



## Player Transfer Policy – Junior League Football

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (v1.0)

For the purposes of consistent implementation of the Player Transfer Policy for the 2017 season, the questions below have been answered in order to provide a quick reference point for Junior League District and Club Administrators:

- Q** In what order will clearances be considered regarding the limits on numbers transferring into each team? (Eg. If more than 2 clearances are requested from the same team, which ones will be allowed?)
- A** All Clearance requests will be considered in chronological order, using the Clearance ‘Reference Number’ to identify the order in which clearances were requested.
- Q** For Rule 5 (c) concerning players transferring into Grand Final teams. Where a team reaches the Division 1 Grand Final and has more than one team in that age group, is a Division 1 player from another club allowed to transfer into the club but be placed into the lower Division team?
- A** No. The purpose of the rule is to protect the integrity of the competitions. Attempting to ‘get around’ this rule by placing players into a lower Division goes against this purpose.
- Q** What age groups does this Policy apply to?
- A** All age groups except Open Age Football.
- Q** What happens in the event that a team/age group within a club ‘folds’/is not going to be entered in the competition in the following season?
- A** This is dealt with in Rule 7 of the Policy. The existing Club and League must approve the ‘Transfer Request’ part of the Clearance but the ‘Registration Permission’ (which club the players may subsequently register for) will be granted in line with the other parts of this Policy.
- Q** How should a club proceed when requesting a clearance that they know falls outside of this Policy but they believe the player has “Exceptional Circumstances” which deserve consideration in order to allow the Clearance to be approved?
- A** The club should submit the request for clearance online and include their grounds for claiming “Exceptional Circumstances” in the ‘Reason for Clearance’ section of the online form. These exceptional circumstances will be considered by the competition administration (the Junior League District or Competition Management Committee where a cross-districts competition exists) to determine if the Clearance should be allowed.
- Q** Can a decision which has been made based on this Policy be appealed?
- A** Yes, this is dealt with in Section 8 of the Policy. Again, where a cross-districts competition is involved the Competition Management Committee should be a part of this decision-making process.
- Q** What will be the effect on representative players wishing to change clubs?
- A** In addition to any local By Laws, the transfer of players who have played in U16 or U18 Junior Representative Competitions (Harold Matthews, SG Ball or the equivalent in CRL or QRL) within the last 24 months will be subject to a Representative Quota. If no local quota exists, the transfer requests may be denied if the New Club already has five (5) or more Representative Players in that age group.