

Bay Olympic Policy on Junior and Youth Tournaments

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to define the rationale for funding of junior and youth tournament entries at Bay Olympic.

Participation in tournaments at junior and youth level is consistent with our members developing a “lifetime love of the game”. Tournaments provide players with enjoyment, competition, and opportunity to develop their competencies over a compact period. Management of player workloads at tournaments is important to reduce the risk of injury.

2. Policy

Bay Olympic will fund the tournament entry fees for the participation of Club representative teams in recognised premier junior or youth mixed and girls tournaments each year. The current list of approved, funded tournaments is:

- Auckland United Under 9s
- West Coast Rangers Under 10s
- Ellerslie Under 11s
- NRF Weir Rosebowl Under 12s
- Western Springs Under 13s
- Ellerslie Under 15s
- Western Springs Under 17s
- Napier Under 19s

Any travel, accommodation and meal costs will be a direct cost of the players/families participating in any tournament. Bay Olympic will assist with facilitation of team fundraising for tournaments. Refer to Bay Olympic Policy on Fundraising.

Bay Olympic teams may enter other tournaments throughout the season at their own cost. To ensure teams enter tournaments that are well administered, safe and appropriate for each team’s stage of development, coaches and managers should discuss planned entries with the Director of Football before entering.

Funding for tournaments other than those listed above may be considered on the recommendation of the Director of Football to the Executive Committee.

3. Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the Director of Football and the Treasurer of the Executive Committee to manage the application of this Policy.

4. Review

This policy was reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee on 29 September 2021. It will be reviewed annually. The next review will be in September 2022.