

# WA TEACHERS' GAMES

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

### RATIONALE

This document outlines important rules & regulations of the WA Teachers' Games (WATG) event, taking place in October.

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

To participate in the WA Teachers' Games, participants must be **eligible**, and register through the WA Teachers' Games website. Registration dates are advertised on the WATG website. **Registrations after this date will not be accepted.**

#### Registration Regulations

- A participant may partake in as many individual events as they wish, subject to scheduling and availability.
- Registrations are not complete until all relevant details are submitted, and payment is processed.
- Your confirmation email and payment receipt acts as your proof of entry.
- Participants must register and partake in an official sporting event to be eligible to attend official social events.
- Registrations are capped on a per event quota basis.
- Teams with less than the specified minimum number of participants who have completed the entry process for that event (including payment of entry fees) will be contacted. Every effort must be made to find additional participants. Relevant event fees & our refund policy applies.
- WATG reserves the right to refuse entries from any individual or agency.

### PARTICIPANT BEHAVIOUR AND CONDUCT

Event conveners, umpires, officials and volunteers make WATG possible – they are integral to the success of WATG. Please treat them all with the utmost courtesy at all times and thank them for their contribution to make your experience the best it can be. These critical members of the WATG Family are identifiable by their event shirts.

## **WATG FEES**

The WA Teachers' Games has two types of fees: the overall registration fee & individual event fees. Payment of all fees shall be by credit card at the end of the respective registration.

### WATG Registration Fee

The registration fee is advertised on the website, this covers the overall delivery of WATG, your showbag, medals, banners, signage and printing, functions, staffing, volunteers and more. **The WATG registration fee is non-refundable.**

### Event Fees

Each individual event (sport or social) attracts a further fee. These fees are variable according to the event and are set by the event provider in conjunction with WATG Manager. A participant may partake in as many individual events as they wish, subject to scheduling and availability. Event fees cover venue costs, convener costs, equipment, umpires, officials, and in some cases, catering. Specific costs for each event will be detailed on each event page on the WATG website.

## **EVENT REGULATIONS**

### General Event Regulations

- All participants must be registered to compete and partake in WATG events; identifiable by their event lanyard.
- All events will be conducted at various venues throughout the host city; the City of Mandurah.
- Team members must play in at least one preliminary game to be eligible for finals.
- Most, if not all events carry a minimum number requirement to ensure a competition for medals and/or to ensure the event remains viable. Some events may set a maximum number of participants due to venue, time and competitions limitations.

### Event Awards

Medals will be provided for each sanctioned event. Medal presentations will be made at the conclusion of the final of each event. Those who do not attend medal presentation ceremonies may nominate somebody to collect their medal for them; or collect from WATG staff. Only registered team members are eligible for medals; and medals are not provided for coaches or other team officials.

### Event Changes & Cancellations

Any event may be cancelled by mutual agreement between the WATG Manager and the respective event provider. WATG staff will initiate steps to notify all affected entrants and issue refunds and/or re-allocate entries on a case-by-case basis. Most, if not all events carry a minimum number requirement to ensure a competition for medals and/or to ensure the event remains viable. Some events may set a maximum number of participants due to venue, time and competitions limitations.

Events with less than the minimum number of entries specified for a viable competition will be cancelled and participants notified; with those affected eligible for a full refund as per the WATG Refund Policy.

Should an event be cancelled at WATG due to inclement weather, every effort will be made by WATG staff to re-allocate affected participants to an alternative event as per the WATG Wet Weather Plan. If this is not possible, those affected will be eligible for a full refund as per the WATG Refund Policy.

WATG reserves the right to alter the venues, times, dates, location and event programming wherever it sees fit. Notification of any changes will be supplied to the affected participants and all such changes will be reflected on the WATG website and social media channels.

### Event Rules, Disciplinary Procedures, Appeals & Protests

- Each event is operated and run under the rules as set by the event provider or convener engaged by WATG, or in conjunction with the rules of the state or national governing sporting body.

- In the event of a sporting appeal or protest, the following will take place:-
  1. In the first instance all protests/disputes are to be made to the senior umpire/referee officiating at the time of the protest/dispute.
  2. If the umpire/referee cannot resolve the matter the Event Convener is notified. The Event Convener will seek to resolve the matter at the venue at the time.
  3. If the protest/dispute cannot be resolved by the Sport Convener, the competition will be allowed to proceed under protest/dispute.
  4. If a competitor wishes to lodge a written protest/dispute, the protest/dispute must be submitted in writing to the [WATG Manager](#), within 4 hours of the end of competition.
  5. The Manager of the WA Teachers' Games will convene the Disputes/Protests Committee at the earliest possible opportunity.
  6. The competitor/team captain lodging the dispute shall be entitled to present their case in person to the Committee.
  7. The Committee may invite other persons to attend in person or seek input via telephone. The person(s) in question may request that a support person attend the hearing.
  8. If the presentation of medals is affected by the possible results of a protest/dispute, the awards shall be withheld pending the Protests/Disputes Committee's decision.
  9. The WATG Protest/Disputes Committee decision shall be final.

WATG Management may by resolution, caution, counsel or reprimand a participant/team or may expel or suspend a competitor/team from involvement in WATG. This is seen to protect the best interests of WATG.

## REFUNDS

Please refer to the [WATG Refund Policy](#).

## RELATED POLICIES

- [WATG Refund Policy](#)
- [WATG Eligibility Policy](#)
- [WATG Terms & Conditions](#)