

ELIGIBILITY FOR MID-WEEK POST SECTIONAL GAMES (Rule 15):

In order to be eligible to play in post sectional matches a player must have played at least four games in the relevant, or lower, grade in the season except with the special permission of the Match Committee.

ELIGIBILITY FOR SATURDAY POST SECTIONAL GAMES (Rule 14.9):

To be eligible for post sectional play a player must have been graded in the current season in that Grade or in a lower grade.

A player who has not been graded in the current season may be approved to play post sectional play by application to the State Match Committee, with the recommendation of the District & Zone.

A waive of eligibility will only be considered if:

There are insufficient eligible players available whose current season grading is in the grade required AND the Club's next lowest graded side is also involved in Post-Sectional Play.

Applications for players who have not played in the current season will only be considered for the Club's lowest Grade.

PLAYING UNREGISTERED MEMBER:

A Club permitting any of its members to play in Association or other competitions without first having duly entered his name for registration as a Member thereof by the Association and PAID THE FULL CAPITATION FEES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR THE MATCH in which such player engages and shall be liable to a fine of such amount as determined by the Association from time to time.

Pennants – Penalty – Disqualification. The non-offending side receives maximum points.

THREE THREES COMPETITION:

The Competition will be played in three grades on Wednesday of each week, with play commencing at 1.00 p.m. The No.1 grade is open only to players of Nos.1 and 2 grades, OR LOWER, Saturday pennant players' standard. The No.2 grade is open only to players of Nos.3 and 4 grades, OR LOWER, Saturday pennant players' standard. The No. 3 grade is open only to players of Nos.5, 6 and 7 grades Saturday pennant players' standard. A club will be permitted to use one player in the next immediate lowest grade without the approval of the Match Committee. In exceptional circumstances, and with the approval of the Match Committee, another player will be granted a re-grade but they cannot play in the same rink. Any regrade request MUST be accompanied by a copy of the Clubs full list of Three Threes players.



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ADVISORY COMMITTEE PAMPHLET NO.17 **GUIDE FOR CLUB SELECTORS - 2018**

PLAYER GRADING & ELIGIBILITY – SATURDAY PENNANTS (NDBA PENNANT COMPETITION RULE 14):-

Any variation to player's eligibility must have the written approval of the State Match Committee. Clubs may make application for specific players to have their grading or eligibility varied, submitting all relevant details through their District and Zone Association.

14.1. Eligibility

A player's eligibility, *until he is graded in the current season (once determined by his participation in matches in the current season – refer Condition 14.2 below)*, shall be determined as follows:

14.1.1. Previous Season State Pennant Winners

A player who was graded in a side that was a State Pennant Winner in Grades 2 to 7 in his previous season shall be ineligible to play in that grade or lower in his next season. A player who was graded in a side that was a State Pennant Winner in Grade 1 in his previous season shall be ineligible to play in a lower grade in his next season.

14.1.2. Previous Season Zone Pennant Winners

A player who was graded in a side that was a Zone Pennant Winner in his previous season shall be ineligible to play in a lower grade in his next season.

14.1.3. Players Changing Declared Club

- (i.) Players whose eligibility is determined under Condition 4.1.1 or Condition 4.1.2 shall be eligible as per the provisions of those Conditions, irrespective of a change of Club.
- (ii.) All other Players changing declared Club from their previous season shall be eligible to play no more than one grade below their previous season grading:
 - a) If his new Club does not have a side entered in his previous season grading and one grade below his previous season grading, he shall be eligible to play no lower than the next highest grade entered by the Club *provided that he is the only player changing declared Club to be eligible under this clause*. He shall be included as one of the four players eligible to play more than one grade below their previous season grading under Condition 14.1.5, if applicable.
 - b) If a Club has two or more players changing declared Club who are required to play more than one grade below their previous season grading (as provided in (a) above) the Club must make application (through the relevant Zone/District) for approval for those players to play in that grade.

Note: A player changing his declared Club from his previous season requires a NSW Club Player Clearance; refer RNSWBA Condition 1.7, RNSWBA Condition 2.6 and RNSWBA Regulations.

14.1.4. All Other Players

A player is eligible to play no lower than one (1) Grade below his grading for his previous Pennant Season, except as otherwise provided for in this clause.

14.1.5. Non-Consecutive Grades

(i.) Where a Club does not have consecutive Grades four (4) players only from each of those non-consecutive grades shall be eligible to play more than one grade below their previous season's grading. This shall be no lower than the Club's next highest Grade.

The four players shall apply for the whole of the season and include any players under 14.1.3.

Refer also 14.1.1. Clubs requiring more than the permitted four players shall apply for a variation.

(ii.) A Club having consecutive grades as a result of regression shall be entitled to apply the conditions of 14.1.5(i) to those consecutive grades.

14.1.6. Player Graded In The Current Season

Once a player has become graded in the current season he may not play in a lower grade.

14.2. Current Season Grading

A player's grading in the current season shall be determined by his matches played in the current season.

14.2.1. Graded During the Current Season (Byes do not count as a match played)

A player who has played a minimum of the threshold number of matches (as below) shall be graded in that grade for the current season.

<i>Number of Sectional Matches Scheduled</i>	<i>Threshold – A player is graded in the grade if he plays in</i>
9 or more	5 matches
7 or 8	4 matches

Once a player has become graded in the current season he may not play in a lower grade. A player's grading will change to a higher grade if he plays the number of threshold matches in a higher grade.

14.2.2. Graded at end of Current Season

For the purpose of eligibility in his next season:

(i.) A player who has not been graded at the end of Sectional Play, but has played a total (across all grades) of the minimum threshold number of matches applicable to any grade in which he played, shall be graded in the current season in the grade in which he has the greater number of matches (if equal, the lowest grade shall apply).

(ii.) A player who has not played a total (across all grades) of the minimum threshold number of matches applicable to any grade in which he played shall retain his previous season grading.

Note – Players in (i) and (ii) above are not eligible for Post Sectional play, refer Condition 14.9. – This requirement may be waived, with the recommendation of the District and Zone and approval of the State Match Committee.

PLAYER GRADING & ELIGIBILITY - MID-WEEK PENNANTS (Rule 3):

- (a) This competition will be played in five grades, called Nos.1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and each side will consist of three fours. Games shall be played over 63 ends (21 ends on each rink).
- No.1 Grade: One or more entries from any one Club. This grade is open to No.1 Saturday Pennant players' standard or lower.
- No. 2 Grade: One or more entries from any one Club. This grade is open to No.2 Saturday Pennant players' standard or lower.
- No.3 Grade: One or more entries from any one Club. This grade is open to No.3 Saturday Pennant players' standard or lower.
- No.4 Grade: One or more entries from any one Club. This grade is open to No.4 Saturday Pennant players' standard or lower.
- No.5 Grade: One or more entries from any one Club. This grade is open to Nos.5, 6 & 7 Saturday Pennant players' standard.
- (b) A player's grading in the Mid-Week Pennant Competition shall be firstly determined by their Saturday Pennant Competition Grade. A player shall retain his previous season Saturday pennant grade into the Mid-Week Pennant Competition until such time as his Saturday Pennant Competition grading changes. If a player is one of four players dropped more than one Grade due to a club not having consecutive grades, then he would be eligible to play in the Mid-Week Pennant Competition applicable to that Grade.
- If a player does not have a Saturday Pennant Competition grading, his Mid-Week Pennant grading shall be determined by the games he plays in the Mid-Week Pennant Competition applying the same grading procedure as the Saturday Pennant Competition (Rule 14.2.1).
- (c) A club will be permitted to drop 2 players from a higher grade 1 grade only, but they cannot play in the same rink. In exceptional circumstances, and with the approval of the Match Committee, a club will be permitted to drop 1 player more than 1 grade.
- (d) If a Club is regressed a grade or grades in the Saturday Pennant Competition, then those players currently graded in that grade shall be eligible to play in the Mid-Week Pennant Competition in the Clubs regressed grade, e.g. a Club is regressed from No.3 Grade to No.4 Grade in the Saturday Pennant Competition, then all its No.3 Grade graded Saturday Pennant players would be eligible to play in its No.4 Grade Mid-Week Pennant side.
- (e) Scheduled games will not be deferred in the event of a player or players being selected to represent the State.
- (f) Composite sides are allowable for Mid-Week Pennants as per State Conditions of Play.