



Southern Districts Basketball Association

Junior Representative Player Travel Policy



1.0 Purpose:

The aim of this policy is to ensure that all parents and players are aware of the minimum standards required regarding travel to and from the Queensland State Championships (“the Tournament”) for all players selected into a SDBAL Junior Representative team.

While traveling it must be remembered that players, coaches, managers, and those associated with the team are representing SDBAL. At no stage should the name or reputation of SDBAL, BQ, or their sponsors be brought into disrepute.

For the purposes of this document, the following associations are considered local:

- Sothern Districts Spartans
- Southwest Pirates
- Ipswich Force
- Brisbane Capitals
- Northside Wizards
- Red City Roar
- Moreton Bay Fire
- Logan Thunder

2.0 Travel Policy:

In accepting a position in a SDBAL Junior Representative team, parents agree to the following conditions:

2.1 Team management costs:

- a. Teams are required to cover the standard travel costs (airfare, accommodation, team meals) of the Head Coach, Assistant Coach, and Manager (“the team management”) during the Tournament (regardless of whether they are related to a player).
- b. Wherever possible, the team management should share a room to reduce costs to the team.
- c. Where 2 members of the team management are from the same family, and related to a player, the team is only required to cover the cost of 1 person.
- d. Where 3 members of the team management are from the same family, and related to a player, the team is only required to cover the cost of 2 persons.
- e. It is at the discretion of the team to cover additional people.
- f. In the event of a dispute between the team management and a parent in relation to team management costs, the ultimate decision will rest with the SDBAL General Manager or an appointed staff member.

2.2 Travel to the Tournament:

- a. Teams may elect to travel together, however this is not a specific requirement of SDBAL.
- b. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the parent to ensure that their child is available at the Tournament location at the time and date agreed by the team management.
- c. In the event of a dispute between the team management and a parent in relation to travel, the ultimate decision will rest with the SDBAL General Manager or an appointed staff member.
- d. Teams who elect to travel together are required to wear approved SDBAL apparel while travelling.
- e. Any vehicles hired by a team must only be driven in accordance with the rental agreement.
- f. Drivers must maintain a zero-drug and zero-alcohol limit while driving a team vehicle or with team members in the vehicle.

2.3 Accommodation while travelling:

- a. It is the preference of SDBAL that travelling teams stay in the same accommodation (either as a team unit or as individual family units in the same complex).
- b. However, the accommodation arrangements for individual teams should initially be discussed by each team management and their specific parent group within the first few weeks of team selection.
- c. In the event of a dispute between the team management and a parent in relation to accommodation, the ultimate decision will rest with the SDBAL General Manager or an appointed staff member.
- d. Suggestions for accommodation based on prior travel experiences can be provided by SDBAL where requested.
- e. Where possible, it is preferred that there will only be 1 person per bed (excluding adult partners). However, this is subject to discussion with the parents of the team members when determining the cost and suitability of the accommodation.
- f. Adults are at no stage to be in accommodation areas alone with individual junior players (excluding 'parent & own child' and social spaces, lounge, kitchen or in a medical emergency).
- g. When traveling, any damage to accommodation establishments or transportation must be paid for by the team concerned as no costs will be accepted by SDBAL or BQ.
- h. Coaches and managers are expected to exercise discretion and restraint in the consumption of alcohol during the Tournament.

2.4 Local tournaments:

- a. For Tournaments at local associations, the preferred travel and accommodation arrangements for individual teams should initially be discussed by each team management and their specific parent group within the first few weeks of team selection.
- b. In the event of a dispute between the team management and a parent in relation to travel and/or accommodation, the ultimate decision will rest with the SDBAL General Manager or an appointed staff member.
- c. If a team elects to stay together, it is preferred that there will only be 1 person per bed (excluding adult partners). However, this is subject to discussion with the parents of the team members when determining the cost and suitability of the accommodation.

- d. Adults are at no stage to be in accommodation areas alone with individual junior players (excluding 'parent & own child' and social spaces, lounge, kitchen or in a medical emergency).
- e. Any damage to accommodation establishments or transportation must be paid for by the team concerned as no costs will be accepted by SDBAL or BQ.