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## Notice

Offer to Kabaddi (Rectangle) federation(s) in England to mutually agree to not unfairly restrain Kabaddi players from representing England

**16 December 2024**

### **Background**

In response to our notice titled "*Eligibility criteria update for representing England for EKU*" dated 30 June 2024, we have received feedback from Kabaddi (Rectangle) players across England that they want to represent England in tournaments organised by different federations without restraint.

In the past, players associated with the EKU have been unfairly and opaquely excluded from team selection processes for England by other federation(s), which led us to issue the notice dated 30 June 2024.

### **Offer**

Ideally, we do not want to restrain Kabaddi players from participating in playing opportunities. Therefore, this notice serves as an offer to other Kabaddi (Rectangle) federation(s) in England to mutually agree to not unfairly restrain Kabaddi (Rectangle) players from representing England.

We want to take the first step in making this offer, in the interest of the players.

### **Principles for England team selection for mutual understanding**

The selection process to choose the team to represent England must be based on the following fundamental and principles:

- Player skill, ability and merit to be the primary factors used to decide whether a player represents England on behalf of the respective federation;
- Affiliation with different organisation(s) / federation(s) must not affect, prejudice or bias the team selection process;

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- Team selection should be in the best interest of Kabaddi in England;
  - The selection processes, criteria and opportunities must be transparent and fair; and
  - Federation(s) and Kabaddi organisation(s) must be accountable to the players for applying these principles.

## **Prevailing criteria to be in force until notified otherwise**

If the above principles are agreeable to Kabaddi (Rectangle) federation(s) in England, we are happy to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with such federation(s), where it is understood that players will not unfairly be restrained from representing England in different matches and tournaments, organised by different organisation(s) and federation(s) as provided in the principles above. Reach out to us at [contact@englishkabaddi.com](mailto:contact@englishkabaddi.com) to discuss the same.

The prevailing eligibility criteria (including updates) shall remain in force unless notified otherwise, with respect to specific federation(s) or in general.