officials are registered
 - 3.2.2 The Association is financial
 - 3.2.3 The Association can meet the requirements of the competition eg. Referees, Scoretable, Team Officials, Coaches etc;
 - 3.2.4 The Association participation in the competition will not cause undue hardship to the Association
- 3.3 The Association has under-pinning structures eg. domestic junior and senior competitions, referee programs etc that the competition will provide a pathway for the participants.
 - 3.4 The Associations registration/affiliation record with the home State has been consistent.
 - 3.5 The Association meets its regional requirements in the home State.
- 4 Associations nominating teams across the border will only be permitted into competitions approved and controlled by BQ or its delegated authority.
 - 5 Only an Association Management Committee can apply to play in cross-border competitions for its teams or individual teams.
 - 6 If an application is for a team(s) consisting of a consortium of more than one Association, the individual Associations and players will be subject to the rules set out herein.
 - 7 The applicant Association is also required to show that its home court facilities (if to be used for the competition) are of the approved standard and safe.

Fees and Charges

- 8 Teams playing across borders will be required to pay fees, fines, costs etc as set by BQ and/or the respective competition administration.

Clearances

- 9 An Association cannot apply or be accepted into cross-border competitions unless it is cleared by its respective State.
- 10 The Home State requires a new clearance for each new season of competition or each new/additional competition that the home Association wishes to play across the border in.

Insurance

- 11 Insurance will be covered by the home State for its affiliated Associations and registered members. A list of players, coaches, referees etc to participate in the competition is required by the home State so that insurance requirements are met.
- 12 Insurance policy certificates will be required by BQ for each participating Association from another State.

States Agreements

- 13 In some cases it is possible that the competitions could be jointly owned by 2 parties (eg BNSW and BQ), but controlled by one party.
- 14 Each State should endeavour to integrate competition calendars each year to reduce conflicts.

Junior Players – State eligibility

The current BA rule in respect of a player's eligibility for State representation is that a player is required to represent the State in which he/she resides. Special residency rules apply to Australian Institute of Sport Program Scholarship Holders. This rule is applied to players in the Under 20,18,16 age groups.

However, in the under 14 age groups, where Clubs are represented at National Championships it is possible for a player eg. Murwillumbah, to play in a Gold Coast team at the National Club Championship level provided that he/she was a regular member of that team and qualifies under the team eligibility rules set out by BA.

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