

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY POLICY

(from State Championship Operations manual)

6.2. PLAYER REGISTRATION

6.2.1. The State Championship Eligibility Policy has been developed according to the following guiding principle;

a) Participants play representative hockey where they play club hockey.

6.2.2. A player must only play for his or her **HOME** Association or **ORIGIN** Association at a State Championship, unless the **HOME** Association grants a player release.

6.2.3. In any given season, every player belongs to a **HOME** Association which is affiliated with Hockey NSW. A player's **HOME** Association is determined based upon the Club registration under which the player first pays the Hockey NSW registration fee. A player's **Home** Association may change from season to season as it is determined by the Club which the player first registers with in the relevant season.

6.2.4. A player may also have an **ORIGIN** Association affiliated with Hockey NSW. The Association under which the player first started playing hockey will be considered the **ORIGIN** Association. A player will only have one (1) **ORIGIN** Association.

a) Proof of origin must be provided if so required by the Home Association.

b) It is the responsibility of the player to source and provide proof of origin.

c) A player will be required to complete the Player Clearance Form (SC 14) and forward it to Hockey NSW two weeks prior to the relevant State championship.

6.2.5. The following exceptions apply in respect to a State Championship:

a) A player, who has stood for selection for his or her **HOME** association but is not selected in any team, may represent any other association subject to the following;

i. The Player Clearance Form (SC 14) is completed, signed and forwarded to Hockey NSW, two weeks prior to the relevant State Championship; and

ii. The player has complied with all relevant representative selection trial policies of the **HOME** Association.

b) A player who has registered with more than one Association is eligible to represent the other Association they are registered with subject to the following;

- i. The Player Clearance Form (SC 14) is completed, signed and forwarded to Hockey NSW, two weeks prior to the relevant State Championship.
 - c) If a players **HOME** Association is not participating in a State Championship the player is eligible to represent any other Association subject to a Player Clearance Form (SC 14) being completed, signed and forwarded to Hockey NSW, two weeks prior to the relevant State Championship.
- 6.2.6. At least two weeks prior to the commencement date of any State Championship, each participating Association shall complete the player selection process as detailed in the Field State Championship Operations Manual.
- 6.2.7. All players participating must register for the State Championship in accordance with the Team Details List/Amended Details form. A player can be registered with one team only.
- 6.2.8. Should a player be registered with a team and then be unavailable, another player may be substituted. Such substitution must be advised to the tournament director prior to the commencement of the State Championship.