



## **City of Bristol Water Polo (CoB WP) Competition Expectations**

It is the over-riding expectation of CoB WP that all athletes training with CoB WP are available to compete for CoB WP in leagues in which CoB WP compete.

This currently covers local leagues (BWWPL) and National Leagues (BWPL).

CoB WP is a competitive environment where we train athletes to compete together while playing for the same team, i.e. tactical team play as well as physical preparation, hence the rationale for this policy.

There are exceptions to the above requirement:

An athlete moving to Bristol (area) whether for attending university or for work, etc. may already be committed to competing for their home club (particularly in BWPL).

In this instance, and at the discretion of the Head Coach and committee, it may be agreed that the athlete can compete for that club for the first season during which they are located in Bristol.

I.e. it is expected that they will be available for selection for CoB WP following that first season.

Athletes who wish to train with CoB WP, but without competing for CoB WP, shall, at the discretion of the Head Coach and the committee, be permitted to train as a social athlete only. At the time of writing (Oct '21), this is limited to one session (Thursday 20:30 – 22:00).