ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

- **1.** To be eligible for nomination to represent the Region, the student must attend an affiliated school, or be affiliated with their appropriate district.
- 2. The student must participate in the district selection process.
- **3.** A student who has attained a sufficiently high standard to warrant nomination for the Regional Team and whose school does not participate in the inter-school competition provided for that sport, may be invited to nominate for selection in the Regional Team.
- **4.** If there is no inter-school competition in the sport, students from affiliated schools are eligible to be nominated provided that any other conditions, as determined by the Region, are satisfied.
- 5. Students who have an approved absence (eg. illness, injury, family bereavement, other higher level representative sporting commitments including travel and competition days only) at the time of the Regional Trials, may be considered for selection in the Regional Team, provided that an <u>Absentee Application for Exemption Form</u> is submitted. Students CAN ONLY participate in One (1) District Team per Cluster Sport Trials. All Exemption applications must be approved prior to Trials. Students must submit the application for exemption form to the RSSO for approval PRIOR to the selection trials for consideration for selection.
- **6.** An athlete who wishes to be considered for selection in more than one Regional team must submit an <u>Application for Exemption Form</u> for the sport they are not attending. This application will be considered for selection in the regional team after endorsement by School Principal, District Secretary & RSSO based on the following criteria:
 - **6.1** A **13-19yrs athlete** who has either, (a) represented Queensland in that particular sport in either community or school sport OR (b) represented in that Regional School Sport team in the previous 12 months.
 - **6.2** A **10-12yrs athlete** who wishes to trial for more than one sport on the same day must submit an Exemption Application Form for the sport they are not attending. This application will be considered for selection in the regional team after endorsement by School Principal, District Secretary and RSSO.
- **7.** To be eligible for nomination to represent the Regional Team, age restrictions apply as follows:
 - (a) Rugby League and Rugby Union students **must not** have attained the age of nineteen (19) years on 31 December of the year of competition (ie. 18 years & under competitions).
 - (b) Other Secondary Teams Students **must not** have attained the age of twenty (20) years on 31 December of the year of competition (ie. 19 years & under competitions) with the exception of Australian Football which conducts a 15 years & under competition only (ie. Students **must not** have attained the age of sixteen (16) years on the 31 December of the year of competition.
 - (c) Primary Track and Field, Cross Country and Swimming (ie. individual type sports) students **must** have attained the age of 10 and **not** exceed the age of 12 years on 31 December of the year of competition (as per W.B. Age Policy 2002)
 - (d) Other Primary Teams students **must** have attained the age of 10 and **not** exceed the age of 12 years on 31 December of the year of competition.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTIFICATION

Principals of students selected in regional teams will be notified. If the Principal concerned considers any student selected to be unworthy, it is requested that the Manager and Regional School Sport Officer be advised immediately so that a replacement (shadow selection) may be announced.

Please note: Signed Principal Approval confirms that a Project Consent Form permitting publication of students name, image and school has been received from the parent / caregiver.