FNA FUTURES

Congratulations on your Invitation to Trial

What is FNA Futures?

- Representative Teams Development Program (often referred to as 'Rep Teams'.
- A development-focused program, designed to upskill Athletes, Coaches & Umpires.
- A program to build life skills, form strong friendships and learn what it means to represent Fremantle Netball Association.
- Playing athletes and Umpires trial for a place within the program and are selected to represent FNA at various carnivals/competitions/events across the Metropolitan area.
- The main event is competing at the Fuel To Go & Play Association Championships (held each June long weekend at Perth NA & the Gold Netball Centre).
- Mini carnivals leading up to the FTG&P Association Championships.
- Metro Development Competition (held in Term 4).
- Any other carnivals held at associations.

For further information or queries, contact the Association Development Officer
development@fremantlenetball.com.au

Key Points covered

- *Who can trial*
- *Communications guidelines*
- *Trial cost*
- *Trial dates*
- *What to wear*
- *Absence from trials*
- *Trial night procedure*
- *Program commitment if successful*
- *How many players/teams are selected*
- *Parent protocol*
- *Photography/Social Media*
- *Registration to trial*

How do I know if I am invited to trial?

- *All communications regarding trials will be emailed directly to the account holder email address, registered on PlayHQ.*
- *An invitation will be emailed to all invitees, anytime from beginning-late September.*
- *Each club will be emailed with a list of athletes invited from their club.*

- Trials are by **invitation only** for athletes turning 12 - 16 in the year of competition.
- For the 20U age group, an Expression Of Interest will be advertised in January - February in the year of competition.

- *Talent Identification (TID) occurs during the Winter season by FNA Selectors for the following year's program.*
- *Players playing in Division 1 & 2 of Age Groups 11U - 14U, will receive an automatic invitation.*
- *Players participating in lower divisions in 11U - 14U, will be viewed by FNA Selectors and potentially invited to trial.*
- *15U - 16U, Division 1 players will receive an automatic invitation. Lower divisions may be viewed and potentially invited to trial.*
- *20U athletes would be expected to be competing in Divisions 1 or 2 for their age group, or Opens Division 1 - 4.*
- *Clubs can submit names of athletes they have identified as potential invitees.*
- *FNA selectors will then assess those club nominated athletes.*

Trial Dates

2027 Program

12U

- *Phase 1 - 26 & 29 October 2026*
- *Phase 2 - 16 & 19 November 2026*
- *Phase 3 - 15 & 18 February 2027*

13U

- *Phase 1 - 19 & 22 October 2026*
- *Phase 2 - 09 & 12 November 2026*
- *Phase 3 - 08 & 11 February 2027*

14U

- *Phase 1 - 16 & 19 November 2026*
- *Phase 2 - 15 & 18 February 2027*

16U

- *Phase 1 - 09 & 12 November 2026*
- *Phase 2 - 08 & 11 February 2027*

20U

- *Expressions of Interest - February 2027*
- *Trials (if required) - March 2027*

Trial Nights

- Mondays
- Thursdays
- 6:00 - 8:30pm

Results from each phase of trials will be emailed to athletes/parents, usually within 2 weeks.

Trial Venue

Fremantle Netball Association

Trials Cost/Attire/Leg

Trial Cost

- *$20.00 per trial (+ processing fees).*
- *Each trial consists of 2 nights.*
- *Trial fees are non-refundable.*

Leg Numbers

- *All athletes will be given a unique leg number for ID purposes.*
- *Use a thick, black permanent marker, apply to outside of both legs.*
- *Do **NOT** moisturise legs before putting leg number on.*

What to wear & bring

- Black shorts.
- Plain white top (tshirt or singlet).
- Existing FNA Futures athletes **MUST** also wear a plain white top.
- No national, state, association, club representation attire is to be worn to trials - this includes socks.
- Nails MUST be short and smooth. Taping of nails is not permitted.
- No jewellery is permitted to be worn - including recent piercings or piercings hidden under clothing.
- Jumper for when sitting off court.
- 2 full water bottles.
- Snack for the trip home.

Absence from trials

- *All absences from trials MUST be reported to FNA via this link **[https://forms.gle/qA3RK49ZSzcWkZ1q8]** or the **QR Code** on this page.*
- *Proof of the absence reason may be require (eg medical certificate/school notice etc).*

Injury

- If an athlete is injured and unable to trial, a medical certificate will be required.
- Clearance from a medical practitioner will be required before an athlete is permitted to resume participation in trials.

Illness

- *If your athlete is unwell, they should stay home to minimise spread of illness. They will not be able to play their best if unwell.*
- *If they have a medical certificate,this should be **emailed to development@fremantlenetball.com.au***

Other Absences

- For school events, holidays or other absences, please submit proof of event to ADO.
- i.e. school notice, itinerary etc.

Trial Night Procedure

Parent Parking

Parent parking/athlete drop off is NOT allowed in the FNA grounds. This is reserved for FNA staff, selectors & coaches.

Athlete Check-in

- Athletes to line up at office window and have name checked off.
- Line-up behind relevant signage.
- Athletes may be placed in teams or positions - follow instructions from FNA staff.

Athlete Collection

Parents MUST collect athletes from the courts. They will not be permitted to walk to car parks without a parent/guardian.

5:30pm	Athlete check-in commences
6:00pm	Athlete briefing by FNA staff
6:05pm	Warmup
6:20pm	Matchplay
8:25pm	Athlete cool down & debrief by selector
8:30pm	Athletes dismissed

Matchplay

- *6-8 games played.*
- *Games are 10-12 minutes each.*
- *Each athlete may have 1-2 games on the sideline.*
- *Athletes often play Out of Position - this is noted and does not negatively impact selection.*

Squads & Teams....

how many players?

- *If your netballer is successful in being selected into the program, they are placed in 2 X squads for the first 4 weeks, then assigned in teams for the remainder of the program.*
- *All teams usually have 10 players.*
- *Players may be elevated to a higher team during the program in the event of injury/illness.*
- *Training Partners are often elevated into a team.*

12U	• 4 Teams • up to 10 Training Partners
13U	• 4 Teams • up to 10 Training Partners
14U	• 4 Teams • up to 10 Training Partners
16U	• up to 5 Teams • up to 10 Training Partners
20U	• 2 Teams

Program Commitment

Players who are successful in being selected in the program, will be expected to attend all trainings and carnivals.

Training Night :	Thursdays
Time :	6:00 - 8:00pm
Venue :	Fremantle Netball Association
Dates :	Commencing the first or second Thursday in March
School Holidays :	• no training day before Good Friday • often no training 1st week school holidays
Carnivals :	• Friday night end March - FNA • Sunday afternoon beginning May - PNA • Long weekend June - PNA/GNC

Parent & Player Protocol

Photography & Social Media

- *We respectfully request that parents do not take photos or video during the trials nights.*
- *Concerns regarding inappropriate photography or videoing on the grounds should be reported to the FNA office or FNA staff immediately.*
- *FNA staff may take photos/video for promotional purposes - permission will be obtained from any parents/guardians of athletes prior to publication.*
- *FNA staff may take photos of athletes with their leg numbers for identification purposes, when assessing trials results and data.*
- *We request all participants do not post content that identifies athletes, coaches, umpires or their families in a negative way.*

Parents may stay but MUST remain :-

- on the bench seats
- grassed area at southern end of courts
- paving at northern end of courts (adjacent to office)
- Many athletes prefer parents to drop and go.

Parents MUST not :-

- Walk between the courts during or in between games.
- Speak to athletes during/in between games.
- 'Coach' athletes from sidelines.
- Call out to players on court.
- Approach the selectors.

Trial Night

Each night of trials, there are usually :-

- 100 - 160 athletes
- 30 selectors
- 30 umpires
- FNA staff

- If you have any questions, please see the FNA staff coordinating the trials or office staff.
- Please collect your athlete from the courts promptly at the end of the trial.

Selectors

- *Selectors are coaches from clubs at FNA who also coach for the FNA Futures Program.*
- *West Australian Netball League (WANL) Coaches from Fremantle Sharks.*
- *Club coaches who are interested in improving their coaching knowledge, will be invited to join the Selectors/Coaches Trainee program.*

Some of the skills and attributes selectors are looking for :-

- Coachability
- Attacking skills
- Defensive skills
- Movement skills
- Ball skills
- Footwork skills
- Athleticism
- Variety of passing techniques (shoulder passing is the preferred pass of choice)
- Spatial awareness
- Reading the play
- Strategy and game sense

Association Development Officer (ADO)

All the data captured from the trial night, is collated and analysed by the Association Development Officer (ADO), in collaboration with the Representative Teams Coordinator and Coaching Coordinator.

Association Development Officer - *Gayle Passmore*
Representative Teams Coordinator - *Rebecca Garbett*
Coaching Coordinator - *Lisa Callaghan*

Club coaches may be contacted by the ADO to seek further information on a particular athlete, in order to gain a deeper understanding of their skills.

Individual feedback is not provided for unsuccessful athletes until the final phase of trials in February.

Registration

Registration to be completed no later than 5pm, Friday 09 October 2026

Click here for Registration Link or

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