

## QRL South East Region Female Competitions

As at 9 July 2020

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### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Forum – 9 July		
1	If I am a BHP Club, is there a limit on how many SEQW clubs we are allowed to affiliate with?	While there is no limit, each BHP Club must affiliate with a minimum of two (2) SEQW Clubs.
2	Can players port to a club that we are not affiliated with?	While this is against our affiliation agreement requirements, we will take this on a case by case basis.
3	Is there is a maximum amount of BHP players allowed to permit back to SEQW teams?	There will be a cap of eight (8) players allowed to permit back to any one SEQW team. This is consistent with the Male competitions.
4	If there are still only two teams nominated for the U18s competition, would it be possible for these teams to play in the Seniors Division 3 competition?	Our main priority is to build the Under 18's competition to ensure there is a clear pathway and are building towards a strong foundation. We will however be flexible this season if there are poor team nominations.



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5	Is there going to be a home and away season for the U12 and U14 competitions?	Without Ipswich teams, this may affect our ability to plan for a home and away season. The availability of clubs and nominated teams, travel/government restrictions will play an important factor in this.																									
6	Can players under 18 years of age play senior football if they have attained the age of 17 (providing there is not an under 18's competition)?	Please refer to Q4.																									
7	Can a player who has previously been approved to play up in previous years, able to play up in two age groups as the club cannot field a team in that age group?	<p>The female game has now allowed for a 15-month registration window, therefore this will not be approved.</p> <table><tr><th colspan="5">Year of Birth</th></tr><tr><td>Born in 2007 (between October and December)</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2005 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2003 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2001 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td></tr></table>	Year of Birth					Born in 2007 (between October and December)	✓	x	x	x	Born in 2005 (between October and December)	x	✓	x	x	Born in 2003 (between October and December)	x	x	✓	x	Born in 2001 (between October and December)	x	x	x	✓
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8	Will different divisions play each other in their age group?	This will depend on final team numbers however it does look as though this will happen based on current nominations.
9	Will Under 14's be playing full International rules?	Yes, under 14's will be playing full international rules but on a 48x80m field.
10	If we have two teams in different divisions of the same age group, can players from the top division play in the bottom division?	<p>Yes, we will allow your top division players play for your bottom division team, however we ask that you provide us with a list of your core players (this doesn't need to be the whole team) and that these players don't play for your lower grade team.</p> <p>A list of your core players must be submitted to Mel Tabet (<a href="mailto:m.tabet@qrl.com.au">m.tabet@qrl.com.au</a>). Click <a href="#">HERE</a> for the template.</p>
Forum FAQ's – 24 June		
1	Is there a possibility the junior girls finals be moved to after school holidays? If not, the 1 <sup>st</sup> weekend of the school holidays is preferred.	Based on feedback, the operations team will be able to work on a revised draw to take these into consideration. However, this will affect the number of competition rounds being played.

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2	Will there be a cut-off date for affiliation contracts to be finalised and lodged for BHP and SEQ Female Clubs?	Yes, we will be enforcing a cut-off date for affiliation contracts. When nominating for the season, we will require each club to provide their affiliate clubs.
3	Will there be a confirmed venue for junior girls' competition fixtures?	This will depend on the number of teams per Club, per League.
4	Will affiliation fees be waived for this season?	The QRL Board have approved a grant of \$20k towards South East Region Female competition costs. However more work is to be done on what costs this will be attributed to.
5	What will insurance costs be?	<p>On June 29, the QRL released through arrangement with insurance provider AJ Gallagher to pay an up-front premium for all teams under 6 through to under 18 participating in QRL sanctioned competitions in 2020. This level of cover is restricted to the period between June 1 and October 30 and covers all approved training activity and up to 12 games. There will be more information to come regarding senior insurances.</p> <p>You can find more here → <a href="https://www.qrl.com.au/news/2020/06/29/qrl-coronavirus-updates/">https://www.qrl.com.au/news/2020/06/29/qrl-coronavirus-updates/</a></p>

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6	Will there be any specific Grants/Funding for Female competitions?	Please refer to question 4.
7	Can a SEQW Club affiliate with more than one BHP Club?	The South East Region's preferred affiliation model requires each BHP Club to affiliate with a minimum of two (2) SEQW Clubs. Each Club will have to equally distribute their players.
8	Will SEQW games be scheduled late in the day with the restrictions in place in between games?	Scheduling of games will be based around each Club's COVID safe plan.



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9	<b>Will player registrations still close on June 30?</b>	<p>The QRL will not be enforcing a June 30 deadline for new registrations in 2020.</p> <p>Please see below for further clearance details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All clearances requests entered prior to June 1 will require actioning at the appropriate level prior to June 28;</li> <li>• All clearance requests not actioned prior to this date will be auto-approved by the relevant QRL or league administrators;</li> <li>• All clearance requests entered post June 1 for clubs and teams not participating in 2020 will only be approved as a 'portability' clearance that will expire on October 20. Requests made will be actioned within a time frame agreed by the local league; and</li> </ul> <p>All players accepted to participate on a portability clearance will be covered under the insurance policy of the secondary club.</p>



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10	Will BHP players be playing in the SEQW competition?	<p>Prior to COVID-19, the competition structure allowed for BHP players to play in the SEQW competition through a player portability flow from each level.</p> <p>Please see format below:</p> <div> <div>BHP Premiership</div> <div>QRL Major Competition – Confirmed Clubs: Brothers Ipswich, Burleigh Bears, Easts Tigers, Souths Logan, Tweed Heads Seagulls, Wests Panthers</div> </div> <p>↓</p> <div> <div>SEQW Premiership</div> <div>SEQ Region's Premier Grade Competition</div> </div> <p>↓</p> <div> <div>SEQW Reserve Grade</div> <div>SEQ Region's Reserve Grade Competition</div> </div> <p>↓</p> <div> <div>SEQW Community Grade</div> <div>SEQ Region's Community Grade Competition</div> </div>



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11	Will players who haven't turned 18 years of age be able to play in the Open Divisions?	<p>The QRL Major Competitions team in collaboration with the Pathways &amp; Performance team have approved individual players who are 17 years of age to participate in the BHP Premiership. Approval is subject to participation in the QAS Program, and has been individually assessed by the Pathways &amp; Performance Independent figure to ensure they are capable to participate in the BHP Premiership which is considered a 'Representative' opportunity.</p> <p>A player that has not been approved will have to participate in their respective local Under 18 competition until they attain the age of 18 years as per QRL Rule 4.1.3. A player that has been approved and has played a minimum of one (1) BHP Premiership competition match is able to participate in the SEQW Premiership.</p>
12	Will players need to re-register for the season resumption?	<p>No, players will not need to re-register for the resumption of the season. However, it is important that all clubs contact their participants to update any contact information and gauge their intention to play in 2020. A new Club Nomination form will need to be completed and then your team numbers confirmed to either David Knight <a href="mailto:d.knight@qrl.com.au">d.knight@qrl.com.au</a> (seniors) or Linda Saunders <a href="mailto:l.saunders@qrl.com.au">l.saunders@qrl.com.au</a> (juniors) before adding any teams to the draw. It is therefore imperative that you get your players to register as soon as possible.</p> <p>Click here → <a href="#">Club Nomination form</a></p> <p>Click here → <a href="#">Register</a></p>





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13	Can players with pending permits train with the new host Club prior to July 1?	Players are not permitted to train unless they have been fully approved with the new club.																									
14	Is there a minimum number of teams for the SEQW Competition?	This will depend on club nominations.																									
15	Can players join our club from a local club with permits?	Affiliation model preferred but discussions to continue prior to season commencement.																									
16	Can an under 14's player play in under 16's?	<div>The female game has now allowed for a 15-month registration window, therefore this will not be approved.</div> <table><tr><th colspan="5">Year of Birth</th></tr><tr><td>Born in 2007 (between October and December)</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2005 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2003 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td><td>x</td></tr><tr><td>Born in 2001 (between October and December)</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>x</td><td>✓</td></tr></table>	Year of Birth					Born in 2007 (between October and December)	✓	x	x	x	Born in 2005 (between October and December)	x	✓	x	x	Born in 2003 (between October and December)	x	x	✓	x	Born in 2001 (between October and December)	x	x	x	✓
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17	Will the Senior finals be played at one venue, staggered over two days or at different venues?	Our preference is to have senior finals played at one venue over one day, but we are reviewing the scheduling understanding it is quite difficult in a shortened season.