

Golf Selection Criteria 2026

1. Program Overview

The Barwon Sports Academy (BSA) Golf Program supports talented golfers in the Barwon Region by providing pathways for skill development, performance improvement, and representation at State and National levels. The program partners with district clubs affiliated with the SWGA.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Age: 12–17 years (exceptions may apply for athletes over 18 at the discretion of the Advisory Panel)
- Club/association membership: Must be a member of a district club affiliated with the SWGA
- Must reside in Barwon Region
- Commitment: Demonstrate commitment to improving golf performance and participation in relevant training and development sessions
- Other sport-specific requirements: Must meet ability profiles as defined below

3. Selection Criteria

- Boys – GA Handicap 10.4 or less (Main Squad) / 10.5–20.4 (Development Squad)
- Girls – GA Handicap 25.4 or less (Main Squad) / 25.5 and above (Development Squad)
- Attitude, coachability, leadership, and commitment to development

Squad System

Squad	Criteria	Notes
Main Squad	GA Handicap ≤ 10.4 (boys) / ≤ 25.4 (girls)	Full BSA program participation

Squad	Criteria	Notes
Development Squad	GA Handicap 10.5–20.4 (boys) / 25.5+ (girls)	Development program focus

4. Application Process

- Apply via: Application link on BSA Website
- Application deadlines: Monday, 24th November 2025

5. Selection Process

- Selection panel: BSA Golf Advisory Panel, including coaches and club representatives
- Trials / talent ID: Panel will review applications and performance data
- Notification of successful / unsuccessful applicants: Applicants notified via email and will include induction details for 2026

6. Membership & Induction

- Membership fees \$420 for main squad membership and \$350 for development squad membership
 - Induction: 1st Year Athletes Induction Monday 2nd February and Returning Athletes Induction Wednesday 4th February 2026
 - Athlete responsibilities: Must complete athlete forms and contract (this includes Code of Conduct) as well as complete membership payment by the end of February
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7. Key Dates

Date	Event
24/11/25	Application closes
02/02/26	1 st Year Athlete Induction Evening
04/02/26	Returning Athlete Induction Evening

8. Contact Information

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