



TRIAL INFORMATION AND SELECTION GUIDELINES

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Team Vic 15 Years & Under Boys Australian Football Trial & Selection Guidelines

The School Sport Australia (SSA) 15 Years and Under Australian Football Championships will be held in Ballarat, VIC from **Saturday 22 July – Saturday 29 July, 2023.**

Age Eligibility:

- 15 years of age and under as of 31 December 2023

SSV Member Schools:

- Trialling for Team Vic is only possible if your child's school is a financial member of School Sport Victoria (SSV) for 2023
- SSV will contact you if the school your child attends is not a financial member

Trials Progression:

- Trial times will be communicated to all registered participants
- Participants will be notified if they have progressed to the next Stage

State Selection:

- A maximum of **25** players will be selected for the team
- Up to **4** emergency players **may** be selected and offered the opportunity to train with the selected team.

STAGE 1 TRIALS

South-East Metropolitan Monday 10 th April Venue: Beaconsfield FC Time: 9:00am arrival	Regional Tuesday 11 th April Venue: Ballarat Time: 9:00am arrival	North-West Metropolitan Thursday 20 th April Venue: Williamstown FC Time: 9:00am arrival	Central Metropolitan Friday 21 st April Venue: Eastern Ranges – Kilsyth Time: 9:00am arrival
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STAGE 2 TRIALS

Day 1 (Successful Trialists – Stage 1) Sunday 30 th April Venue: Eastern Ranges – Kilsyth Time: TBC	Day 2 (Successful Trialists – Day 1) Sunday 14 th May Venue: Eastern Ranges – Kilsyth Time: TBC
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STAGE 3 - STATE TEAM CAMP

Team announced on Monday 15 May

Day 1 – July 3 rd 10am–4pm Day 2 – July 3 rd 10am–4pm Game 1 – Jumper Presentation – Venue TBC Day 3 – July 3 rd 10am–4pm Game 2 Venue: TBC



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School Sport Australia Championships consists of both educational and sporting components. Being a member of a School Sport Victoria Team Vic representative team provides the opportunity to be involved in all educational and sporting excursions and aim for national selection.

Team Officials run a selection process that is fair and transparent. This process involves the design of guidelines and trial activities, assessment of players and ensuring students, parents and teachers are made aware of this process.

Team members are expected to abide by the following responsibilities:

- Attend all sessions (i.e., including but not limited to initial briefing, training, practice matches, jumper presentation, team photo etc.) as deemed compulsory by Team Officials including the State Camp
- Must be accompanied by a parent/carer to the 2023 Championships. Parent/carer is responsible for the travel, meals and accommodation for themselves and their child
- Purchase the compulsory uniform
- Complete and return all team documentation to the Team Manager by the due date
- Pay all team membership invoices by the due date
- Attend all SSA Championship sessions, including the opening and closing ceremonies and the educational excursion activity as per the [SSA Championship Attendance Policy](#)
- Recognise that the SSA Championships are school activities, and the decision-making regarding each team member's participation in those activities or in preparation for those activities, is the responsibility of the Team Officials
- Be respectful of the role of the Team Officials in making decisions regarding each team member's participation in SSA Championship activities or other preparation activities
- Follow [COVID-19 guidance to protect yourselves and others](#) and comply with any health advice that is issued.

Guidelines for selectors

- Comparable playing time for all players
- Opportunity to trial in a variety of positions
- Consideration of team composition so players from the same school or team are not advantaged over individual representatives.
- Where appropriate, concentrate on selecting players with generic skills rather than players for specific positions
- Where possible, use independent selectors i.e., not a relative or friend of trial participants. In cases where this situation does occur, the umpires or selector's position should be declared publicly.
- Team Officials reserve the right to not require a player to participate in any trial stage if they deem it to be unnecessary
- Team Officials reserve the right to select a player who is injured or unavailable due to an approved reason during the trial process for reasons applicable to the Team Vic Invitational Policy.
- Team balance is critical to selection of the final squad.



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Selectors are looking for:

- Strong passing skills, strong ball control, safe hands / feet
- Agility, balance, poise
- Solid attacking / defensive / tackling skills
- Knowledgeable positional / tactical play
- Concentration / focus during play
- Positive on and off field behaviour
- Strong sense of team spirit / good sportsmanship
- Ability to communicate / cooperate with team mates / team officials
- Understands rules of the game
- Fitness
- Ability to follow instructions
- Ability to control emotions
- Leadership skills
- Carry out above skills under pressure



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