



# STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RELEASE FORM



Please complete all relevant parts in full

Participants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Registered District Association: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE CHAMPIONSHIP** – Please tick the box beside the Championship you will be participating in.

- Women's Open & QLD Cup
- U19 Women
- U17 Girls
- U15 Girls

- Men's Open & QLD Cup
- U19 Men
- U17 Boys
- U15 Boys

District Association I am released to: \_\_\_\_\_

Release accepted by District Association: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Secretary from Association I am released to, please sign)

## PART A

I hereby acknowledge that I meet the criteria set down in By-Law 13.1 and By-Law 8.4.  
(For full details, please read the reverse side of this form.)

Signature of Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Home Registered Association: (DA Secretary to sign) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## PART B – Underage Championships

By signing below, I confirm that the person named on this form meets By-Law 13.1 and By-Law 8.4 and the age guidelines listed on the back of this form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature                      Print Name                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
DA Secretary Signature                      Print Name                      Date

## PART C – To be used when an Association is not competing at a State Championship

\_\_\_\_\_ District Association hereby notifies \_\_\_\_\_ District Association that we will not be fielding a team at the \_\_\_\_\_ State Championship and the player identified on this form is released to participate in the Championship.

Signed (DA Secretary): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>BY-LAW 13 – STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS</b>	<b>BY-LAW 8 – CLEARANCES, TRANSFERS AND PERMITS</b>
<p><b>13.1</b> Softball Queensland Inc (SQI) may organise and conduct State Championships each year at such times and places as are determined by the Board.</p> <p><b>13.1.1</b> State Championships shall be open to teams representing each District Association provided that all members of a District Association representative team are:-</p> <p>(a) registered with Softball Queensland Inc;</p> <p>(b) not unfinancial with any District Association;</p> <p>(c) not under suspension;</p> <p>(d) have, for the immediate six (6) months prior to the relevant State Championship, been a registered participant of the District Association they represent or are a new registration with Softball Queensland Inc or with the exception of umpires, have a Championship Release issued in accordance with the rules of their home association.</p> <p>Exceptions concerning residential relocation within the six (6) month criteria, will be considered by the Board upon receipt of written application from the District Association to which the participant is transferring.</p> <p>(e) in the case of interstate/overseas players, have forwarded a copy of a clearance/permit to the SQI Inc. office to have arrived not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the first day of the relevant championship.</p> <p><b>13.1.2</b> Subject to the provisions of By-Law 13.1.1, the Board may permit any team representing a combination of District Associations to compete at an annual State Championship.</p> <p><b>13.1.3</b> The Board or the SQI Representative at State Championships may refuse entry to or withdraw a District Association team if it is found By-Law 13.1.1 has been breached.</p> <p><b>13.1.4</b> The Board shall be entitled to refuse permission for teams from any District Association to compete in a State Championship where that District Association is unfinancial</p>	<p><b>8.4 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RELEASE</b></p> <p><b>8.4.1</b> A District Association which is unable to field a team entirely of persons registered with their association may request assistance for the provision of players and/or officials on a State Championship Release from other District Associations. Such request for assistance should come through the SQI office, but may go direct to a specific association. An individual person is not permitted to apply for a State Championship Release.</p> <p><b>8.4.2</b> A District Association may issue a State Championship Release for a person to participate in a State Championship for a District Association other than his/her Home Association provided that:-</p> <p>(a) the person has made him/herself available for selection in their Home Association trials and has been unsuccessful in the selection process;</p> <p>(b) the person's Home Association will not be fielding a team in the relevant State Championship;</p> <p>(c) there is agreement between both the Home Association and the District Association to which he/she is released to play;</p> <p>(d) By-Law 13.1 is adhered to.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PLEASE NOTE: It must be stressed that the player will only be allowed to be released to play for another Association with the consent of the two Associations</p>

<b>Age Guidelines and Criteria</b>		
Players must meet the age guidelines and criteria as described below to be eligible to participate in Underage State Championships:		
<p><b>a) Under 15 State Championships</b></p> <p>Only players 12, 13 &amp; 14 years of age, as at 31 December in the year of Championship, are permitted to compete in the Under 15 Championships</p>	<p><b>b) Under 17 State Championships</b></p> <p>Only players 14, 15 &amp; 16 years of age, as at 31 December in the year of Championship, are permitted to compete in the Under 17 Championships</p>	<p><b>c) Under 19 State Championships</b></p> <p>Only players 15, 16, 17 &amp; 18 years of age, as at 31 December in the year of Championship, are permitted to compete in the Under 19 Championships.</p>
<p>District Associations are to consider the following criteria when selecting the youngest eligibly aged players in their representative teams (ie 12 year olds in the U15 State Championships, 14 year olds in the Under 17 State Championships and 15 year olds in the Under 19 State Championships). This is to ensure that the player can effectively compete in the relevant championship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The maturity level of the player</li> <li>• The physical strength of the player</li> <li>• The skill level of the player</li> <li>• The positions to be played</li> <li>• The players level of game knowledge</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The parent/guardian of a player Under 18 years of age must sign the Championship Release Form, in addition to the District Associations Secretaries, in order for an underage player to participate on Championship Release to another Association.</p>		