

15U State Team

The selection process for the 15U State Team will take a different approach for 2019. Currently known as DADA (Develop a Diamond Academy) this will be replaced by the 15U State Selection Carnival.

The 2019 15U State Selection Carnival will target athletes who will be 14 (born in 2005) or 15 (born in 2004) years of age as at the 31st December 2019.

Athletes aged 13 (born in 2006) as at 31st December 2019 may be identified by exception only at Association level and an exemption may be requested.

For 2019 the process for the Association squad selection will be the responsibility of each Association, however Netball Tasmania reserves the right to ensure that state identified athletes are included in applicable Association Squads. Netball Tasmania will advise each Association of applicable athletes to be included in the coming weeks, and communication between Netball Tasmania and Associations will be on an ongoing basis.

2019 15U State Selection Association Squads should be held in each region between November 2018 and January 2019, as final lists require lodgement with Netball Tasmania by January 31st 2019.

In preparation for the Carnival it is suggested that squads participate in weekly regional training commencing in February, however this will be left up to the Associations to decide how they would like to run this.

The Carnival will host 8 regional squads throughout Tasmania consisting of between 10 and 12 athletes per squad. Places in the Carnival are allocated as follows;

- 2 x STNA
- 1 X KNA
- 2 X NTNA
- 1 X DEVON
- 1 X BURNIE
- 1 X NORTH-EAST

All athletes standing for selection must be registered with Netball Tasmania. If selected in the Association Squad, athletes must again register as a full junior member in 2019 with their nearest association.

Athletes from associations and schools outside of the allocated squad regions are encouraged to trial for the squad closest to their region ie Circular Head players trial for the Burnie Squad.

The cost of Carnival entry is \$150 + GST for each squad entered by the Association. Each Association may decide whether to pass any cost on to the athlete. It should be noted however that singlets will not be provided to athletes for the 2019 squads.

Netball Tasmania State Selection Process – 2019

Athlete commitment for each stage:

Upon Selection

- Up to 12 weeks of training for 1.5 hours weekly – to be scheduled by the Association Squad Coach, this may also include a home program and any planned education sessions.
- 15U State Selection Carnival which will occur on Sunday 5th May 2019 @Silverdome, Launceston.

If selected from the Carnival

- 15U State Selection Phase 2 will occur on Sunday 19th May @St Patricks College, Launceston from 10am to 4pm.

If selected from Phase 2

- 8 – 10 weeks of state training.
- Locations of training will be balanced as best we can throughout the state and based on a number of factors ie cost, venue availability.
- Travel to School Sports Australia 2019 National Netball Championships in Caloundra Queensland 20th July 2019 to 26th July 2019.
- Cost \$1,430 including GST. This includes all costs associated with attendance at the Championships, including provision of uniform and all meals whilst away.

To ensure that the athletes are obtaining the best possible preparation in readiness for the Carnival it is Netball Tasmania's preference that the Association Coach has an Intermediate or above accreditation.