



## HOCKEY BOYS AND GIRLS SELECTIONS- POLDING

*The primary focus of these selections is to select a Polding Team and provide the pathway for our students to NSWPSA level.*

<b>1. General Rules</b>		Refer to <a href="#">NSWCPS General Rules &gt;&gt;&gt;</a>
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<b>2. Eligibility</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	Students enter through the Diocesan pathway in a Diocesan team.
		<b>b</b>	Diocesan entries - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Armidale - red, blue and white</li> <li>● Bathurst - bottle green and white</li> <li>● Broken Bay - royal blue and white</li> <li>● Lismore - black and white</li> <li>● Maitland Newcastle - emerald green and white</li> <li>● Wilcannia Forbes - green and gold</li> </ul>
	<b>2</b>	<b>a</b>	Students turning 8 - 13 in year of the competition are eligible, however duty of care and diocesan discretion on age and/or grade may narrow the age range.
		<b>b</b>	Principal consent is required for any student to attend selections.
		<b>c</b>	Each diocesan team consists of a maximum of twelve (12) players.
		<b>d</b>	Students turning 8, 9 or 13 in the year of competition may be selected in the Polding team, but may not be selected in a NSWPSA Team for School Sport Australia Championship.

<b>3. Uniform &amp; Footwear</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	i) Students are to play in the correct Diocesan attire. ii) Numbered shirts will be distributed on the day and each player is to remain in that shirt for the duration of the trial. iii) Armidale - red, blue and white Bathurst - bottle green and white Broken Bay - royal blue and white Lismore - black and white Maitland Newcastle - emerald green and white Wilcannia Forbes - green and gold
		<b>b</b>	No Polding, MacKillop, NSWPSA or rep uniform may be worn.
		<b>c</b>	Correctly fitted mouthguard and shin pads are mandatory.
		<b>d</b>	Goalkeepers must wear a suitable helmet with face guard, chest protector, groin protector, protective pads and kickers. It is also recommended that goalkeepers use gauntlet gloves.
		<b>e</b>	Moulded synthetic-soled boots or sports shoes are recommended for natural grass. Sports shoes are recommended for synthetic grass. Boots must conform to the rules of the game. Mud and dirt must be removed from shoes before entering the players bench area.
		<b>f</b>	Students may wear soft peak caps only.

<b>4. Officials</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	i) Students are to report to the nominated Diocesan Team Manager on arrival and before departure. ii) Any enquiries during the selections should be directed to the Diocesan Team Manager.
	<b>2</b>	<b>a</b>	Games are to be officiated by suitably qualified match officials - umpires.
		<b>b</b>	Secondary Student officials' pathway opportunities are available. Please refer to CSNSW Sport portal for further information.

<b>5. Medical</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	A designated first aid officer must be in attendance and visible, equipped with a medical kit and ice.
		<b>b</b>	Physiotherapy & taping services will not be provided at selections by the designated first aid officer.
		<b>c</b>	It is the parent/guardian responsibility to inform team management of any current or ongoing medical condition or injury which may affect participation at the trials.
		<b>d</b>	Players should ensure that they have an adequate level of hydration before, during and after the game or training session.
		<b>e</b>	Students participating at outdoor venues are to be instructed to use adequate sun protection, e.g. an SPF50+, broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen reapplied regularly and a hat where appropriate.
		<b>f</b>	i) It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to inform team management of any concussion recently sustained.  ii) Any student who has sustained a recent concussion injury may not return to contact/collision activities until the resolution of all symptoms.  iii) Each sport may have 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>  iv) A medical clearance must be provided to your Diocesan Representative prior to the Polding selections.

<b>6. Venue</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	A minimum of 2 hockey fields clearly marked in accordance with the rules.
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<b>7. Format</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	<p><b><u>Polding Hockey Selections</u></b>  <i>A suggested timetable:</i></p> <p>8.30am Managers meeting  8.45am Welcome and induction  9.00am Games commence  Manager meeting and break  Games resume  Team manager selectors meeting  Possibles v Probables  2.00pm Announcement Polding teams  2.00pm Distribution uniforms Polding team</p>
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		<b>b</b>	The duration of 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 Hockey selections will be available to view on the CSNSW Sport portal approximately 3 days prior to the selections.

<b>8. Selection criteria</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	Selection panel to be composed of the appointed Polding Team manager/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: i) Skills ii) Fitness level iii) Performance of the player as a member of a team iv) Attitude and behaviour of player both on and off the field v) Positions played
		<b>d</b>	Team selections may conclude with Possibles v Probables game.
		<b>e</b>	A paper selection may occur if circumstances arise.
		<b>f</b>	A Polding Hockey team of thirteen (13) students will be selected to represent Polding at the NSW Primary School Sports Association (NSWPSSA) State Championships.

<b>9. Rules &amp; Guidelines</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	Hockey Rules from the <a href="#">International Hockey Board</a> will apply. The Polding Selections will be conducted in accordance with Hockey NSW rules except where stated otherwise.
		<b>b</b>	The NSWPSSA hockey exception rules are: i) The use of the 'tomahawk' hit and/or 'drag flick' is not permitted. ii) There is unlimited substitution from the halfway line only. Substitutions cannot be made on a penalty corner.
		<b>c</b>	Students must remove jewellery and other ornaments likely to cause injury. If it cannot be removed, it must be taped to cover.

<b>10. Weather</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	In the case of predicted severe inclement weather or a natural disaster: i) in the preceding days of the selection date, the event may be postponed to the scheduled backup date. ii) within 48 hours of the scheduled selection date, every effort will be made to conduct the selections, whether this be transferred to an indoor venue or in a modified format.
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<b>11. Code of Conduct</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	All players, officials and spectators must abide by the <a href="#">CSNSW Sport Code of Conduct</a>
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<b>12. Privacy &amp; Photography</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>a</b>	i) Media exposure at this event may result in your child's name, school details and/or photograph appearing in media forms or on websites including Diocesan and CSNSW Sports portal promoting sport in Catholic schools.
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		ii) If you have a concern with this occurring, please contact your Diocesan representative immediately.
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