

Sport Exemption Policy (2022)

1. Objectives and Policy Statement

Woolooware High School acknowledges and supports students who are competing at an elite level in their chosen sport, especially regarding the number of hours of training required to compete at such a level. We encourage such students to participate in school sport and be positive role models to their peers as much as possible.

2. Audience and Applicability

- 2.1 Woolooware High School students who apply for a sport exemption must be:
 - * in Year 10 or 11.
 - * training and competing at the State level of competition or higher in individual sports (e.g. swimming or athletics) or, training in an external representative team at a regional level or higher for team sports.
- 2.2 A Sport Exemption application is expected to be submitted to the school prior to the commencement of a school sport season, where possible. The application must consist of a signed letter from the parent/caregiver of the student and an official letter from the coach or sporting organisation stating the amount of time the student is in training during the week.
- 2.3 Discretion of approval for a Sport Exemption lies with the Sport Coordinator, the Head Teacher of PDHPE and the Senior Executive.
- 2.4 Students who apply for a Sports Exemption are expected to attend all school swimming and athletics carnival, and strongly encouraged to represent Woolooware High School sport teams as much as possible.

3. Context

- 3.1 Woolooware High School acknowledges the requirement of the Stage 5 NESA curriculum stating the number of hours of sport/physical activity that must be completed.
- 3.2 A Sport Exemption applies to Thursday afternoon school sport on a semester basis (Summer sport in terms 1 and 4; Winter Sport in terms 2 and 3).
- 3.3 The intention of the Sport Exemption is to use Thursday afternoon sport time to complete homework, assignments or assessment preparation.

4. Responsibilities

4.1 It is the responsibility of the student to apply for a Sport Exemption for any given semester.

5. Contact

5.1 Sport Coordinator – Susan Smith PDHE Head Teacher – Stuart Cox

