



School Sport ACT Representative Team Viability Policy

School Sport ACT (SSACT) aims to support students to represent the Territory at School Sport Australia (SSA) Championships throughout the calendar year in 18 different sports. The championships are at a national level, and as such, teams sent by SSACT are required to be of a standard to be competitive. Regarding student participation and supporting teams, as a not for profit organisation, SSACT must ensure financial viability to attend is demonstrated.

The points below are considered when determining the viability of a SSACT team's attendance at a SSA event:

- Competitiveness
 - Ability of team to meet national standard. This includes the proven ability to meet difficulty levels and qualification standards.
 - The likelihood of a positive experience for all students involved and a continued enjoyment of their chosen sport.
 - A team's level of competitiveness will be determined as a whole, not on individuals within the team.
- Financial Viability
 - Determined by capacity of SSACT and student payments to cover the costs of participation.
- Number of students registered to trial
 - Meet the minimum team number requirements as per SSA rules and guidelines.
 - Students registered are of the correct age; with a majority in the top end of the age bracket.

The ACT School Sport Council will make the final decision on each team's attendance for the current year. Where relevant, information regarding a team's viability will be provided to the Council by the team officials and/or an independent body if required.

SSACT endeavors to provide every student who participates in a representative team a positive experience. SSACT will comprehensively consider all points listed above before a team is withdrawn. Teams will be assessed on a case by case basis each year.