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## 6.5 BDNA Representative Teams – Court Time Policy

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The objective for this Policy is to provide a clear statement of the expectations of a player's court time allocation at scheduled games and tournament's

#### Allocation of court time

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*Home and away games* - Allocation of court time is at the discretion of the team coach. It is not always expected that players should receive equal court time across the season allowing for position availability, training attendance/participation and finals. If players attend and participate in training, they must receive court time in the next game.

*Finals* - All team members must receive court time in each finals game however, equal court time during finals times is not compulsory.

#### Absences from training

If a player is absent from training, court time may be restricted to one (1) quarter of court time in the next game (after the missed training session). They may not receive more than half a game. If the coming week is a bye or all players are not available, then this restriction can be applied to the next game.

Injured players should attend training to observe to ensure continuity of development with their team.

#### Fill-in players

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##### **One-Off**

Injury, illness and/or absences for a school camp or other activity may result in a team requiring a fill in player. Fill-ins are only required where a team has less than 8 available, or where a particular position ie goaler or defender is required.

As a general rule, the fill-in player should at a maximum receive equal court time to



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the majority of selected team members. Additional court time for the fill-in player is allowable if other players are not available for rotation. For example if only two (2) goalers attend and one (1) of the goalers is a fill-in player, they will play the full game.

On any given game for position rotation or performance reasons the coach can allocate court time to all players, fill in and permanent as they see fit

### Extended Period

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Extended absence due to injury, illness and/or absences for a school camp or other activity may result in a team requiring a player to temporarily move to another team. This will be managed openly and with transparency with this fill in player and a parent/guardian, so that it is clearly understood whether this move is permanent or temporary, knowing that once a player has played three games in a higher division they are unable to play a 4<sup>th</sup> game unless the intention is to move into that higher team permanently.