

# POLDING SOFTBALL - SELECTIONS OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

1. General Rules			Refer to <a href="#">NSWCPS General Rules</a>
2. Event Requirements	1	a	<b>Venue</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A minimum of 2 softball diamonds clearly marked in accordance with the rules. Room accessible for staff for - lunch, selection discussions.</li> <li>Catering available for officials &amp; Team Managers.</li> <li>Canteen if available. If a canteen is not available this information is to be included in diocesan information packs indicating students will be required to supply their own food.</li> <li>Adequate parking. A traffic management plan made available if needed.</li> </ul>
		b	<b>Officials</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Officials to be sourced from the local softball association where possible.</li> <li>ii) Suitably qualified referees x 2.</li> <li>iii) Secondary Student Officials pathway opportunities are available. Please refer to CSNSW sport portal for further information.</li> <li>iv) Polding Team Managers x 2.</li> <li>v) Each Diocese is to provide 1 team manager - for their girls team and boys team.</li> </ul>
		c	<b>First Aid</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Designated first aid officer must be in attendance and be visible. First aid officer should be equipped with ice and medical supplies including for the treatment of asthma and anaphylaxis</li> <li>ii) Physiotherapy &amp; taping services will not be provided at selections by the designated first aid officer.</li> <li>iii) First aid officer to be informed of any students at high risk by Team Manager.</li> <li>iv) Diocesan Team Managers should access the medical information on each student from the CSNSW website.</li> <li>v) Players should ensure that they have an adequate level of hydration before, during, and after the game or training session.</li> </ul> <b>Concussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to inform team management of any concussion recently sustained.</li> <li>ii) Any student who has sustained a recent concussion injury may not return to contact/collision activities until the resolution of all symptoms.</li> <li>iii) specific guidelines from the National Sport Organisation in relation to returning to play after a concussion. For further information refer to <a href="#">Sports Medicine Australia</a></li> <li>iv) A medical clearance must be provided to your Diocesan Representative prior to the Polding selections</li> </ul>
		d	<b>Eligibility</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Students must be enrolled in a CSNSW Sport.</li> <li>ii) Students must progress through the Diocesan pathway</li> <li>iii) Diocesan entries - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Armidale - red, blue &amp; white.</li> <li>Bathurst - bottle green &amp; white.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Broken Bay - royal blue &amp; white.</li> <li>● Lismore - black &amp; white.</li> <li>● Maitland Newcastle -emerald green &amp; white.</li> <li>● Wilcannia Forbes - green &amp; gold.</li> </ul> <p>iv) Students turning 8 - 13 in year of the competition are eligible at the discretion of their Diocese. Duty of care and Diocesan jurisdiction on age and/or grade may narrow the age range</p> <p>v) Each diocese may nominate up to nine (9) players.</p> <p>vi) Students as individuals not as a Diocesan team</p> <p>vii) Students turning 8, 9 or 13 in the year of competition may be selected in the Polding team, but in a NSWPSA Team for School Sport Australia Championship.</p>
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<b>3. Event Details</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	<p><b>Date</b></p> <p>i) Selection date – end of Term 2 (around week 8 or 9) determined by Polding Council based on availability of venue and calendar.</p> <p>ii) Entry date for Diocese - determined by Convener (usually 2 weeks prior to Polding).</p>
	<b>2</b>	<b>a</b>	<p><b>Registration</b></p> <p>i) All students selected to represent their Diocese will be progressed to Polding team by their Diocese following Diocesan selections.</p> <p>ii) Students must register &amp; pay levy on CSNSW portal for the Polding Selections with both parent/guardian and Principal consent.</p> <p>iii) CSNSW Sport will invoice Dioceses for participants after the event.</p> <p>iv) Team list will be downloaded from the CSNSW portal by the convenor 1 week prior to the selection.</p>
	<b>3</b>	<b>a</b>	<p><b>Format</b></p> <p>i) Suggested timeline-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 8.30 Team Manager meeting.</li> <li>● 9.00 Welcome &amp; induction.</li> <li>● 9.10 Warm up &amp; skills session.</li> <li>● 10.00 Break.</li> <li>● 10.15 Trials recommence.</li> <li>● 12.00 Lunch – selection panel including diocesan team managers.</li> <li>● 12.45 Games and if needed Possibles and Probables games</li> <li>● 1.50 Final selection</li> <li>● 2.00 Announce Polding teams and information and uniform sizing for polding team members</li> </ul>
		<b>b</b>	The duration of skills & games shall be determined by the number of students and weather. The carnival convener reserves the right to alter the program
		<b>c</b>	No scores shall be kept.
		<b>d</b>	The event program for Polding softball selections will be available to view on the CSNSW Sport portal approximately 3 days prior to the selections.
	<b>4</b>	<b>a</b>	<p><b>Equipment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Size 11 inch leather balls x 8</li> <li>❑ Each student supply their own gloves, mitts, catchers protective equipment, bats &amp; batters helmet</li> <li>❑ Bases, home plate, pitchers plates and shelters provided by club</li> </ul>

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		<b>b</b>	<b>Convenor Documentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Program x 15</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Polding certificates</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Selector sheets</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> prayer, acknowledgement, induction, structure of day, selections</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> clipboards x 8</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> stationery</li> </ul>

<b>4. Rules &amp; Guidelines</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	i) <a href="#">NSW PSSA State Carnival Rules</a> Match rules shall be in accordance with the official rules of the Australian Softball Federation.
		<b>b</b>	The NSWPSA softball exception rule is:  (a) Pitching distance for the Girls Carnival shall be 11.58 metres. (b) Pitching distance for the Boys Carnival shall be 12.19 metres.
		<b>c</b>	It is recommended that players wear a mouth guard especially infield players.
		<b>d</b>	Catchers are to wear helmets, face masks with throat protectors, body protectors and leggings.
		<b>e</b>	Students must wear shin guards which are compulsory.
		<b>f</b>	Footwear that conforms to the laws of the game must be worn.
		<b>g</b>	Students must remove jewellery and other ornaments likely to cause injury. Students must also cut or tape long fingernails.

<b>5. Selection criteria</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	Selection panel to be composed of the appointed Polding Team anager/s and if possible an independent selector.
		<b>b</b>	Selection panel will liaise and collaborate with Diocesan team officials.
		<b>c</b>	Selection will be based on demonstrated ability on the day of selection.. The areas of performance considered are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Skills.</li> <li>ii) Fitness level.</li> <li>iii) Performance of the player as a member of a team.</li> <li>iv) Attitude and behaviour of player both on and off the field.</li> <li>v) Positions played.</li> </ul>
		<b>d</b>	Team selections may conclude with Possibles v Probables game.
		<b>e</b>	Diocesan team managers to fill out Player Nomination Cards to assist selectors for their own team as well as the opposition.

		<b>f</b>	A paper selection may occur if circumstances arise.
		<b>g</b>	A boys and girls team of twelve (12) students will be selected to represent Polding at the NSW Primary School Sports Association (NSWPSSA) State Championships
		<b>h</b>	The Polding team selected will be progressed by CSNSW staff.

<b>6.Event Compliance Documents</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	<p>Documents available on CSNSW.SPORT portal in Staff Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk Assessment and Management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Pre Event Risk Management Checklist</li> <li>◦ On The Day Risk Checklist.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Budget Proforma.</li> <li>• Teacher Relief Claim form.</li> <li>• Event Officials hobbyist &amp; WWC form.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Event Officials claim link</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Accident form</a></li> </ul>
		<b>b</b>	<p>CSNSW Sport Office will provide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Polding certificates</li> <li>• Polding Team Manager appointment notices</li> <li>• Sample Polding softball uniform for sizing</li> <li>• Polding paperwork</li> </ul>

<b>8. Post Event Evaluation</b>	<b>1</b>		<a href="#">Post Event Evaluation &gt;&gt;</a>
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