



## Fill-in Player Policy

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This policy is aimed to provide guidance to coaches, parents and players on the rules applying to fill-in players. This is not a rule per se of the Malvern Tigers Basketball Club, rather the interpretation of guidelines provided by the Waverley Basketball Association.

In summary, players are only able to fill-in for a team in a HIGHER age group (not a different section in their own age group).

Such players are only allowed to play in a section no more than two divisions/sections lower than their regular team. (e.g. a player in U12 Section 2 can play in U14, but only as low as Section 4). For each additional age group that they move up, they can play down a further 2 sections.

Note: As U8 is the lowest age group, NO fill-in players are allowed in this age group.

For the purpose of players in multiple teams, the JUNIORS and the GIRLS are considered separate competitions. Saturday and Sunday JUNIORS are considered as one competition, and Saturday and Tuesday GIRLS are also considered as the same competition.

In application, a player can play U14 JUNIORS and U14 GIRLS with no restrictions, however if, for example, they play U14 JUNIORS on a Saturday and U16 JUNIORS on a Sunday, then restrictions will apply.

Further, if a player has a bye in their regular team, then they CANNOT fill-in for another team in the same age group.

This information is posted on the club's website [www.malverntigers.org](http://www.malverntigers.org)