



2027 JUNIOR BREAKERS NEW PLAYER TRYOUT FAQ's (updated Jul 2026)

This information has been provided to answer all your questions in regards to our upcoming selections. Please take the time to read all the information provided to help you understand the process and our program.

WHO ATTENDS NEW PLAYER TRYOUTS?

Players who have **NOT** previously played VJBL and fall into the following age groups must attend New Player Tryouts;

- Under 12 Boys — Born 2016 & 2017
- Under 14 Boys — Born 2014 & 2015

Attending New Player Tryouts does not guarantee progression to Phase 1 of Breakers Tryouts. Progression to this phase is by invitation only, and all player selections are made at the club's discretion.

WHO ATTENDS BREAKERS TRYOUTS?

- Returning Breakers Players from 2026;
- Players transferring from another VJBL association;
- Players invited from New Player Tryouts
- Players who have NOT previously played VJBL but fall within the following age groups — Under 12 Girls, Under 14 Girls, Under 16 Girls, Under 16 Boys, Under 18 Girls, and Under 18 Boys

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR BREAKERS?

Players from any association are welcome to attend tryouts and do not need to be currently registered in the Mornington Basketball Domestic Competition. If selected in a Breakers VJBL team, they must read and understand the eligibility requirements outlined below.

To represent Mornington District Basketball Association (MDBA), all players selected in a Breakers VJBL Team must participate in the MDBA Domestic Competition in both the Summer and Winter Seasons.

Please use this link to view more about our [Breakers Eligibility Criteria](#).

WHAT ARE THE DATES AND TIMES OF NEW PLAYER TRYOUTS?

New Player Tryouts will be held on the following dates and times;

Under 12 Boys — Born 2016 & 2017

Friday September 4th | 4:30pm to 5:30pm | Mornington Basketball Stadium

Under 14 Boys — Born 2014 & 2015

Friday September 11th | 4:30pm to 5:30pm | Mornington Basketball Stadium

You will be notified via email if your child is invited to attend Phase 1 of Breakers Tryouts in October.

FEEDBACK AND MISSING OUT

There is **NO** feedback provided to any athletes if they are unsuccessful in progressing through to Phase 1 of Breakers Tryouts. During the tryout period we assess over 500 children and almost 50% of those children will not be successful in making team in 2027. Selections are part and parcel of representative basketball and we strongly encourage you to have this conversation with your child prior to attending selections.

WHAT IF I MAKE IT THROUGH TO PHASE 1 OF BREAKERS TRYOUTS?

Should you make it through to Phase 1 of Breakers Tryouts, you will need to attend the tryout scheduled for your age group. These dates and times are published on our [website](#), and are also provided below. Please note that all details are subject to change.

Under 12 Boys — Born 2016 & 2017

Phase 1: Saturday October 3rd | 9:00am to 10:30am | Mornington Basketball Stadium

Phase 2: Monday October 5th | 6:00pm to 7:30pm | Peninsula Grammar Senior Gym

Phase 3: Sunday October 11th | 9:00am to 10:00am | Mornington Basketball Stadium

Under 14 Boys — Born 2014 & 2015

Phase 1: Saturday October 3rd | 12:00pm to 1:30pm | Mornington Basketball Stadium

Phase 2: Friday October 9th | 5:30pm to 6:30pm | Mornington Basketball Stadium

Phase 3: Sunday October 11th | 11:00am to 12:00pm | Mornington Basketball Stadium

WHAT IF I CANNOT MAKE TRYOUTS?

Players who are injured and have a doctor's certificate must still register for tryouts online and submit a copy of their medical certificate to manager@morningtonbasketball.com.au no later than 24 hours prior to the commencement of tryouts.

Players who are unavailable must still register for tryouts online and must contact manager@morningtonbasketball.com.au to provide the reason for their absence no later than 7 days prior to the commencement of tryouts.

WHAT TIME SHOULD I ARRIVE?

Please arrive a minimum of 15 minutes prior to your scheduled session time.

CAN PARENTS OR CARERS BE IN ATTENDANCE DURING TRYOUTS?

All tryout sessions will be closed. Only players are permitted inside the stadium during tryouts. Parents and carers are not permitted in the Clubroom or in any other area of the stadium for the duration of the sessions.

WHO WILL BE IN THE STADIUM DURING TRYOUTS?

Players, invited coaching staff, and employees may be in attendance as officials during tryouts. All coaching staff and officials hold valid Working With Children Checks and have signed Member Protection Declarations.

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS A MEDICAL CONDITION?

If your child has a medical condition this must be noted on their online registration form. In addition to this please contact the MDBA CEO, Samantha Browne at manager@morningtonbasketball.com.au to discuss your child's condition. Medication and medical management plans should be left with the staff on duty.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

Players must wear the singlet that was recorded on their online registration form. This singlet must be reversible, with both light and dark sides.

WHAT DO I BRING?

You are required to bring the correctly sized, named basketball for your age group, and a named drink bottle.

- Under 12 Boys – Size 5 Basketball
- Under 14 Boys – Size 6 Basketball

HOW DO I PREPARE?

Players must arrive fuelled, hydrated, and having used the toilet before their tryout begins. Players will not be permitted on the courts under any circumstances prior to the commencement of their tryout. As with all training environments, players are expected to show respect to their Coaches and Assessors and must refrain from bouncing their basketball while instructions are being given.

WHAT IS THE STRUCTURE OF TRYOUTS?

Players will undertake warm-up drills, skills assessments, and scrimmages.

CAN PARENTS OR CARERS SPEAK TO THE COACHES OR ASSESSORS ON THE DAY?

Parents are not permitted to speak with coaching staff or assessors during tryouts. Any questions must be directed to the CEO or the Administration Staff on duty, who will pass on any necessary information to coaching staff or assessors as required.