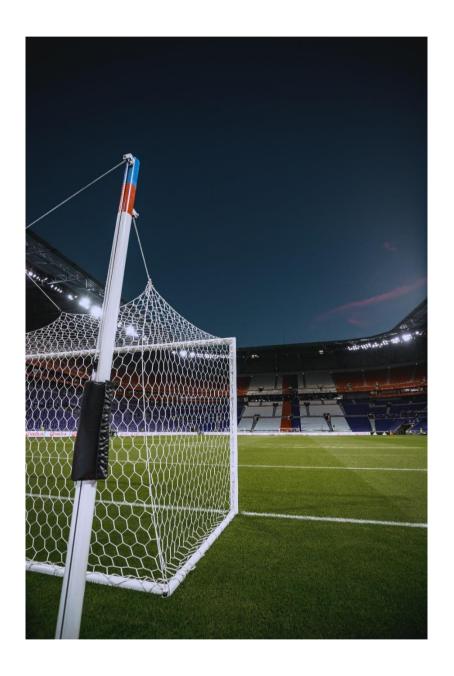
QLD State Titles

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Zone Coaches General Preparation and Information

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1. Zone Coach's Information

- Each Zone committee is to formally call, (in writing such as email, webpage, facebook, letter) widely for expressions of interest for coaches, for all zone team. Applicants are to reply with suitable detail such as team/s, current club, experience, qualifications;
- QCSA Representative Football Chair to oversee the Zone coach selection process together with the respective Zone committees;
- It is preferable that all Zone Representative Coach hold a Skill Acquisition Community Certificate (or higher) or be willing to complete the first available QCSA approved course;
- It is preferable that the coach be a current coach or manager of a club in that zone for the upcoming year;
- A parent who has a child in a Zone representative team is permitted to be appointed as a coach for that team;
- A State Coach and Assistant Coach will NOT have any responsibility with a Zone during the State Titles.
- Blue Card details are required to be given to QCSA Representative Football Chair from each Zone for **all** coaches;
- All Zone Representative Coaches will attend a meeting to discuss their responsibilities and the player selection process, on a date to be advised through the Zone Committee.

Training Equipment

Each team is to supply their own.

On Going Coaching Development

Whilst it is preferable that all Zone Representative Coaches have a Skill Acquisition Community Certificate (or higher), coaches will be expected to either obtain one during the year, or continue their education through the variety of coaching courses provided by the QCSA.

QCSA By Laws, Oath and Code of Behaviour

It is important that you read all documents carefully as these do affect the way representative teams are run within the Association. Should you have any questions about these please contact the QCSA Representative Football Chair.

The Association will not tolerate any official or player entering into arguments or unsportsmanlike incidents with referees, opponents, officials or spectators. The QCSA may suspend or dismiss any official guilty of behaviour detrimental to the code of soccer (this includes foul and abusive language).

The Zone Representative Coach or Manager, or Representative Football Chair or any member of SCM, shall not use their position to influence players into changing from their Local Club or Association team into a differing Club or zone.

At all times, Zone officials, coaches, managers, players, parents and spectators, must abide by the QCSA Code of Conduct, By-Laws, Competition Rules (other than those specific to State Titles competition as stated in the State Titles Booklet). All the aforementioned positions are accountable to QCSA and can be brought in before Representative Football Chair, QCSA SCM or QCSA Discipline if deemed necessary.

Training Strips

The Association understands the desire to have a training strip for your team. If this strip has been donated or sponsored (following the applicable QCSA By-Law) it is acceptable. However, an extra expense to the players cannot be made mandatory.

Zone Representative Trial / Selection

- All zones are encouraged to have their muster days/nights for interested players at the same time in the preceding year (if at all or within the same week). These are NOT for pre-selecting players, they are purely to keep the kids interested and running any interested players as a whole squad. Whilst squad selections may be made in the preceding year, the final selection can be made at the start of the year in which the State Titles is being held to enable final selection due to players leaving the squad or injuries.
- 2. The representative trials can be held over multiple weekends/weeknights or a suitable timeframe for your Zone. This allows the selectors to observe the players wishing to try out. It is suggested that at the trials you may have a one-hour session and may include running drills and / or play a game amongst the players or another team.
- 3. The Representative Football Chair, Director of Coaching or other suitable SCM members can be available to guide any new zone coaches and managers on selection of players for their teams. National team coaches maybe available to guide Zone coaches on selection of players; Zone coaches are not permitted to do selections (where possible).
- 4. Squad selections must be done by a 3 (three) person panel to be appointed, in advance of the trials by the Zone, with the QCSA Representative Football Chair overseeing the panel selection process. Where appropriate, selectors should be from different clubs and completely independent from the age group concerned. This is in place so that representative selection can be viewed as unbiased and fair to all players trying out and takes the onus off the coach should there be complaints.
- 5. The selectors may seek advice or clarification on any questions that may arise about a player trialing from the Zone Representative Coach.
- 6. At the trials no player is permitted to wear any representative gear.

After the trials you and your other selectors may decide to choose either a squad (20-25 players) or a team (14 -16 players).

Final Zone Team Selection

The names of the players successful and unsuccessful of selection must be emailed to your Zone Committee as soon as you have selected the team on completion of the after. You as the coach are not to personally tell anyone of selection decisions. Your Zone Committee will email the list of successful players to the QCSA Webmaster (webmaster@qcsa.org.au), so that the teams (including coach's details and training times) can be posted on the relevant Zones information page on the QCSA website. You must also let your Zone Committee know of the date of the first training Session, venue and time, so this can be included in the website information.

Training

The first official team training sessions will begin after the official Zone teams have been selected. Please remember many of your players will do other sports during summer and soccer should not interfere with it.

All training sessions, venues and times must be sent to your Zone committee, who will then advise the Representative Football Chair.

As we are a Christian Association, **Sundays** should be a family day. However, the Association understand you may need the occasional Sunday get together.

A representative team may train once a week. Please remember these players also train with their clubs and play on Saturdays, you do not want to over train your players.

The coach in consultation with parents, will set night the team will train. However, you may need to find out what night clubs have their training and work around those. For insurance purposes you must advise the Zone Committee of training times and venues.

You may incur light costs if you decide to train at night, so it is recommended that you share with another team to cut down the cost. The cost is something that you or your Zone Committee will need to liaise with the club/s involved to come to a mutual agreement.

After training make sure the area / venue is left clean and secure.

Practice Games

An email must be sent into to the Zone Committee at least one week prior to the game so they can get the match approved by the QCSA Secretary (Zone Committee to email the QCSA Secretary at secretary@qcsa.org.au). Your Zone Committee will need to know the time, venue of the game and the opposition team for insurance purposes. You must approach the club in which you wish to use their field for the game, and you must have the club's approval before the game can go ahead.

Game Time

QCSA recommends fair play and that coaches should avoid over playing some players and give the other players the opportunity to develop their skills on the field. All players shall be given a fair amount of time actually playing in all games.

Removing a Player from the team

Reasons from removing a player

- 1. Serious Injury
- 2. Regularly failing to turn up to training without a reason (normally 3 or more weeks)
- 3. Behaviour and Attitude at training and games

Process for removing a player from the team

Before you remove a player from your team you need to contact the Zone Committee. They will advise you on what you need to do. You need to document what you have done to resolve the situation, i.e. have spoken to parent regarding their child's behaviour at training on several occasions. The Zone Committee will notify the player they have been removed from the representative team if the zone deems it necessary.