

## **SELECTION PANEL AND TEAM SELECTION POLICY**

### **Appointment of Annual Selection Panels**

1. The SAVCA Committee shall appoint Selection Panels on an annual basis as below:
  - An Over-50's Selection Panel, responsible for the selection of SAVCA Over-50's and Over-55's Men's teams
  - An Over-60's Selection Panel, responsible for the selection of SAVCA Over-60's and Over-65's Men's teams
  - An Over-70's Selection Panel, responsible for the selection of SAVCA Over-70's teams (and older age-groups)
2. The SAVCA Committee shall additionally appoint Selection Panels for the Over-40's and for Veterans' Women's teams (and for any other teams as necessary) on an "as needed" basis, given the more limited number of games played by these teams.
3. Unless the Committee determines otherwise, each Selection Panel shall normally consist initially of three Selectors, plus the relevant State Age-Group Captain(s) once chosen by the Selection Panel and approved by the Committee. SAVCA may appoint one of the Selectors as the Chair of the Selection Panel, or the Selection Panel may be asked to select a Chair from amongst themselves.
4. For Selection Panels that are appointed on an annual basis, the term of each Selection Panel shall commence on 1st April each year. The Committee shall make reasonable endeavours to ensure that all Selectors are appointed by this date
5. Only Playing Members and former Playing Members of SAVCA are eligible to be a Selector on an Over-50's, Over-60's or Over-70's Selection Panel. SAVCA does not run Over-40's or Veterans' Women's competitions, so this requirement does not apply to the Selection Panels for the Over-40's or Veterans' Women's teams.
6. Where reasonably practical to do so, SAVCA may invite eligible individuals to nominate to become Selectors. However, SAVCA may, at its sole discretion, appoint Selectors directly, without going through a nomination process
7. SAVCA shall not be obliged to appoint a nominee as a Selector, even if SAVCA has not received enough nominations to fill a particular Selection Panel.
8. The Committee shall make reasonable endeavours to ensure that, where practical to do so, the Selectors appointed to a Selection Panel come from more than one Member Club (and ideally all come from different Member Clubs)
9. While it would normally be preferable for a Selector not to be a candidate for selection in a State Team for which the Selector is responsible, this does not automatically preclude a Playing Member from nominating to become a Selector, and it would be less of a contentious issue if the Playing Member is not likely to be selected in a Division One team. The SAVCA Committee reserves the right to consider this, and any other relevant issues, in deciding whether to appoint a Playing Member as a Selector.
10. Selectors are permitted to nominate to be re-appointed in subsequent years, or can be re-appointed directly by the Committee, either to the same Selection Panel or to a different Selection Panel

### **Appointment of State Captains and selection of State teams**

11. A consensus should always be the preferred method of selecting State Captains and State players but, in the event of a tied vote, the Chair of the Selection Panel will have the casting vote.
12. Once appointed, the Selection Panel shall recommend to the SAVCA Committee the proposed Division One State Captain for each Age-Group for which the Selection Panel is responsible, for approval by the Committee.
13. The SAVCA Committee should only reject a Selection Panel's recommended captain in exceptional circumstances
14. Once approved by the SAVCA Committee, Captains shall normally be appointed for the remainder of the term of the panel (i.e. for up to one year).

15. Once appointed, the Division One State captain for each Age-Group will become an additional member of the relevant Selection Panel, with full voting rights
16. Selection Panels are responsible for the selection of State teams to compete in Nationals and in other representative matches, as directed by the Committee. The Committee will not normally interfere in the selection of teams but reserves the right to do so in exceptional circumstances. Selection Panels should therefore advise the Committee of the selected teams prior to any players being advised of their selection. The Committee must instruct the Selection Panel regarding any required changes as soon as reasonably possible, if the Committee feels it is essential to make changes to a team nominated by a Selection Panel.

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