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2025 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2026 WABL INFORMATION

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EAST PERTH EAGLES | BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP 2025 | TRY OUTS SCHEDULE

STATE CHAMPS TRY OUTS 2025							
	All sessions held at Morley Recreation Centre						
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	New to East Perth Eagles / WABL						
Age Group	Birth Year	Date	Day	Check In	Try Out Time		
U11 Boys	2015+	22/09/2025	MONDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:30pm		
U11 Girls	2015+	22/09/2025	MONDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:30pm		
U17 Girls	2009/2010	22/09/2025	MONDAY	6:30pm - 7:00pm	7:00pm - 9:00pm		
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U13 Boys	2014	23/09/2025	TUESDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:00pm		
U13 Boys	2013	23/09/2025	TUESDAY	5:30pm - 6:00pm	6:00pm - 7:30pm		
U13 Girls	2013/2014	24/09/2025	WEDNESDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:30pm		
U17 Boys	2009/2010	24/09/2025	WEDNESDAY	4:30pm - 5:00pm	5:00pm - 8:00pm		
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U15 Girls	2011/2012	25/09/2025	THURSDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:30pm		
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U20 Girls	2006-2008	25/09/2025	THURSDAY	6:30pm - 7:00pm	7:00pm - 9:00pm		
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U15 Boys	2012	26/09/2025	FRIDAY	4:00pm - 4:30pm	4:30pm - 6:00pm		
U15 Boys	2011	26/09/2025	FRIDAY	5:30pm - 6:00pm	6:00pm - 7:30pm		
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Age Group	Birth Year	Date	Day	Check In	Try Out Time		
U13 Boys	2013/2014	28/09/2025	SUNDAY	8:30am - 9:00am	9:00am - 11:00am		
U11 Boys	2015+	28/09/2025	SUNDAY	11:30am - 12:00pm	12:00pm - 2:00pm		
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U15 Girls	2011/2012	1/10/2025	WEDNESDAY	4:30pm - 5:00pm	5:00pm - 7:00pm		
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U17 Boys	2009/2010	2/10/2025	THURSDAY	4:30pm - 5:00pm	5:00pm - 8:00pm		
U19 Boys	2007/2008	3/10/2025	FRIDAY	4:30pm - 5:00pm	5:00pm - 8:00pm		
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U11 Girls	2015+	4/10/2025	SATURDAY	8:30am - 9:00am	9:00am - 11:00am		
U17 Girls	2009/2010	4/10/2025	SATURDAY	11:30am - 12:00pm	12:00pm - 2:00pm		
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U13 Girls	2013/2014	5/10/2025	SUNDAY	8:30am - 9:00am	9:00am - 11:00am		
U15 Boys	2011/2012	5/10/2025	SUNDAY	11:30am - 12:00pm	12:00pm - 2:00pm		
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To be eligible for consideration for the 2026 WABL season you MUST register for State Champs.							



INFORMATION ON TRY OUTS:

State Championship Try outs & State Championship tournaments are used to help select our 2026 WABL Teams. Please note successful selection in a State Champs team does not guarantee a spot for WABL.

THE 2025 BWA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS DATES ARE:

14/15/16 November 2025 - State Titles - All Championship Divisions across all age groups @ Bendat

22/23 November 2025 - U11 Boys & U15 Boys (Divisions 2-5) @ Bendat & Warwick

29/30 November 2025 - U13 Girls & U17 Boys (Divisions 2-5) @ Bendat & Warwick

6/7 December 2025 - U13 Boys, U17 Girls, U19 Boys & U20 Girls (Divisions 2-5) @ Bendat & Warwick

13/14 December 2025 - U11 Girls & U15 Girls (Divisions 2-5) @ Bendat

All tryouts will be held at Morley Recreation Centre, unless otherwise notified.

To support a fair and focused selection process, please carefully review the following expectations:

ARRIVAL TIME

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your scheduled session for check-in.

COURT ENTRY

Players must wait until authorised by East Perth selection staff before entering the courts.

ATTIRE

Players to where possible wear a reversible singlet. Players must not wear State Representative or other association uniforms. East Perth Eagles attire is permitted.

SPECTATOR POLICY

Tryouts are closed to parents and spectators to ensure athletes can perform without distraction.

WHAT TO BRING

Each player must bring the following to every session: Mouthguard, Water bottle, Sweat towel, Basketball.

BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

Positive and respectful behaviour is essential. Disruptive players will be asked to leave.

TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Final teams will be announced on the EPBDA website within 72 hours of the final tryout.

ADDITIONAL TRYOUT DATES

May be added if necessary. Updates will be communicated via official channels.



MID-TRIALS CUTS

Players selected to progress to the second round of tryouts will be notified at the session or contacted via email or phone. Due to the high volume of participants, the Selection Panel is unable to provide individual feedback to players who are not selected to advance.

ABSENCES AT TRIALS

To ensure fairness and transparency in team selection, please note the following attendance policy:

Players who are absent for both Session 1 and Session 2 without an approved exemption will not be considered for team selection.

There will be no additional tryouts for players unable to attend the scheduled dates.

Players who miss one or more sessions with an approved exemption are not automatically excluded, but their absence may affect their chances of selection.

All other absences will be assessed according to the exemption criteria below.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions may be considered for the following reasons:

- Pre-planned and pre-booked overseas or interstate family travel
- State basketball trials or training commitments
- Injury or illness

The Selection Panel will make every effort to assess exempted players fairly, based on the information available. However, absence may still impact placement.

All exemption requests will be reviewed and approved or denied by EPBDA shortly after submission.

EPBDA may, at its discretion, request supporting documentation, such as medical certificates or proof of travel.

To apply for an exemption, please complete the relevant section in the tryout registration form.

FEEDBACK:

Due to the volume of participants, we are unfortunately unable to provide individual performance feedback.

We appreciate your understanding and thank all players for their effort and commitment throughout the tryout process.



WABL OVERVIEW:

The Western Australian Basketball League (WABL) is WA's premier junior competition, dedicated to developing players, coaches, and officials. WABL provides a high-performance environment that balances competitive excellence with education, training, and the promotion of positive mental, physical, and emotional wellbeing.

The 2026 WABL season runs from April to September, concluding with Finals to determine champions across each division. Teams compete in a 16-week home-and-away season, with games held on Sundays across metropolitan Perth and regional WA. Some fixtures may require travel and overnight stays.

WABL BASKETBALL IS A YEAR-LONG COMMITMENT:

BWA State Championship tryouts are held in late September / Early October each year.

Team training begins immediately or shortly after selections, with State Championship competitions taking place in November and December. These events play a key role in our WABL selection process.

WABL pre-season training commences in January, followed by Team Grading competitions in February.

Grading games are used to determine the most suitable division placement for each team, ensuring competitive balance across the WABL season.

WABL IS NOT:

WABL is a selective, performance-based program—not a general participation pathway.

Selection is competitive and based on merit. Players who are not selected still have valuable opportunities to grow through Domestic junior competitions, individual skill development, and EP camps, which can pave the way for future selection.

WABL is suited to athletes who can commit fully—physically, mentally, and emotionally.

It requires time, focus, discipline, energy, and the right behaviours to thrive at the representative level. Players must be resilient and adaptable, especially when faced with challenges such as limited court time, unfamiliar teammates, or coaching styles.

Success in WABL is not guaranteed, and satisfaction should not hinge on external factors.

Those who rely solely on winning, friendship groups, or specific coaching arrangements may find the environment difficult. Representative basketball is demanding, and the rewards come to those who can navigate its challenges with maturity and perseverance.



ENTRY GUIDELINES BY AGE GROUP

Each association may nominate teams of **10 players** per team across the following age categories. Entries are accepted for both **boys and girls**, unless otherwise specified.

AGE CATEGORIES & TEAM LIMITS

Age Group	Eligible Birth Years	State Champs	WABL	
Under 12 (U12)	2015, 2016, 2017	Up to 6 teams	Up to 5 teams	
Under 14 (U14)	2013, 2014	Up to 5 teams	Up to 4 teams	
Under 16 (U16)	2011, 2012	Up to 5 teams	Up to 4 teams	
Under 18 (U18)	2009, 2010	Up to 5 teams	Up to 4 teams	
Under 20 Boys (U20)	2007, 2008	Up to 4 teams	Up to 2 teams	
Under 21 Girls (U21)	2006, 2007, 2008	Up to 2 teams	Up to 1 team	

WABL EXPECTATIONS:

WABL basketball is a highly competitive environment, with significantly elevated expectations placed on players.

Unlike domestic competitions, WABL demands greater commitment, intensity, and resilience—both on and off the court. Players should be prepared for increased pressure and a higher standard of performance.

KEY DIFFERENCES IN WABL BASKETBALL

WABL differs significantly from domestic basketball in several important ways:

NO GUARANTEE OF SELECTION

Participation in tryouts does not guarantee placement in a team. Selection is competitive and based on performance, attitude, and team needs.

DEFINED ROLES

Players may be assigned specific roles based on their physical attributes, skill sets, and how they complement their teammates. Roles may vary from season to season.

COURT TIME IS EARNED, NOT EQUAL

Unlike domestic basketball, court time is not distributed evenly. Playing time is influenced by several factors, including:

- Skill level
- Match-up suitability against opposition
- Attitude and behaviour
- Training attendance and performance
- Ability to follow coaching instructions
- Capacity to execute team structures and strategies



PLAYER & FAMILY COMMITMENTS

Participation in WABL requires a strong commitment from both players and their families. Please ensure you are prepared to meet the following expectations:

- Mid-Week Training Sessions
 - o U12 & U14: One evening training session per week (1.5 to 2 hours)
 - U16, U18 & U20: Two evening training sessions per week (1.5 to 2 hours each)
- Weekly fixtures are scheduled by Basketball WA, games are played every Sunday, times varying from 7:30am through to 6:00pm. Games may be home or away, including travel across metropolitan and regional WA. East Perth Eagles home court is Morley Recreation Centre.

Attendance and punctuality at games and training are essential to team success and individual development.

GENERAL COMMITMENTS:

Commit to pay all WABL fees as prescribed.

Players are expected to attend all trainings and games even if injured (bench).

For any major injury, including concussion, players are required to provide medical clearance prior to recommencing training or games.

All players must wear the official training and playing uniform and apparel as required by the EPDBA.

PLEASE NOTE: WABL training and games takes precedence over all other basketball commitments except State or NBL1 representation.

Families and Players are expected to prioritise their commitments accordingly.

TEAM SELECTION GUIDELINES

In alignment with BWA's six-division WABL structure, selectors are encouraged to use the following framework as a general guide. However, flexibility will be applied to support team balance and individual player development.

DIVISION STRUCTURE & AGE CONSIDERATIONS

Championship Division (Team 1): No age consideration – selection based solely on ability and performance.

Division 2 (Team 2): Primarily top-age players – exceptions may be made based on skill and team needs.

Division 3 (Team 3): Primarily bottom-age players – with allowances for top-age inclusions where appropriate.

Division 4 (Team 4): Preferably bottom-age players – focus on development and future progression.

Selectors are encouraged to prioritise long-term player growth while maintaining competitive integrity across all divisions.



EAST PERTH EAGLES WABL PROGRAM ASPIRATIONS & SELECTION FRAMEWORK

The East Perth Eagles WABL Program is guided by a set of core aspirations that shape our goals and inform decisions around coach and player selections. These aspirations reflect our commitment to excellence, development, and competitive success:

- 1. Qualify for nominated divisions
- 2. Achieving top 6 finishes across teams
- 3. Contend for and win champ
- 4. Support player progression into elite pathways including:
 - State Development Programs
 - State Representative Teams
 - East Perth Eagles NBL1 Squads

These benchmarks serve as both inspiration and accountability, ensuring our selections align with the long-term vision of the program.

Selectors will assess and rank all players within each age group using the following position-based framework:

POSITIONAL BREAKDOWN (PER TEAM)

- Point Guards
 - o 2 players starting and backup
- Shooting Guards / Wings / Combos
 - 4 players starting and backup across multiple roles
- Forwards / Centres
 - o 4 players starting and backup across frontcourt positions

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS, BEYOND POSITIONAL FIT, SELECTORS WILL ALSO EVALUATE:

- Work ethic and commitment
- Coachability and responsiveness to instruction
- Positive attitude and team-first behavior
- Consistency in training and game performance

WABL DIVISION STRUCTURE

The WABL competition is structured into six divisions, designed to accommodate varying levels of team performance and development.

Division Breakdown

Championship Division – Premier level of competition, only 1 team per association permitted.

Division 2 - 5

Division 6 – Activated based on total number of teams entered

Division 1-5 are comprised of 8 teams to maximise competitiveness.



WABL E-POINTS SYSTEM

Basketball WA introduced the Environment Points (E-Points) system in 2024, a vital initiative aimed at fostering a positive and respectful game day environment within our community. Here's a concise overview of how this system works:

E-POINTS OVERVIEW

The E-Point system rewards positive game day behaviour, making it as important as the outcome of a match. It encourages teams to maintain good conduct, preventing negative behaviours before they happen.

E-Points are included in the standings, alongside match wins and losses, highlighting their importance. A team's victory doesn't overshadow the need for a positive game environment, as teams can earn two extra points for good conduct, even after a loss. This ensures that creating a respectful atmosphere is valued just as much as winning.

E-Points can influence a team's qualification for finals. A team may miss out on finals due to poor behaviour, while a team with fewer wins but consistently good conduct may still qualify. This emphasises the importance of maintaining a positive environment throughout the season.

E-POINTS ALLOCATION PROCESS

- A maximum of 2 points are available to each team for maintaining a positive game day environment.
- E-Point reports are only required if an incident occurs that could lead to a point deduction (see Point Scale below for examples)
- Referees must include observations about the environment in their reports, noting any issues.
- The Games Controller works with referees to submit all E-Point reports.
- The final decision on E-Point allocation rests with the designated administrator, who will review referee reports and consider all factors.
- If necessary, an additional Tribunal Report Form will be submitted along with the E-Points Infringement Form.

This system aims to foster a positive and fair atmosphere in the league, promoting high standards of conduct both on and off the court.



FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AND WABL:

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

State Championship try out fee: \$50

State Championship Training and Competition fee: \$130

Includes 6 weeks training and Competition weekend costs (team nomination and referees)

WABL 2026 SEASON (POST TEAM SELECTION)

WABL Registration and Pre Season Fee (Includes Grading): \$140 (this fee is payable within 7 days of team selection notification).

SEASON FEES - PLAYING SQUAD

Juniors (U12 – U14): \$520 Seniors (U16 – U20): \$670

SEASON FEE - DEVELOPMENT PLAYER/TRAIN ON

Juniors (U12 – U14) \$260 Seniors (U16 – U18) \$335

A Development Player can participate in 5 games. Once they play the 6^{th} game they will be reclassified as a full squad member and required to pay the balance of full season fees, also making them eligible for finals selection.

WEEKLY GAME FEE

\$15 per game - payable via Teampay App (the WABL regular season has 16 rounds)

UNIFORMS

All WABL players are required to purchase and wear the following items noting all uniform items must be worn as directed during games and training. Players are expected to maintain a clean and professional appearance when representing East Perth Eagles.

Item	Details	Cost
Personalised Playing Jersey	Includes player surname	\$60
Warm-Up Long Sleeve Top	Worn pre-game	\$55
WABL Playing Shorts	Official game shorts	\$60.50
Training Reversible Jersey	Required for all training sessions	\$60.50
Black Training Shorts	May be substituted with playing shorts	\$35



EAST PERTH EAGLES - PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

As representatives of East Perth Eagles, players are expected to uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship, respect, and commitment. This Code of Conduct guides behaviour on and off the court.

RESPECT THE GAME

- 1. Play by the rules and uphold the spirit of basketball.
- 2. Represent your team, coach, club, and community with pride and integrity.
- 3. Never argue with officials. If concerns arise, allow your coach to address them appropriately.
- 4. Maintain sportsmanship at all times, respect opponents, win with humility, lose with grace, and never give up.
- 5. Show self-control. Foul or abusive language is never acceptable before, during, or after games or training.
- 6. Verbal abuse, sledging, or deliberate provocation of opponents is strictly prohibited.
- 7. Respect the authority of referees, scorekeepers, and coaching staff.

RESPECT OTHERS

- 8. Work hard for yourself and your team—everyone benefits.
- 9. Applaud good play, regardless of which team makes it.
- 10. Treat all participants with dignity and respect, regardless of gender, ability, background, or beliefs.
- 11. Never bully or take unfair advantage of others.
- 12. Cooperate with coaches, teammates, opponents, and officials—competition depends on mutual respect.
- 13. Listen to your coach's advice and apply it in games and training.

RESPECT YOUR ENVIRONMENT

- 14. Care for facilities and equipment provided.
- 15. Uphold respectful conduct across all levels of basketball—WABL and domestic.
- 16. Behave in a professional and elite manner worthy of representing East Perth Eagles.
- 17. Insubordination toward coaching staff or others will not be tolerated.
- 18. Wear your approved club or East Perth Eagles uniform for all games.
- 19. Take pride in your appearance—uniforms must be clean and presentable.
- 20. Misconduct that conflicts with the club's mission, goals, or policies may result in disciplinary action.
- 21. Clean up your playing area after games and training sessions.



PARENT & SPECTATOR EXPECTATIONS & CODE OF CONDUCT

East Perth Eagles is committed to fostering a respectful, supportive, and development-focused environment for all players, coaches, and families. The following expectations and code of conduct apply to all parents and spectators involved in the WABL program. If concerns arise regarding a player's conduct, the WABL Committee will meet with the coach and the player's parents to determine appropriate actions. This may include disciplinary measures, up to and including removal from the team.

CLUB EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS

Parents play a vital role in shaping the team culture and supporting their child's development. All parents are expected to:

- Abide by the EPDBA Code of Conduct and Basketball WA Zero Tolerancy Policy
- Demonstrate positive and respectful behaviour at all times—poor conduct will not be tolerated
- Recognise and value the contributions of volunteers, especially volunteer coaches
- Avoid discussing negative opinions about the team or coach in front of your child—keep it positive
- Encourage your child to play within the rules and accept referee decisions
- Ensure your child attends training regularly and on time
- Arrive at games well before tip-off, with your child dressed and ready to play
- Participate in scoring duties throughout the season
- Support and encourage your child and the team during games
- Notify the Coach or Team Manager in advance if your child will be absent from training or games

EAST PERTH PARENTS & SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. The game is for children—their enjoyment and development are the top priorities
- 2. Spectators participate by watching, cheering, and supporting all players
- 3. Show respect for coaches—never criticise them publicly
- 4. Do not coach from the sidelines—let the coach lead
- 5. Build a positive relationship with the coach through respectful communication
- 6. Respect the authority of referees
- 7. Do not harass, abuse, or berate referees during or after the game
- 8. Do not enter the court at any time
- 9. Show respect for all players, regardless of team
- 10. Cheer in a positive and uplifting manner
- 11. Support both teams—never berate the opposition
- 12. Celebrate good play and fair competition
- 13. Never use foul or abusive language toward anyone
- 14. Demonstrate sportsmanship and integrity—you are a role model for your child

BREACH OF CONDUCT

If East Perth Eagles becomes aware of a violation of this Code of Conduct, the club reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action against the player, parent, or spectator involved.

