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NORTHERN JUNIOR SQUASH ASSOCIATION (NJSA)
SELECTION CRITERIA

1.1 Eligibility

To be eligible to represent Northerns at any official competitions and/or tournaments, players must fulfill the following criteria:

- 1.1.1 Be a paid-up registered player with NJSA.
- 1.1.2 Participated in the **3 Compulsory NJSA Closed, Start of Season and NJSA Closed Round Robin Inside Tournaments** that season **AND** at least one additional **Outside Tournament** before the annual NJSA Closed:

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Tournaments</u>	
	<u>Compulsory Inside</u>	<u>Outside</u>
Primary Schools (U/11-U/13)	3	1
Secondary Schools (U/14 to U/19)	3	1

**** Inside Tournaments** refer to those **3 Compulsory** tournaments organised by NJSA, which are listed on the SA Schools Calendar; these are the **Start of Season Tournament and the NJSA Closed Round Robin and NJSA Closed**. The North Gauteng open is not compulsory, but will also be taken into consideration.

**** Outside tournaments** are any non NJSA organised tournament listed on the official SA Schools Calendar; these include the Menlo-Park Open and the Dunlop Tuks Tournaments.

- 1.1.3 The following extenuating circumstance might be considered by the NJSA Management Committee, on application from the parent, player, coach and/or teacher: -

- Illness or injury if supported by a letter/medical certificate from an adequately qualified person; e.g. doctor, specialist, physiotherapist, etc. provided that such a letter/medical certificate is submitted prior to the start of the relevant tournament. For minor illnesses the player will be required to

play a challenge within 2 weeks of the tournament otherwise it will be considered as a no-play. Long term injuries will require the necessary documentation and the player will be temporarily taken off the ladder and have to challenge to get their original position back.

- Circumstances beyond the control of the player e.g. death in the family, if supported by a letter from the parent signed by the parent, player, coach and/or teacher.
- Players that cannot play a compulsory NJSA tournament, after submitting the required documentation to the committee, have to play a challenge within 2 weeks after the tournament. If a player does not comply, the tournament will be regarded as a “no play”.
- Players participating in other national or international tournaments may approach NJSA to be exempted from the aforesaid tournaments. Tournaments on a higher level will be given preference. Each case will be considered on its merit and the decision of NJSA will be final and binding.
- The NJSA committee will consider all the NJSA Tournaments, all the SA Schools Selection and other important National Tournaments. Additional outside tournaments can also be taken into consideration if two NJSA players played against each other directly. All the available tournaments may be taken into consideration if and when required.
- Preference will be given to players having higher National rankings and who have superior performances at a National Level, over local and provincial results if the players are of a similar strength.
- Decisions regarding the final rankings will be made after the Chairman has consulted with the committee. The Chairman will have the right to issue chairman’s challenges if required and to decide the final rankings of the players if unclear.