



2027 IMPARJA CUP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. GRADING ELIGIBILITY

1.1 Any player who actively participates for a Major Centre side is not permitted to play in the community men's division in the same year except;

1.1.2 Any female Indigenous players who players in the Major Centre side are permitted to play in the Community Women's or Community Men's divisions.

1.1.3 ONE player per Men's Community Division team is permitted to 'play up' acting as a 'fill in' player in a Major Centres team. i.e. A Community player may play for a Major Centre team in a match as a fill-in player, however they must stay with that team. In order to play in the Major Centres final, the player must have played two round games for that team.

1.2 Any team who fields an ineligible player will automatically lose any points awarded for the match(es) in which an ineligible player has participated.

2. INDIGENOUS PLAYERS – ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Men: Players wanting to participate in the Major Centre's division must be of the Indigenous (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander) decent.

Any player wanting to participate in the Community Men's division of the Imparja Cup must be of Indigenous (Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander) decent, ***except where an eligibility exemption is sought.***

2.2 Women: There is no restriction on the number of Non-Indigenous women who may compete for a team in the community women's division.

2.2.1 It is important to note that one of the objectives of the Imparja Cup is to promote Indigenous women to actively participate in cricket and therefore teams are encouraged to actively attract and involve Indigenous women in their sides.

2.2.2 Players wanting to participate in the Women's Community Division need not apply for eligibility exemption.

3 NON-INDIGENOUS PLAYERS – ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Major Centre players must be of Indigenous (Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander) decent. No eligibility exemptions will be accepted for Major Centre teams in 2027.

3.2 Men's Community Division sides may apply for eligibility exemption for ***two players*** of Non-Indigenous descent.

3.3 NB: The use of Non-Indigenous players is not granted automatically. Every player of Non-Indigenous descent wanting to participate must first apply to the Imparja Cup eligibility panel for eligibility exemption and must be approved by the Imparja Cup eligibility panel.

3.3.1 NB: Eligibility exemption from 2026 or previous Imparja Cup's does not automatically transfer to the 2025 Imparja Cup.



2027 IMPARJA CUP ELIGIBILITY EXEMPTION FORM

Any persons of non-indigenous descent wishing to participate in the Imparja Cup must first apply for Eligibility Exemption, in writing, using the form below.

Successful applicants will need to demonstrate an extensive contribution to the development of Indigenous Communities.

MAJOR CENTRES

No eligibility exemptions will be accepted for the 2027 Major Centres division.

MEN'S COMMUNITY DIVISION

Exemptions may be sought for **two** non-indigenous players for each team.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY DIVISION

Does not apply, no exemption required.

Once an application for Eligibility Exemption is received, the Imparja Cup Advisory Committee will meet to consider, approve, decline or otherwise the application. Successful and unsuccessful applicants will receive a written response from the Imparja Cup Advisory Committee by 10th February 2025. The decision of the Imparja Cup Advisory Committee is final and binding.

Applicants' Full Name: _____

Team the Applicant Wishes to play with: _____

Email: _____

Mobile: _____

In order for an application to be considered, the Imparja Cup Advisory Committee will determine if the applicant has demonstrated an extensive contribution to the development of an Indigenous Community(s).

Please demonstrate how you have provided an extensive contribution to the development of Indigenous community(s) and the primary reasons you wish to participate in the Imparja Cup.

Please send all completed applications to ntcricket@ntcricket.com.au