

AFLQ Community Competitions Rules and Regulations

Summary – 2018 Changes

RULE	PAGE	DETAILS OF RULE AMENDEMENT / CHANGE
Appendices	All	All Appendices documents have been removed from the Rules and Regulations manual and are now referred to in the manual as <i>Reference Documents</i> and can be located on the AFLQ website.
Manual	ii	Allowance provided for Affiliate Leagues to seek approval for local rules to be implemented.
2.2	n/a	Permission to Interview – this rule has now been removed completely.
2.3	10	Clubs refusing Transfers are now required to provide substantiated written evidence to support their reasons for denying a transfer, e.g. outstanding fees or club debt, invoice or written advice to player advising they owed money prior to transfer.
2.3	10	Addition of full time student to the rule for post June 30 clearances.
2.5	13	New Rule in Permits / Temporary Transfer (c) – A player whose primary registered club is on a club or competition bye will not be permitted to play in a lower division game on a match day permit (on the bye weekend) if the last game they played prior to their club's bye was in senior football.
2.9	15	Colts age has been changed to reflect U18½ competition
2.9	15	Colts clearance rule removed – no longer relevant. Standard rules apply.
2.9	15	Colts Permits and Match Day Registration removed – no special rule required for Colts. Standard rules apply.

3.4	21	PA System – added ‘ <i>Unless agreed otherwise in writing with AFL Queensland or the relevant Affiliate League</i> ’, clubs which secure finals games at their home ground must provide a suitable P.A. system for ground announcements.
3.6	21	Forfeits - Changed the <i>shall</i> to <i>may</i> - Any club, during the course of the season, forfeiting a combined total of three (3) games in the same competition (seniors and reserves constitutes the same competition), may at the discretion of AFL Queensland be excluded immediately from that competition for the remainder of the current season. If any club forfeits two (2) competition games in any grade, seniors, reserves or colts, AFL Queensland will review the club’s licence to play in all competitions.
3.6	22	Forfeits – included Affiliate League Women into the fine structure.
3.8 (e)	23	The length of Half Time Breaks in all competitions (excluding QAFL seniors) have been changed from 20 minutes to 15 minutes.
3.8 (h)	25	Amendment for ‘time on’ to be added in QFA D4/5 when stretcher or yellow/red card issued.
3.11	27	Mandatory now that the home team (optional for away team) provides an Interchange Steward and penalty units of 30 added for a breach. Likewise, added rule that Interchange Steward from either team must be attired in a green high vis vest and 10 penalty units added for a breach.
3.11	28	Interchange Stewards duties updated in respect to what player information needs to be recorded for movements on and off the field.
3.15	31	Rule amended for trainers to reflect that Pink Vests must now be worn.
3.17	33	Extra clause added - Club appointed boundary or goal umpires can advise the field umpire/s if they believe a reportable incident has occurred. The field umpire/s should advise AFL Queensland or the affiliate League of any such advice and the appropriate investigation shall occur.
3.20	35	Rule amendment to allow for ‘club representative’ to sign Set Penalty sheet on behalf of reported player.
3.24	36	Order off rule – Amendments made to reflect changes to red card system, where a red card is no longer an automatic send off.

3.24	36	Addition to existing rule - Where the timekeeper isn't located close or accessible to the team bench or on the opposite side of the field to the team bench area, the Interchange Steward can be responsible for recording the time.
3.24	40	All references to Time Served penalty removed, as rule no longer in existence due to red card rule changing.
4.2	42	Deleted rule requiring clubs to submit gate reconciliation to AFLQ after each game. No longer required.
4.5	44	Fixture Committee deleted - no longer relevant, as comp managers responsible for fixturing.
6.1	51	Detail added to ensure clubs understand they are ultimately responsible for ensuring their players are eligible to participate in finals.
6.1	51	New rule for QFA D4/5 - Any player who has played a senior game (not reserves) in a higher division is ineligible to play in Division 4 or 5 for the remainder of the current season, including finals.
6.1	52	New rule added - Affiliate League Senior Female Competitions - A player must have played at least three (3) home and away games with their registered club to be eligible to play finals
6.1	53	Added additional text to (b) Long Term Injury Clause - All applications for use of this agreement must be directed through the Competition Manager and will be at the discretion of the State Football Operations Manager or the Affiliate League.
6.1	53	Additional text added to assist in the application of the rule: - Consideration will always be given to the competition (e.g. senior or reserves) in which the player was injured whilst playing or the competition last played in before sustaining the injury. - In the event a club has the ability to qualify a player for finals on their return from a long-term injury, consideration will not be given to allowing the long-term injury clause to be used.
9.0	57	New rule - For all senior men's (excluding QFA D4/5) and QWAFL matches, the away team is responsible for undertaking Live Scoring (Penalty 20 units).
10.1.2	58	Colts Melee rule deleted. Covered by standard competition melee rules.

10.1.2	59	Wording amended regarding 10 goal rule in Colts and how percentage is calculated.
10.2.5	60	Player equalisation rules in QWFA amended to include Affiliate League competitions.
10.2.5	61	Updated table for women's ground sizes.
10.3.1	63	Added detail to the rule regarding promotion and relegation - Each season the following rules shall apply to the premier and last placed team for each senior competition. The only time a variation will occur is when AFL Queensland believes its necessary in respect to the best interest of the competition/s. An example of this may be an imbalance of teams in one competition to another, in which case promotion or relegation may be withdrawn or amended as required .
10.4.1	63	New Rule - QFA D4/5 Player Eligibility - Any player who has played a senior game (not reserves) in a higher division is ineligible to play in Division 4 or 5 for the remainder of the current season. Exemptions to this rule may be granted where there are extenuating circumstances. Any exemption request must be made in writing to the Competition Manager and approval must be forthcoming in writing before the player can take the field.
11.0	64	Player Points – added text to rule - There is no salary cap system for QAFL or any other AFL Queensland managed competition, however, AFL Queensland reserves the right to introduce a salary cap prior to the commencement of any season. In the event of the introduction of a salary cap AFL Queensland will amend its rules accordingly.
13.1	67	Updated penalties table to make easier to read and reflect rule amendments.