

CBSQ Team Nomination Overview

1. 2016 Teams

This will only be in place only for 2016 to bridge into the new qualification structure for 2017.

In total 80 boys teams and 44 girls teams are able to compete in CBSQ.

In 2016 team nominations will be a **closed** process with all positions to be pre-allocated to schools as follows:

- all teams that participated in Boys Championship Division and Girls Championship/Second Division in 2015, *then*
- all remaining positions will be allocated to schools that rank highest as per a **historical participation analysis**

Historical participation analysis

BQ conducted an analysis of CBSQ participation from the past 5 years to determine which schools had the highest involvement and grant them a position in CBSQ 2016.

Schools were ranked according to the total number of times they competed at the tournament (by gender). Schools level at the cut-off point were then further ranked on the best overall position they achieved.

Please note that 2016 will be the final year that schools will nominate via the 'preferred division' method. BQ will again reserve the right on actual division allocations and this decision will be final.

There will be a tiered nomination fee with team competing in Championship/2nd Division to be charged at a higher rate than those participating in 3rd/4th Division (2016 prices TBA).

2. Competition Format

To be applied from 2016 onward with divisions set at the following team numbers:

Boys Championship Division – 16 teams

Boys Second Division – 20 teams

Boys Third Division – 20 teams

Boys Fourth Division – 24 teams

Total Boys – 80 teams

Girls Championship/Second Division – 20 teams

Girls Third Division – 24 teams

Total Girls – 44 teams

A school may only enter one team per gender.

Schools cannot combine to enter a team. Schools with separate senior campuses may also not combine.

2.1 Timing

Fully timed game rules will remain in place for Championship & Second Divisions. Please see CBSQ Rules & Regulations for further information.

Boys 3rd, Boys 4th & Girls 3rd Divisions will now operate to **running clock rules**. Please see CBSQ Rules & Regulations for further information.

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The following procedures will be enforceable on 2016 results.

3. Qualification

3.1 Automatic Qualification

All teams that participated in the previous CBSQ tournament will receive automatic qualification for the next tournament, **except** the following teams who will be demoted from the competition entirely:

- The bottom 6 teams of Boys Division 4 (19th - 24th)
- The bottom 6 teams of Girls Division 3 (19th - 24th)

Schools that are demoted from the competition are eligible to nominate for ***Wildcard Qualification***.

3.2 Wildcard Qualification

The vacant positions in CBSQ made available from schools being demoted out of the competition will be open in the following year to any school that does not have Automatic Qualification and who expresses a formal interest to compete (**please note**: this also includes any school who has been demoted the previous year).

The 6 positions available each in Boys & Girls competitions will be allocated as follows

- 2 teams from Southern school zones via ***Wildcard Draw*** (Darling Downs, Metro East, Metro West, Metro North, South Coast, Sunshine Coast)
- 2 teams from Central/Northern school zones via ***Wildcard Draw*** (Capricornia, North West, Northern, Peninsula, South West, Wide Bay)
- 2 team via **BQ Wildcard**

Schools must submit a specific nomination to be considered for any wildcard - see ***section 5.2 CBSQ Wildcard Entry***.

3.2a Wildcard Draw

Teams will be randomly drawn to be offered a position CBSQ each year. Two schools in each gender will be chosen from Southern School zones, and two schools in each gender will be chosen from Central/Northern school zones.

3.2b BQ Wildcard

BQ at their sole discretion will select two schools per year in each gender to compete in CBSQ.

Schools **are not** to make any application to specifically seek a BQ Wildcard. Any submission made will be disregarded.

Additional BQ Wildcards may be granted if there are vacancies created due to automatic qualifying schools forfeiting their position in the event.

4. Division Allocation

Schools that have automatically qualified for the next CBSQ tournament will be graded into the same division in which they previously competed, **however**, there shall also be a compulsory promotion/relegation system enforced between divisions:

- The bottom 3 teams of a division (Champ Boys, Second Boys, Third Boys, Second Girls) will be relegated to the lower division for the next tournament.
- The top 3 teams of a division (Second Boys, Third Boys, Fourth Boys, Third Girls) will be promoted to the higher division for the next tournament .*

*BQ reserves the right to promote further schools into a higher division if vacancies are created by teams not accepting their position in the tournament.

Division allocation for Wildcard schools:

Schools that receive a wildcard entry into CBSQ acknowledge they may only be able to enter the competition in their gender's lowest division.

A Wildcard school may indicate on their nomination a preferred division they wish to compete in and BQ will determine if it can be accommodated after working through all automatic qualifying school nominations.

4.1 Regional Schools in Boys Championship Division

Four (4) positions in the Boys Championship Division will be reserved for schools located in Central/Northern school zones (these zones are indicated in **section 3.2**). Basketball Queensland reserves the right to alter the division allocation guidelines if required to ensure this quota is met.

More than four regional schools may still compete in the Boys Championship Division if they qualify to do so via the division allocation process.

If there are less than four regional schools nominated to the Boys Championship Division, the normal division allocation process will apply to fill any vacancy.

4.2 Discretionary allocation to divisions

Basketball Queensland reserves the right to allocate teams into divisions outside the above guidelines if they deem it to be in the best interests of the competition.

5. Nominations

From 2017 there will be two types of entry forms for an upcoming CBSQ tournament which will be released at the same time:

- CBSQ Direct Nomination (for schools with Automatic Qualification only)
- CBSQ Wildcard Entry (for all other schools wanting the chance to compete)

5.1 CBSQ Direct Nomination

Schools that have achieved **Automatic Qualification** will receive a direct nomination form. This form must be completed and submitted by a specified due date for the school to confirm their position.

Schools cannot choose which division they wish to compete in as this shall be determined via the process outlined in **section 4 - Division Allocation**. A school however may indicate on their form whether they wish to be considered for promotion or relegation from the division in which they are qualified to compete in. BQ will use this provided information to complete any division swaps between schools where possible.

5.1a Forfeiture of Direct Nomination

There will be a strict deadline for when a Direct CBSQ Nomination can be submitted and the nomination fee paid. Any school that does not submit their nomination form or fee by the deadline, or indicates they will not be participating, will forfeit their position in the tournament.

An automatic qualifying school that has forfeited their position in the tournament will be required to undergo the **Wildcard Qualification** process should they wish to be considered for re-entry to the event in future years.

Whenever an automatic qualifying school declines/forfeits their position it shall then become an additional **BQ Wildcard** (see 3.2).

5.2 CBSQ Wildcard Entry

Any school that has not automatically qualified for CBSQ, but wish to be considered for entry, must submit a **CBSQ Wildcard Entry** form via a specified due date. Teams that have submitted this form will then be in consideration for a position in CBSQ via the **Wildcard Draw** or a **BQ Wildcard** (see 3.2).

Should a school be successful in being allocated a Wildcard position they will be sent a team nomination document. On this form a school can indicate a preferred division to compete in, **however**, they acknowledge that a condition of their nomination is that they may have no choice but to play in their gender's lowest division.

5.3 Refusal of Nomination/Wildcard Entry

BQ will not accept any form of nomination from a school that has breached the CBSQ Rules & Regulations for reasons including but not limited to:

- Forfeiture of games at previous event
- Late withdrawal of team nomination from previous event
- Disciplinary action