

## Conditions of Ringwood Hawks Try outs 2025-26

### ATTENDANCE

Players cannot attend any session unless they have pre-registered, we will not be accepting walk-ins.

Players are required 20 mins prior to check in & have your tryout number added. Existing players MUST wear their Hawks training singlet. New players are to wear a light/dark reversible singlet, bring a drink bottle with name clearly marked and a basketball.

Each NEW MALE DOMESTIC PLAYER for U14 and U16 MUST attend Pre Tryout sessions on the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> September. You will be notified after the first session if you are successful. You will then be expected to attend all remaining tryout sessions unless notified otherwise. Spectators will not be permitted to attend tryouts.

PLEASE NOTE\* Anyone seeking a permission to train from Friday 10th of October, you will no longer be considered for a Hawks position.

### SELECTION PROCESS

The selection team will comprise of independent coaches. Evaluators will rotate courts so that they get to see all players participate in all types of drills and competitions. They will critique skills and basketball ability. Selection is subject but not limited to;

Tryout performance

Team Balance – to ensure a quality and competitive team, the team may not for example, comprise of all point guards, once the coach has enough point guards his/her other selections will be focused on other positions/skills etc. Coaches will have the flexibility to select some players for specific positions/roles to ensure a balanced team, as well as considering team chemistry when finalising their team.

Skills – Fundamental skills, technique, coordination, attitude, sportsmanship, intensity, competitiveness, performance under pressure, court awareness and scrimmage performance.

Decision making

Discipline and engagement in practices including work ethic and coachability.

Past performance – tryouts may provide an incomplete indication of a player's skills, therefore input from a player's previous coach may assist complete the details on the players' ability.

### NOTIFICATION OF TEAM SELECTION

Teams will be selected after all tryout sessions are complete and players will be emailed an offer or position the day after the final stage of your age group. The maximum amount of time required if necessary to consider an offer is 24 hours, a \$100 non refundable deposit is to be paid to accept your position with an invoice for the \$560 balance due by the 24<sup>th</sup> October to follow

## GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENTS

Please review the 2025/2026 Ringwood Hawks Player & Parent Handbook available upon registration to your team. The handbook includes important information regarding the program including many of our policies and procedures. It is important that all parents and players understand that accepting a place in the program means abiding by all Basketball

Victoria Codes of Conduct and Ringwood policies, codes and procedures as set out in the Hawks Player & Parent Handbook and/or published on the club website.

Tryouts are a stressful time for everyone, including parents. The tryouts are conducted fairly, and everyone has an opportunity to display their skills. No pre-determined spots are guaranteed at any time. There will be disappointments; it is inevitable that some players will not make the team that they thought they may make. Positive reinforcement rather than critiquing the tryout process or criticising other players will assist a player's development and help them to move forward. As we all know once the new teams are formed and have had their first training sessions, optimism for the coming season becomes the focal point. **IMPORTANT: we ask that parents do not request communication from coaches during the tryout process in person, by phone, email or SMS.**

IF SELECTED; You are required to attend two training sessions per week. One is likely to be Sunday morning and the other mid-week. You will be informed of the team's training days & times by the coach. First Sunday session will be the 19<sup>th</sup> October with midweek trainings begin the week of the 20<sup>th</sup> October

Induction night – Compulsory evening for all players and at least one parent to attend – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October at The Rings U12 & U14's 6.30pm and U16 & U18's 8pm

Practice matches on the 24<sup>th</sup> October, 31<sup>st</sup> October and 7<sup>th</sup> November with Grading phase 1 game 14<sup>th</sup> November

Terms and Conditions – Please ensure you have read and understand the TRYOUT GUIDELINES as detailed above. Your acknowledgement of the Terms & Conditions when registering online is your acknowledgement that you have read and will adhere to the above guidelines.

## **PRE TRYOUTS SESSIONS (BOYS)**

**Wednesday, 17 September – Boys U14 @ Norwood**

**Thursday, 18 September -Boys U16 @ Norwood**

**Part 1 -**

**Saturday, 4 October - Boys U12 & U14 @ The Rings**

**Saturday, 4 October – Girls U12 & U14 @ Norwood SC**

**Sunday, 5 October – Boys U16 & U18 @ The Rings**

**Sunday, 5 October – Girls U16 & U18 @ Norwood SC**

**Part 2 -**

**Tuesday, 7 October – Girls U12 & U14 @ Norwood SC**

**Thursday, 9 October – Girls U16 & U18 @ Norwood SC**

**Friday, 10 October – Boys U12, U14 and U16 @ The Rings**

**Friday, 10 October – Boys U18 @ Norwood SC**

**Sunday, 12 October – Boys U 12, U14 & U16 @ The Rings**

**Sunday, 12 October – Boys U18 @ Norwood SC**

**Tuesday, 14 October – Girls U12 & U14 @ Norwood SC**

**Thursday, 16 October – Girls U16 & U18 @ Norwood SC**