



NEW EVENTS / SPORTS TO THE SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA PROGRAM

SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA APPROVED SPORTS

Before any new sport is introduced as part of the School Sport Australia Championship program, the following procedures must be followed:

- i) At least 4 member bodies must indicate support for that sport together with a willingness to participate in any ensuing Championship.
- ii) The introduction of fewer than 4 teams in the sport from a different division (gender) is considered to be an extension of the Championship not a separate Championship.
- iii) Support for a Championship in that sport must be sought and forthcoming from the National Sporting Organisation and be included in that sport's development plan.
- iv) A School Sport Australia member body must be prepared to host the initial Championship and other member associations must agree to be included on the ensuing hosting roster.
- v) Where no National Secretary exists for that sport, the School Sport Australia Board shall call for nominations prior to the event.
- vi) The inaugural host state, in consultation with other participating states, shall accept responsibility for drawing up the Interim Rules and Guidelines for that sport. These Rules and Guidelines are to apply for the inaugural Championship and, following discussion by team officials present, must be submitted to School Sport Australia for approval.
- vii) Wherever possible, the School Sport Australia Executive Officer should attend the first Championship of any new event/sport introduced to the School Sport Australia calendar.
- viii) In the case of championship events the age group at which any new Championship is conducted must be negotiated with the National Sporting Organisation to ensure that there is no duplication of existing NSO events and must take into account the School Sport Australia preferred age levels of 12 Years and under and 15 Years and under.
- ix) An evaluation of the new championship will be conducted by the SSA Board following the second Championship.