



2020 BREAKERS

TRY OUT INFORMATION GUIDE AND FAQ'S

How do I register for Breakers New Player or Breakers Try Outs?

Registration for Breakers Try Outs are online only and will open in August 2019. It is mandatory that all players register online within the specified dates.

Am I eligible for Breakers?

All players and families must read and understand strict eligibility requirements available at <http://www.morningtonbasketball.com.au/eligibility/>

What happens if I can't find a domestic team to play in?

In accordance with the eligibility requirements you will receive an additional \$500.00 fee and the Association reserves the right to remove the player from the Breakers program.

I don't play "domestic basketball" at Mornington, can I try out?

Yes, players that are not currently registered in the Mornington Basketball domestic competition can attend try outs but they must read and understand the strict eligibility requirements available at <http://www.morningtonbasketball.com.au/eligibility/>

I currently play representative for another Association, can I try out for the Mornington Breakers?

Yes, players that are currently playing representative basketball in the 2019 MUVJBL Season at another Association, can attend Breakers Try Outs and are **not** required to attend "New Player Try Outs". Please read and understand the strict eligibility requirements available at <http://www.morningtonbasketball.com.au/eligibility/>

What if I can't make Try Outs?

It is compulsory that all players attend Try Outs to be considered for a Breakers team. Players that are injured and have a doctors certificate should register for Try Outs online and submit a copy of the medical certificate to manager@morningtonbasketball.com.au a minimum of 24 hours prior to the Try Outs commencing.

Will I be considered for a team if I am not at Try Outs?

Priority will be given to those players that are in attendance and at all Try Out sessions. There will be no further sessions held for any player than cannot attend Try Outs regardless of the circumstances.

Are parents, carers, family members or others able to watch Try Outs?

No all Try Out sessions will be closed, meaning that only players are permitted inside the Stadium during Try Outs. Parents will be able to register their children at the registration desk and will then be required to leave the stadium and wait outside, where their child will meet them at the end of the session. Parents are not permitted in the Clubroom or any other area of the stadium during Try Outs.

What time should I arrive for Try Outs?

Registrations for Try Outs will be open from 30 minutes before your scheduled time. Upon arrival you will need to register, where you will be given your station number and have your Try Out number written on your leg and arm. Please remove long sleeved tops prior to registration.

Who will be in the stadium during Try Outs?

Players and invited coaching staff, employees and Committee of Management members may be in attendance as officials during Try Outs. Coaching staff and officials hold valid Working With Children Checks and 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 General Manager, Samantha Browne at manager@morningtonbasketball.com.au to discuss your child's condition.

Qualified First Aid attendants will be in attendance at all Try Out sessions. Medication and medical management plans should be left with the First Aid attendant on duty.

What should I wear?

Current Breakers players should wear their training uniform. New players should wear, if possible a reversible singlet or bring a light and dark coloured t-shirt. Do **not** wear skins, compression pants or arm sleeves as you will be asked to take them off.

What do I bring?

You need to bring the correct sized named basketball for your age and a named drink bottle.

How do I prepare?

Players need to be fuelled, hydrated and should go to the toilet before their sessions starts. Players will not be permitted on the courts under any circumstance prior to their session starting. As with any training session players must respect their Coaches and Assessors and refrain from bouncing their ball whilst they are talking.

Do I need a MUVJBL Permission to Train Form?

If you are coming to Mornington from another Association and are eligible to Try Out for Breakers you will need a completed and signed Permission to Train form. This form must be submitted to our staff before the player enters the stadium.

What is the structure of Try Outs?

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

Can parents speak with coaching staff or other officials on the day?

No parents are not permitted to speak with Assessors or coaching staff. Any questions must be referred to the General Manager or Administration Staff on duty who will if required pass any information on to the Coaching Staff or Officials.

When are Coaches announced?

Coaches will be announced where possible and where appointments have been made prior to Try Outs.

When are teams announced?

Preliminary teams will be announced on our website and Facebook within 14 days of Try Outs.

Player movement

All teams are considered preliminary throughout the grading phases. The Association reserves the right to move players between teams in accordance with VJBL Rules of Operation. Your child may be moved to a higher or lower team during grading based on their performance and to balance teams. Player movements will be made in consultation with relevant coaching staff and the player/family.

How long do I have to accept a position on a Breakers team?

Players will have 48 hours from the time teams are announced to complete and submit the online Player Contract to confirm their acceptance of their position.

Will all players that Try Out make a team?

Existing and new players that attend Try Outs are **not guaranteed a position on a team**. A number of players both new and existing will not make teams in 2020.

What happens if my child is not selected?

Team lists are published on our website and Facebook. If your child is not on a team their name will not be published on the website or Facebook. We do not notify unsuccessful players individually.

If your child is not selected for a team it does not mean that they won't go on to be a successful basketballer. Families and players do not have the right to appeal the Club's decision. There is every possibility that unsuccessful players be invited to join a team at a later date if players do not accept their positions.

What is the criteria for selection?

Selections for a Breakers team is made up of two assessment pieces:

1. Performance assessments generated by coaching staff based on individual reviews conducted by age group coaches from 2019 season.
2. Try out sessions.

The Breakers Team Selection Policy can be viewed at <https://www.morningtonbasketball.com.au/breakers-hub/>

Fees

- 1 player – \$670.00
- 2 players – \$603.00 per player (10% discount)
- 3 players – \$536.00 per player (20% discount)

All fees are to be paid online only no later than Wednesday 30 October 2019, 2019. This includes the first instalment for the Direct Debit payment plan.

If paying by Direct Debit your first payment will be \$200.00 per player, which will be debited from your account on Wednesday 30 October 2019. Four (4) x monthly payments are then required and will be debited from your account on the 1st of each month with the final payment being made on the 1st March 2020.

How do I buy a uniform?

All uniform orders are to be placed on via our online uniform shop <https://breakers.shopdesq.com/> Players must try on uniforms for sizing in the Mornington Basketball office before ordering.

I am a parent and want to get involved, what can I do?

Our Club relies on parents volunteering. We have a number of roles available and one of the most important is Team Manager. If you believe that this might be a role you are interested in, you should flag this with the Coach of the team immediately after teams are announced. The Club will support you in this role and provide you with all the tools to get you started.

When will training start?

Training will commence from 27th October 2019. The training plan will be released following team selections.

How many training sessions will I be required to attend each week?

All players are required to attend 2 compulsory team training sessions per week. Players that participate in multiple sports must take this into consideration before accepting a position. You can view a copy of the 2019 training plan by following this link (subject to change for 2020 season) <https://www.morningtonbasketball.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Training-plan-2019-updated-24-Feb-2019.pdf>

My son or daughter is in the Breakers Development Squad, do they continue in this program?

If your son or daughter is in the Breakers Development Squad and are selected for a representative team they should continue in that program for the remainder of 2019.

When do games start?

The MUVJBL Spring Phase commences in early November 2019.

A number of practice games with surrounding Associations may be organised at short notice and families should be prepared for this.

Are their tournaments during the year?

Yes Breakers players are expected to participate in at least two tournaments during the Season. The cost of these tournaments is in addition to their fees. Some tournaments are regional or interstate and may incur travel and accommodation expenses.