

# Manawatu Water Polo

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## Terms and Conditions for Participating in a Club Tournament

Starting 1st January 2025, Manawatu Water Polo will be making changes in how to register your interest for tournaments, and how we invoice for tournaments.

### *Definitions*

- *'you/your' refers to the player (18 years and older), or the parent of a player (under 18)*
- *'the club/we' refers to Manawatu Water Polo.*

As always, tournament participation will be encouraged and actively facilitated by coaches, managers and supporting helpers. However, to ensure the club's financial viability is not put at risk by participating in tournaments, the following steps will be adhered to:

1. As soon as possible, the club will inform members of the planned NZWP tournament schedule for the year
2. The club will ask you, at an appropriate length of time before a scheduled tournament, to fill out an Expression of Interest google form for the tournament
3. If there are more players available than required, the club coaching staff will select the team. You will be notified via email of the outcome
4. At this time, selected players will receive the first of 2 invoices for deposits that will add up to approximately 50% of the overall cost of the tournament
5. The first deposit (25% of overall estimated cost) will be invoiced ten (10) weeks before the start date of the tournament. Payment of this deposit will confirm your place on the team. It is a non-refundable deposit, and will mostly cover the NZWP Team Entry fee and accommodation deposit

6. The next deposit (25% of overall estimated cost) will be invoiced six (6) weeks before the tournament. It is also non-refundable, and will cover any outstanding NZWP Team Entry fees, and accommodation payments
7. When the final total tournament costs are known, you will be sent a final invoice (expected to be 50% of overall cost). This will cover any last minute accommodation adjustments, as well as tournament operating costs from fuel, food, and other miscellaneous expenses. These costs will be split evenly between all players on the team. This invoice may be issued just prior to the start of, or straight after, the tournament
8. If there are mitigating circumstances resulting in you having to withdraw from playing before the tournament begins, and you *have not* paid the final invoice, payment of this invoice may be waived. These circumstances may include injury, sickness, bereavement, etc. In this situation:
  - a. It is critical that you inform the club of your unavailability as soon as possible prior to the tournament.
  - b. If a replacement player cannot be found, any outstanding tournament costs will be split over the remaining players
9. If you *have* paid the final invoice and are forced to withdraw from playing at the last minute, you may apply for a refund of the final invoice monies paid to the club. Please refer to our [Policy for Refunds](#)
10. We will not accept Expressions of Interest from players for upcoming tournaments who have outstanding unpaid invoices from past tournaments