



Position Statement - Team manager

Team managers may play one of two roles generally depending on the grade in which their team competes. Teams up to and including Under-14 will have both a coach and a team manager. Teams Under-16 and over may choose to play without a coach, but must still have a team manager.

The Management Committee wishes to offer whatever assistance it can to team managers. Just ask!

Coaches and team managers form a particularly important partnership. Co-operation between a coach and the team manager will facilitate the success of a team. Both share the responsibility for player safety, welfare and well-being. The coach has prime responsibility for training, training programs and team management during games. The team manager has a more administrative role facilitating communications between players and their parents, the coach and the Club; collecting fees etc. However responsibilities and duties might be occasionally shared or temporarily transferred at the invitation of the primary officer with the agreement of the other.

Qualifications

1. Must be a person committed to faithfully undertaking the responsibilities and duties set out below to the best of their ability. In particular, they should be committed to the safety, welfare and well-being of their players.
2. Team managers must be prepared to provide a Police Clearance if requested by the Management Committee at any time.

Selection

1. Appointed by the Management Committee, usually on the recommendation of the Junior Teams Selection Sub-Committee.
2. Team managers are appointed for one season but may serve for any number of seasons by appointment.
3. The Club, or the Junior Teams Selection Sub-Committee, may approach candidates personally, advertise publicly, or accept unsolicited nominations provided the person(s) meet the selection criteria.

Responsibilities and duties

1. To attend games and provide support in a manner designed to ensure maximum participation, enjoyment and achievement for all players on the team.

2. To attend training sessions if held and/or organize parent representatives to attend as prescribed in the Child Protection guidelines.
3. To undertake or delegate certain duties on behalf of the Club and team including, but not necessarily restricted to collection of fees, distribution of the Club newsletter, distribution and collection of general Club correspondence and parent responses, filling in game team-sheets and nominating scorers for games.
4. To report any incident or information in relation to their team that is or could be reasonably supposed relevant to the business of the Management Committee to a member of the Management Committee.
5. To promote fair, tolerant and gracious behaviour in a competitive spirit, aligned to the Panthers Creed and relevant Codes of Conduct. Managers of teams without coaches will be responsible for encouraging these attitudes in their players.
6. To demonstrate by their own actions and behaviour responsibility for their own actions, sportsmanship, fairness and tolerance in accord with the Panthers Codes of Conduct for officials and the Panthers Creed.
7. To fully observe and practice the conditions of the Codes of Conduct for officials.
8. To promote the Club's ideals and objectives to the team's players, parents and supporters.
9. To participate in a respectful relationship with the coach, Committee and other officers of the Club.
10. If asked by the coach and is willing to participate, may assist with drills at training but always under the guidance and authority of the coach.

In practice these responsibilities and duties will vary according to whether a Coach is appointed, the grade of competition and the circumstances of any particular team. However the spirit of the requirements applies equally to all team managers irrespective of these variations.

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