

NSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023/24 ELIGIBILITY



METROPOLITAN MALE COMPETITIONS

(U12, U13, U14 and U15)

- Players must have a paid registration and play in the Association they wish to represent in that season.
- Players qualify only for the DCA that their club is affiliated with. Playing with a club is defined as being where they played the majority of their regular competition cricket during the prior summer season, i.e. season-long, round-robin association competitions. One off tournaments e.g. invitational Twenty20, school holiday competitions do not contribute towards player eligibility.
- Players who play in combined competitions e.g. Canterbury Wests, St George and Bankstown qualify for the association their club comes from.
- All players wishing to trial outside the above qualification must nominate their intended playing Association and must nominate to NSW Youth Championships management (Cricket NSW) by no later than 1 March for the coming season (i.e. for the 23/24 season, players must nominate by 1 March 2023).
- Each player may only nominate and trial for one Association per-season.

DISPENSATION

- Players will be eligible for dispensation if they are playing Premier, Shires or Private school Cricket. They must then play for an Association they have a prior playing relationship with.
- **Note:** Premier or Shires cricket does not include Metropolitan Cup, A W Green Shield and Chappelow Cup competitions.
- Bona fide address relocations with supporting documentation.

Player eligibility for all CNSW junior representative competitions will be at the final discretion of Cricket NSW Youth Championships management" and they will consult on these matters with the NSWDCA Committee of Management.



WATSON SHIELD COMPETITION

(U17)

- A player must have played at least three games over the previous two seasons, within the affiliated association they will be representing in the current season. (Senior or junior competitions will be counted). A player must also have club registration in the current season within the association they will be representing.
- No player having played more than three Premier and/or Shires cricket matches in the prior season is eligible for Watson Shield.
- A player cannot play more than three games of Premier and/or Shires cricket in the current season. (Up to and including three matches allows for last minute call ups due to illness/injuries etc.)
 - Once a player has played three Premier and/or Shires matches in the current season, they have reached their eligibility threshold. If they participate in any further Premier and/or Shires cricket before the conclusion of the MYC season, they will henceforth become ineligible to play in any further Watson Shield matches from that point on.
- Note: Premier or Shires cricket does not include Metropolitan Cup, A W Green Shield and Chappelow Cup competitions.

METROPOLITAN FEMALE COMPETITIONS

(U13 and U15)

Female players will be eligible to represent an Association or Zone following the satisfaction of any of the criteria below:

- a) The player is enrolled in a school within the boundaries of that Association/Zone.
- b) The player resides within the boundaries of that Association/Zone.
- c) The player plays for a Club within the boundaries of that Association/Zone. (The Club may be a Women's Premier Cricket Club [including Brewer Shield] or a Junior Club within an Association).

Players that meet more than one of these criteria across different Associations/Zones may choose which Association/Zone they represent, however, may only represent one Association/Zone in a single season.

COUNTRY COMPETITIONS

(U13, U14 and U15 Male and Female)

- Players must be registered and play club cricket within the Zone they wish to represent (within the same season.)
- Zones entering more than one representative team into the competition may not share players between teams for Youth Championships or State Championships matches.