



# Junior Football

## BY LAWS 2019

Including amendments made in  
To be read in conjunction with The AFL Outer East By Laws.

### AFFILIATED CLUBS

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- Mt Evelyn • Monbulk • Olinda Ferny Creek • Seville • Upwey Tecoma • Wandin
- Wesburn • Woori Yallock • Yarra Glen • Worawa

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The adopted AFL *Laws of Australian Football* applies to all bodies affiliated to the AFL VIC and to bodies affiliated to AFL VIC Affiliates.

The AFL Outer East is affiliated with the AFL Victoria Country formally known as Victorian Country Football League and is an affiliate of AFL Victoria.

In accordance with the *Laws of Australian Football* the AFL OUTER EAST has made modifications consistent with the spirit of these laws to apply to the AFL OUTER EAST under-age competitions.

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### Interpretations

- 1) In these Outer East Junior Football League shall be referred to as “AFL OUTER EAST”
- 2) In these bylaws AFL Victoria Country shall be referred to as “AFL VIC ”
- 3) The Executive Committee of the AFL OUTER EAST shall now be referred to as AFL Outer East
- 4) The Australian Football League shall be referred to as “AFL”
- 5) OUTER EAST Umpire Association shall be referred to as “OEUA”
- 6) These by laws reference “Umpires” includes Duly Authorised Field and/or Directors and/or Mentors.
- 7) In the interpretation of these bylaws, unless the context clearly otherwise indicates, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.
- 8) In the interpretation of these bylaws reference to either gender shall include all genders.
- 9) The Operations Manager shall be referred to as “OM”
- 10) The Junior Operations Coordinator shall be referred to as “JOC”

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## 1. PLAYING MATCHES

### 1.1. STARTING TIMES

Starting times of games shall be determined by the AFL Outer East each season and communicated to clubs.

Start times are subject to change and can be adjusted in consultation with clubs.  
(Finals Matches times to be decided on a yearly basis by the Operations Manager)

- 1.1.1.1. Games will commence promptly at the times determined by the AFL Outer East. Any teams not ready to commence the game at the time set down for such commencement shall be fined the amount set down in Appendix A.
- 1.1.1.2. Any team not ready to commence a match within twenty minutes after the time set down for such commencement shall forfeit the match and shall have the average losing point score for the round.

### 1.2. LENGTH OF QUARTERS

Length of quarters shall be as follows:

- Under 16 - 20 mins, intervals of 5, 10 & 5 mins-
- Under 14 - 15 mins, intervals of 5, 7 & 5 mins
- Under 13 - 12 mins, intervals of 5, 7 & 5 mins
- Under 12 - 12 mins, intervals of 5, 7 & 5 mins
- Under 11 - 10 mins, intervals of 4, 6 & 4mins
- Under 10 - 10 mins, intervals of 3, 3 & 3 mins
- Under 9 - 9 mins, intervals of 3, 3 & 3 mins

Teams may leave the ground during the half-time interval in the case of inclement weather but must return and be ready to play at the starting time of the third quarter.

### 1.3. INTERCHANGE

- 1.3.1. Any number of players may be changed during a game; however, not more than 18 players per team may be on the ground at the one time. Penalty for breach of this rule is a free kick to the opposing captain or acting captain taken at the centre square or where the play was stopped, whichever is the greater penalty, and then a distance penalty relevant to the age group shall be awarded from the position where the free kick was awarded. The opposite will occur if the count is made and is correct.
- 1.3.2. Interchange players must use the interchange guide lines when entering and leaving the arena. A player who fails to use the change gate area when leaving the arena shall not be eligible to compete for the rest of the game. A player who fails to use the change gate area when entering the arena shall be ordered off if noticed by the Field Umpire, a Member of the AFL OUTER EAST or an appointed Steward.

An injured player may leave the ground via the nearest boundary line, and may be replaced as soon as he/she has crossed over the boundary. The injured player may return to the ground and continue to play if deemed fit by the trainer. Normal interchange rules would apply.

### 1.4. FOOTBALLS

1.4.1. The first listed team on the fixture must supply AFL Outer East approved footballs even if that Home listed club is not Hosting the match.

1.4.1.1. In all grades up to & including U12's, the home listed team shall present one synthetic football.

1.4.1.2. In all grades including & above U13's the home listed team shall present two leather footballs of the appropriate size.

1.4.2. In the event of a dispute between clubs as to the condition of the balls then the Umpires decision will be final. The AFL OUTER EAST shall have the power to impose a fine on clubs, as noted in appendix A who in the opinion of the Umpire, Provide unsuitable footballs.

#### 1.4.3. Size of Footballs to be presented.

- Under 9 Size 3 Synthetic
- Under 10,11, 12 Size 3 Synthetic
- Under 13 2 x Size 4 Leather
- Under 14 2 x Size 4 Leather
- Under 16 2 x Full Size Leather

1.4.4. Finals footballs will be provided, and the type of football will be determined by the AFL OUTER EAST on the day of the final.

#### 1.5. MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS

1.5.1. The minimum number of players in all competitive grades shall be fourteen (14) to constitute a match. AFL OUTER EAST Juniors is a 14 a side competition for ALL age groups. Any numbers less than this shall be declared a "walkover". Where a match has already commenced a side falls below the minimum numbers to constitute a match, umpires and officials shall record the score, time of game and any other relevant information and send to the league to gain a final decision on the outcome of the game. The match will continue to its scheduled completion time.

1.5.2. All teams can consist of any number of players eligible for that grade of football, not more than eighteen (18) of who shall take part in a match at any one time. Where a team has less than the maximum number of players permitted on the ground, the opposition can offer players to even up the numbers on the field.

Where this offer is made it cannot be refused by the team with less numbers.

1.5.3. Team Managers must notify the opposing team if they intend to play less than the maximum number of players at least 15 minutes prior to the commencement of play.

1.5.4. Matching Opposition Players on Field, (Evening Up).

1.5.4.1. No team shall have more players on the field than their opposition. Should the team with lesser numbers lose a player, through injury alone (*not penalties through yellow and red cards*) the opposition is to even-up at the next possible opportunity.

#### 1.6. TIME ON

1.6.1. Time on is not to be played in any AFL OUTER EAST Juniors home and away match. If in the event of extreme loss of time, due to injury, reportable offences, or other such occurrences, the timekeepers must continue the time clock as if the match was still in



progress, and blow the sirens to signal the Start & Finish of each quarter or match. Contact should be made with the Region General Manager, Operations Manager for direction/confirmation as required. Games played outside of normal playing times will require confirmation with the Region General Manager or Operations Manager if any delay, changes or abandonment to a game is required.

- 1.6.2. In finals matches, depending on the circumstances involved, the AFL OUTER EAST in consultation with the participating teams shall decide whether to follow the provisions of Clause 1.6.1 or modify these provisions to suit the particular circumstances encountered in the finals match.

### **1.7. EXPERIMENTAL RULES**

- 1.7.1. No experimental rules may be used unless accepted by the OUTER EAST Juniors at a Special Meeting.

### **1.8. CLUB UNIFORM AND COLOURS**

- 1.8.1. Each Club shall register its uniform, including colored shorts and colors, with the AFL Outer East upon annual affiliation with the AFL Outer East Commission. Each Club shall have an individual uniform/design.
- 1.8.2. No Club shall compete in any match in any uniform or colors other than its registered uniform or colours and may only change, modify or alter such registered uniform or colors with the written approval of the commission.
- 1.8.3. No player shall wear lycra or like fabric bicycle shorts or under garments under their football shorts or jumpers unless they are of a colour approved by the Region General Manager. Where other types of shorts are required on medical grounds, the Region General Manager may approve the wearing of such shorts.
- 1.8.4. All uniforms shall carry any AFL Outer East & AFL VIC Country logos, as specified by the AFL Outer East & AFL VIC Country respectively and must be purchased from an AFL Victoria and AFL Outer East approved supplier/s.
- 1.8.5. When making their pre-game visits to the respective change rooms, the field umpire(s) are authorised to check that all players are attired in correctly licensed WorkSafe AFL VIC Country/AFL Outer East apparel. Any player not in the correct League attire will not be permitted to take the field until he is correctly attired and cleared to play by either the Region General Manager, Football Operations Manager, Commission Member "present at the game" or an Officiating Umpire. In addition, failure to comply with this bylaw will constitute a breach of the AFL Outer East Bylaws, with the club also being subject to a fine(s) according to the fine schedule contained within the AFL Outer East handbook or as determined by the commission. Serious or constant breaches of this bylaw will be subject to additional penalties which will be determined by and at the discretion of the Commission.
- 1.8.6. No lace-up Guernsey's shall be worn.

- 1.8.7. Where a clash of uniform occurs, the home team shall wear its registered uniform and the visiting team shall wear an alternative uniform approved by the Region General Manager.
- 1.8.8. Where a clash of uniforms occurs in any finals match, the team that finishes the home and away season higher on the ladder shall wear the Club's registered uniform and the other Club shall wear the neutral uniform as approved by the General Manager. The Region General Manager shall have the authority to approve both Clubs wearing a neutral uniform if both Clubs agree to do so in writing.
- 1.8.9. Club jumper numbers must be maintained to an acceptable standard at all times. Poorly maintained jumper numbers may subject the club to a fine as determined by the commission.

#### **1.9. DEPARTURE OF PLAYERS FROM THE FIELD**

- 1.9.1. Clubs are asked to notify their respective coaches that they are required to assemble their Players together immediately the game concludes and proceed in an orderly manner from the arena. Coaches will be held responsible for any reported misdemeanour that may bring disrepute to their club or the Association.

#### **1.10. TEAM SHEET/TEAM LIST/FOOTBALL RECORD**

- 1.10.1. The Official Team Sheet shall include the jumper number, name in block letters in number order of each player, trainer, water carrier, runner, team manager, coach, and the identity of the team captain.
- 1.10.2. Team managers should ensure all participating players are acknowledged with a tick and players not participating are crossed out. Players added manually must be added on the submitted ORIGINAL copy.
- 1.10.3. The Team Manager of each team shall present the ORIGINAL copy of the team sheet to the field umpire(s) no later than half time of the match, except for Veterans who may hand their team sheet into the umpires after the game has concluded. A DUPLICATE copy is to be handed to the opposing Team Manager at the conclusion of the game (with Goal Kickers & Best players noted). It is not necessary for the duplicate copy to be signed.
- 1.10.4. Failure to comply with By Law Fourteen (14.0) will constitute a breach of the By Laws and will be subject to a fine according to the fine schedule, Loss of match points or such other penalty as determined by the Commission.

#### **1.11. RECORDING OF SCORES, TIME CARDS AND MATCH SUMMARIES**

- 1.11.1. Home listed teams are responsible for the entering of all match results of games played, onto the SportsTG database website by 7pm each Sunday. Or 2 hours after the last match if the games are not played on a Sunday.
- 1.11.2. Goal cards and team sheets must be given to the Umpire(s) within 15 minutes of the end of each match. Time cards must be handed into the umpires after every 3<sup>rd</sup> match within 15 minutes of that match concluding.
- 1.11.3. The host club is to deliver such reports to the OM by the Tuesday following the match. Failure to do so will result in an automatic fine, (Appendix A-List of Fines).



## 1.12. RULES OF FOOTBALL

The AFL OUTER EAST shall notify each Club of the Laws of Australian Football applicable to the AFL OUTER EAST Juniors in each season.

## 1.13. LADDERS - POINTS SYSTEM

- 1.13.1. In each season, the clubs shall play games as deemed by the AFL OUTER EAST.
- 1.13.2. The rounds shall consist of home and away matches between the teams in each division according to the fixture prepared by the OM for each season.
- 1.13.3. The second round shall comprise the final series which will be between the top Teams. The Finals series will be determined for each grade by Round 5 of each season.
- 1.13.4. In all home and away matches, four premiership points shall be awarded for a win and two points for a tie. Where teams are equal on premiership points at the end of any round of Home and Away matches their position on the Premiership Ladder will determined by dividing “points for” by “points against in order to arrive at a percentage figure. The team with the higher percentage shall then take the higher position on the Ladder.
- 1.13.5. Where it is necessary for a bye to be allocated to a team such team shall receive four (4) Premiership points and have no adjustment made to percentage. However, if a bye is given more than once in a season to any one team, then in addition to receiving four (4) premiership points that team’s “aggregate points for” shall be increased by the average “points for” for that round and their “aggregate points against” shall be increased by the average “points against” for that round and a new percentage figure determined.

## 1.14. CHANGE OF DATE AND VENUE

- 1.14.1. All official matches of AFL OUTER EAST, including finals shall be played on Sundays except where the AFL OUTER EAST sanctions or directs that matches be played on other days/times. All official matches of the AFL OUTER EAST, including finals shall be played at the starting time determined by the AFL OUTER EAST.
- 1.14.2. All official matches of AFL OUTER EAST shall be played at the grounds determined by the AFL OUTER EAST in the construction of the Official Fixtures and the finals program except where the AFL OUTER EAST sanctions or directs that matches be played at other grounds.
- 1.14.3. Clubs desiring to play matches (official) at times, dates and/or grounds other than those specified in the Official Fixture must make application to the AFL OUTER EAST OM at least 14 days prior giving reasons in writing for consideration by the OM. Such application must be endorsed by the Secretaries of both clubs involved in the proposal and received no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled match.
- 1.14.4. Urgent changes (e.g. due to condition of ground) which result in change of venue only may be affected by mutual agreement of both team managers of teams involved, the officiating umpire and a member of the AFL OUTER EAST, unless such an arrangement is made, matches must be played on grounds specified in the Official Fixtures.

### 1.15. BLOOD RULE

1.15.1. No player is to participate in any AFL VIC match or continue to participate in any AFL VIC Match if that player is bleeding or has blood on any part of his person or uniform. The player shall leave the ground via the nearest boundary line upon instruction of the Umpire or trainer. The Umpire will stop play immediately and not restart until the player has crossed the boundary line. Refusing to leave the ground is a reportable offence. A replacement player may enter the ground, via the inter-change gate immediately the player has crossed the boundary line. The player can return to the ground after treatment and/or change of uniform via the inter-change gate.

### 1.16. 50 METRE PENALTY

- 1.16.1. For Under 10,11,12 & 14 age groups the distance of the penalty shall be no more than 30 metres.
- 1.16.2. For the under 16's age group the distance of the penalty shall be 50 metres.
- 1.16.3. For Under 9's the penalty is a 10-metre advancement.

### 1.17. ADVERSE WEATHER

- 1.17.1. If extreme weather conditions are anticipated which may put at risk the health and safety of players AFL OUTER EAST may decide to cancel a round of matches.
- 1.17.2. AFL OUTER EAST shall make this decision no later than the Saturday afternoon preceding the round of matches.
- 1.17.3. In the event of the AFL OUTER EAST deciding to cancel a round of matches the OM shall notify club Presidents or Secretary by phone, fax, or, e-mail details of the round's cancellation.
- 1.17.4. The AFL OUTER EAST shall make available to all members a phone number and web site which will outline details of cancellation.
- 1.17.5. In the event of a round being cancelled each home club will be responsible for organising a person or notice at the ground to notify any persons of details of cancellation.
- 1.17.6. In the event that AFL OUTER EAST cancelling a round of matches as in rule 1.17.1 the round will result in no points being awarded to any team. Rescheduling of games may occur if the fixture allows.
- 1.17.7. **A game may not start or reach its conclusion for the following reasons: -**
- 1.17.8. An invasion of the playing arena and the umpire(s) consider it unsafe to continue and are not able to resume play after a reasonable time.
- 1.17.9. A player or umpire is so seriously injured that it is deemed inappropriate to move him/her until medical assistance arrives.

1.17.10. If in the opinion of the umpire(s), the playing conditions deteriorate to a level that makes it unsafe to start or continue.

1.17.11. That if, in the course of a night match the power supply fails.

1.17.12. Thick fog, Lightning or any other extreme weather condition as part of the AFL Victoria Extreme Weather Policy.

## 1.18. INCOMPLETE MATCH

### LATE STARTS

1.18.1. If a match is unable to commence at the time scheduled for the match for reasons beyond the control of either team (including the circumstances where it is unsafe for the match to proceed the following shall apply). The latest a competitive match can commence is:

- U11's - 31mins after the scheduled start time.
- U12's - 36 mins after the scheduled start time.
- U14's - 45 mins after the scheduled start time.
- U16's - 55 mins after the scheduled start time.

1.18.1.1. No match may continue past its scheduled finishing time.

If there is a late start due to unforeseen circumstances, it is up to the Time keeper to start & run the clock as if the game had started. The umpires would then acknowledge the siren as if the game was being played.

Once the siren has sounded for the completion of the game, the game shall finish whether there was any actual play or not.

### DELAYS ONCE A MATCH HAS BEGUN

1.18.2. If a Match is unable to continue within the time scheduled for the Match for reasons beyond the control of either Team (including circumstances where it is unsafe for the Match to proceed) the following shall apply:

- (a) **Prior to Half Time:** If a Match has commenced but is not able to proceed at any time within the time scheduled for the Match, the Teams shall depart from the Arena. If the Match is unable to recommence within a 30-minute period, the Match shall be deemed to be drawn and the scores of the Teams at the time the Match was interrupted shall be used in calculating the percentage of each Team.
- (b) **Half Time & Beyond:** If the Half Time interval has been reached and the Match is unable to proceed at any time within the time scheduled for the Match, the Teams shall leave

the Arena, or in the case of Half Time, not return to the Arena. If the Match is unable to recommence within a 30-minute period, the scores of the Teams at the time the Match was interrupted shall be deemed to be the final scores of the Match. The Team with the highest score shall be deemed the winner of the Match and the scores shall be used in calculating the percentage of each Team.

- (c) **Match Not Able to Proceed:** Immediate contact with the Region General Manager, Operations Manager OR Junior Operations Coordinator must be made

and a field Umpire shall, having regard to the health and safety of the Players and any other relevant circumstances, determine whether a Match is unable to commence or proceed. A field Umpire must determine that a Match is unable to commence or proceed for such time as lightning is present at or Within the Immediate Proximity of the Arena where the Match is being conducted, in line with the AFL Extreme Weather Policy outlined in the Member Protection Policy. The Region General Manager, Operations manager OR Junior Operations Coordinator may in their discretion vary the length and scheduling of the intervals, to suit circumstances, when Lightning is present.

- (d) **Recommencing of Play:** Where a Team is directed to recommence play by a field Umpire and the Team fails, refuses or neglects to recommence play, the Team shall be deemed to have forfeited the Match, in which case Law 10.7 shall apply.
- (e) The Region General Manager, Operations Manager OR Junior Operations Coordinator may vary the length and scheduling of the intervals, to suit practical circumstances.

### 1.19.FORFEITURE OF MATCH

1.19.1.For the purpose of this law, a team forfeits a match if;

It is unable or it fails, refuses or neglects to commence or recommence play, at the scheduled starting time, or

1.19.1.2 within a time period determined or specified by the controlling body, a field umpire or these laws, or

1.19.1.3.if the umpire determines, in accordance with these laws that a teams has forfeited the match, or

1.19.1.4.an event occurs under the laws which requires a team having to forfeit the match.

### 1.20.MODIFIED RULES

Please see attached Guidelines for Clubs with 2 teams within the one division these guidelines form part of these bylaws for season 2019.

The following modified rules will apply to the Under 9 &10 competition (U11's Kicking off the ground) and have been in place since 2012.

1.20.1.Tackling refer AFL Junior Match Guide

1.20.2.Playing On

1.20.2.1.A player who has been awarded a free kick cannot play on. They must go back behind the mark and dispose of the ball by kick only.

1.20.2.2.The “advantage” rule after a free kick will not be applied to Under 9 &10's However, a player who has marked the ball and is a minimum of 5 metres from the nearest opposition player does have the option to play on providing

the umpire calls the all clear to do so.

### **1.20.3. Shepherding**

1.20.3.1. A player is not permitted to push, shoulder or block an opponent not in possession of the ball.

### **1.20.4. Marking**

1.20.4.1. Any player catching a ball directly from the kick of another player shall be awarded a mark irrespective of the distance travelled by the ball.

### **1.20.5. Bouncing the Ball**

1.20.5.1. A player in possession may bounce the ball only once. He must then dispose of it by hand or foot and may not touch the ball again until it has been touched by another player.

### **1.20.6. Kicking off the Ground**

1.20.6.1. A player is not permitted to deliberately kick the ball off the ground.

1.20.6.2. **Restarting after score: Under 9 The ball is to be returned to the middle of the ground after any score. (i.e.: Goal or Point)**

### **1.20.7. Ball ups**

1.20.7.1. The umpire will throw the ball up instead of bouncing the ball

### **1.20.8. Out of Bounds**

1.20.8.1. Where the ball goes out of bounds the Umpire will award a free kick against the team whose player last touched the ball before going out of bounds. If the Umpire is unaware which team last touched the ball, then he will throw the ball up approx. 10 metres in from the boundary. The umpire shall nominate 2 players to contest the ball up.

### **1.20.9. Coaches**

1.20.9.1. Coaches are permitted to coach on field in U9's (all season) & U10's (for the first 10 rounds).

On field coaches are to obey umpires' instructions. And must remain distanced enough as not to impeded play.

1.20.9.2. U/10 Coaches are not to coach on field during the last 4 rounds in a season. Runners can be used during the last 4 rounds.

1.20.9.3. Runners in U9's & U10's. Runners can only be used in U10's after Round 10, no runners are to be used in U9's all season.

1.20.10. Scores No Under 9 & 10's games scores are to be published or kept.

### **1.20.11. Umpires**

- 1.20.11.1. It will be at the discretion of the Umpires Adviser to appoint umpires to under 9 & 10's games. Where umpires are not appointed to U9/10's games the Umpires Adviser will notify the clubs without Umpires.
- 1.20.11.2. Where club Umpires are used, the home club will supply and pay for the Umpire. The club umpire must be a Member of that club.
- 1.20.11.3. In all Under 9's & 10's games there will be No Runner as Coaches are permitted to coach on field.

### **1.20.12 Under 11's: Kicking Off the Ground**

A player is not permitted to deliberately kick the ball off the ground.

### **1.21. PLAYING SURFACE**

- 1.21.1. All clubs ensure that the ground and surrounds are safe for the hosting of a game. Clubs must ensure that the playing surface is safe for football by removing any debris or any hazards such as pot holes, dangerous fence signage etc.
- 1.21.2. Prior to each home game clubs must ensure that the JLT match day checklist APP is correctly filled out and submitted.
- 1.21.3. Ground is to be modified in size for Under 9, Under 10 & U12 Girls matches. 120m is the maximum size to be used with temporary goal posts and cones to indicate the boundaries.

### **1.22. LINE MARKING**

- 1.22.1. The use of lime or lime products is strictly prohibited. Failure to comply with this rule will result in severe fines as determined by the AFL OUTER EAST.

#### **1.22.2. BOUNDARY LINE**

- 1.22.2.1. A white line shall be marked on the ground to identify the playing surface. This white line shall be drawn in the shape of an arc from the behind post at one end of the playing surface to the other end of the playing surface - this will be called the boundary line. Must be at least 3 metres from fence or other structure.

#### **1.22.3. GOAL & BEHIND LINE**

These lines shall be drawn to connect the goal and behind posts and shall be in direct line between these posts. This line must be at least 3 metres from fence or other structure.

- 1.22.4. The following areas shall be marked on the playing surface

##### **1.22.4.1. CENTRE SQUARE:**

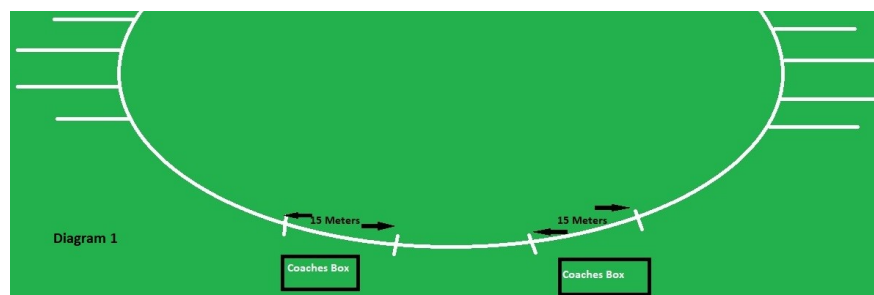
To be located in the centre of the playing surface and to be measured at a distance of 45 meters long and 45 meters wide

##### **1.22.4.2. CENTRE CIRCLE:**

To be located in the middle of the centre square, to be divided into two semi-circles, by drawing a straight line parallel with each goal line, which shall extend a maximum of 2 metres on each side of the centre circle

#### 1.22.4.3.INTERCHANGE AREA:

Two interchange lines, fifteen (15) metres apart marked across the boundary line through which players can be interchanged. There shall be Two (2) interchange gates which shall be placed in front of each coach's box. The line furthest from the centre of the ground must align with the edge of the coach's box and extend 15 meters along the boundary line towards the centre of the ground.



#### 1.22.4.4.GOAL SQUARES/KICK OFF SQUARES:

These shall be marked by drawing two lines at right angles to the goal line for a distance of 9 metres from each goal post and connecting the outer end of each line by a straight line. These areas shall be marked at each end of the playing surface.

#### 1.22.4.5.OPTIONAL 30/40/50 METRE ARC:

The drawing of an arc on the playing surface to signify the distance from the goal line is required.

#### 1.22.5.COACHES BOXES

Coaches' boxes shall be marked with a line at right angles to the fence two metres each side of such box and joined by a line midway between the boundary line and the fence and parallel to the boundary line. Team officials must stay within this identified area. There must be a barrier on the outside of each coach's box separating the coach's box.(roping off) to prevent public contact with coach's box.

#### 1.23.GOAL POST PADDING

1.23.1. Padding, preferable in a foam form, must be provided around all goal and point posts to the following specifications

1.23.1.1. A minimum thickness of 35 mm

1.23.1.2. A minimum height of 2.5 metres

1.23.1.3. Must be securely attached around each post

## **2. FINAL SERIES**

### **2.1. ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

2.1.1. Players must play in at least Three (3) fixtured games during the season with the Team playing in the Finals to be eligible to play for that Team in the Finals.

2.1.2. A player is deemed to have played in the game when his name and number have appeared on the team sheet.

2.1.3. Clubs may apply to the League under exceptional circumstances to seek an exemption under Clause 2.1.1 to replace players (using the existing team list) thus making them eligible for finals if required

### **TWO TEAMS IN AN AGE GROUP**

2.1.4. A player may only qualify for one team in an age group in regards to finals and no player movement between teams is permitted during finals.

2.1.5. Once a player has played 6 games in one team they are ineligible to qualify for a second team in that age group.

### **2.2. DRAWN FINALS**

2.2.1. If, any final, including the Grand Final, at its conclusion is a draw, the Umpire shall instruct the teams to change ends and two five minute periods of extra time shall be played, the teams are to change ends at the end of the first five minutes.

In finals other than the Grand Final, if at the conclusion of the extra periods, the result is a draw, then the team that finished higher on the ladder at the end of the home and away games shall be declared the winner. If in the Grand Final the score is still tied, both teams are to be declared winners, and duel Premierships are to be awarded.

### **2.3. GROUNDS FOR FINALS**

2.3.1. Where possible all finals matches must be played on grounds not used on the Saturday prior to the final fixture of that day.

2.3.2. The AFL OUTER EAST shall have sole discretion to select the grounds for the finals. These will be from grounds nominated by clubs. Such selection shall be binding.

## **3. REPORTS AND COMPLAINTS**



### 3.1.ORDER OFF

3.1.1.Field Umpires may order a player off for misconduct, bad language, disputing decisions of the Umpire, fighting or unduly rough play. Players ordered off cannot be replaced unless it is a Blue card.

A player sent off for a major physical offence (Red Card) will remain off for the rest of the game. Players sent off cannot be replaced.

Blue Card (Cooling Off No Report)

A player is sent off under a Blue card

\* The player is off the ground for the equivalent time as a yellow card for that corresponding age group .

\* The player is not reported.

\* The player can be replaced immediately.

Player/s engaging in unsocial behavior not in the spirit of the game of Australian Rules Football.

Summary

\* Blue card is for cooling off. Allowing a player to regain composure but being able to be replaced. NO REPORT

\* The player can be replaced immediately.

\* Playing time does not include stoppages in play for a stretcher or ambulance. It does not include  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$  time breaks.

3.1.2.For a verbal offence or minor physical offence (Yellow Card) player must remain off for:-

- Under 9's - nine (9) minutes,
- Under 10's - ten (10) minutes,
- Under 11's- ten (10) minutes,
- Under 12's - twelve (12) minutes,
- Under 13's - twelve (12) minutes,
- Under 14's - fifteen (15) minutes,
- Under 16's - twenty (15) minutes.

3.1.3.Time-keepers will record the order-off by noting the elapsed time of the quarter & the player may return once the penalty time has elapsed not including breaks. Timekeepers are to wave the, Hosting club provided, Red & Yellow flag to signal to the team benches that the send-off time has elapsed.

3.1.4.A player sent off for two (2) verbal offences in a game will remain off for the remainder of that game and cannot be replaced.

3.1.5.Umpires will advise the time-keepers of a send off by raising a RED or YELLOW card depending on the severity of the offence.

- 3.1.6. Club/Team officials may also be ordered by the Field Umpire to leave the field via a Yellow or Red card with the same time penalties applying.
- 3.1.7. Should a club official continue to behave in such a fashion as to be deemed unacceptable by the Field Umpire, the official shall be reported to the AFL OUTER EAST.

### **3.2. REPORT BY AN UMPIRE**

- 3.2.1. All Umpires duly authorised by YRUA including Mentors and or Directors and/or official Goal or Boundary Umpires (Not Club Appointed) shall have the power to report spectators, players, clubs and officials in Accordance with the AFL "Laws of Australian Football" adopted by the AFL VICTORIA COUNTRY from time to time and for any breach of these By laws.
- 3.2.2. All Clubs shall ensure the Team Manager of the Club waits upon the field Umpire with the opposite club's Team Manager at the close of each match and ascertains if any reports are to be made and also the nature of the reports, if any.
- 3.2.3. Any such report must be notified to the OM or RGM on the match day. The hosting club is responsible for ensuring the Report paperwork is delivered to the league office by Midday Monday following the match.
- 3.2.4. The OM, upon receipt of a report, not later than Monday, shall convene a Tribunal, which shall be held as soon as possible following the match from which the report eventuated.
- 3.2.5. There shall be right of appeal for any persons against the Tribunal's decisions. Such appeal shall be dealt with as per AFL VIC Country rules.
- 3.2.6. No correspondence consisting of appeals or complaints will be accepted by the AFL OUTER EAST unless endorsed by the Club Secretary or President, after being approved by that Club's committee.
- 3.2.7. Clubs who have players or officials reported, will, if that player or official is found guilty, be liable for any cost or fines.

### **3.3. MATCH DAY COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES**

If a player, coach, team official, club executive member, parent, spectator or club member wishes to make a complaint or lodge a grievance in regard to any incidents or issues that arise during any fixtured games of the AFL OUTER EAST must do as follows:

- 3.3.1. The aggrieved person must immediately report the incident or issue to a member of his/her club's committee
- 3.3.2. The club committee must immediately consider the incident or issue to decide whether the issue warrants the taking of any action.
- 3.3.3. If the club is of the opinion that the incident or issue warrants the taking of any action and relates to a member or supporter of their own club, they must immediately resolve the matter.
- 3.3.4. If the club is of the opinion that the incident or issue warrants the taking of any action and relates to a member or supporter of the opposition club, they must immediately advise the opposition club of the matter and the two clubs must

liaise in regard resolving the cause of the grievance prior to the completion of the fixtured games at that venue.

- 3.3.5. If a resolution to the cause of the complaint or grievance cannot be agreed between the two clubs on the day and the incident is considered sufficient for further complaint the club shall follow the process detailed in clause 3.5 “Unbecoming Conduct”

### **3.4. LODGING OF COMPLAINTS**

The AFL OUTER EAST will only consider written complaints from executive committee members member clubs. It will not consider complaints received from individuals. If a complaint is received by the AFL OUTER EAST from an individual this matter will be referred to the relevant club for action if considered necessary.

### **3.5. UNBECOMING CONDUCT**

- 3.5.1. If a club wishes to lodge a complaint or a grievance that club must first have taken up the issue as detailed in 3.3 “Match Day Complaints and Grievances”
- 3.5.2. If a resolution to the issue could not be reached in accordance with 3.3 and the club considers that the issue needs to be further considered, then the club must follow the AFL VIC guidelines relating to “Unbecoming Conduct”.
- 3.5.3. Such written complaint or written report shall be lodged within (5) five days of the match in which the alleged offence occurred, unless it is waived by the AFL OUTER EAST.

## **4. PLAYER REGISTRATION, PERMIT AND CLEARANCES**

### **4.1. REGISTRATION DATE**

- 4.1.1. Grades shall be confirmed at each Annual Meeting and the registration date be taken as the first day of January for Under 9, 10, 12, and 14.
- 4.1.2. Players must be under the age of 16 years on the first day of January in the year of play to be eligible to play in the Under 16 competition.
- 4.1.3. A player MUST be 7 years of age as at 30<sup>th</sup> April in the year of play before they can be registered to play with any AFL OUTER EAST clubs.
- 4.1.4. All registered persons must register themselves through the required system. No club or club official may register anyone whom is not themselves or their family member.

### **4.2. AGE GROUP EXEMPTIONS**

Any and all Exemptions granted are for the current season only. All clubs will be notified of all exemptions granted but without naming the player due to privacy.

- 4.2.1. Players may apply for an exemption to play in his/her eligible age group based on the following criteria:



- 4.2.1.1. The player is not 2 years out of their age group once a player reaches the maximum age of 16 they are no longer eligible to participate in any AFL OUTER EAST competitions as per bylaw 4.1.2
- 4.2.1.2. Sufficient medical evidence is produced to support the application for a medical exemption.
- 4.2.1.3. The player is deemed in or under the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for height & weight, as measured and certified by a General Practitioner no earlier than 4 weeks before commencement of the season

#### 4.3. OVER AGE POLICY

- 4.3.1. Prior to one month before the season starting, clubs have the provision to apply to AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football for players to be considered as overage player in Under 11, 12, 13 & 14's. Only 5 players can be named on the team sheet per team per match. Clubs can only apply to the OUTER EAST Junior Representatives one month prior to the start of the season for the use of 5 overage players.

**It is the discretion of the AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football to reject nominations and/or exceptions.**

- 4.3.2. Players must not exceed one full year above the desired age group on January 1, 2019. Nominated players must have played with the club in the previous season. For players
- 4.3.3. who do not fit this criteria, special application must be made to the AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football for consideration to play.
- 4.3.4. Nominated Players must be advised prior to the start of the season, and all overage players must be highlighted on the team sheet with an (\*). All overage player numbers will be forwarded to all other clubs prior to the season's commencement and are ineligible for any league awards or representative opportunities.
- 4.3.5. All Overage players **will** be assessed by an independent person as to their ability and if there is any doubt as to their ability being of an adequate standard they will be told to play in the higher standard of football.
- 4.3.6. Club secretary, the player and the player's parent/guardian must sign the application form to acknowledge the requirements of an overage player and the fact a player may be told to play in a higher grade.
- 4.3.7. Under no circumstances are opposition clubs or members to approach any player or official of another club with complaints in any capacity in relation to overage players.

Any complaints or requests for a player standard review are to be made in writing to the Region General Manager of the AFL OUTER EAST. All reviews will be conducted by an independent assessment person/people appointed by the AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football. Clubs will not be made aware of any review until after the review has been completed. The outcome of any review will be completed, and all parties notified of any outcome in writing through the club secretary. The club making the complaint will be notified of the outcome only,

but no correspondence will be forwarded relating to the process or recommendations made by the investigating assessment person/people.

No review request will be considered after 30th June 2019 and any review finding must be completed and reported to clubs concerned by 31st July 2019.

*The AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football will not be held responsible for any decision and any complaints (made by parents or others).*

- 4.3.8. A fine of \$250 will be applied by the AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football for any frivolous nomination found by the independent assessment person/people.**

#### **4.4. GENDER**

- 4.4.1** In accordance with the directive from AFL Victoria to its members and affiliates females who reach 14 years of age as at 1 January in the year of play are excluded from playing in any competition that is not a 'female competition'

#### **4.5. PENALTY FOR PLAYING UNREGISTERED/ INELIGIBLE PLAYERS**

- 4.5.1.** All players must be registered on the appropriate registration form before participating in inter-club matches.
- 4.5.2.** Clubs playing ineligible or unregistered players shall forfeit Premiership Points for the game concerned, these points to be awarded to the opposing team. AFL OUTER EAST also has the power to administer additional penalties if deemed necessary.

#### **4.6. TRANSFER OF PLAYERS**

- 4.6.1.** After playing five (5) games with any one club in a season a player cannot transfer to another club without permission from the original club.
- 4.6.2.** If a club feels at the beginning of a season or at a point within a season that it will be unable to field sufficient players to allow one or more of its teams to be competitive, it may seek permission of the AFL OUTER EAST to approach nearby clubs in order to arrange a loan of players to build numbers.
- 4.6.3.** Permission to "borrow" players from another club within the AFL OUTER EAST during the course of a season will only be granted if AFL OUTER EAST is convinced that it is in the best interest of the competition as a whole and of the players involved.
- 4.6.4.** Unless expressly agreed to by the AFL OUTER EAST no player will be eligible for loan if that player has played five (5) full games in that season.
- 4.6.5.** The transfer of players between the AFL OUTER EAST Under 16's to the YRF&N Under 18's competition shall be strictly in accordance with the AFL OUTER EAST Interchange agreement sanctioned by both leagues and the AFL Football Development Manager.

#### **4.7. TWO TEAMS IN AN AGE GROUP**

- 4.7.1. Where a club has two teams in an age group then they must submit to the Operations Manager at least one week prior to the first match of the season their team lists.
- 4.7.2. Player movement between teams can only be done on request to the Operations Manager by the Thursday before the match. Player movement between teams is not guaranteed.
- 4.7.3. No player may participate in two games in the same age group in the same round, even if the two games are in different divisions of the age group or are played on separate days.

## **5. UMPIRES**

### **5.1 Management of Umpiring**

- 5.1.1. The AFL Outer East Director of Umpiring is responsible for the appointment of official umpires.
- 5.1.2. All appointed umpires shall have the power to report players according to the Laws of Australian Football, (refer AFL Laws of the Game Rule 19.0).
- 5.1.3. All clubs are liable for the Umpires' fees during the home and away series, payable by cheque or other agreed arrangements at the conclusion of the senior game. Payments of umpires fees are the home club's responsibility, and should include all fees for all matches. (Refer to Umpires' Fees Schedule).
- 5.1.4. Approaches to Umpires: Only the team captain shall be permitted to speak to Field Umpire during the progress of a match at intervals. Any player or official in breach of this rule shall be reported by the Umpire and the matter referred to the league independent tribunal and if found guilty their club shall incur the following maximum penalty: 1st offence \$100.00, 2nd offence \$200.00, 3rd or any further offence \$400.00.
- 5.1.5. Failure to comply with By Law Thirty (30) will constitute a breach of the By Laws and will be subject to a fine according to the fines schedule or such other penalty as determined by the Commission.
- 5.1.6. All league appointed umpires must hold a minimum level 1 Umpires accreditation and wear AFL Outer East approved uniform. This includes colours and sponsors logos

### **5.2.VOTING FOR BEST AND FAIREST AWARD**

- 5.2.1. In all age groups, other than Under 9's & 10's, the field Umpire shall award votes for players considered to be the Best and Fairest for the games officiated by the Umpire concerned.
- 5.2.2. All votes shall be recorded on cards provided by the AFL OUTER EAST, for players in matches under their control.
- 5.2.3. 3 votes shall be awarded to the player adjudged the best and fairest player afield, 2 votes shall be awarded to the player adjudged the second best and fairest player afield, and 1 vote shall be awarded to the player adjudged the third best and fairest player afield.
- 5.2.4. Any player found guilty by the League Tribunal will not be eligible to win a Best and Fairest Award in that year.
- 5.2.5. Best and Fairest Trophy or Trophies will be awarded annually by the AFL OUTER EAST. The number of trophies and method of awarding them will be determined by the AFL OUTER EAST.
- 5.2.6. In the under 9's & 10's competitions Best and Fairest votes are not to be recorded and trophies shall not be provided for this age group.

**5.3. BEST CONDUCTED CLUB AWARD**

5.3.1. Umpires shall complete the required form relating to conduct of clubs at each home and away game. Points to be allotted or deducted at the discretion of the umpire.

Votes are not to be awarded in Under 9's & Under 10's matches.

5.3.2. Each team who finishes the season with the most points will be deemed the winner for each age group. Dual or multiple winners may be awarded.

5.3.3. The AFL OUTER EAST shall award an overall Best Conducted Club award based on the Club that has accumulated the highest average of best conducted points for all teams. This award shall be known as the Dorothy Moxham Award. Dual or multiple winners may be awarded.

5.3.4. Clubs who fail to attend any AFL OUTER EAST Junior Football sanctioned meetings or events shall be deducted 15 Best Conducted team points, per team, per club, per even.

**CLUB/ TEAM OFFICIALS**

**5.4. OFFICIALS REQUIRED PER TEAM**

Position	Age Groups	Number Permitted	Means of Identification
Coach	All	1	Arm Band & Club Apparel
Assistant Coach	All	1	Arm Band & Club Apparel
Team Manager	All	1	Armband & Club Apparel
Trainer	All (1 must be at least ERC Accredited)	2	White Trainers Bib Black pants

Runner	Under 12, 14 and 16 U/10 in the Last 4 Rounds	1	Pink Runners Top & Shorts
Time Keeper	All	1	
Boundary Umpire	Under 14 and 16's Only	1	White Shirt / club Shorts or black Tracksuit Pants
Goal Umpire	All	1	White Coat
Umpires Escort	All	1	Umpire Escort Bib
Water Carriers	All	2	Blue Water Carrier Bib & must be Under 18 years of age.

#### 5.4.1. Officials allowed in Coaching Box

5.4.1.1. Only the following officials are allowed to be inside the fence line surrounding the playing surface in the area of the coach's box - Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Manager, Trainers, and Runner. (Water carriers not allowed in coaches box).

#### 5.5. QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICIAL

All club officials (President, Vice President, Treasurer, etc) plus game day officials (Coach, assistant coach, team manager and trainer etc) MUST HAVE A CURRENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

##### 5.5.1. Coaching accreditation:

Coaches including appointed assistant coaches are required to gain accreditation to at least Level 1 and such accreditation is to be obtained prior to the commencement of the season, In the instance where coaches are not accredited and commit to completing the next available AFL VIC coaching course must have approval of OM, The penalty to be imposed by the AFL OUTER EAST if coaches continue to coach having not obtained the necessary accreditation may be \$100 fine and the loss of match points for the matches won by the team whilst the unaccredited coach continues to coach.





If not obtained before the commencement of the football season must be obtained during season and prior to the final's series. No unqualified coaches will be able to officiate in the final's series.

- As of the start of Season 2017 all U/16 & U14 Assistant coaches must be accredited.
- As of the start of Season 2018 all U16, U14, U/13 & U/12 Assistant coaches must be accredited.
- As of the start of Season 2019 All Coaches of EVERY age group & Assistant coaches must be accredited.

A Complete list of all Coaches of the Club must be sent to OM before the commencement of the season.

#### **5.5.2.Trainers accreditation**

Each club must have a minimum of one person present during the entirety of matches played by the club, who holds the minimum requirement of a trainer as set out in the AFL Trainers Policy from year to year.

#### **5.6.ATTIRE**

5.6.1.All team officials must wear attire as determined by AFL OUTER EAST and be identified as to position held as detailed in the table above.

Failure to provide correctly identified or attired officials shall Result in a fine. As detailed in Appendix A.

#### **5.7.BOUNDARY UMPIRES**

5.7.1.Boundary Umpires shall not be used in Under 9's, 10's, 11's or 12's.

5.7.2.Teams are to supply 1 (one) each, boundary umpire in Under 14 and Under 16 competition that are capable of boundary throw in's.

5.7.3.In the Under 11's & 12's, if the ball goes out of bounds, except when kicked out on the full, the Field Umpire will throw up the ball 15 metres from the boundary line in a direct line from the point where the ball crossed the boundary line and the centre circle of the ground.

5.7.4.In the event of the ball being kicked out of bounds on the full, then the normal penalty kick shall be given.

5.7.5.In finals round matches appointed Boundary Umpires will throw the ball up in the position at which the Field Umpire would have used if no official Boundary Umpire were appointed.

#### **5.8. GOAL UMPIRES**

5.8.1.Goal Umpires are required to meet in the middle of the ground at the end of each quarter and be a support person for the central Umpire. They are also required to officially compare scores and wave off the scores to the scoreboard at the end of each quarter.

REMEMBER GOAL UMPIRES ARE OFFICIALS AND MUST BE IMPARTIAL.

## **5.9. CLUB AND LEAGUE OFFICIALS**

5.9.1. All JSAC Members (Unless providing Club official duties) and One Club Executive, must wear distinctive identification at all official matches under AFL OUTER EAST Control.

## **5.10. OFFICIALS AND RUNNERS ON ARENA**

(U9's & U10's Coaches & Runners, please refer Modified rules 1.20.9)

### **5.10.1. Runners**

5.10.1.1. Runners are permitted on to the field only when carrying official messages from the Coach to his players.

5.10.1.2. Runners may be ordered off the field by the Field Umpire if he considers that their appearances on the arena are too frequent. (no runners required in U9's all season & U10's until R11).

### **5.10.2. Coaches**

5.10.2.1. Coaches (other than in Under 9's, 10's) are not permitted onto the arena except in the case of injury where the game has been stopped, and during intervals.

5.10.2.2. Coaches must coach from within the designated area (coach's box), coaches are prohibited to coach from outside the fence line.

### **5.10.3. Officials**

5.10.3.1. As described in this section, officials that are allowed on the playing arena are not permitted within 15 metres of play in progress, with exception of Trainers who may move to any part of the field to attend to the needs of a player.

### **5.10.4. Trainers**

5.10.4.1. Trainers may enter the playing arena during a match provided the trainer is providing medical assistance to a player

5.10.4.2. Trainers must not communicate, provoke or in any way interfere with the umpire or any players from the opposition club during any match

5.10.4.3. If considered necessary Trainers may call for assistance from any qualified person present at the match. It is not a requirement that the person called for be a member or official of any Club.

### **5.10.5. Under 9, and Under 10 Coaches**

5.10.5.1. One coach per team may be permitted onto the playing arena for coaching purposes only. A replacement coach may be substitute at any time during the match if deemed necessary by the team manager. Refer to clause 1.20.9.2

#### **5.10.6. Water Carriers**

5.10.6.1. Water carriers may only enter the arena at a stoppage in play, (ie. When a goal is kicked) to provide water to the players participating in the game. Once they have provided water they must exit the arena and position themselves on the point of the Arcs. Water carriers may be ordered off the field by the Field Umpire if he considers that their appearances on the arena are too frequent.

5.10.6.2. All water carriers must be under the age of eighteen (18) years.

#### **5.11. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COACHES AND TEAM OFFICIALS**

5.11.1. It shall be the responsibility of the Coach or the person deputising for him in a particular match to ensure that all players who take part in the match for his club are registered, whether a regular player or on loan.

5.11.2. AFL OUTER EAST shall have the power to suspend any Coach who wilfully plays an unregistered player or who wilfully allows extra players to take part in play.

5.11.3. The penalty for the first offence in any one season shall be four weeks suspension for the Coach responsible and suspension for the remainder of the season for second offence.

5.11.4. Central Umpires shall be instructed to report such breaches of the rules on the prescribed report form. The Central Umpire must advise the OM by telephone of the Charges and ensure that all documents pertaining to the charge are in the hands of the OM by the Monday following the match in which the alleged incident took place. Failure to adhere to any of these steps shall render the report void.

5.11.5. The umpire shall be required to attend a convened tribunal after laying charges and shall be notified of the time and venue by the OM. Failure to attend at the appointed time shall render the report void.

5.11.6. AFL OUTER EAST shall also have the power to similarly penalise any Coach, Team Manager, Runner or Trainer or spectator who shows by his record of conduct that he is unwilling or unable to conduct himself in the manner required of Team Officials by the AFL OUTER EAST Rules and Regulations.

#### **5.12. DUTIES OF TEAM MANAGERS**

5.12.1. To ensure the team has a Coach, Trainers, and Runner on match day.

5.12.2. It shall also be the responsibility of the Team Manager or the person deputising for him in a particular match to ensure that only the correct number of players is on the field at all times.

5.12.3. To ensure the team sheet is filled in every week and signed by the players.

- 5.12.4. To keep an update record of total number of games each player has played for the club.
- 5.12.5. To arrange correctly attired Goal and Boundary (if applicable) Umpires, and Time Keepers for each game.
- 5.12.6. The Team Manager of the Club waits upon the field Umpire with the opposite club's Team Manager at the close of each match and ascertains if any reports are to be made and also the nature of the reports, if any.
- 5.12.7. To ascertain "All Clear" from the Field Umpire at end of the game
- 5.12.8. At the conclusion of the match provide a suitable and identifiable escort for the Field Umpire(s) from the ground to the door of the Umpires Room.
- 5.12.9. To present the Field Umpire, in the Umpires room, with a correctly filled out Team Sheet within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the match.
- 5.12.10. To collect Score/Time Cards and then ensure they are placed in the match day envelope within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the match.
- 5.12.11. To assist the Coach and, if necessary, to correctly complete the report on Field Umpire sheets and authorise its contents. Reports to be forwarded to the OM by Monday following the match.
- 5.12.12. To ensure that the By-Laws of AFL OUTER EAST are adhered to while the games are in Progress. It should be noted that "Duly Authorised Umpires" can make reports on players, spectators and officials, from within or outside the oval on the day of the match, even though the game has been completed.
- 5.12.13. To ensure that Umpires are offered a drink at half time and three-quarter time intervals.
- 5.12.14. To collect after each game: -
  - Goal Umpires Cards
  - Time Keepers Cards
- 5.12.15. Team Managers are responsible for all Club equipment used during the matches. Viz: Two Footballs must be supplied for all home matches (as prescribed)

### **5.13. DUTIES OF THE TRAINER**

- 5.13.1. To ensure that players are adequately warmed up before entering the field.
- 5.13.2. To assist the Coach and Team Manager where possible and to tend injured players.
- 5.13.3. Advise the Coach about any injury or heavy knock suffered by players and call for assistance from person or persons deemed necessary.
- 5.13.4. Take any player off for observation immediately they receive a heavy knock or injury.



- 5.13.5. To be aware of the Blood Rule, and the role they must adopt in responding to players who are bleeding or have blood on uniforms.
- 5.13.6. Ensure a record is kept of the contact number of the Club Medical Officer.

#### **5.14. DUTIES OF TIME-KEEPER**

- 5.14.1. To ensure that you have a Score/Time card provided by the Team Manager.
- 5.14.2. Check that the siren works at home ground and away grounds prior to game starting.
- 5.14.3. Ensure that the siren is sounded when the umpire raises the ball above his head as he walks onto the ground.
- 5.14.4. Sound a two-minute warning siren and then a one-minute warning siren before the conclusion of all breaks. If a team should leave the arena at half time interval due to inclement weather, an additional warning siren is to be sounded two minutes before play is due to resume.
- 5.14.5. Sound the siren when the Umpire raises the ball at the start of each quarter and again at the completion of each quarter, continuing to sound the siren until the Field Umpire acknowledges that he has heard the signal.
- 5.14.6. Fill out the score card during the game and check the result against the Goal Umpires cards at the completion.
- 5.14.7. To record the duration of any stoppage in play when directed by the field umpire in exceptional circumstances, and to ensure that such time is added to the length of the Quarter following bylaw 1.18 rules.
- 5.14.8. Time keeper must also record the jumper number of any player stretchered off and the time and quarter.

#### **5.15. DUTIES OF RUNNER**

- 5.15.1. Assist the Coach to prepare the players for the game.
- 5.15.2. Take messages out to players from the Coach without encroaching within an area at least 15 metres from where play is in progress. The runner must then immediately leave the ground.
- 5.15.3. Assist the Team Manager.
- 5.15.4. Help the Coach maintain discipline.

#### **5.16 UMPIRES ESCORT/PROTECTION**

- 5.18.1 Clubs shall be responsible to take reasonable care to protect Umpires from abuse and violence on and off the playing arena.

- 5.18.2** Each club participating in a match, including finals, must supply one Umpire Escort, who is to be named as such on the team sheet, for that match. The delegated persons from both clubs, are to meet the Umpires in the centre of the ground at the quarter time breaks and when leaving the ground at half time and after the match in all grades, shall escort umpires from the field to their dressing room. This shall apply in all home and away and finals matches.
- 5.18.3** The Home Club shall be responsible for the provision of drinks to umpires at Quarter time, half time, Three quarter time and shall, where necessary, provide medical assistance.
- 5.18.4** Failure to comply with By Law Twenty-Eight (28.0) will be subject to a fine as per the fines schedule or such other penalty as determined by the Commission.

## **6. FINANCIAL**

### **6.1. AFFILIATION FEES**

- 6.1.1.** Each club shall be affiliated with the AFL OUTER EAST and shall pay an Annual Affiliation fee as determined by the AFL OUTER EAST Commission. This fee must be paid not later than one month prior to the first official home and away match for that football year or within 30 days of the Invoice.
- 6.1.2.** Official Events/Presentation night. Each affiliated club will be charged for 10 seats to the annual presentation dinner. The fee will be determined year to year.

### **6.2. AFL VICTORIA COUNTRY**

- 6.2.1.** The AFL OUTER EAST Commission shall be affiliated with the AFL Victoria Country.

### **6.3. CHANGE IN FEES**

- 6.3.1.** Should, at any time between Annual General Meetings AFL OUTER EAST decide that a change to the rates or charges of the AFL OUTER EAST or Affiliated bodies is required, then the AFL OUTER EAST will make the change.

### **6.4. SPECIAL LEVIES**

- 6.4.1.** If in the view of AFL OUTER EAST, a special levy is required in order to fund the purchase of any item or items of equipment required to maintain the efficient functioning of the AFL OUTER EAST competition, or any other financial need of a special nature, AFL OUTER EAST may advise the clubs of its intention to propose such a levy at the next properly constituted meeting of the delegates. Such a levy would become binding upon Clubs if delegates approved it by a vote of not less than two thirds majority from those eligible to vote.

### **6.5. UNFINANCIAL CLUBS**

6.5.1. The AFL OUTER EAST terms of payment are 30 days from the invoice date. If any AFL OUTER EAST Club shall fail to pay any fee, levy, fine or other payment for which such Club is liable under these Regulations within the time specified for the payment of the same, such clubs shall lose its eligibility to earn match points and percentage, vote at meetings of the AFL OUTER EAST and share in the profits of the AFL OUTER EAST until it shall have made such payment. Payment of an invoice for Umpire's will be within 7 days.

6.5.2. In the case of fines, the time of payment will be specified by AFL OUTER EAST and shall be no less than fourteen days from the date the OM's notification of the fine due. Such notification will be forwarded by mail to the Secretary of the club concerned. The AFL OUTER EAST League may at its discretion extend the time for payment.

## **6.6. ADMISSION CHARGES**

6.6.1. Admission to games for the following season shall be fixed by AFL OUTER EAST at the Annual General Meeting

## **7. MEETINGS**

### **7.1. CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS TO BE FINANCIAL**

7.1.1. No delegate shall be allowed to vote or take part in proceedings at an AFL OUTER EAST Meeting until all monies due by their Club have been paid. However, if a reason for non-payment is tendered and accepted on a three-quarter majority vote by eligible

Delegates or Proxy Delegates present at the meeting, then voting rights will be extended to the Club.

### **7.2. REGISTER OF DELEGATES**

7.2.1. Each Club must lodge in writing with the OM the name of its nominated delegates before they are eligible to vote or represent their Club at AFL OUTER EAST meetings.

7.2.2. Should a Club Delegate be unable to attend a meeting, a proxy may be appointed by club for that meeting. The OM must be advised by the Club concerned of the name of the person who will be acting as a proxy delegate prior to the commencement of the meeting. Each Club or Association is entitled to only one delegate with voting rights at any meeting conducted by the AFL OUTER EAST.

### **7.3. REPRESENTATION AT MEETINGS**

7.3.1. Each club must be represented by the official Delegate (or proxy) at each AFL OUTER EAST meeting. Failure to attend shall result in a fine as detailed in Appendix A and loss of Best Conducted Club points.

- 7.3.2. An official delegate or proxy delegate who has attended at length but has been unable to be in attendance for the entire course of a meeting and tenders an acceptable apology to the Chair shall be recorded as having attended the meeting in full.
- 7.3.3. Each club must be represented by their official Delegate (or proxy) at each Development Squad Committee meeting. Failure to attend shall result in fines as detailed in Appendix A.

## **8. GENERAL**

### **8.1. POWERS OF AFL OUTER EAST**

- 8.1.1. The AFL OUTER EAST shall have the power to control club matches and settle any disputes which may arise in connection with finance, clubs, teams and players in conjunction with the RGM.
- 8.1.2. The AFL OUTER EAST Commission and Staff shall have the power to report spectators, players, clubs and officials in Accordance with the AFL “Laws of Australian Football” adopted by the AFL VICTORIA COUNTRY from time to time and for any breach of these by-laws.

### **8.2. CLUBS REQUIRED TO FIELD TEAMS**

- 8.2.1. Member clubs of AFL OUTER EAST JF must field teams in the Under 10, 12, 14 and 16 age groups. The AFL OUTER EAST maintains the right to adjust the fixture as is necessary.
- 8.2.2. Clubs may field teams in other age groupings as determined by the AFL OUTER EAST from time to time and fielding teams in these groupings shall be optional. However, clubs must ensure that the core age groups will have a full side taking the field (18 players on field and at least two on the bench) each week before fielding other age groups.
- 8.2.3. On a temporary basis AFL OUTER EAST, at its discretion may allow clubs to continue to play without penalty if clubs cannot field teams in all age groups.
- 8.2.4. Clubs may make application in extenuating circumstances to field teams in age groups that are not the core age groups. The decision lies at the discretion of the AFL OUTER EAST.

### **8.3. DATE OF COMPLETION OF SEASON**

- 8.3.1. The season, whenever possible will be completed by the third term school holidays.

### **8.4. AMENDMENT OF RULES AND BY-LAWS**

- 8.4.1. Amendments to these By Laws may be submitted for approval at the Annual General Meeting or Special meeting convened for the purpose.

### **8.5. CLUBS SUMMONED TO APPEAR BEFORE AFL OUTER EAST**



8.5.1.Clubs summoned to appear before AFL OUTER EAST for any reason shall attend at the date and time advised by the OM. Failure to attend without satisfactory reason may result in automatic suspension of that Club if AFL OUTER EAST so decides.

## **8.6.SPECIAL AFL OUTER EAST POWER**

8.6.1.If in the opinion of the AFL OUTER EAST a situation has arisen which is outside the control of individual clubs and the strict interpretation of an existing by-law, or the lack of an appropriate by law that may result in unfair penalty to a club or clubs or be detrimental to the wellbeing of the AFL OUTER EAST, then the AFL OUTER EAST may take such action as it deems fit to ensure the smooth operation of the competition and the even-handed treatment of all affiliated clubs. If action is to taken by the AFL OUTER EAST, member clubs must be advised before the next scheduled game. Arising out of the above, any proposal to extend or amend the by-laws should be directed to the next scheduled delegates meeting.

## **9. AFL OUTER EAST DECISIONS**

### **9.1.DECISIONS FINAL AND BINDING**

9.1.1.A decision which results from business which has been raised and debated at a properly constituted meeting of delegates to AFL OUTER EAST and which has been subjected to a vote is final and binding. Such decisions shall not be raised with any member of the AFL OUTER EAST other than at the next properly constituted delegates meeting.

## **10. ABANDONMENT OF MATCHES**

### **10.1.UMPIRES POWER TO ABANDON MATCHES**

10.1.1.Officiating central umpires, have the power to abandon any matches for reason of misconduct on the part of officials and/or players or spectators infringing onto the playing area.

10.1.2. Such matches will not be replayed but after consideration of the facts, AFL OUTER EAST will determine the manner in which and if match points and scores are to be awarded. In such cases all match documents must be completed and returned showing the score at time of abandonment.

## **11. ADVERSE COMMENTS IN THE MEDIA**

### **11.1.NO ADVERSE COMMENTS TO APPEAR**

No Player/Parent and/or Official of any Club or Association affiliated with the AFL OUTER EAST is permitted to comment adversely on any aspect of the AFL OUTER EAST including Umpiring, AFL OUTER EAST Clubs, Players or Officials to any form of media, this includes Facebook, SMS Messaging. Penalty for offending affiliates is a minimum fine of \$500.00. See Appendix A.

## **12. ALCOHOL AND SMOKING BANS**

### **12.1.NO SMOKING**

12.1.1. Smoking of tobacco products is strictly prohibited inside the perimeter of the fence surrounding the playing oval and in all change rooms, toilets and within 12 metres of any buildings located at the venue whilst games are in progress.

## **12.2. NO ALCOHOL**

12.2.1. The consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited at any AFL OUTER EAST Junior venue prior to and during the time scheduled for matches.

## **13. LIFE MEMBERS**

### **13.1. PROVISIONS FOR LIFE MEMBERS**

13.1.1. AFL OUTER EAST shall be empowered to elect life members to the AFL OUTER EAST

13.1.2. Clubs may submit names of suitable nominees

13.1.3. To be eligible a nominee must have given outstanding service to the Dandenong Ranges Junior Football League/OUTER EAST Junior Football Competition.

13.1.4. Nominations for each year shall close on July 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.

## **14. CODES OF BEHAVIOUR**

### **14.1. ADOPTED CODES OF BEHAVIOUR**

14.1.1. The AFL OUTER EAST Code of Behaviour is based upon the AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION Code of Behaviour and has been amended and altered to the needs of the AFL OUTER EAST. The Coaches Code of behaviour is now the standard code set by the AFL Victoria Country.

### **14.2. PLAYERS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- 1) Abide and play by the rules of the game and the rules set down by the AFL OUTER EAST, your Club and Coach.
- 2) Never argue with an Official, do not question Officials and Umpires judgement and never question their honesty.
- 3) Control your temper. Verbal abuse of Officials or other Players, deliberately distracting an opponent is not accepted or permitted in any other sport.
- 4) Work equally hard for yourself and your Team. Your Team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- 5) Never ridicule or yell at Players for making mistakes. Your involvement is to play for fun and enjoyment and winning is only part of it. Be a good sport; applaud all good plays whether they are from your Team, your opponent or the other Team.
- 6) Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player. Always conduct yourself in a manner that is expected of your Team mates, Club or Family.



- 7) Co-operate with your Coach and Team mates and respect the ability of your opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- 8) Place in proper perspective the isolated incidents of unsporting behaviour rather than make such incidents the “highlight” of the game.
- 9) Players must not assault or attempt to assault an Umpire, another Player, Officials or Spectators.
- 10) Be proud to walk off the ground after each game knowing that you have given your best effort and never involve yourself in an argument with opposing Player, Umpires or Officials.

#### **14.3. PARENTS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- 1) If Children are interested, encourage them to participate. However if a Child is not willing, do not force him or her.
- 2) Focus on the Child’s efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the game. This assists the Child in setting a realistic goal related to his or her ability by removing the emphasis on winning.
- 3) Teach Children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- 4) Encourage Children to always participate according to the rules.
- 5) Never ridicule or yell at a Child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- 6) Remember that Children are involved in organised sport for THEIR enjoyment, not yours.
- 7) Remember that Children learn best from example. Applaud good plays by all Teams.
- 8) If you disagree with an Official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels (via your Child’s Club which then can bring it to the attention of the ruling body) rather than question the Officials judgement and honesty in public.
- 9) Remember, most Officials give their time and effort for your Child’s involvement.
- 10) Support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- 11) Recognise the value and importance of volunteer Coaches. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities and deserve your support.

#### **14.4. COACHES CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- 1) Be familiar with the laws of Australian Football and abide by the rules and conditions of your Competition League and Club.
- 2) Teach your Players that rules of the game are mutual agreements which no Player should evade or break.

- 3) Group Players to age, height, skill and physical maturity whenever possible in any competitive practice session.
- 4) Avoid over-playing talented Players. “The just average” Players need and deserve equal time, if not more.
- 5) Remember that Players involved play for fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of it. Emphasise importance of the learning and development of skills and positive attitudes. Never ridicule or yell at your Players for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- 6) Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the Players.
- 7) The Scheduling and length of training times and competition should take into the consideration of the maturity level of the Player.
- 8) Develop Team Respect for the ability of opponents as well for the judgement of Umpire, and opposing Coaches.
- 9) Follow the advice of a qualified person when determining when an injured Player is ready to play or train again.
- 10) Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound junior coaching principles and developments. You must attain coaching accreditation and it is recommended that you become an active member of the local branch of the Australian Football Coaches Association.
- 11) Avoid use of derogatory language based on gender or race.

#### **14.5. SPECTATORS CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 1) Children play organised sport for fun. They are not playing for the entertainment of Spectators only nor are they miniature professionals.
- 2) Applaud good performances and efforts from each Team. Congratulate all participants upon their performance regardless of the game’s outcome.
- 3) Respect the Officials’ decision. If there is a disagreement, follow the appropriate procedure in order to question the decision and teach the Children to do likewise.
- 4) Never ridicule or scold a Child for making a mistake during competition. Positive comments are motivational.
- 5) Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by Spectators, Coaches, Officials or Players.
- 6) Show respect to your Teams’ opponents. Without them there would be no game.
- 7) Encourage Players to follow the rules and the Officials’ decisions.
- 8) Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing Players, Coaches or Officials.

- 9) It is the responsibility of the spectator/parent's club to ensure all spectators/parents follow this code of conduct, Failure to do so may result in a fine of up to \$500.00
- 10) Any breaches of these Code of Behaviours could result in the spectator being reported and result in being summonsed before The Independent League Tribunal or the COM.
- 11) **No spectators are to enter the playing field during ¼ and ¾ time breaks**

#### **14.6. OFFICIALS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- 1) Ensure rules and regulations are interpreted to match the skill level of Children and their needs.
- 2) Compliment all participants on their efforts.
- 3) Be Consistent, objective, and courteous in calling all infringements.
- 4) Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all opponents.
- 5) Use common sense to ensure the “spirit of the game” for Children is not lost by over emphasising errors.
- 6) Actions speak louder than words. Ensure that your behaviour and performance is consistent with the principle of good sporting behaviour.
- 7) Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound officiating principles and the principles of growth and development of children.

#### **14.7. ADMINISTRATORS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

- 1) Remember you are administrating sport involving Children. Lead by example in all aspects of your involvement, whether at Club or Competition level.
- 2) Ensure that equal opportunities for participating in sports are made available to all Children, regardless of ability, size, shape, sex, age, disability or ethnic origin.
- 3) Equipment and facilities must be safe and appropriate to the level of participating Children.
- 4) Rules, equipment, lengths of games training schedules should take into consideration the age, ability and maturity level of participating Children.
- 5) Ensure that adequate supervision is provided by qualified and competent Coaches and Officials capable of developing appropriate sports behaviour and skill technique.
- 6) Remember as Children participate for enjoyment, downplay the importance of rewards.
- 7) Avoid the game becoming primarily spectator entertainment. Focus on the needs of the participants rather than the enjoyment of the spectators.
- 8) Provide clinics aimed at improving the standards of Coaching and officiating, with the emphasis on appropriate behaviour and skill technique.

- 9) Ensure that Parents, Coaches, Officials and Players understand their responsibilities regarding fair play.
- 10) Distribute a Code Of behaviour to Spectators, Officials, Parents, Coaches, Players and the Media.

## 15 CODES OF CONDUCT

The AFL OUTER EAST Code of Behaviour will be amended and altered to the needs of the AFL OUTER EAST by the AFL Commission each year

The Coaches Code of behaviour is now the standard code set by the AFL Victoria Country.

**15.1** By-Law AFL Outer East will from time to time adopt and implement codes of conduct pursuant to advice obtained from AFL Victoria. These codes of conduct will be applicable to players, coaches, spectators and officials. Breaches of these codes of conduct may result in disciplinary action being taken pursuant to these By-Laws or the penalties prescribed in the spectator's "code of conduct".

**15.2** Codes of Conduct Management - Condition of Entry: Refer to Schedule 9 of these By Laws.

### 15.3 Spectator Behaviour

Any patron attending a sanctioned AFL Outer East match must adhere to the AFL Victoria Codes of Conduct. A breach of these Codes of Conduct will see the offending person/s charged under the AFL Outer East Spectator By-Law (Schedule \*)

### 15.4 Adverse Comments in the media

No Member or Official of any Club or Association affiliated with the AFL OUTER EAST is permitted to comment adversely on any aspect of the AFL OUTER EAST including Umpiring, AFL OUTER EAST Clubs, Players or Officials to any form of media, this includes Facebook, SMS Messaging. Penalty for offending affiliates is a minimum fine of \$500.00

### 15.5 Social Media

Refer to Social Media Policy (Schedule 11)

## 16 MELEE

### Melee Definition

An incident involving six (6) or more players and/or officials who are pushing, grappling, wrestling or otherwise struggling with one another and which, in the opinion of the umpire(s) is likely to bring the game of Australian Football into disrepute or prejudice the interests or reputation of AFL OUTER EAST or the competitions conducted by AFL OUTER EAST.

### 16.1 Incident & Penalty Procedure

- a) In the event of a melee taking place and following three (3) continued instructions from the umpire(s) to break up the melee, if the melee continues, the umpire(s) shall report the incident to the league. The field umpire(s) appointed by the AFL OUTER EAST shall record on the Umpires Match Report at the conclusion of the game an incident where the melee has taken place. This will include the quarter and the position on the field where the melee took place.
- b) Such form shall be signed by the umpire(s) and a copy of the Umpire Match Report containing notification of the incident handed to each club as per normal match day procedure.
- c) Fines shall be charged to the club's account.
- d) All melees occurring during AFL OUTER EAST finals games will be referred directly to the Commission for consideration with regard to penalty.
- e) Players may be reported for engaging in a melee, except where the players sole intention is to remove a team mate from the incident.

#### **16.2 Penalties for melees during home and away season;**

Team 1st offence (in one season): \$150

Team 2nd offence (in one season): \$300

Team 3rd offence (in one season): \$450

Team 4th offence (in one season): Decision referred to Commission

#### **16.3 Melee Appeal Process**

##### **16.3.1 Stage 1**

Clubs can make a formal request to have a melee reviewed. This request must be made in writing no later than 48 hours following an infringement notice.

The Region General Manager or his/her appointee will review the melee and respond in writing within 7 days of receiving the Melee review request.

##### **16.3.2 Stage 2**

If a club wishes to challenge the league verdict, they may do so under AFL Victoria rule 7.3.1c. The matter can be referred to the League's independent tribunal for Hearing and determination.

#### **17 CHILD SAFETY POLICY**

Refer the yearly policy published on the AFL Outer East  
Website: [www.afloutereast.com](http://www.afloutereast.com) named Schedule 11 - Child Safe Standards Policy.

- 17.1** Each club participating in an AFL Outer East competition shall appoint a Child Safety Officer who complies with the AFL Outer East requirements from year to year, for each year of competition.
- 17.2** Failure to comply with By Law 25.0 will result in a fine according to the fine schedule or such other penalty as determined by the AFL Outer East commission.

Item	Offence	Penalty	Fine
	Non-attendance at Meetings.		\$200
	Unfinancial Clubs	Not eligible to participate in AFL OUTER EAST Competitions	
	Unregistered Player(s) & Ineligible Player - Home and away	Loss of 4 premiership points	\$250 fine per player per game.
3 B	Unregistered Player(s) & Ineligible Player - Finals	Loss of game	\$250 fine per player per game.
	Unaccredited Coach	Loss of Match Points	\$ 200 Per offence
	Inter Change Breach	Non-Return to Ground	
	Late Starts		\$ 5 Per Minute up to \$50
	Player Qualification for Finals	Loss of Points	
	Incorrect Team Sheet		\$50.00 per offence
	No Goal or Boundary Umpire	Deduction of best conducted club points	\$50.00 per offence
	Incorrectly attired Club Umpires.	Deduction of best conducted club points	\$50.00
	Siren not sounded correctly.	Deduction of best conducted club points	
	Late receipt of match day envelope.		\$ 50.00
	Late notification of scores.		\$ 50.00
	Incorrectly attired Officials.	Deduction of best conducted club points	\$50.00 per offence
	Incorrect Score Cards.		\$50.00
	Un notified walk-over.	Side forfeiting to pay Umpires Cost	\$100.00
	Player found Guilty at Tribunal.		\$50.00 per offence
	Failure to Uphold Code of Conducts Spectators/Parents		\$500.00 Per Offence
	No Umpire Escort.	Deduction of best conducted club points	\$50.00 per offence
	Breaking of Smoking or Drinking Policy.	Deduction of Best Conducted Club points	\$150 per offence





	Adverse comments in media.		Minimum \$500.00 fine determined by the AFL OUTER EAST
	Unsuitable footballs		\$100.00 per offence
	Incorrect Club Uniform (No AFL VIC Country or WorkSafe Logo)	Deduction of best conducted points	\$50.00 per offence
	Melee's	Team 1st offence (in one season): Team 2nd offence (in one season): Team 3rd offence (in one season): Team 4th offence (in one season):	\$150 \$300 \$450 Decision referred to Commission
	Failure to provide a Child Safety Officer	Club Not eligible to participate in AFL OUTER EAST Competitions	
	Failure to obtain a WWCC	Person Not eligible to participate in AFL OUTER EAST Competitions	



## GROUND LOCATIONS

<p><b>Belgrave</b> Belgrave Recreation Reserve, Reserve Road, Belgrave, Mel Ref 75 D 12</p>
<p><b>Emerald</b> Worrell Reserve, Main Road Emerald, Mel Ref 127 G 3</p>
<p><b>Gembrook-Cockatoo</b> Gembrook Sports Ground, Belgrave-Gembrook Road Gembrook Mel Ref 312 F 9 Mountain Road Reserve, Mountain Road Cockatoo Mel Ref 311 J 3</p>
<p><b>Healesville</b> Queens Park Oval, Don Road Healesville, Mel Ref 278 D1</p>
<p><b>Monbulk</b> Monbulk Reserve, Moores Road, Monbulk, Mel Ref 124 H 1</p>
<p><b>Mt Evelyn</b> Mt Evelyn Recreation Reserve, Tramway Road Mt Evelyn Mel Ref 120 B 3</p>
<p><b>Olinda Ferny Creek</b> Olinda Reserve, Olinda Monbulk Road, Olinda, Mel Ref 66 K7</p>
<p><b>Seville</b> Seville Recreation Reserve, Monbulk Seville Road, Seville, Mel Ref 119K11</p>
<p><b>Upwey-Tecoma</b> Talaskia Reserve, Talaskia Road, Upper Ferntree Gully, Mel 74 G7</p>
<p><b>Wandin</b> Wandin Recreation Reserve, Clegg Road Wandin Mel Ref 119 C 11</p>
<p><b>Wesburn</b> Wesburn Park, Warburton Hwy, Wesburn, Mel Ref 289 C9</p>
<p><b>Woori Yallock</b> Woori Yallock Reserve, Healesville Kooweerup Rd, Woori Yallock, Mel Ref 286 F12</p>
<p><b>Yarra Glen</b> Yarra Glen Recreation Reserve, Melba Hwy, Yarra Glen Mel Ref 275 C2</p>



**Yarra Junction**

Yarra Junction Reserve, Warburton Hwy, Yarra Junction Mel Ref 288 D7

**Worawa**

Worawa Aboriginal College, 60-80 Barak Ln, Healesville VIC 3777. Mel Ref 278 A9