



## MDCA REPRESENTATIVE POLICY

### 1. Eligibility for Representative Selection:

All players registered with the Maitland & District Cricket Association (MDCA) as of October 1st are eligible for representative selection for the upcoming season unless exempted by the Board.

### 2. Exemption Requests:

Any player seeking exemption from representative selection must submit a written application to the Representative Secretary at [secretary@mdca.cricket](mailto:secretary@mdca.cricket) by 5:00 PM on September 30th. The application must clearly explain the reasons for the exemption request.

- The exemption request will only be granted if approved by at least **80%** of the MDCA Executive and the Representative Secretary.
- If the exemption is granted, MDCA will submit the approved exemption to the relevant competition's administrator for their approval.

### 3. Penalties for Withdrawal or Non-Participation:

- Any player who withdraws from a representative team without sufficient justification after **8:00 PM on the Friday preceding the match** may be suspended from competition play.
- Any player selected to play representative cricket for the MDCA who declines to play or withdraws after being notified of their selection **will not be allowed to play in any other cricket match** (whether social or structured) on the same day unless participating in a higher representative match. Travel to and from such a higher representative match must also preclude participation in the MDCA match.

### 4. Disciplinary Action:

Any player found in violation of the above rules will be required to appear before the MDCA Representative Selection and Executive Committee to explain their actions. If necessary, appropriate penalties may be imposed, which may include:

- **Suspension from matches**
- **Fines**
- **Disqualification from future representative selection**

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## SUMMER BASH SELECTION GUIDELINES – MAITLAND FLOOD

### 1. Selection Priority:

The MDCA holds first preference for selecting players in its competition for the Summer Bash. A squad of **17 players** will be selected to represent the MDCA Flood team each season.

- If a player is selected for the MDCA Flood squad and is unavailable to play, they are **not permitted to play for any other representative team** unless an exemption has been granted.



## 2. Communication of Unavailable Players:

- Once the MDCA Flood squad is finalised, MDCA will submit both the **squad of 17 players** and a **list of unavailable players** to Hunter Valley Thoroughbreds.
- The Hunter Valley Thoroughbreds may select any player who is not part of the MDCA Flood squad.

## 3. Exemption Process:

Any player selected for the MDCA Flood team who wishes to play for the Hunter Valley Thoroughbreds must submit an exemption request following the process outlined in the **MDCA Representative Policy**.

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### Definitions:

- **Exemption:** A formal request by a player to be excused from representing the MDCA in a particular competition or event.
- **Representative Team:** A cricket team selected by MDCA to represent the association in competitions or matches against other districts or regions.
- **Squad:** The group of players selected to represent the MDCA for a specific competition, such as the MDCA Flood team for the Summer Bash.