

Team Vic 15 Years & Under Boys Australian Football Trial & Selection Guidelines

The School Sport Australia (SSA) 15 years and under Australian Football Championships will be held in Lavington, NSW from **Saturday 23 July – Saturday 30 July 2022**.

Age Eligibility:

- 15 years and under as at 31 December in the year of competition.

SSV Member Schools:

- Trialling for Team Vic is only possible if your child’s school is a financial member of SSV for 2022

Trials Progression:

- Players are required to trial on only one Stage 1 Trial.
- Players must indicate at time of registration which Stage 1 Trial you wish to attend.
- Successful students will then be notified if they have progressed to Stage 2.
- Stage 2 consists of two trials. Successful students will be notified if they have progressed to the second and final trial.

State Selection:

- A maximum of 25 players will be selected for the team. Up to four emergency players may be selected and offered the opportunity to train with the selected team.

STAGE 1 TRIALS (select one)	
<p>South-East Metropolitan Monday, 11 April 2022 9:00am arrival Venue: Beaconsfield Football Club</p>	<p>Regional Tuesday 12 April 2022 9:00am arrival Venue: City Oval, Ballarat</p>
<p>North-West Metropolitan Thursday 21 April 2022 9:00am arrival Venue: Williamstown Football Club</p>	<p>Central Metropolitan Friday 22 April 2022 9:00am arrival Venue: Caulfield Grammar School, Wheelers Hill Campus</p>
STAGE 2 TRIALS	
<p>Day 1 (Successful Trialists - Stage 1) Sunday 1 May 2022 8:00am arrival Venue: Wesley College, Glen Waverley</p>	<p>Day 2 (Successful Trialists – Stage 2 Day 1) Sunday 15 May 2022 8:00am arrival Venue: Wesley College, Glen Waverley</p>

SELECTION GUIDELINES

School Sport Australia Championships consists of both educational and sporting components. Being a member of a SSV State Team provides an opportunity to be involved in all educational and sporting excursions and aim for national selection.

Team members are expected to abide by the following responsibilities:

- Attending all training sessions is deemed compulsory by team management staff, including the **State Camp (Date, Time and Metro Venues TBC)** - Accelerated Learning, Practice Matches, Jumper Presentation and Team Photo
- Purchase of the compulsory uniform
- Attending initial briefing session, uniform presentation and team photograph sessions
- Completing team documentation and returning same to team management by due date
- Ensuring team membership invoice is paid by due date
- Attending all sessions of the School Sport Australia Championship, including the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the excursion activity
- Recognising that all School Sport Australia Championships are school activities, and that duty of care and decision-making regarding each team member's participation in those activities or in preparation for those activities, is the responsibility of the team management / coaching staff
- Team Officials ensuring that the selection process is fair and transparent, and that students, parents and teachers are made aware of this process.

Guidelines for selectors

- Comparable playing time for all players
- Opportunity to play in at least two preferred positions
- Consideration of team composition so players from the same school or team are not advantaged over individual representatives
- Where appropriate, concentrate on selecting players with generic skills rather than players for specific positions
- Length of each playing period is a minimum 4 x 15 minute quarters.
- Where possible, use independent selectors, i.e. not a relative or friend of trial participants. In cases where this situation does occur, the umpires or selector's position should be declared publicly.
- Team officials also reserve the right to not require a player to participate in any trial stage if they deem it to be unnecessary
- Team officials reserve the right to select a player who is injured or unavailable due to an approved reason during the trial process for reasons applicable to the Team Vic Invitational Policy. Team balance is critical to selection of the final squad.

Selectors are looking for:

- Strong passing skills, strong ball control, safe hands / feet
- Agility, balance, poise
- Solid attacking / defensive / tackling skills

- Knowledgeable positional / tactical play
- Concentration / focus during play
- Positive on and off field behaviour
- Strong sense of team spirit / good sportsmanship
- Ability to communicate / cooperate with team mates / team officials
- Understands rules of the game
- Fitness
- Ability to follow instructions
- Ability to control emotions
- Leadership skills
- Carry out above skills under pressure