



Lamorinda Water Polo Playing Time Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines to coaches, players and parents regarding playing time for Lamorinda Water Polo teams.

Scope

This policy applies to all Lamorinda coaches, players and parents.

Policy

Lamorinda Water Polo is a program striving to develop the full potential of each player in the club. Playing time however, should not be expected to be distributed equally whether it is in a developmental scrimmage, game, or competition or a select/special/invite or international competition. It is also understood that a player may receive less or no playing time in a game due to attendance problems, violating the Lamorinda Code of Conduct and or Code of Ethics. Distribution of playing time shall be at the discretion of the Head Coaches. The Executive Head Coach has the authority to direct a Head Coach to address/adjust playing time if desired.

It is the desire of Lamorinda Water Polo that Head Coaches have the freedom to balance between goals of individual and team skills and giving the team a successful competitive experience. In order to achieve this balance playing time will be based on the following factors:

- The player's attitude, focus, sportsmanship
- The player's effort and responsiveness to coaching instruction
- The player's attendance
- The number of players on the team available to play
- The level of play for a competitive tournament and/or special competition

These factors may increase or reduce a player's time, including no playing time at all, in any particular game, scrimmage series or tournament. Any questions regarding this policy should be directed exclusively to the Executive Head Coach and not the AGC's, the Age group Coach, or other Lamorinda Water Polo parents. The Executive Head Coach will have the final say and may consult the Board of Directors if necessary. All parents and athletes are required to sign this policy before your player will be allowed to compete. No exceptions.

Parent Signature _____

Dated _____

Athlete Signature _____

Dated _____

Athlete's Name (print) _____