

# WINTER SEASON 2024 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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#### 1. Registration

Registration for the Winter 2024 season opens in February

Numbers are capped for each age group due to limited training venue availability and coaching resources. Once the maximum number of registrations have been met for each group, you will be unable to register and your child will be placed on a waiting list. We strongly recommend that you register as soon as you can.

Fees are payable at the time of registration.

Registrations will be done through the same system as previous seasons - Basketball Victoria's registration platform - Play HQ.

Registrations can be done on our Club's website: https://www.maccabibasketball.com.au

Or click on the link to the appropriate association below to register (links will only work whilst registration is open)

#### Waverley Association (GIRLS AND BOYS) REGISTER NOW

#### McKinnon Association (GIRLS ONLY)

**REGISTER NOW** 

IMPORTANT: Please check the below sections, 2. Competition Information and 4. Age Eligibility for Waverley and McKinnon - Winter season, before registering to ensure you register for the correct competition. For those that register in the wrong competition, you may incur additional fees to fix this error including club administration fees, PlayHQ fees and McKinnon spectator fees.

Use your email address and the password you created to set up your Play HQ account for last season. If you have forgotten your password use the forgotten link to reset your password.

If you don't have a Play Hq account click on the appropriate link for the association you are entering your player in (see links above)

Listed below are step by step instructions to Signing in to Play Hq:

- Select Log in
- Create a new account (bottom of page under I don't have an account yet)
- Sign up with your details as requested
- Once signed up log into your account
- Select Quick registration
- Enter the player's details as requested
- Multiple players can be done in one transaction.

# 2. Competition Information

Registrations are available in the following associations;

#### Waverley Basketball Association (BOYS & GIRLS)

Saturday: Boys (U8-U16) and Girls (U8-U14) games start at 8am and continue throughout the day.

Sunday: Boys (U18-U20) games are played late on Sunday afternoons/evenings

Tuesday nights - Girls (U20) games are played Tuesday evenings

Venues: Waverley Basketball Stadium, Oakleigh Recreation Centre, Ashburton Recreation Centre

#### McKinnon Basketball Associations (GIRLS ONLY)

Sunday: Girls (U8 – U18) games start at 8.15am and continue throughout the day.

Venues: Various indoor facilities at schools in McKinnon/Bentleigh and surrounding suburbs.

# 3. Competition Dates

## Waverley Competition

The Winter season commences the weekend of Saturday 13th April and concludes with the Grand Final to be played early September. Season duration 18 weeks plus 2 weeks of finals. The first 5 matches are grading games.

Teams will start training week beginning Monday the 8th of April (no training for Thursday night teams on 25th due to ANZAC day public holiday). A detailed calendar will be available in the documents section of Stack Team App.

#### McKinnon Competition (GIRLS ONLY)

The Winter season commences Sunday 21st April 2024 and concludes with the Grand Final to be played early September. Season duration is 16 weeks plus 2 weeks of finals. The first 4 matches are grading games.

Teams will start training week beginning Monday the 8th of April (no training for Thursday night teams on 25th due to ANZAC day public holiday). A detailed calendar will be available in the documents section of Stack Team App.

# 4. Age Eligibility for Waverley and Mckinnon - Winter Season

Age eligibility has changed for Waverley for Winter 2024. This may mean that your child will be playing in an age group higher, but please note they are in the same situation as the majority of children in their current year level, and will not be disadvantaged in any way.

#### For more detailed information about our Player Age Policy please see full policy here >>

Waverley		
AGE GROUP	YEAR OF BIRTH	
U8	must be under the age of 8 as at 31st October 2024 Players must be aged 5 at the beginning of the season to register to U8's	
U10	must be under the age of 10 as at 31st October 2024	
U12	must be under the age of 12 as at 31st October 2024	
U14	must be under the age of 14 as at 31st October 2024	
U16	must be under the age of 16 as at 31st October 2024	
U18	must be under the age of 18 as at 31st October 2024	
U20	must be under the age of 20 as at 31st October 2024	

McKinnon		
AGE GROUP	YEAR OF BIRTH	
U8	Born in 2017	

	Players must be aged 5 at the beginning of the season to register to U8's
U10	Born in 2015 or 2106
U12	Born in 2103 or 2014
U14	Born in 2011 or 2012
U16	Born in 2009 or 2010
U18	Born in 2007 or 2008

# 5. Training Times and Venues

Each team trains once a week. As a general rule, the following training nights will be allocated for each group:

- Boys: Monday or Tuesday night
- Girls: Wednesday or Thursday night

Please understand that with 80 + teams entered each season, catering to each child's (or parent's) preferred training venue or day is impossible. Therefore, once teams are announced **NO REQUESTS** for training day changes will be considered due to a clash with other sports/ activities. When you register a player you are agreeing to the training days specified above and any requests for specific training days are not guaranteed.

Final training days and times will be determined by the following factors (in order of priority):

- Availability of coaches
- Availability of venues
- Availability of players

Training venues (subject to change):

Bialik College Sports Centre - 407 Tooronga Road, Hawthorn East, 3123 Orrong Romanis Recreation Centre - Molesworth St, Prahran, 3181 Wesley College (Elsternwick Campus) - 5 Gladstone Parade, Elsternwick, 3183

# **Player Commitment**

Once a player registers for a season, he/she makes a commitment to be reliable and attend all training sessions and games for their team, unless for some unforeseen circumstance, such as sickness, injury or special family function. Choosing to play another sport where it is known that training or game times conflict with basketball commitments is not an acceptable reason for absence. Unreliable players may be penalised at the coach's discretion by reduced or no court time.

A player should notify their Team Manager as soon as they become aware that they will be unavailable for a particular training session or a game.

By registering for consideration into a team, parents agree to committing to the team and training time/venue allocated.

# 6. Coaches

All Maccabi coaches hold a current Working With Children Check and are constantly upskilling through Basketball Victoria accreditation and development sessions run by our Coaching Directors during the season. Within our coaching group we have some parent coaches/assistant coaches.

Parents make great coaches, so we encourage as many parents to get involved as possible. If you are interested in coaching please contact us: <u>info@maccabibasketball.com.au</u>

We also utilise a volunteer parent Back Up Coach system to assist when coaches are unavailable. You can volunteer to be a Back Up Coach when registering your player.

# 7. Club Membership Fees - WINTER SEASON 2024

The Club is aware of the increasing financial pressures on families associated with rising costs of living. We have tried our best to keep any cost increase to a minimum, despite many of our operational costs going up significantly. There is no sibling discount as we have offered a discounted fee to all members registering.

Fees are set out below. Please note, Basketball Victoria charges an annual fee of \$29 (17 and under) and \$43 (18 and up) for every player. If you paid this fee last season (Summer) you will not be required to pay it again this season. Play HQ will automatically add it to your registration fee if you are required to pay it this season.

# Waverley - Winter Season 2024

\$465 - 18 week season + finals and includes

- Player and Spectator entrance fee
- Competition Team Entry Nominations
- Competition Match Fees (Scoresheet Fees)
- Training Fees (Venue Hire)
- Training Resources
- Coach Payments
- Coach/Player Development
- Administration
- Maccabi Victoria affiliation fee

#### McKinnon - Winter Season 2024

\$365 - 16 week season + finals and includes;

- Competition Team Entry Nominations
- Competition Match Fees (Scoresheet Fees)
- Training Fees (Venue Hire)
- Training Resources
- Coach Payments
- Coach/Player Development
- Administration
- Maccabi Victoria affiliation fee

A player and spectator fee of \$96 is charged separately and paid directly to McKinnon upon registration.

#### Parent Coach Refunds

The Club thanks all our parent coaches who volunteer their time to be a parent coach at Maccabi Basketball Victoria. Your donation of time and effort is greatly appreciated and helps to increase the community feel of the Club. We are aware in the past parents who were coaches of their child's team were offered an optional refund on their child's registration fee. From the Winter 2024 season this is no longer an option. The Club has made the decision to direct more funding to investing in you as coaches by providing you with increased development and access to knowledge, skills and assistance from our Head Coaches and Directors. All parents wanting to coach will need to register their children and pay the full fee. In the event you require financial assistance for Winter Season 2024, a hardship fund is available to Maccabi parents. For more information regarding this option please go to <a href="https://www.maccabirelieffund.com.au/">https://www.maccabirelieffund.com.au/</a>.

#### 8. Withdrawal from season.

#### **Refund Policy**

When a player withdraws after registering, it can cause significant disruption not only to individual teams but also to the entire age group, placing a substantial burden on the volunteers within our committee. The registration fees are designed to encompass expenses related to registration, venue rental for training, registration-related costs, insurance, and other miscellaneous expenditures. Refunds are only considered by the Club under exceptional and rare circumstances.

#### Pre-season refund

**Refund requests must be in writing if within 14 days of registrations closing** – if a request is received by the Club within 14 days from the date registrations close, then a full refund will be given at the discretion of the club.

**If received after the 14 day period but before the season commences** – Refunds will be paid at the Club's discretion less a \$50.00 administration fee.

If a request for a refund is received after grading has commenced and/or team lists have been distributed - Refunds will be paid at the Club's discretion less a \$100.00 administration fee

#### **During Season refund**

A partial registration fee refund will be provided to a member if their child has been unable to play for most of the season due to injury and/or illness. The amount of the refund is dependent upon the number of games played.

#### Refunds are not given for:

- Dislike of the team into which the player has been selected
- Dislike of the allocated coach
- Unavailability to train at the allocated time/day
- Preferences not being met e.g. not playing with friends
- Dislike of the team's allocated division/grade
- Other sport/social/work commitments of the player
- Change of mind by player/parents

#### 9. Inclusion/ Financial Assistance

Maccabi Basketball believes that every Jewish child has the right to play basketball and will ensure financial assistance is available for registration if needed. Assistance may be accessed via the Maccabi Relief Fund.

Please apply online: https://www.maccabirelieffund.com.au/

The application process is confidential and simple. Maccabi Victoria will attempt to resolve all requests for assistance within 2-5 days.

# 10.Uniform

New members will need to purchase a singlet and shorts as separate items and any current player requiring a larger size will need to purchase a uniform.

Uniform items can be purchased via the Club's online store <u>https://www.maccabibasketball.com.au/uniforms</u> and /or during registration via Play HQ

Consider the size your child requires when ordering so they will at least get a couple of seasons out of it. Sizes are in children's sizes and true to size. If unsure what size your child needs, go up a size up.

# Please ensure that all uniform orders are placed during registration. We cannot guarantee availability of uniforms if orders are placed after registrations are closed.

PLEASE NOTE: NO REQUESTS FOR SINGLET NUMBERS WILL BE TAKEN. Numbers are allocated by the club

Uniforms will be available for pick up on uniform collection day - date and location to be advised.

If you have an old uniform you no longer use please consider donating it to the Club. Any uniform queries email <u>uniforms@maccabibasketball.com.au</u>

# 11. Communication

Once registrations close the club will only be communicating to members via Stack Team App.

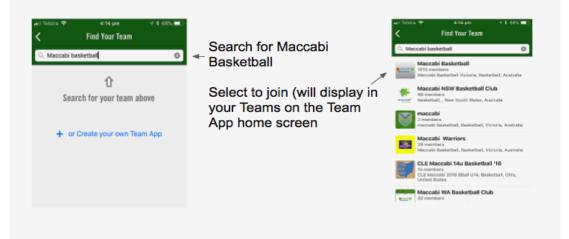
# GO TO STACK TEAM APP AND SELECT THE WINTER SEASON 2024 ACCESS GROUP

# STACK TEAM APP WILL BE THE ONLY MEANS OF COMMUNICATING DURING THE SEASON. ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THE SEASON/ TRAINING TIMES and DAYS WILL ONLY BE ANNOUNCED ON STACK TEAM APP.

If you are new to Maccabi Basketball and don't have a Stack Team App account yet:

- Go to the Apple store Download Stack Team App (iphone users) or Google play (android users)
- Join Maccabi Basketball
- Request access to the Winter Season 2024 group

#### WINTER SEASON 2024 - is an access group for both Mckinnon and Waverley pre-season



For any new player queries contact info@maccabibasketball.com.au

# 12. Tryouts and Team Selection

The number of teams that Maccabi Basketball will enter into competitions (and the number of players per team) will be determined by the following factors:

- Number of registered players
- Number of coaches
- Access to facilities to train

No requests will be accepted for specific training days, locations or teams. Requests to move teams due to clash of activities cannot be accommodated.

Player assessment sessions will be held prior to the 2024 Winter Season as an additional tryouts to our annual tryout sessions.. The Club will hold annual player assessment sessions prior to Summer Season. If you are a new player U12 or above who has previously played basketball at another club or with Maccabi more than 1 season ago, please note this when registering and you will be invited to attend a training session for assessment.

The Coaching Directors undertake the complex task of combining all players within an age group into the most appropriate teams that will play in graded competitions for the upcoming season.

Team placement will be based on feedback from coaches on player's performance, coachability and attitude in the previous season as well as team balance. Placement is based on skill and a player's relative standing in relation to other similar players in the age group. The composition of each team is also considered to ensure each team has an appropriate mix of players - centers/forwards/guards.

#### Friendship requests will not be considered in the team allocation process.

## 13. Team Managers

Team Manager is a critical role and no team can play without one. **Please consider volunteering for this role**, your kids will love seeing you involved and you are making a fantastic contribution to our club which relies on our wonderful volunteers to operate smoothly.

It is essential that one parent performs the role of Team Manager for each team. This involves:

- Facilitating communication within your team
- Scheduling training and creating a parent roster for training supervision
- Scheduling match day events and rostering parents for scoring

This is a simple but essential role that requires minimal time but makes an enormous difference to your child's team for the season. It is a condition of registration that you agree to accept the responsibility of being a Team Manager if you are chosen. Team Managers are allocated each season on a rotational basis (unless there is a volunteer).

Please do not email the club saying you are unable to be a Team manager. You have agreed to it as part of the T&Cs in registering your child. If you cannot fulfill your Team Manager duties it is your responsibility to find a parent from your team to replace you.

Training cannot commence without a parent supervision roster in place for training.

We have a dedicated volunteer who assists Team Managers to fulfill their roles. Please contact teamapp@maccabibasketball.com.au if you require any assistance.

# 14. Announcement of Teams

Please be patient. Team allocation is a timely process. A number of factors are taken into consideration to determine teams. You will receive notification via Stack Team App when the teams have been released. Only those that have registered for the season will receive a notification.

# 15. Skills Sessions

From time to time Maccabi Basketball offers Skills Sessions for children in prep and year 1 when court availability and coaching availability allows for it. For more information please contact info@maccabibasketball.com.au

#### 16. Enquiries

If at any stage you require assistance please contact

Team Manager Liaison <u>teamapp@maccabibasketball.com.au</u> - Ronit Almagor Registration and general enquiries <u>info@maccabibasketball.com.au</u> -Ronit Almagor Uniform enquiries <u>uniforms@maccabibasketball.com.au</u> - Rochelle Wittenberg The Maccabi Basketball Club would like to thank our sponsors Gary Peer, Moose Toys, Gallaghers Insurance and Total Health Physio for their generous support of the Winter 2024 Season.







