

KARRATHA SOCCER ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Representative Team Selection Policy

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1. Purpose

To provide a transparent, fair and consistent process for the selection of KSA representative teams competing in the Country Week (CW) and North West Championships (NW Champs).

2. Eligibility

2.1 Players must be currently registered with a KSA-affiliated club for the relevant season.

2.2 Players must meet age eligibility requirements as determined by the competition regulations set by Football West.

2.3 Players must complete and submit an official Expression of Interest (EOI) form prior to the nominated closing date.

2.4 Players must be available for the scheduled tournament dates and commit to the required training schedule. Failure to meet these commitments may impact selection or result in removal from the squad.

2.5 Minimum Participation Requirement

To be eligible for Country Week selection, players must have participated in a minimum number of KSA competition matches as determined by the KSA Committee each season. Exceptions may be granted in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Development Officer.

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3. Trial Process

3.1 KSA will conduct a minimum of one (1) open selection trial per age group, per competition.

3.2 Additional trial sessions may be conducted at the discretion of the Development Officer (DO).

3.3 Trial dates, venues and times will be publicly advertised through official KSA communication channels and will typically be conducted early in the season (February–March).

3.4 Attendance at trials is mandatory unless an exemption is granted by the DO due to exceptional circumstances (e.g. injury, illness).

3.5 KSA reserves the right to invite players directly to trials based on prior performance; however, all players must still complete the EOI process.

4. Selection Panel

4.1 The Selection Panel shall consist of:

- The Development Officer
- The appointed CW or NW Championships Head Coach for the relevant age group
- Additional selectors as appointed by the DO (which may include assistant coaches or technical advisors)

4.2 The DO holds final authority in the event consensus cannot be reached.

5. Selection Criteria

Selections will be based on, but not limited to:

- Technical ability
- Tactical awareness and decision-making
- Physical capability and fitness
- Coachability and attitude
- Commitment to training and team culture
- Sportsmanship and behaviour record
- Positional balance and team structure requirements

Selection is based on merit and team balance, not club representation.

6. Decision-Making Authority

6.1 Team selections are made solely by the appointed Selection Panel.

6.2 Parents, clubs, or external parties do not participate in the selection decision-making process.

6.3 Football West governs competition regulations but does not select individual KSA representative teams.

7. Communication of Selections

7.1 Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified via official KSA communication (email and/or newsletter).

7.2 KSA will endeavour to notify all applicants within a reasonable timeframe following trials.

7.3 Feedback may be provided upon written request, at the discretion of the Head Coach and DO.

8. Code of Conduct

8.1 All selected players and parents must sign and adhere to the KSA Representative Code of Conduct.

8.2 Failure to meet behavioural or attendance expectations may result in removal from the squad.

9. Vacancies & Replacements

9.1 If a selected player withdraws, the Selection Panel may appoint a replacement player at its discretion.

9.2 Replacement players are not required to undergo an additional trial if previously assessed.

10. Amendments

KSA reserves the right to amend this policy in line with updated competition regulations or operational requirements.

11. Training Commitments

11.1 North West Championship teams will commence structured training following team selection and continue through to the competition.

11.2 Country Week squads and teams will commence structured training following the conclusion of the North West Championships.

11.3 Selected players are expected to attend all scheduled training sessions unless prior approval is granted. Ongoing non-attendance may impact selection status.

12. Alignment with KSA By-Laws

This policy operates in conjunction with the KSA By-Laws. In the event of any inconsistency, the By-Laws shall prevail.