



## PLAYER SELECTION POLICY

Moggill FC is aiming to be the best community football club in the western suburbs and aims to give access to all whom want to enjoy the beautiful game. To ensure there's a consistent understanding across age groups on how coaches should rotate squad players, we have prepared this policy.

### **Senior Men & Women**

The nature of Senior grade football is that competition amongst teams demands a level of competition for places in the team's squad and starting 11.

Players shall be selected on merit, and the amount of on-field time will be at the discretion of the coach. It's up to the coach to articulate to players not in the starting 11 what the reasons are.

It's suggested the following player qualities should be assessed in determining merit for selection:

- Commitment to and attendance at training and fixtures
- Attitude
- Form
- Ability

The coach is encouraged to

- be clear and consistent with what constitutes merit for selection.
- optimise **all** players on-field time by rotating players of differing ability whenever the game situation allows.
- Establish a clear strategy for individual players that require development



## **JUNIORS (U13 to U16)**

The teenage years are typically key in skills progression of young football players, and the prime focus should be on player development. Winning games and competitions can be instrumental in creating a healthy and attractive culture, but this should not be sought at the expense of player development.

Over the course of the season the coach shall aim to give equal game time to all players. Coaches are encouraged to identify development needs of all players and develop strategies with individual players that require skill development.

The starting 11 for any given game can be selected on merit at the coach's discretion. Some variation, however, is recommended to avoid emphasising any skills gap to individuals. Any merit system employed for selection shall be clearly explained.

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- Form
- Ability

The coach is encouraged to

- be clear and consistent with what constitutes merit for selection.
- Keep a note of individual player's game time with a view to maintaining and demonstrating equality across the season
- Establish a clear strategy for individual players that require development



### **MINI ROOS (U6 to U12)**

In the entry level years the prime focus should be on player enjoyment with some attention to skills development. Winning games and competitions can be instrumental in creating a healthy and attractive culture, but this a low priority at this level and should not be sought at the expense of player enjoyment or development.

Players should be given equal game time, regardless of ability.

It's suggested that rotations during each game should simply seek to equalise game time as far as is practical.

The coach is encouraged to

- Place a priority on player enjoyment
- Embrace the culture that is promoted by the club and the Junior Director of Coaching
- Develop skills according to the club culture and the FFA coaching ethos
- Engage in the FFA's Community Pathway coach development program