



## TEE-BALL ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

### STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### NOMINATIONS:

- Nominations will close at the November meeting of T.B.A.W.A.
- Nominations must be on the form provided and include nomination fee.
- Late nominations may NOT be accepted.
- Each club that is affiliated, has registered its numbers, is currently financial and owes no outstanding fines at that date, will be entitled to nominate one team in each age division.
- Clubs entitled to submit a team may submit additional nominations which will be subject to acceptance provisions as described below.
- Mixed gender team nominations will be accepted for non-gender age groups only.
- Each nomination must be accompanied by proof of insurance.

#### ACCEPTANCE:

- Should nominations be less than required, T.B.A.W.A. will accept such "second nominations" received as may be necessary to fill the desired quota.
- Should nominations be less than required, and no "second nominations" exist for the age group, T.B.A.W.A., at their discretion, will approach clubs to provide additional teams.
- Nominations for a third team in any age group will only be considered should all other avenues fail.

#### REGISTRATION:

- Once its nomination has been accepted, a club must register any player who will play in the Championship with the Registrar of T.B.A.W.A., BEFORE that player appears on the diamond, on the form provided.
- Players must be a registered and financial member of the club they will represent at State Championships as of January 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the carnival, a member of a Saturday morning tee-ball team and an insured player with that club.
- Clubs may register any number of players in any age group, while remembering only 15 trophies/pennants per team will be provided by T.B.A.W.A.
- Players who are registered to play in a lower age group will be considered registered for all older age groups for which they would be eligible under these rules and procedures.
- Girls will be eligible to play in non-gender divisions.

#### AGE GROUPS:

- The Carnival Committee may vary the age groupings, if they feel it necessary, no later than one month prior to nomination closing date.

##### Under 9:-

All boys, all girls, or mixed teams comprising players who will be **8 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

##### Under 10-

All boys, all girls, or mixed teams comprising players who will be **9 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

##### Under 11 :-

All boys, all girls, or mixed teams comprising players who will be **10 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

##### Under 13 :-

All boys, all girls, or mixed teams comprising players who will be **12 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

##### Under 11 Girls:-

Team comprising girls (only) who will be **10 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

##### Under 13 Girls:-

Team comprising girls (only) who will be **12 years of age or younger** on December 31st immediately preceding the date of the Championships.

#### **WITHDRAWALS:**

- In accordance with the motion passed at the March, 1997 meeting of T.B.A.W.A. teams withdrawing after close of nominations will be fined \$500.

#### **GRADING:**

- The Carnival Committee will meet as soon as practicable after close of nominations to grade teams according to their previous performance.
- Divisions will be in groups of six or eight teams to ensure potential winners play each other. Ten team divisions will only occur as a last resort if the committee is unable to find additional team(s).

#### **CLUB RESPONSIBILITY:**

- Clubs should ensure they have sufficient interest to provide a team of 12 players each day for any age group nominated.
- Team coach must have minimum Level A accreditation.
- Clubs must supply one (1) plate umpire and (1) base umpire for every team nominated.
- Umpire to wear official shirt while carrying out allotted duty. Shirt must NOT be worn whilst on the diamond in any other capacity. While wearing the shirt, umpire may NOT comment to or about any other umpire.
- Umpire must "sign on" with his allocated number at the official table at least 15 minutes before allotted start time, and collect matchball and scorecard.
- While it is not compulsory, coaching staff are encouraged, if possible, to wear club colours.
- T.B.A.W.A. will:-  
Supply scorebook, matchball, bases, and tees for game.  
*Clubs are responsible for provision of all apparel, and must provide all other playing equipment, and any shelter, benches etc..*

#### **CARNIVAL RULES:**

- Games will be played in accordance with the current T.B.A.W.A. rulebook, including appendix B, and any amendments made to this appendix since publication.
- Especially important is the requirement for teams to have 12 players to start the game. Clubs may register as many qualified players as they wish to ensure this minimum is maintained.
- No player, or adult, may stand within the Dead Ball Lines unless wearing "closed-toed" footwear. i.e. no thongs, sandals etc.

#### **FIXTURES:**

- The Championships will be held on the three days of the Labour Day weekend February/March if the grounds are available.
  - Where possible, fixtures will be for two games Saturday, two games Sunday, and one game on Monday. There will be a 30 minute break between rounds. Should nominations far exceed capacity, the Carnival Committee may consider four rounds on the Monday with 20 minute breaks.
  - When considering ground capacity the Carnival Committee shall ensure that:-  
For back-to-back diamonds:-
  - Grades using a standard baseball will have a minimum distance between home plates of 120 metres.
  - Grades using a teeball will have a minimum distance between home plates of 70 metres.
- There will be a minimum distance of 50 metres between home plates of adjacent diamonds.