



Taw Valley Selection Policy

Introduction

Players are members of the club and not a specific team and are expected to respect the decisions of the captain with good grace. Selection will be a continuous, ongoing process throughout the season and players could move between teams at any time.

Who selects the team?

Team selection will be made by team captains and vice captains with advice and input from coaches. Final decisions will be made by the captain.

How is the team selected?

Selection will be based on an individual player's ability, fitness, attitude and their commitment to the team. This includes:

Ability

- Proficiency at core basic skills
- Ability to read the game
- Ability to transfer core skills into match situations

Fitness

- General fitness level
- Hockey specific fitness levels

Attitude

- Flexibility within the squad; willingness to adapt to different positions and roles.
- Individual player's motivation to improve in all aspects of their performance
- Coachability; how receptive players are to coaching, the scope for individual improvement, work rate in training

- Approach to other team members on and off the pitch
- Pitch etiquette

Commitment

- Regular availability
- Training commitment

The above criteria are intended to provide a guide, which is not exhaustive by which players competing for squad positions can be compared and considered.

How will I know which team I'm playing for?

Captains will inform players about team selection as soon as possible. Captains will aim to confirm team selection by the Thursday before a match. If players are in any doubt they should ask a captain.

How will I know if I'm moving up or down?

Captains will inform a player if they are moving up or down. Captains will aim to inform players at the soonest opportunity and will aim to confirm movement by the Thursday before a match. If players are in any doubt they should ask a captain.

What to do if you believe you have been unfairly treated?

Players must register their complaint with the player representative, without delay.

First team player representative for 2012-2013:

Second team player representative for 2012-2013: