

ERNA Junior Representative Program



The purpose of the ERNA Junior Representative Program is to provide a training environment for junior players to access quality development opportunities. This program is a pathway to future representative opportunities in netball.

The program develops:

- Netball skills
- On court decision making
- Netball specific fitness
- Knowledge and understanding of the requirements of representation
- Game specific strategies and tactics

This is a holistic program that also includes opportunities for players to:

- Understand the responsibilities and commitment of a representative program
- Compete against other associations at representative carnivals
- Develop in all areas of netball

Nominations

Nominations will be called for during the netball season via clubs and ERNA website and ERNA Facebook. Players that are interested and eligible for the program should nominate for the trials. Access to the nomination link for the trials is via the ERNA website or ERNA Facebook page.

Selection Process

- 12, 13, 14 and 15 year age groups will be observed by the Selection Committee at two trial sessions (Phase 1 and Final Phase) and at various training sessions throughout the process
- The final squad will comprise two teams with up to 12 players in each
 - State Titles Representative Team
 - Development Team
- Trials will be held as indicated on the nomination form
- Players to wear white t-shirt and black bottoms e.g shorts, bike shorts or leggings
- Successful players will be announced on ERNA Facebook and ERNA website
- In each age group, training-partners may be identified along with the representative team
- Final team announcements will be via ERNA Facebook and posted on the ERNA website
- Any holiday leave applications for the period February – July must be lodged with the Selections Convenor asap.
- If a player is not able to participate in the Final Selection, please email the Selection Convenor prior to the day selections@ernanetball.com.au

Representative Skills Training

- Players selected from Phase 1 must attend the Representative Skills Training once a week in November. Dates, times and location to be provided following selection process.
- Squad training will resume in February with two training sessions per week.
- Following the final selection process, players selected in the Representative and Development teams will continue training twice a week until July.



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Team

If a player has withdrawn from the State Championship team, a player may from the Development Team or training partner group may be asked to fill the vacancy on a temporary or permanent basis. This appointment will be made by the Selection Convenor in consultation with the development and representative team coaches.

Competition

12-15 years State Championship Representative teams may participate in the ERNA competition each Saturday as a team in addition to their club game. Players must be registered with an ERNA Club team for that year to be eligible to participate in the ERNA Junior Representative Program (ie Representative or Development team).

Camp

The State Titles Representative Teams will attend a training and team-building weekend in March. Dates, times and location will be provided once confirmed.

Carnivals

- The squad will attend 2 – 4 carnivals at different associations in the Sydney metropolitan area. Carnivals are held on a Sunday. Players are usually required from 7.00am – 4.00pm.
- Parents are required to assist on carnival days with scoring, helping to set up player's tents, bringing ice and other duties

State Titles

- Junior State Titles are hosted at different locations each year in NSW on the first weekend of the June/July school holidays (Saturday, Sunday, Monday) with teams participating from across NSW
- A bus may be provided only on Day 1 of the competition from Meadowbank Park to the venue
- Occasionally, State Championships are held outside of the Sydney metropolitan area and additional costs for accommodation and transport will be incurred

Indicative Costs

Costings are not available at this stage and will be available in late 2025. Below is a description of the various costing areas.

Uniform	New player	Cost varies between development and representative teams
	15s player jersey	Personalised, commemorative jersey
Representative levy	Development Team (all ages)	Cost covers carnival entry fees, umpires, photos, equipment, court lights and ancillary costs
	12s -15s State Age Team	
	17s State Age Team	
Fitness training	All players	Fitness trainers
Camp	State Age Team only	Venue hire, team building activities

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Fee payment via PlayHQ system is required within 7 days of squad announcement. Payment link will be advised to the parents of successful players by the ERNA Office.

