



2026/2027 **WABL / STATE** CHAMPIONSHIP TRIALS

Everything you need to know before registering for the 2026/27 Rockingham Flames WABL trials.

Please read this guide carefully before registering, as fees are not refundable.

**REGISTRATION FOR
TRIALS CLOSES:**

OCTOBER 7TH, 5PM, 2026

ELIGIBILITY FOR WABL 2027

To be eligible to participate in trials and be selected in a Rockingham Flames team, the player must be playing in Rockingham Basketball Association's 2026 Winter Domestic season and/or be registered and financial for the 2026/2027 Summer Season. If a player does not meet this requirement, they will not be able to participate without a High Performance Manager's (HPM) exemption. Eligibility checks will be run on all players.

SELECTION OF TEAMS

- WABL is a year-long commitment. Tryouts are held early October. State Champs are held November/December. WABL pre-season runs November to March. WABL runs from April to August, with finals in September.
- If you would like to be considered for a WABL team in 2027, you must participate in the State Champs trial process, even if you are unable to play.
- If you are unable to attend a session, you will need to complete an exemption form.

HOW TRIALS WORK

- Tryouts will be between 3–8 sessions depending on factors such as tryout numbers and team rank.
- Trial squads will be reduced and cut during the tryout process, at the end of each session. Parents will be informed within 48 hours of the session ending by the High Performance Manager if their child has been cut.
- Teams will be selected by the Head Coaches in the age group, in conjunction with the High Performance Manager.
- Emails will only be sent if your child has been cut, or at the end of trials if your child has successfully made a team. If Team 1 is announced but your child is still trialling, your child remains in the Team 2–4 trial phase and an email will only be sent once those teams are selected.



TRIAL SCHEDULE

TRIAL 1 — SATURDAY 10 & SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER

DATE	TIME	AGE GROUP	BORN	VENUE	COURTS
Sat 10 Oct	9am–10:40am	U11 Girls	2016, 2017 & 2018	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sat 10 Oct	11:20am–1pm	U13 Girls	2014 & 2015	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sat 10 Oct	1:40pm–3:20pm	U15 Girls	2012 & 2013	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sat 10 Oct	4pm–5:40pm	U17 & U20 Girls	2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sat 10 Oct	4pm–5:40pm	U19 Boys	2008 & 2009	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 11 Oct	9am–10:40am	U11 Boys	2016, 2017 & 2018	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 11 Oct	11:20am–1pm	U13 Boys	2014 & 2015	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 11 Oct	1:40pm–3:20pm	U15 Boys	2012 & 2013	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 11 Oct	4pm–5:40pm	U17 Boys	2010 & 2011	Mike Barnett	4–7

AFTER TRIAL 1

Cuts will be made after Trial 1. Tryout sessions 2 and 3 will be TBC, but will be during the week of 12–16 October (depending on court and coach availability, will be confirmed shortly).

TRIAL 4 — SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER

DATE	TIME	AGE GROUP	BORN	VENUE	COURTS
Sun 18 Oct	9am–10:40am	U11 Boys	2016, 2017 & 2018	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 18 Oct	11:20am–1pm	U13 Boys	2014 & 2015	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 18 Oct	1:40pm–3:20pm	U15 Boys	2012 & 2013	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 18 Oct	4pm–5:40pm	U17 Boys	2010 & 2011	Mike Barnett	4–7
Sun 18 Oct	11:20am–1pm	U11 Girls	2016, 2017 & 2018	Mike Barnett	1–3
Sun 18 Oct	1:40pm–3:20pm	U13 Girls	2014 & 2015	Mike Barnett	1–3
Sun 18 Oct	4pm–5:40pm	U15 Girls	2012 & 2013	Mike Barnett	1–3

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TRAINING

After these dates above, training times will be updated via the club's website on a weekly basis.



2026 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS + WABL 2027

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

IMPORTANT

The team selected in October 2026 will be for the State Championships only.

14/15 NOV 2026	State Titles – All Championship Divisions across all age groups @ Bendat & Warwick
21/22 NOV 2026	U13 Girls & U15 Boys (Divisions 2–5) @ Bendat & Warwick
28/29 NOV 2026	U13 Boys & U17 Boys (Divisions 2–5) @ Bendat & Warwick
5/6 DEC 2026	U11 Boys, U17 Girls & U19 Boys (Divisions 2–5) @ Bendat & Warwick
12/13 DEC 2026	U11 Girls, U15 Girls & U20 Girls (Divisions 2–5) @ Bendat & Warwick

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS COURT TIME

- Due to the nature of the State Championships, and how short the games are, not every player selected is guaranteed to play in every single game.
- Flames players are entitled to play in at least 3 State Championship games, assuming the player meets the team's expectations with regards to behaviour, attitude, and attendance.
- The Head Coach will determine the total amount of court time given.

EARLY 2027 — INTO WABL GRADING

The 2026 State Championship teams will come back together inside their own age groups early in 2027, where coaches can tweak their squads, before naming their 2027 WABL Teams.

This process is allowing coaches to move players up or down based on team personnel, State Championship form etc.

FURTHER CUTS ARE POSSIBLE

Whilst we are permitted to take 5 teams per age group into most State Championships categories, we can only take up to 4 during the WABL season. As such, more cuts may need to be made to accommodate this.

Teams will be selected by the Head Coaches in the age group, in conjunction with the High Performance Manager.



BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

TRIAL COST

\$50

NON-REFUNDABLE

CAN'T ATTEND?

Players absent without an exemption will not be included in the 2026/27 WABL team selection.

Email hpm@rockinghamflames.com.au with the player's name, date of birth and reason for the exemption request.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions will only be handed out by our HPM's discretion, for things such as Injury, Illness, Family Travel etc. Requesting an exemption does not guarantee one being granted; only a valid reason will be approved.

WHAT TO BRING

- Correct basketball for your child's age group
- Water bottle
- Mouthguard
- Flames reversible singlet; a reversible singlet, or a light AND dark t-shirt if you don't have a reversible. Clothing from other clubs will not be allowed.

PARENT ATTENDANCE AT WEEKEND TRIAL PHASE

Parents cannot watch weekend tryouts. You may help your child check in and register, and then wait in the foyer area. Please drop your child off 20 minutes before the session starts.

**REGISTRATION
CLOSES**

5PM, OCTOBER 7TH, 2026

QUESTIONS

Having read through this thoroughly, if you still have any questions, please direct them to our HPM at hpm@rockinghamflames.com.au.