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**BRISBANE WOMEN'S HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC**  
**DUAL REGISTRATIONS & PLAYER RELEASE POLICY**

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**1.0 Dual Registrations as per BWA By-Law 2.1.3**

1.1.1 Dual Registered Players.

- a) There shall be a maximum of two (2) Secondary Dual Registered Players per Club allowed to play in the Associations Divisional Fixture Competition. Except those clubs who finished in the following positions in Division One of the previous season may have in their club:

9 & 10<sup>th</sup> position      4 Dual (Secondary BWA) Players

7 & 8<sup>th</sup> position      3 Dual (Secondary BWA) Players

- b) Should a Dual (Secondary BWA) player be deregistered from a club, due to an inability to compete in the BWA Competition then that player may be replaced by another Dual (Secondary BWA) player. The maximum number of Registered Duals (Secondary BWA) for each Club can only be two unless as stated above.
- c) There shall be a maximum of two (2) Secondary Dual Registered Players per Club allowed to play in the Associations Masters Fixture Competition.
- i) Secondary Dual Registered Players who were registered in 2009 in a Masters team, can retain that Dual Registration with that club, but no additional Duals can be approved until the number for the club is below two (2).

1.1.1.1 No player under the age of fifteen (15) years as at the 1<sup>st</sup> of January of the current year shall be allowed to apply for Dual Registration with BWA provided that Clubs may apply in writing to the Board of Management for special consideration in exceptional circumstances.

1.1.1.2 Secondary Dual Registered Players shall be required to pay the BWA component of the BWA registration fee.

1.1.1.3 Secondary Dual Registered Players cannot play in BWA Fixture Competition until the following has been completed and approved:-

1.1.1.3.1 A Secondary Registration application form is submitted to the BWA Secretary.

1.1.1.3.2 BWA Board of Management has approved the Secondary Association application form.

1.1.1.3.3 The Secondary Registration application form has been submitted to and approved by Hockey Queensland Inc. Office.

1.1.3.4 No player holding Secondary Dual Registration with BWA as their Secondary Association will be eligible for BWA Awards.

**2.0 Tertiary Students**

2.1 Players who register with BWA while residing in Brisbane for Tertiary study at an acknowledged facility:

2.1.1 Representative Teams

May apply in writing by the "Close Date" of the BWA Representative Team nomination form, for exemption to play for their home centre in a State Championship. In this request they must state the State Championships they wish to apply for exemption for, the Tertiary Facility they are attending and the centre of origin for who they want to play for.

The applicant will receive back a letter giving them clearance to play for the nominated centre and the nominated tournament for the period of the Tournament – a copy of this letter will be sent to HQ.

### 2.1.2 Holidays

May apply in writing two weeks prior to holidays, for exemption to play for their home centre while returning to their parent's place of residence for Tertiary Holidays. In this request they must nominate their home centre, the Tertiary Facility they are attending, and the length of time they will not be competing in the BWHA competition.

### 2.2 Players who register with another Association (Centre) while in that centre for Tertiary Study at an acknowledged facility:

2.2.1 Must apply to their Primary Association for clearance to Represent BWHA at State Championships. The rules of the Primary Association are binding. If clearance is granted a copy of the letter of release from the centre must be attached to the completed BWHA Nomination Form.

2.2.2 Must apply to their Primary association for clearance to play in BWHA while at home on Tertiary holidays. A copy of this clearance must be submitted to BWHA Management and clearly state the length of time that you will be competing in our association.

## **3.0 Dual Living Arrangements for Minors or School Boarders**

3.1 Minors who live with dual residence (in two centres), their Custodial parent may apply in writing to have exemption to play in two centres. This is to allow access to play in one centre each week end based on the custody agreements. Players/Parents may not use this to by-pass the Dual Registration restrictions, but only to allow a child to compete once each week-end in the centre of current residence. The parents must nominate which centre is to collect and forward the HQ levy. The balance of BWHA fees is payable to BWHA.

3.2 Minors who attend Boarding School in Brisbane, their parents may apply in writing at least six weeks prior to holidays, for exemption to play for their home centre while returning to their parent's place of residence for School Holidays. In this request they must state what their home centre is, the School they are attending, and the length of time they will be at home and not competing in BWHA competitions, their current BWHA club and division they are registered in.

## **4.0 Casual Visits**

4.1 Players who are in Brisbane at adhoc or infrequent times, who are registered in another Centre, State or Country, may request in writing, permission to play in the BWHA Competition providing they supply written permission from their Centre/State/Country and fully disclose their Player Insurance coverage and times when they would participate in BWHA fixtures. A fee for such participation will be set on a case by case basis.

## **5.0 Primary BWHA players not selected for BWHA Representative Teams**

As a primary member of the Brisbane Women's Hockey Association, you must in the first instance nominate for the BWHA Representative Teams if you wish to compete in any State Championships. If you are not selected then you may submit in writing a request to be released to play for another centre. Such a request must be made after final selections are announced and state the name of the centre you will be participating with and the specific tournament and dates. Such release will only be granted after the BWHA Fitness Test is completed (14 days prior to the scheduled Tournament). You will not be recorded as a BWHA Representative Player.