

## THE GRADING SYSTEM

The grading system has been designed to provide a fair and equitable playing field for all persons playing Polocrosse in Australia.

### **STRUCTURE OF GRADING COMMITTEE**

#### **CLUB GRADING OFFICER**

Each Club shall appoint a Club Grading Officer who will prepare a grading list of all players in their club. This grading list will then be supplied to the Zone Grading Officer for ratification.

All alterations to players gradings will be advised to the Zone Grading Officer including reductions in grading.

A grading for all new players will likewise be advised to the Zone Grading Officer.

Suitable forms to facilitate these advices are attached to these guidelines.

#### **ZONE GRADING OFFICER**

The Zone Grading Officer will complete a zone grading list from the lists supplied by the Club Grading Officers. He/she will adjudicate on any objections by Clubs within the zone; this should be done by discussion with the Club Grading Officer, and, if a resolution is not forthcoming the Zone Grading Officer shall have the authority to make a final ruling. Where there are disputes between zones, which cannot be resolved, the issue will then be referred to the State Grading Officer.

The Zone Grading Officer will attend State Grading committee meetings when convened.

#### **STATE GRADING OFFICER**

The State Grading Officer will convene meetings of Zone Grading Officers.

Will receive all zone grading lists and compile a state grading list. This list will be placed on the NSW Polocrosse Association web site [www.nswpolocrosse.com.au](http://www.nswpolocrosse.com.au).

The State Grading Officer will be responsible for final approval or rejection of all requests for reductions in player's current gradings.

## GUIDELINES

1. All players will be allocated a playing grade based on their ability in open competition
2. Gradings will be on a scale 1 to 10. ½ points are allowed.
3. Gradings will be determined based on comparison with the grading of known players
4. Player's gradings can be increased by the Club grading officer at any time under advice to the Zone Grading Officer and through them the State Grading Officer
5. Gradings can only be reduced by application through the Zone Grading Officer and through them the State Grading Officer. Approval is not to be considered automatic and the application must contain a valid reason to support the application. Pending approval from the State Grading Officer the player will continue to play using their existing grading.
6. Applications for a reduction in grading must be on the approved form.
7. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in an initial warning. Subsequent failure to comply will result in a fine being imposed. Any such fine is to go the players Zone.
8. All new players will be suitably graded under advice to the Zone Grading Officer and through them to the State Grading Officer.
9. Gradings will be available on the State Web site [www.nswpolocrosse.com.au](http://www.nswpolocrosse.com.au)
10. Clubs nominating players on incorrect gradings will be sanctioned by the NSW Polocrosse Association
11. When nominating teams for tournaments player's names, gradings and current registration numbers must be advised to the host club.
12. At every tournament the host clubs will prominently display the nominated teams with all player names, current registration number and gradings, the total points and the grade the team is to compete in.
13. The Grading System is to be used for seeding teams for tournaments. . The grouping of teams into grades should be done in the fairest possible manner.

*New South Wales Clubs only*

**Junior Players:**

Junior players will be allocated a grading in open company.

They will also be allocated a grading as a junior

Such grading will be based on comparison of ability compared to other known graded players

These gradings are for use within NSW only.

These gradings are to be used only when playing in designated junior competition

When nominating junior players in intermediate or senior competition their normal grading will be used.

**Sub Junior Players:**

Gradings will be on a scale of 1-5

Gradings will be based on comparison of ability compared to other known graded players.

These gradings will only be used when competing in sub junior competition within NSW.

# NSW POLOCROSSE ASSOCIATION

## APPLICATION TO REDUCE A PLAYERS GRADING

Date: .....

Players name: .....

Players Club .....

Players Zone: .....

Current grading: .....

Proposed grading: .....

Reason for recommendation:

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..... Name.....  
Signed Club Grading Officer

Address.....

e-mail.....

..... Date.....  
Recommended (signed by Zone Grading Officer)

..... Date.....  
Decision (signed State Grading Officer)

# NSW POLOCROSSE ASSOCIATION

## NEW PLAYER/INCREASED GRADING ADVICE

Date: .....

Player name: .....

Club: .....

Zone: .....

New player/ Increase in grading  
(Please indicate which)

Proposed new grading: .....

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Club Grading Officer

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Confirmed Zone Grading Officer

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Approved State Grading Officer