



Lewes Hockey Club Men's Selection Policy

Selection takes a simple hierarchical approach whereby the teams at the top end of the club select the players they want to field first. Club players are expected to play for the team that selects them and are actively encouraged to play as high as their ability permits.

If a player is dropped, unless there are truly exceptional circumstances, that player should play for the team directly below in the club hierarchy.

Captains will be good to one another, communicate openly, honestly and as early as possible to ensure that the best players are in the highest teams.

When undertaking selection, captains will assess the following criteria which will inform their decisions. Club Requirements indicated must be satisfied (see note 1). The Player Attributes highlighted in bold type are of particular importance to selection, especially for higher teams. The remaining Player Attributes are listed in no particular order and are not rigid and the weight to be attributed to each is a matter for the individual captain acting with the best interests of the whole club in mind.

CLUB REQUIREMENTS

- **Paid up Membership**
- **Up to date match Fees**
- **The best interests of the Club**
- **Adherence to the Code of Conduct**

PLAYER ATTRIBUTES

- **Commitment to availability on Saturdays (as expressed on the Availability within club website)**
- **Attendance and effort at training.**
- **Punctuality.**
- **Fitness and pace.**
- Playing ability, Experience and Skills.
- Enthusiasm and positive attitude.
- Willingness to learn, be flexible, and to adapt.
- Position the team requires filling. (i.e. best players for any chosen system.)
- Potential to develop / improve.
- Discipline- in terms of playing ability, and also respect for the umpires, the opposition and team mates.

Note 1: Paid up membership (within the guidelines set by the Club Treasurer) and up to date Match fees are a pre-requisite to Selection. Exceptional circumstances, Non or Late payment should be explained to the relevant Team Manager or Captain to be deemed effective.