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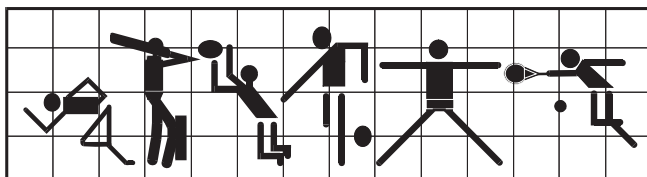
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Victorian Amateur Football Association

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Deals with non-policy matters on a day to day basis involving the running of the Association.

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WEEKLY CLUB DEADLINES



MONDAY

9 a.m. - **Team lists** for Amateur Footballer to be emailed to Joe Morsello joe@vafa.com.au

9.30 and 12 noon - Request for a **Prescribed Penalty** to Sue Anderson sue@vafa.com.au

10 a.m. - **U19, U18 and Club XVIII - Full results** including best players and goalkickers to be posted on VAFA web page

3 p.m. - **Video evidence** for tribunal to be lodged at the VAFA

4 p.m. - All personnel required to attend tribunal will be listed on VAFA webpage

TUESDAY

9 a.m. - **Milestones** for Amateur Footballer to be emailed to Jess Ware jess@vafa.com.au

2 p.m. - **Stat Decs** for tribunal hearings to VAFA

7. p.m. - U19 Tribunal hearings commence

7.30 p.m. - **All other cases commence**

WEDNESDAY

3 p.m. - Matters for **investigation** to be lodged in writing at the VAFA

3 p.m. - Video **evidence** for an investigation hearing to be lodged at the VAFA

5 p.m. - Clubs can withdraw **investigation** request in writing to the VAFA

THURSDAY

11 a.m. - **Umpire appointments** placed onto VAFA & VAFUA websites

12.00 noon onwards - **Amateur Footballers** to be picked up at nominated locations

FRIDAY

11 a.m. - **Umpire appointment** changes & updates placed onto VAFA & VAFUA websites

1. p.m. - All **registration** forms to be submitted to VAFA administration

5. p.m. - Club list of **registrations** will be updated and complete for the next day.

SATURDAY

4 p.m. - **scores deadline** for **Club XVIII, U18 & reserves**, refer VAFA Handbook page 32

5.30 p.m. - **scores deadline** for **Seniors and U19s**, refer VAFA Handbook page 32

SUNDAY

5.30 p.m. - **Scores deadline** for matches played on Sundays

**CLUB DETAILS
AND
OFFICIALS
2009**

CLUB DETAILS AND OFFICIALS 2009

*Melway Map Reference

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(1957) - GROUND: Oval 9, Gary Smorgon Oval, Aughtie Drive, Albert Park (*57 J7) 0419-379071
UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval No. 11, Lindsay Hassett Oval, Aughtie Drive, Albert Park (*57 J7)
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Blue with maroon yoke & gold monogram/ - gold number; shorts - blue; socks - blue & maroon.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal with gold sash/ royal - gold number; shorts - royal; socks - royal.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with red V yoke/ - white number; shorts – navy; socks – red.

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(2002) - GROUND: Elgar Park, Cnr Elgar & Belmore Roads, Box Hill North. (*47 C4).

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Red with navy trim & demon logo/ red - navy number, shorts - navy; socks - red.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal with gold wings, bullant monogram/ royal with gold wings - white number; shorts - royal; socks - royal.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal, red & white stripe/ - white number; shorts - red; socks - red & royal.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Purple with gold monogram & trim/ - gold number; shorts – purple; socks – purple and gold.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: (Under 19-2 Blue) Darling Park, Basil Street, East Malvern (*60 A11). 9572 0573.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal with gold panels/ royal - gold number; shorts - royal; socks - royal & gold hoops

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy and blue vert. stripes/ - white number; shorts - navy; socks - navy.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: McHale Stadium, Lulie Street, Abbotsford (*2C K7) 0416 086 553.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Red with royal yoke, gold monogram/ -gold number; shorts - blue; socks - red with blue tops

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GLEN EIRA AFC - (D2 Sec.)

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with green, blue, gold & red shoulder stripes/ black - white number; shorts - black; socks - black.

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(1933) - GROUND: Boss James Reserve, Cnr David Street & Bluff Road, Hampton. (*77 A7). 9521 0560.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green with gold yoke/green - gold number, shorts - green (Home) white (Away); socks - green & gold hoops.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Brown & gold stripes/ gold panel - brown number; shorts - brown; socks - gold.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with white monogram and trim - white number; shorts - black; socks - black.

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(1949) - GROUND: J.J. Higgins Reserve, Victoria Park, High Street Kew (*45 G5). 9817 1118.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Brown with gold sash - gold number; shorts - brown; socks - brown & gold hoops.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black and red vert. stripes / - white number: shorts - black: socks - black

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII:

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green with red, white & navy yoke/navy, green panel – white number; shorts - navy; socks - navy.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval 2, Marcellin College, Bulleen Road, Bulleen (*32 D9).

CLUB XVIII: Bulleen Park, Bulleen Road, Bulleen. (*32 C9).

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Maroon, gold and sky horiz. panels/ - gold number; shorts - maroon, socks - maroon.

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MAZENOD OC - (C Sec.)

(1989) - GROUND: Central Reserve, Cnr Springvale & Waverley Roads, Glen Waverley. (*71 C5). 9561 4388.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black, royal & white panels/ royal - white number; shorts -royal; socks - royal.

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(1929) - GROUND: School Oval, Yarra Street, South Yarra. (*2L J3). 9824 0480.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green yoke, maroon unicorn & black side panel/ maroon - gold number; shorts - green; sock - maroon.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval No. 2 (As above.). 0408 364 902.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Sky with white trim, Monash emblem/ - white number; shorts - sky; socks - sky.

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(1991) - GROUND: East Caulfield Reserve, Dudley Street, East Caulfield. (*68 G2). 0407 852 904.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Burgundy with gold monogram/ - gold number; shorts - burgundy; socks - burgundy.

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0419 411 608.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal, half gold vert. stripes/ - gold number; shorts - royal; socks - royal.

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green with half gold vertical stripes/ green - white number; shorts - green; socks - green.

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NORTH OLD BOYS/ST PATRICKS COLLEGE - (D1 Sec.)

(1963) - GROUND: Alec Gillon Oval, Cnr Pearson & Victoria Streets, Brunswick. (*29 E6). 9387 1060.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Purple, white & blue vertical stripes/ - purple number; shorts - purple; socks - purple.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal, white & red panel/ white panel - red number; shorts - royal; socks - royal, red & white top.

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(1957) - GROUND: Brighton Beach Oval, South Road, Brighton. (*76 D3). 0411 633 638

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with red V yoke/ - white number; shorts - navy; socks - red.

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OLD CAMBERWELL GRAMMARIANS - (B Sec.)

(1960) - GROUND: Lower Oval, Gordon Barnard Reserve, Balwyn Road, North Balwyn. (*46 E4)

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with blue V yoke/ - white number; shorts - navy; socks - navy & light blue hoops.

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OLD CAREY GRAMMARIANS - (B Sec.)

(1954) - GROUND: Main Oval (Dunshea), Carey Sports Complex, Bulleen Road, Bulleen. (*32 C10).

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval 2 (Gramlick Oval). As above. CLUB XVIII: Victoria Road Reserve, Victoria Road, East Hawthorn (*45 G10)

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black, gold and royal V gold emblem/ black - gold number; shorts - black; socks - black.

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OLD ESSENDON GRAMMARIANS - (A Sec.)

(0) - GROUND: Penleigh & Essendon Grammar School, Oval No.2, Rachele & Keilor Roads, East Keilor. (*15 G10). 0412 706 566

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above. 0412 706 566 / 0421 959 153

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Maroon & navy with sky sash/ maroon & navy - white E16; shorts navy; socks navy.

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OLD GEELONG - (C Sec.)

(1954) - GROUND: Como Park, Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra. (*2M C3). 0407 180 538

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy and white hoops/ white panel - navy number; shorts - navy; socks - Navy and white hoops.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval 2 McKinnon Reserve, Cnr Tucker and McKinnon Roads, McKinnon. (*68 G11). 9557 7412.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Magenta with black V yoke/ - gold number; shorts - black; socks - magenta & black.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Brown with white V/ brown - white number; shorts - brown; socks - brown & white capping.

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OLD MELBURNIANS - (B Sec.)

(1920) - GROUND: Junction Oval, Lakeside Drive, St. Kilda. (*58 A8). 0408 124 298.
UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Oval 1, Albert Park, Lakeside Drive, St. Kilda (*58 A8). 0408 124 298.
COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy blue/ - white number; shorts - navy blue; socks - red.
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OLD MENTONIANS - (D1 Sec.)

(1968) - GROUND: Mentone Grammar Playing Fields, Springvale Road, Keysborough. (*88 HD).
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.
COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal, gold & sky panels/ black -gold number; shorts - royal; socks -
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Garvey Oval (As above.) or Naughtin Oval (As above.) (*10 B11).
COLOURS AND SHORTS: Emerald with purple trim/ - white number; shorts - purple;
socks - emerald & purple.
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OLD SCOTCH - (A Sec.)

(1921) - GROUND: Camberwell Sports Ground, Camberwell Road, Camberwell. (*59 K2).
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Club XVIII (2) & U19 (1) As above. Club XVIII (3) St. James Park, Burwood
Road, Hawthorn, (*45 A10).
COLOURS AND SHORTS: Red with royal blue & gold trim/ - gold number; shorts - red; socks – navy
blue, red, gold and royal blue bands.
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OLD TRINITY GRAMMARIANS - (B Sec.)

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Hudson Oval, Marles Playing Fields, Trinity Grammar School, Bulleen Road, Bulleen (*32 E8) 9850 7329

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green with gold wings/ - gold number; shorts - green; socks - green & gold.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above. 0401 655 609

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with green and gold horiz. stripes/ - white number; shorts - navy; socks - navy.

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OLD XAVERIANS - (A Sec.)

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Stradbroke Park, Burke Road, Kew East. (*45 K4).

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with red horiz. stripes/ - white number; shorts - black; socks - black & red.

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ORMOND AFC - (B Sec.)

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Brown with blue V yoke/ - white number; shorts - blue; socks - brown & blue.

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PARKDALE VULTURES - (C Sec.)

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Red with blue V & gold trim/ navy - gold number; shorts - navy; socks - red.

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PENINSULA OB - (D2 Sec.)

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Highway, Mt. Eliza. (*105 G5). 0413 337 683.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Peninsula School, Reilly Oval, Nepean Highway, Mt. Eliza. (*105 G5). 0416 134 657.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal with brown yoke/ - white number; shorts - royal; socks - royal with brown hoops.

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POWER HOUSE AFC - (D3 Sec.)

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black, white & green panels/ black - white number; shorts - green, socks - green.

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Princes Park, Beech St. Caulfield South U19 Princes Park, Beech St. Caulfield South

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal, white and blue side streaks, PFC emblem/ royal – above white number; shorts – royal; socks - royal

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(1987) - GROUND: Loughnan Oval, Kevin Bartlett Reserve, Yarra Boulevard, Richmond. (*59 B1).
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with yellow sash/ - white number; shorts - black;
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RUPERTSWOOD AFC - (D1 Sec.)

(1999) - GROUND: Salesian College, Macedon Street, Sunbury. (*382 F2). 0418 379 505

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Royal with gold vertical stripes - gold number; shorts – royal; socks –
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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: N/A

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with red, gold & royal sash/ - white number; shorts - navy; socks - navy, red & gold hoops.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: N/A

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy Blue, Red and White Jumper with gold emblem, Navy shorts and Navy socks with a red and white ring at the top.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with green trim/ gold panel - green number; shorts - green; socks - green & gold.

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Gold with black trim/ - black number; shorts - black; socks - black & gold.

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(1996) - GROUND: St. James Park, Cnr Burwood Road and Barton Street, Hawthorn. (*45 A10).

0418 367 348.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Red, white yoke & emblem, black trim/ white panel - black number; shorts - red; socks - red.

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9304 1196.

UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Burgundy with navy & gold V, gold emblem/ navy panel - gold number; shorts - burgundy; socks - burgundy.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: N/A

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Green with brown V yoke/ - white number; shorts - green; socks - green & brown hoops.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Crawford Oval, Cemetery Rd West, Carlton North. (*2B D2). U19 phone

0402 830 184; 0409 859 920 (C18)

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with royal V/ royal panel - white number; shorts - black; socks - black.

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with royal V/ royal panel - white number; shorts - royal; socks - royal.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: As above.

COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with gold yoke & tiger monogram/ black number; shorts – black; socks – black & gold hoops.

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black and white vert. stripes/ black - white number; shorts - black; socks - black & white hoops.

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Navy with gold & white W/ navy – gold number; shorts – navy; socks – navy.

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UNDER 19/CLUB XVIII: Yarra Valley Grammar School, Kalinda Road, Ringwood. (*36 D12).

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COLOURS AND SHORTS: Black with red & gold horiz. stripes - monogram/red panel/- gold number; shorts - black; socks - black, gold & red.

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3.1 Correspondence to VAFA

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3.2 Fines and appeals

Clubs in breach of the Rules of the Association in regard to conduct of matches or in general, may be subject to fines as laid down in the Rules of the VAFA.

Clubs may appeal in writing against fines or penalties imposed by the VAFA or any sub-committee within fourteen (14) days of notification. The Board will consider appeals.

3.3 Before the match

- (a) The playing teams must be ready within 30 minutes of the scheduled starting time. (rule 72 xv, \$100 fine) – **Please see revised rules for 2009.**

Rule 84

If either captain considers that a ground is unfit for play, the game shall be abandoned. The field umpires shall report the circumstances in which the game has been abandoned to the Chief Executive Officer.

If, within 30 minutes of the time prescribed for the commencement of the match and the captains are in agreement, the match may be played on an alternative ground. The captains, in consultation with the field umpires, shall decide the suitability of such alternative.

Rule 85

If a match is abandoned in accordance with Rule 84, the Board shall determine how the premiership points for the game shall be allocated.”

Should any team fail to be prepared within 30minutes of the scheduled starting time the match may be forfeited to the other team.

- (b) The team taking the field must consist of at least sixteen (16) players. (rule 72,i , \$5 fine)
- (c) The team representing the club must wear the uniform of the club and players shall wear numbers which differ (rule 72, ii, \$5 fine)
1. Clubs desiring to alter its uniform should apply to the board to approve such alteration.
 2. Player names and numbers must match their respective details listed in the Amateur Footballer. (rule 72 xx, \$5 fine)
- (d) Shorts to be worn (rule 72 v, \$5 fine)
- 1.Home club players are to wear approved coloured shorts.
 - 2.Away club players are to wear approved white shorts.
- (e) Interchange players must be fully prepared with the uniform requirements prior to taking the field to replace a player. (rule 72,vi, \$5 fine)
- (f) The team entering the arena first has the choice of ends in which to warm up. The other team, upon entering the arena, must not encroach in the opponent teams chosen half of the ground during warm up even whilst the team last to enter the arena is doing its slow lap before beginning warm-up drills. (VAFA guideline)
- (g) Both Teams must provide an escort for the umpires. They must be with the umpires each time the umpires enter or leave the field. (VAFA guideline)
1. The away team escort must wear white armband.
 2. The home team escort is the interchange steward.
- (h) Officials of the teams must be introduced to the field umpire 5 minutes before the start of the game. (rule 72 viii, \$5 fine)

3.4 During Breaks

- (a) Teams must not exceed time breaks prescribed. (rule 72 xiv,) \$10 fine if not ready, \$2 fine for every minute thereafter.
- (b) Ensure the playing members of the team are on the field and prepared in all respects to re-commence the match immediately after the intervals. (rule 72 xvi, \$10 fine)

3.5 End of second quarter of play

Ten minutes after the end of the second quarter of play the officials representing the clubs must be hand over the team sheets to the field umpire. (rule 72 xvii, \$10 fine). Refer 3.10 Teamsheets

3.6 End of four quarter

- (a) The umpire escorts must escort the field and boundary umpires off the field then the escort must return to meet the goal umpires who should have completed checking their scorecards in the middle of the ground and be commencing to make their way from the field.
- (b) A official from each club must be with the field umpire at the conclusion of the match (rule 72 xviii, \$10 fine)
 - 1. If the goal umpire is appointed through the club then the club official must hand to the field umpire the **score cards** from the goal umpire and timekeeper together with the **interchange steward's card**. Where scorecards differ all cards are to be submitted to the VAFA by the umpire, who is to note on the Match Day Incident Report Sheet that a discrepancy exists in the final scores.
 - 2. Acknowledge any report on the back of either team sheets. Club official's signature does not indicate implicit acceptance of the reports. Club officials must keep a copy of their team sheet for club records. Club officials are not to discuss matters relating to paperwork or argue with umpires.
 - (i) An umpire will report to the VAFA any matter that warrants informal or formal VAFA action that is not covered by the standard Umpire Report Form. This will include advising the VAFA of a melee(s) that occurred in a match, any unobserved incidents, explanatory comments regarding low Disciplined Award Ratings or any other matter the umpire sees fit to report on.
 - (ii) In a situation where an umpire has seen the need to complete a Match day Incident Report Sheet, the white copy will be forwarded to the VAFA, each competing club will be handed a yellow copy and each field umpire will retain a blue copy of the report.

3.7 Officials for all clubs

(a) Duty Officer

A member of the club should be appointed to attend each match of the club. (rule 72 xxi, \$25 fine)

The officer should be wearing the insignia prescribed by the VAFA board.

Should be supervising the match

(b) Coaches

Clubs who have appointed, or who intend to appoint a playing senior, reserve and Club XVIII coach must undertake the following:

Advise the General Manager – Football Operations in writing that the club intends to appoint a playing coach of a senior team. This will enable Affidavits to be prepared.

Until such Affidavits are prepared and completed the no person may act as playing coach.

2008 playing coaches continuing in the same capacity for season 2009 are required to again swear Affidavits.

For further information refer to VAFA Manual on the VAFA website www.vafa.com.au.

(c) **Trainers**

Clubs must ensure that all their trainers are accredited and that each team must have a trainer in attendance at all matches.

3.8 Documents

(a) **Ground Inspection Sheets**

1. Ground Inspection sheets are to be completed by both teams prior to commencing the game. Both teams must agree that the ground presented by the home club is suitable for play. Ground Inspection Sheets can be downloaded from the website under “Club Administration” then “Forms”.
2. A team representative is required to sign the sheet attesting to the above.
3. If one or both teams believe the ground is not suitable clubs can agree to attend to the problems on site or locate an alternative ground for play. Clubs have until 30 minutes past starting time to locate an alternative venue. The alternative venue should be agreeable to the field umpire/s. (rule 84).

(b) **Team Sheets**

1. Team managers must exchange a copy of the team sheets prior to the game.
2. Team sheets are to be completed by both teams by the end of the 2nd quarter of play during the game and must be submitted to the field umpire. (rule 72 vii, xvii, \$10 fine)
3. Team sheets must include the following information
 - (i) Surname of each player in strict alphabetical order.
 - (ii) Given names of each player.
 - (iii) Number worn by each player.
 - (iv) Surname and initials of the team manager, timekeeper and runner.
 - (v) Surname and initials of the boundary umpire if appointed by the Club.
 - (vi) Surname and initials of the goal umpire if appointed by the Club.
 - (vii) Surname and initials of the two non playing officials referred to in
 - (viii) Any other details which the form requests.

3.9 Ground Changes

Any ground change approved by the VAFA will only be considered if the ground suggested is a reasonable standard for clubs of that particular section.

- (a) The CEO and General Manager-Football Operations have the power to approve ground changes to grounds that are existing VAFA grounds.
- (b) Requests for VAFA clubs to play on any non-VAFA ground must be taken by the CEO to the Board for it to consider. At least two weeks notice (in writing) must be given to the VAFA for any ground change request.
- (c) Clubs wishing to play night matches must conform to the Night Games' Policy.

3.10 Home club responsibilities on matchdays.

- (a) The home club shall be responsible for marking the boundary, kick-off lines and interchange areas. (rule 73, i)
- (b) The home club should also supply the following **equipment**: (rule 73).
6 goal flags (rule 73, iii); siren or bell (rule 73, viii); training table (both rooms) (rule 73, ii); (two Sherrin balls (rule 73, iv & viii, \$25 fine); stretcher (rule 73, ix); dressing rooms with suitable security (both rooms); room for umpires (able to be secured).
- (c) Interchange steward who is to also to act as the home team's umpire escort. (rule 73, x , \$25 fine).
- (d) The home club is responsible for the operation of the **scoreboard** continuously throughout every match. (rule 73, v & vi)

3.11 Both club responsibilities on matchdays.

- (a) For **all matches**, each club must provide an efficient boundary umpire, (when required); goal umpire, (when required); runner, timekeeper, umpire escort
- (b) The Officials appointed through the clubs must abide the following dress code.
 - 1. the home club **interchange steward** should be dressed in a white coat.
 - 2. **Boundary umpires** / field (rule 72 x, \$10 fine): White shirts, blue shorts, blue socks.
 - 3. **Goal umpires** (rule 72 xi, \$10 fine): White coat, black pants, white hat
 - 4. **Timekeepers** are required to record (rule 72, xii, \$5 fine) times of quarters plus all goals and behinds kicked
 - 5. **Runners and Trainers** (rule 72, xiii, \$10 fine) are to wear VAFA approved clothing.
 - 6. Clubs must ensure that all players wear correct uniforms including flesh coloured bike shorts and that each player wears a different number, which corresponds to those appearing on the team sheet and in the "Amateur Footballer".
- (c) Each club (except A, B and C Section Reserves) is to provide a **reserve umpire** who has current registration gained by attending one of the pre-season registration nights provided by the VAFA. (1st offence \$30, 2nd offence \$40, for 3rd and every other offence \$50)
 - 1. Team sheets are checked after each round to see that registered umpires only are used in all VAFA reserve matches.
 - 2. Clubs using non-registered umpires will have the match dealt with in the same way as if an ineligible player was played (loss of points/fine).
 - 3. Umpires are also observed to see that offences that should be reported are in fact the subject of an official report.
 - 4. If a registered reserve section umpire does not sign both team sheets that umpire's club will not receive the rebate due.
- (d) Clubs must ensure at all intervals the field, boundary and goal umpires receive attention by way of a drink; orange and towel etc. as required.

3.12 Match Scores

The VAFA requires information from clubs related to match scores as follows (rule 72, xix):

- (a) All **Senior home clubs** from all Sections must enter the full match information into the online results database: quarter by quarter scores, full time scores, best players, goal-kickers
Information must be lodged onto the results page of the VAFA website by **5.30pm on match-day**.
If the home club experiences any difficulties with logging onto the results page (i.e. internet connection problems) results can be phoned in on **9537 6777 – These must be phoned in by 5.15pm**
- (b) **Under-19 Section** home clubs must enter the final match score, including quarter by quarter scores, into the VAFA results webpage by **5.30pm** on match-day. If the home club experiences any difficulties with logging onto the results page (i.e. internet connection problems) results can be phoned in on **9537 6777 by 5.15pm**. Full results including best players and goal-kickers must be logged into the VAFA results webpage by 10am Monday after the match by each respective club. For Under-19 curtain raisers (i.e. morning or 11.40 matches), the guidelines for Reserves and Club XVIII apply.
- (c) **Club XVIII, Under-18 and Reserve Section home clubs** must enter the final match score, including quarter by quarter scores, into the VAFA results webpage by **4pm** on match-day. If the home club experiences any difficulties with logging onto the results page (i.e. internet connection problems) results can be phoned in on **9537 6777 by 3pm**. Full results including best players and goal-kickers must be logged into the VAFA results webpage by 10am Monday after the match by each respective club

The scores of all matches can be obtained on the VAFA web site www.vafa.com.au after 5.45 p.m. on any Saturday evening.

3.13 Jumper clashes

Please refer to page 35 in this Handbook for jumper clashes. General Manager – Operations will advise Club XVIII and Under-19 jumper clashes on a week to week basis via email. For further information please refer to the VAFA Manual on the VAFA website www.vafa.com.au.

3.14 Tribunal hearings and Investigations

(a) Tribunal

1. Club secretaries, team managers and officials must familiarise themselves with the tribunal procedures and ensure all players attending the tribunal understand the procedures and are instructed accordingly. Refer VAFA Manual on VAFA website www.vafa.com.au.
2. All parties that must be in attendance will be listed on the VAFA website by 4pm on the Monday afternoon following the match.
3. Any changes made will be notified to the respective parties by VAFA through phone or email.
4. Non-attendance by any player concerned will be dealt by the Tribunal, in most cases resulting in a period of suspension.
5. **Club officials** being the subject of an umpire's report (on an official report sheet) will have the report **heard by an investigation committee** and **not a tribunal**.
6. **Prescribed Penalty**

(Please note: As from 2009 any player who qualifies for Under-19 football will NOT be granted the prescribed penalty. These players must attend the tribunal)

All other players are encouraged to accept the minimum prescribed penalty. If a player is found guilty, he **must** receive the minimum prescribed penalty plus any additional penalty the Tribunal sees fit according to the seriousness of the offence.

To accept the minimum prescribed penalty

- (i) The club secretary of the representing player must contact VAFA Administration (9537 6777) between the hours of 9.30 am and 12 pm on the Monday following the playing of the match.
 - (ii) The Tribunal & Investigations Co-ordinator will decide whether the player can accept the minimum prescribed penalty or is required to attend a tribunal hearing.
 - (iii) The decision will be based on the player's prior history and the nature of the report.
 - (iv) If a player has a prior history (ie. a suspension) during the current season and/or during the two seasons before the current season, a reported player will be granted the prescribed penalty.
 - (v) The club secretary of the reported player must contact VAFA Administration after 3.00 p.m. that same Monday to see if the minimum prescribed penalty has been granted.
 - (vi) Tribunal & Investigations Co-ordinator will advise umpires and the witness's club secretary after 3.00 p.m. that same Monday if the prescribed penalty has been granted.
7. **Tribunal hearings** are held on Tuesday nights at Elsternwick Park, with Under-19 and Club 18 hearings commencing at 7 p.m., the remainder at 7.30 p.m. on the Tuesday following the match.

For all other details in regards to Tribunal Rules and Procedures refer to VAFA website www.vafa.com.au VAFA Manual.

(b) VAFA Investigations.

If a club wishes to make a protest or complaint,

1. The protest or complaint must be submitted to the CEO of the association by 3pm on the Wednesday following the match in which the incident arose.
2. The protest or complaint must be accompanied by a fee of \$200.00. If more than one protest is made relating to different incidents the fee shall be greater than \$200.00 and shall be determined by the Association.
3. Should the protest, complaint be frivolous the accompanying fee shall be forfeited. The protest, complaint or charge shall be heard by the appropriate body –
 1. in relation to matters arising in rounds 1-17, on the second Tuesday following the match in which the same is alleged to have arisen.
 2. in relation to matters arising in round 18 or in a finals match (other than a grand final), before 3pm on the Monday following the match. These investigations must be heard on or before the Thursday following the match in which the alleged complaints arose.
 3. in relation to matters arising in a grand final, on a date to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
 - (i) If there are exceptional circumstances the hearing may be deferred
 - (ii) The CEO or the body hearing the matter shall determine whether the circumstances are exceptional.

If the club wishes the Board to investigate a protest, dispute or complaint,

1. Should the CEO consider it an appropriate issue, the CEO shall conduct a preliminary inquiry to the matter.
2. The CEO shall determine whether charges should be referred to the Board.

For all other information regarding Investigations refer to VAFA website www.vafa.com.au
VAFA MANUAL.

VAFA JUMPER CLASHES SCHEDULE 2009

The following are advised jumper clashes for 2009. Competing clubs in **BOLD** are required to change to an alternate playing strip. It is the responsibility of the nominated away side in the round in which clubs nominated in bold compete, to seek an alternate strip. It is recommended that clubs not marked in bold below seek alternate strips when competing. Where an alternate strip is worn by a club in its first fixtured match, on the return fixtured match the opposite club must wear an alternate strip. Alternate strips are available for hire through the VAFA Online Store at www.vafa.com.au or at Primary Edge on 9862 4900.

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St Bedes / Mentone Tigers v Old Brighton
St Bedes / Mentone Tigers v Uni Blues
St Bedes / Mentone Tigers v Old Xaverians
St Bedes / Mentone Tigers v Old Essendon
University Blues v Old Brighton
University Blues v Old Xaverians
Old Brighton v Old Xaverians
Marcellin v Old Essendon

B SECTION:

Old Camberwell v Old Melburnians
Uni Blacks v Old Melburnians
Uni Blacks v Old Carey
Uni Blacks v Old Camberwell
Hampton Rovers v Old Trinity
Old Carey v Old Melburnians
Old Carey v Old Camberwell

C SECTION:

Beaumaris v Bulleen Templestowe
Mazenod v Oakleigh
Bulleen Templestowe v Mazenod
Parkdale Vult v MHSOB

D1 SECTION:

Prahran v Emmaus

D2 SECTION:

Ivanhoe v Glen Eira
Therry Penola v Banyule
Old Westbourne v Yarra Valley
Old Westbourne v Glen Eira
Banyule v Peninsula
Williamstown CYMS v Peninsula
Williamstown CYMS v Banyule

D3 SECTION:

Power House v St Johns
Power House v West Brunswick
Bentleigh v Elsternwick

D4 SECTION:

South Mornington v Richmond Central
Kew v South Mornington
Kew v Richmond Central
Box Hill North v La Trobe Uni
La Trobe Uni v Swinburne Uni
Swinburne Uni v Box Hill North
Eley Park v Chadstone
North Brunswick v Mt Lilydale

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4.1 Permits

- (a) There is only **one way** of obtaining a **permit** for season 2009.

An applicant who complies with the following definition of AN AMATEUR and who completes wholly the requirements of the VAFA Permit Application Process will be considered to be eligible to receive a permit to play in the VAFA.

The definition of AN AMATEUR is as follows:

An amateur is one who does not receive or promise to receive, either directly or indirectly, any remuneration or reward whatsoever (whether by match payments or expenses or otherwise) in respect to their participation in the Victorian Amateur Football Association.

Permit Application Forms (PAF) are available from the VAFA website. Information supplied on this form must be entered into the VAFA database ("Footyweb") before the PAF is lodged. PAF's must be lodged with VAFA reception in person or via post. Faxed or scanned copies will not be accepted. Once the Permit Application Form is lodged with the VAFA, the player's registration will be approved on the database by the VAFA **unless** an interview is required, or the club has been notified that an investigation is taking place into their application.

- (b) If a player applying for a permit with the VAFA has a Tribunal record (in any League, Association and age group) of 3 or more guilty verdicts and/or 6 weeks in total suspensions, an interview with the VAFA must be arranged before the PAF can be lodged. Clubs can request an interview through Football Operations (jeremy@vafa.com.au).
- (c) Clubs must register with the Permit Committee (through the VAFA Registration Secretary Cliff Bastow), the names of club officials, other than the club Secretary, authorised to sign permits, transfers forms and VAFA clearances.
- (d) **Senior, Reserve and Club XVIII** permits will be issued up to June 30th 2009.

A player **can** obtain a permit after June 30th if they are returning to the VAFA club for whom they last played. Permits will not be granted after June 30th for players transferring from other clubs (whether they are within the VAFA or not), no matter what the length of time has been since the player last played.

Under-19 and **Under-18** permits will be issued up to July 31st 2009.

To obtain an Under-19 permit, players must be born on or after July 1st 1989. Birth Certificate, Drivers License or Passport numbers must be supplied on the Permit Application Form. For Under-18 Sections, players must be born on or after July 1st 1990.

Players issued with an Under-19 or Under-18 permit **after** June 30th can **only** play in their club's Under-19 or Under-18 team for the remainder of the season. They are ineligible to play Senior, Reserve or Club XVIII football.

Where a club has two or more Club XVIII teams in the same section, a player cannot alternate between teams after June 30th.

Senior, Reserve, U/19, U/18 and Club XVIII permit applications must be entered onto the VAFA database and the associated Permit Application Form must be lodged with VAFA reception by 1pm on the Friday prior to a match.

In exceptional circumstances, Under-19 and Under-18 permits can be issued outside of these times. These requests must be done through the Football Operations Manager via email (jeremy@vafa.com.au) or by phone on 0407 542 140.

- (e) All Permit Application Forms submitted must be completed in full detail. Once the Permit Application Form is submitted and the appropriate entries made on the VAFA database by the club, the permit will be automatically granted **unless** notification is given to the Club Secretary that the permit is pending. It is the responsibility of the club to ensure all information supplied on these forms is true and correct, otherwise strict penalties will be enforced for non-compliance. Also, strict penalties apply if information supplied on the Permit Application Form differs from that entered into the VAFA database. Permit forms should be filled in using ink and submitted in alphabetical order. Faxed and scanned copies will not be accepted.
- (f) Clubs are advised they can only submit relevant paperwork once and once only. No amendment to forms will be permitted, so clubs must ensure all details are correct when the paperwork is submitted.

(g) Internal Clearances (VAFA to VAFA club transfers)

Players must fully complete the Permit Application Form, paying particular attention to the “Previous Registrations” section. All VAFA to VAFA club transfers are to be completed using the online clearance system contained in the membership database (“Footyweb”). Clubs have 6 business days to respond if they have any objection to the transfer. Objections can be based on the following criteria:

- (i) The player is financially indebted to the club or is in possession of club property.
- (ii) The player wishes to withdraw their transfer application

Players transferring from one VAFA club to another **DO NOT** require a clearance if they have not played for their former club for more than 3 seasons (i.e. players do not require a clearance in 2009 if they last played for their former club in 2005 or prior).

The VAFA will assess every VAFA to VAFA club transfer individually and make a decision whether or not to approve the transfer based on this assessment and its affect on the competition. (Rule 35 of the Articles of the Association – The VAFA Permit Committee shall be responsible to grant or refuse all applications for registration with the Association and permits to represent clubs in matches under the control of the Association)

Clubs will be able to view the permit status of players via the VAFA membership database incorporated within the “Footyweb” program.

Players will automatically cancel their permit if they play in a Saturday competition outside the VAFA, except as provided under Rule 44 (iii).

(h) Inward Clearances (Players coming into the VAFA)

Players must fully complete the Permit Application Form, paying particular attention to the “Previous Registrations” section. All senior clubs the player has represented **MUST** be recorded. The player will receive an automatic clearance if the player falls into any of the following categories:

- (i) A period of not less than 24 months has elapsed since a player last played with a club of any AFL Victoria (or equivalent) member.
- (ii) A player is a permanent member of the armed forces and is transferred in his duties to an area not less than 50 kilometres from his previous place of residence.
- (iii) A player becomes ineligible by reason of age to play with any team of such club.
- (iv) A player is registered with a club which ceases to continue to field teams for which the player is eligible to play and provided that the former League confirms to AFL Victoria that such club has ceased to continue.

Should the player not fall into any of the above categories, the following procedure shall be followed:

- (i) Process the player’s clearance via the “Request a Clearance” procedure on the membership database (see instructional sheet on VAFA website under “Publications & Media Guide”).
- (ii) If the player or the player’s former League, Association or Club does not appear in the search fields in the membership database (i.e. interstate leagues), enter the players name into the database, circle “NO” under “PROCESSED ONLINE” on the VAFA Permit Application Form and submit to the VAFA within the required timelines. The VAFA will process the transfer in these cases.
- (iii) The former League/Association will have 6 business days to respond from the day the clearance notification is processed. If the former League/Association does not respond within 6 days, the said League/Association shall have waived its right to refuse the clearance.
- (iv) If a clearance is refused it is up to the player or club to resolve to issue with the player’s former club. The player will not be eligible to play until the matter is resolved. If the matter cannot be resolved within a reasonable time frame, the matter shall be referred to the VAFA for further action.

The VAFA will assess inward transfers individually and make a decision whether or not to approve the transfer based on this assessment and its affect on the competition. (Rule 35 of the Articles of the Association – The VAFA Permit Committee shall be responsible to grant or refuse all applications for registration with the Association and permits to represent clubs in matches under the control of the Association)

(i) Outward Clearances (Players leaving the VAFA)

Clubs will be notified via email when a transfer notification is processed by another club using Footyweb. Clubs have 6 business days to respond if they have any objection to the transfer. For transfers to leagues/associations not using Footyweb, the VAFA will notify clubs via email or fax when they are received. Objections can be based on the following criteria:

- (i) The player is financially indebted to the club or is in possession of club property.
- (ii) The player wishes to withdraw their transfer application.

If a VAFA club has an objection to a transfer the player will not be eligible to play for the new club until the matter is resolved. Clubs must be able to verify their reason for the rejection on request. If a club is unable to verify their objection then the player's transfer request may be approved. If you feel that the matter has not been sufficiently resolved and the player has been accepted by the new League/Association, please notify the VAFA (Jeremy Bourke) with your concerns.

- (j) **VAFA, Western Region Football League and Southern Football League Interchange.** Should a VAFA team have an affiliate U18 side competing in the Western Region Junior Football league or be part of a hybrid arrangement with a Southern Football league club, players may hold dual registrations in both bodies and interchange between the two if required. Players can only interchange under the following conditions: (i) The player seeking permission to interchange must have fully completed, signed and lodged an Interchange Form annually in addition to the regular registration procedures. It is the club's / player's responsibility to ensure they are fully registered with both bodies before taking the field (ii) The Interchange Form must be lodged prior to the VAFA closing date for registrations (June 30th) for senior football eligibility (iii) The player cannot play for the Junior and Senior Club on the same weekend. Players who do play in both competitions on the same weekend will be classed as an ineligible player in both competitions and ineligibility sanctions will apply (iv) To be eligible for finals in either competition, the player must meet the qualification criteria of that competition (v) A player cannot interchange whilst under suspension (vi) If an interchange player is reported in the VAFA, the VAFA Tribunal will hear that charge. Any penalties received in either competition shall be served before the player can continue interchanging (vii) Players incurring injuries requiring an insurance claim will be required to claim from the relevant insurer of the competition they were playing at the time of the injury only. Players who play in both competitions on the same weekend will not be covered by insurance.

VCFL Student Interchange

A player who transfers to a club affiliated with the VAFA from a club affiliated to the VCFL (or vice-versa) to attend an educational institution on a full-time basis may, during official semester vacations / school holidays, receive a permit to play with his immediate former club, subject to the Student Interchange Form being fully completed and the processes outlined on the form adhered to. The player cannot play for both the VCFL and the VAFA club on the same weekend.

Permit applications must be received by June 30th in the year of competition and forms are available from the VAFA. The permit period last for the duration of the players commitments at the educational institution and is subject to any relevant regulations of any of the parties, including participation in finals.

- (k) Should the Permit Committee be unhappy with information provided on the permit application, it may decide to interview the player. Where this is the case, the club will be notified that the player is ineligible to play and the club will receive written advice from the VAFA advising of the interview appointment time. Should clubs not be able to make the allotted appointment they should contact the General Manager-Football Operations to arrange otherwise.
- (l) The Permit Committee reserves the right to refuse any application for a permit should it be satisfied the applicant cannot demonstrate he possesses a satisfactory playing record or is of good character.
- (m) Any Club Secretary or Registration Secretary in doubt about the amateur status of any player is urged to discuss the matter with the General Manager-Football Operations. To initiate any discussion relating to the amateur status of players or a permit matter, a club or Registration Secretary is asked to fax or **preferably email** the General Manager-Football Operations (jeremy@vafa.com.au) all information relating to the matter plus the query.
- The onus is on clubs for information provided on permit forms. Particular attention is directed to the rules regarding permits. Each club secretary should be absolutely sure that no unregistered player is included in his team in any match, as the penalties for doing so are severe and irrevocable.
- All clubs must be aware that the granting of a playing permit is conditional upon the applicant and the club with which he is seeking to play disclosing the applicant's **complete** playing history. Both the applicant and the club are as one on any permit application. The omission of any information on the application (be it deliberate or otherwise), that would have seen the application denied, shall affect both the applicant and the club in regards to any penalties that are imposed as a result of that omission.
- (n) **Professional AFL and VFL players.**
- Any applicant contracted to an AFL or VFL club and who is in dispute with that club will not be considered for a permit until such time as the dispute has been resolved and the applicant has been released from his contractual obligations.

- (o) Some weeks, **VFL listed players** are released to play on a weekend for the VAFA interchange club each player nominates when he is contracted to a VFL club. The VAFA is advised of the names of players released (and approved by the VFL) during the Friday morning before the match. Clubs are then advised by the VAFA by the posting of a notice on the VAFA web-site if any players that have been made available by their VFL clubs. If a VFL player represents his VAFA club without formal approval he will be declared an ineligible player.
- (p) Players may move between their VAFA club and their VFL club throughout the year. However players in this circumstance need to qualify in order to be eligible for VAFA finals. VAFA players playing in the TAC Under-18 competition are free to alternate between the TAC competition and the VAFA up to and including Round 18 of the VAFA season. Players in this situation need to qualify in order to be eligible for VAFA finals. A player can play with his VAFA club and his VFL or TAC Under-18 club on the one weekend; however the VAFA match played on such a weekend does not count towards the player's finals eligibility total.

4.2 FINALS ELIGIBILITY

Finals eligibility rules are found under Rules 51-55 of the Association.

Below is a brief summary.

Senior - (1st XVIII teams) Any registered player with a permit can play finals (except VFL or TAC players with a permit – see below).

Reserve - (2nd XVIII teams) Players must be registered and must have played at least four (4) reserve grade matches and not more than ten (10) senior matches in the home and away games (first round).

Where both first and second XVIII's are playing on the same day the reserve grade player must only have played two (2) games in either the seniors or reserves to qualify.

For clubs with teams drawn in semi finals on different days of the same weekend (ie. 1st semi Saturday, 2nd semi Sunday) read as above teams playing on the same day).

U19 - Players must be registered and hold a permit. If a player has played 6 or more senior and reserve matches he must have played 6 or more Under-19 matches during the season.

Where a Club is represented in a match in the Second Round of the Senior Grade OR Reserve Grade on the same day OR on the same weekend the 6 match provision above shall not apply.

Where a team has (2) U19 teams or is involved in hybrid arrangement, the following shall apply.

(i) Where a club has two U19 teams, a player must have not played more than 10 matches with the U19 (1) side to play in the (2) team.

(ii) To represent a hybrid team in the finals the player must have represented the hybrid team in (5) first round matches – not including finals.

(iii) Under 19 Grade teams obtaining "Top Up" players during First Round matches from another Under 19 Grade team is not considered to be a hybrid team arrangement. "Top Up" players are not permitted in Second Round matches.

Club XVIII teams - Players must be registered and have played in at least four (4) Club XVIII matches (for the team they wish to represent) and not have played in more than a total of eight (8) senior and reserve matches during the first round.

Where a club has two or more Club XVIII teams a player must have not played more than 8 matches with the higher placed side to play in the lower team's finals - if teams are in different sections.

Where both Club XVIII teams are in the same section the following to apply:

(i) A player cannot alternate between teams after June 30. Once he plays with a team after June 30 he can only represent that team for the rest of the season. (ii) the player is only allowed to play finals for the team they represent after June 30, (iii) to be eligible for finals with either side, a player must have played a minimum of 4 matches with the side they wish to represent and (iv) the player must have played more games for the side they wish to represent than the other club side in the same section.

A VFL or TAC Cup listed player must play a minimum of five (5) VAFA First Round matches (i.e. home and away matches) including two (2) matches after 30th June for the team he wishes to represent in the Second Round. An Under 19 player may combine Senior and Under 19 matches in order to be eligible to play for his Senior Grade team in the Second Round. Players cannot combine matches for Reserves or U19 finals.

LAWS OF AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL

SECTION 5

LAWS OF AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL (INVOLVING VAFA BY-LAWS – BOLD)

INTRODUCTION

In past years the existence of the VAFA Rules, the VAFA Handbook and a separate booklet, the AFL publication "The Laws of Australian Football" has created confusion, particularly when local VAFA rules are not the same as AFL rules.

Again this year the VAFA has "merged" all publications into the one document which should make interpretation of rules easier. Section 5 is that document.

Where Laws appear in normal type they are the Laws under which AFL and VAFA football is conducted.

Where Laws or parts thereof appear in bold they are the Laws that are "local" to the VAFA competition.

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PART A: INTRODUCTION

A. THIS PUBLICATION

This publication contains the Laws of Australian Football as administered and controlled by the AFL as well as local Laws as are applicable to the Victorian Amateur Football Association.

B. APPLICATION

These Laws apply to bodies affiliated to the AFL and to bodies affiliated to AFL Affiliates. Controlling bodies may make appropriate modifications consistent with the spirit of these laws for under-age competitions.

C. NATURE AND OBJECTS OF AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL

Australian Football is a game played between two Teams competing in accordance with these Laws. The objective of each Team playing Australian Football is to win by scoring more points than the opposing Team. The winner of a Match of Australian Football is the Team which has scored, in accordance with these Laws, the greater number of points at the conclusion of the Match. A Match is drawn when each Team has the same number of points at the conclusion of the Match.

D. PURPOSE OF LAWS

These Laws explain how a Match of Australian Football is played and seek to attain the following objectives:-

- (a) to ensure that the game of Australian Football is played in a fair manner and a spirit of true sportsmanship; and
- (b) to prevent injuries to Players participating in a Match so far as this objective can be reasonably achieved in circumstances where Australian Football is a body contact sport.

PART B: GENERAL AND DEFINITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 DEFINITIONS

Unless the context requires otherwise, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

AFL: the Australian Football League.

AFL Anti-Doping Code: the code adopted by the AFL, (and any variation), which regulates the use and administration of drugs by Players competing in the competitions conducted by the AFL.

AFL Rules: the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the AFL, the AFL Player Rules, the AFL Regulations and any resolution or determination passed from time to time by the AFL Commission.

All Clear or Touched All Clear: the verbal and visual instruction given by a field Umpire for the goal Umpire to signal and record a Goal or a Behind, as the case may be.

Arena: means the Playing Surface and all of the area between the Playing Surface and the perimeter fence, including any break in the perimeter fence.

Australian Football: the contest played between two Teams competing in accordance with these Laws.

Behind: the recording of 1 point, when any of the circumstances described in Law 12.1.2 occur.

Behind Line: the white lines marked on the Playing Surface between the goal posts and the behind posts.

Boundary Line: the white line drawn on the ground to identify the Playing Surface, as described in Law 3.2.

Centre Circle: the area on the Playing Surface described in Law 3.3.

Centre Square: the area on the Playing Surface described in Law 3.3.

Charge or Charging: the conduct described in Law 15.4.4.

Controlling Body: the league, association or other body described in Law 2.1.

Correct Disposal or Correctly Dispose: disposing of the football in a manner permitted under Rule 15.3.1.

Correct Tackle or Correctly Tackled: the conduct permitted under 15.4.1.

Forty-five Metre Arc: the line drawn in the shape of an arc at each end of the Playing Surface to show that the distance to the centre of the Goal Line is **forty-five metres**.

Free Kick: giving possession of the football to a Player on the occasions described in Law 15.

Goal: the recording of 6 points, when any of the circumstances described in 12.1.1 occur.

Goal Line: the white line marked on the Playing Surface between each goal post and should be drawn so as the back of the line is equal with the back of the padding.

Goal Square: the areas on the Playing Surface described in Law 3.6.

Handball: the act of holding the football in one hand and disposing of the football by hitting it with the clenched fist of the other hand.

Home and Away Matches: the Matches played between Teams to determine the premier Team or those Teams who will compete in a finals series to determine the premier Team.

Interchange Area: the area marked on the Boundary Line through which Players may enter and leave the Playing Surface.

Interchange Player(s): the Player(s) of a Team who are not on the Playing Surface but who are listed on the Team Sheet and available to replace a Player on the Playing Surface.

Interchange Steward: the person(s) appointed by the relevant Controlling Body to monitor and approve the interchange of Players during a Match.

Kick or Kicking: in relation to disposing of the football, means making contact with the football with any part of the Player's leg below the knee.

Kick Off Line: the straight line drawn on the Playing Surface which runs parallel with the Goal Line, as described in Law 3.6.

Mark: has the meaning described in Law 14.1.

Match: the contest of Australian Football played between two Teams.

Melee: A melee is: An incident involving a number of players pushing, scragging, wrestling or engaging in similar conduct.

Official: includes but is not limited to an officer, coach, assistant coach, trainer, runner, employee or any person performing any duties (paid or unpaid) for or on behalf of the club or Team.

Out of Bounds: means the football passes completely over the Boundary Line or touches a behind post but before doing so, touches the ground or is touched by a Player. If any portion of the football is on or above the Boundary Line, the football is not Out of Bounds.

Out of Bounds on the Full: means the football, having been Kicked, passes completely over the Boundary Line without touching the ground within the Playing Surface or being touched by a Player, or the football has touched the behind post or passed over the behind post without touching the ground or being touched by a Player.

Player: a person who plays or is selected to play with a Team or a person who otherwise trains with a Team or who is within the purview of these Laws.

Playing Surface: the field of play inside the Boundary Line, Goal Line and Behind Line, excluding the area between such lines and the perimeter fence.

Play On or Touched Play On: the verbal and visual instruction given by a field Umpire to indicate that:

- a Free Kick or Mark will not be awarded and play will continue; or
- a Player has attempted to dispose of the football other than in a direct line over the mark and the football is therefore in play.

Prohibited Contact: contact between Players which is prohibited under Law 15.4.5.

Protected Area: the area described in Law 16.1.2.

Shepherd: the contact described in Law 15.4.2.

Team: the group of Players competing against another group of Players in a Match of Australian Football.

Team Runner(s): the person(s) appointed to deliver messages to the Players of a Team during a Match.

Team Sheet: the document which must be completed and lodged by each Team under Law 5.3.

Timekeeper(s): the person(s) appointed by a Controlling Body (or Teams) to keep the time of a Match.

Time Wasting: occurs where a field umpire is of the opinion that a Player is unnecessarily causing a delay in play.

The mark: the position on the Playing Surface where an opposition Player may stand after a Player has been awarded a Free Kick or a Mark, as described in Law 16.1.1.

Throw: shall be given its ordinary meaning, but also includes the act of propelling the football with one or both hands in a scooping motion. A Player does not throw the football if the Player hits, punches or taps the football without taking possession of the football.

Twenty-five Metre Penalty: the act of advancing by **25 metres** towards the centre of the Goal Line, the position on the Playing Surface where a Player has been awarded a Free Kick or a Mark.

Umpire: includes all of the field, boundary, goal and emergency Umpires officiating or at a Match.

Under Age Competition: a competition conducted between Teams in which the age of the Players in each Team fall within a specified age category or below an age limit

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INTERPRETATION

In the interpretation of these Laws, unless the context requires otherwise:-

- words importing the singular shall be deemed to include the plural and vice versa;

- (b) words importing any gender shall be deemed to include the other gender;
- (c) headings are included for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of these Laws;
- (d) "including" and similar words are not words of limitation;
- (e) any words, terms or phrases defined in the remainder of these Laws shall have the meaning prescribed within the particular Law; and
- (f) words, terms or phrases not otherwise defined in these Laws, shall be given their ordinary meaning.

1.3 AFL RULES PREVAIL

Where any provision in the AFL Rules is inconsistent with any provision contained in these Laws, the provision in the AFL Rules shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

1.4 VARIATION

The AFL may from time to time change these Laws and make further Laws in its absolute discretion.

PART C: ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

2. CONTROLLING BODY

2.1 DEFINITION

A Controlling Body includes:-

- (a) the AFL;
- (b) any league, association or body responsible for the organisation and conduct of Matches of Australian Football, who has determined to play such Matches in accordance with these Laws;
- (c) a league, association or body responsible for the organisation and conduct of Matches of Australian Football and who is affiliated to the AFL ("AFL Affiliates"); and
- (d) any league, association or body responsible for the organisation and conduct of Matches of Australian Football who is affiliated to the AFL Affiliates.

2.2 APPLICATION OF THESE LAWS

Unless Law 2.3 applies, these Laws shall apply to all Matches of Australian Football organised and conducted by a Controlling Body.

2.3 VARIATION / EXEMPTION

- (a) a Controlling Body may apply to the AFL to vary these Laws as they apply to the competition or competitions conducted by the Controlling Body.
- (b) an application to the AFL by a league, association or body affiliated to the AFL Affiliate shall be made through the AFL Affiliate.
- (c) unless specifically allowed under these Laws or a variation is allowed by the AFL under Law 2.3(a), a Controlling Body shall not prescribe any rules or laws in addition to or which conflict with or affect the full operation of these Laws.

3. PLAYING SURFACE AND GOAL POSTS

3.1 GENERAL

The dimensions and markings of the Playing Surface and the playing positions for Players are contained in this Law 3.

The "home" club should ensure:-

- **the ground is in playable condition.**
- **all lines - boundary, goal square, centre circles, 45 metre square, two 45 metre arcs and interchange lines are all properly marked.**
- **goal posts are padded.**
- **goal posts are fitted with brackets for flags.**

3.2 PLAYING SURFACE

(a) The Playing Surface shall be:-

- (i) oval in shape;
- (ii) between **130 metres** and 185 metres in length; and
- (iii) between **105 metres** and 155 metres in width.
- (b) 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 behind post at the other end of the Playing Surface. The white lines which are drawn are called the Boundary Line.

At a ground that is fully enclosed by a fence, the distance between the marked boundary line and the fence at all points must be at least three (3) metres. Where the ground is not enclosed by a fence a second line must be marked four (4) metres outside the marked boundary line. No spectator is to encroach over this "second" line during the playing of quarters.

Clubs with unfenced grounds must also ensure that an area behind the goal and behind posts is sectioned off to a distance of 5 metres behind the goal/behind posts. It is preferred that the sectioning off be in the form of marked lines.

3.3 IDENTIFYING AREAS ON THE PLAYING SURFACE

The following areas shall be marked on the Playing Surface:-

- (a) a square, to be called the Centre Square, which shall:-
 - (i) be located in the centre of the Playing Surface; and
 - (ii) **be 45 metres long and 45 metres wide;**
- (b) a Centre Circle, 3 metres in diameter and an outer circle 10 metres in diameter which shall:
 - (i) be located in the middle of the Centre Square and
 - (ii) both be divided into two (2) semi-circles by drawing a straight line parallel with each goal line.
- (c) an Interchange Area, **two lines, each one metre in length, should be marked 15 metres apart so as to intersect the boundary line at right angles, at the centre wing position on one side of the ground only;**
- (d) a Goal Square at each end of the Playing Surface;
- (e) the Goal Line and Behind Line; and
- (f) **it is a requirement for all clubs to have 45 metre arcs drawn on grounds where VAFA matches are played.**
- (g) **coaches' lines: A line to be drawn half way between the boundary line and the fence/coaches box over which no official is to encroach during the game's playing time.**

Coaches' boxes or benches must be placed on opposite sides of the interchange area and each box/bench must be at least 35-40 metres from the marked interchange area. If boxes are fixed the interchange area must be marked exactly in the middle between the two boxes.

Coaches' boxes/benches and the interchange area must be placed on the same side of the oval.

Fines will be imposed when home clubs fail to meet this requirement. Umpires are instructed to report on negligent clubs in their reports.

It is the responsibility of the home club to provide appropriate and suitable seating for the coach, interchange players and his support staff, such support staff not to exceed the four (4) in number. Support staff not adhering to the rule (VAFA 73 xii) will be policed by umpires awarding a free kick when he is in the area and notices the rule being ignored.

3.4 RELOCATION OF CENTRE SQUARE

Where a Controlling Body is satisfied that the area within the Centre Square and Centre Circle will prevent the bouncing of the football or is otherwise in an unsuitable condition, it may direct the relocation of the Centre Square and Centre Circle.

On particularly wet grounds, with a muddy cricket wicket area, the 45 metre square can be moved towards one wing so that the centre of the square is on a drier surface. The square is not to be moved ridiculously towards any one wing.

If clubs are not able to clearly mark this "new" square and centre circle before a match, the ball can be thrown up on a drier spot away from the centre of the marked square.

3.5 GOAL POSTS AND BEHIND POSTS

3.5.1 Position

- (a) two posts, to be called goal posts, shall be a minimum height of 6 metres and be placed at each end of the Playing Surface at a distance of 6.4 metres apart.
- (b) a further two posts, to be called behind posts, shall be a minimum height of 3 metres and be placed at a distance of 6.4 metres on each side of the goal posts so that a straight line can be drawn on the ground to join each post.

3.5.2 Padding

A Controlling Body must ensure that padding is attached around each goal and behind post as follows:-

- a minimum of 35mm thick foam padding, covered in canvas or painted;
- a minimum height of 2.5m from the bottom of each goal and behind post;
- a suitable width to allow the padding to be fixed around each goal and behind post; and
- the padding must be securely attached around each goal and behind post.

3.6 GOAL SQUARE AND KICK OFF LINE

A further area, to be called the goal square, 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. This line is called the Kick Off Line.

3.7 UNDER AGE COMPETITIONS

A controlling body may approve smaller dimensions for the playing surface and areas identified under Law 3.3 for an under age competition or for open age competition where a complying venue is not readily available.

4. THE FOOTBALL

4.1 DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHT

Unless otherwise determined by the AFL a football shall be of a symmetrical oval shape and conform to the standard size of 720-730 millimetres circumference and 545-555 millimetres transverse circumference and be inflated to a pressure between 62-76Kpa.

4.2 SUPPLY AND SELECTION OF FOOTBALLS

Unless the Controlling Body decides on an alternative procedure, the following procedure shall apply to the supply and selection of footballs for a Match:-

The home club must submit the choice of the visiting team two new footballs which must be the Sherrin brand and stamped with the VAFA "V" logo (purchased only through VAFA Properties) in all matches of the Association. If the home club wishes to use (and pay for) both new balls it must declare this at the toss that it will exercise this right.

If the home club does not wish to use both new balls the visiting club can supply a new ball of its own (Sherrin with VAFA logo), which would be used in the 2nd and 4th quarters of the game. The visiting club captain must declare this also at the coin toss and then immediately provide the umpire with the extra new ball. Clubs can elect to have a new ball used every quarter if the home and/or visiting club is willing to supply and pay for them.

Reserve, Under 19 and Club XVIII teams have the alternative of submitting for choice of the visiting team, two footballs of the make approved by the Executive (Sherrin with VAFA logo) which may have been used previously, if in the opinion of the field umpire, are suitable for match play. New balls are not mandatory.

5. TEAMS

5.1 NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN TEAM

Unless the number is varied under Law 5.2, a Team must consist of **at least 14 players**, who may be on the Playing Surface at any one time, and no more than 4 Interchange Players. The Controlling Body shall determine the actual number of Players which may play for each Team in the competitions conducted by the Controlling Body.

5.2 VARIATION OF NUMBER

Teams cannot take the field with less than fourteen (14) players, all of whom must be duly registered.

Club XVIII only: All players must be registered with a minimum of fourteen (14) required to start a Club XVIII match. A registered player may represent the opposition on the day provided appropriate notation is marked on the teamsheet.

Club XVIII teams can have no more than 8 interchange players.

5.3 TEAM SHEETS

5.3.1 Details

Unless otherwise determined by a Controlling Body, a Team Sheet shall:-

- (a) list the names and numbers of the Players in the Team;
- (b) identify the Interchange Players; **not applicable to the VAFA**
- (c) identify the captain; **not applicable to the VAFA** and
- (d) list the name of the coach, Team Runner and any other Official participating in the Match.

5.3.2 Completing and Lodging Team Sheet

Teamsheets must be handed to the field umpire no later than the half time break. Each club must supply an exact copy of the original teamsheet to their opposition club by the respective Team Managers half an hour prior to the commencement of the match.

Fines are applicable for non-compliance with this requirement - (\$50 first offence, \$200 second offence, further offences / fines at Executive discretion). Clubs must ensure teamsheets are completed in full and signed by all players.

Failure to sign a teamsheet renders the listed player ineligible. Clubs have 7 days from the date of notification to lodge an appeal against the ineligibility ruling. If the reason for not signing is accepted by the Permit Committee the ineligibility penalty in accord with the Rules will not be imposed, however a fine will be imposed.

5.4 CHANGE OF PLAYER GUERNSEY DURING MATCH

5.4.1 Replacement Guernsey

Each Team shall ensure that a replacement guernsey is available for each Player participating in a Match.

5.4.2 Replacement of Guernsey with Same Number

Where it becomes necessary to replace a guernsey worn by a Player during a Match, the Team shall ensure that the replacement guernsey displays the number allocated to the Player before the commencement of the Match.

5.4.3 Second Replacement of Guernsey

If it becomes necessary to replace the guernsey of a Player on a second occasion, a Player may wear a guernsey that displays a different number to that originally worn by the Player. Where the replacement guernsey of a Player does display a different number, the Team Runner shall advise the Interchange Steward and the field Umpire during the next interval or, if the change occurs during the final quarter, at the first available opportunity. Upon being advised, the Interchange Steward or field Umpire, as the case may be, shall make an appropriate amendment to the Team Sheet at the first available opportunity.

5.4.4 Variation by Controlling Body

Where financial or other circumstances of a Team reasonably prevents Law 5.4.2 being followed, the Controlling Body may allow the replacement guernsey worn by a Player to display a different number to that originally worn by the Player. Where the replacement guernsey of a Player does display a different number, the Team Runner shall advise the Interchange Steward and the field Umpire during the next interval or, if the change occurs during the final quarter, at the first available opportunity. Upon being advised, the Interchange Steward or the field Umpire, as the case may be, shall make an appropriate amendment to the Team Sheet at the first available opportunity.

5.5 COUNTING OF PLAYERS

5.5.1 Request by Captain

The captain or acting captain of a Team may at any time during a Match request that the field Umpire count the number of Players of the opposing Team who are on the Playing Surface.

5.5.2 Procedure

- (a) where a request is made under Law 5.5.1, the field Umpire shall:-
 - (i) stop play at the first available opportunity;
 - (ii) call into line within the Centre Square the Players of both Teams who are at the time on the Playing Surface and count the number of Players;
 - (iii) upon completing the count, ensure that each Team has the permitted number of Players on the Playing Surface and then re-commence play at the position on the Playing Surface where the field Umpire stopped play; and
 - (iv) as soon as practicable after the Match, report to the Controlling Body that a request has been made to count the number of Players in a Team and the number of Players actually counted.
- (b) the maximum number of Players permitted on the Playing Surface at the same time is eighteen or, in circumstances where a Player(s) has been ordered from the Playing Surface under Law 20, eighteen less the Player(s) ordered from the Playing Surface.

5.5.3 Players Exceeding Permitted Number

Where a Team has more than the permitted number of players on the Playing Surface, the following shall apply:

- (a) a field umpire shall award a Free Kick to the captain or acting captain of the opposing team, which shall be taken at the Centre Circle or where play was stopped, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending team.
- (b) a Twenty-Five (25) Metre Penalty shall then be imposed from the position where the Free Kick was awarded; and
- (c) the VFA will determine at a later date what happens to the scores or if any other penalty is imposed – note that the offending team does not lose all points scored in the match up to the time of the count.

5.5.4 Correct Number and Request Without Merit

Where a count reveals that the opposing Team has the permitted number of Players on the Playing Surface, the following shall apply:

- (a) a Field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the Captain or acting Captain of the opposing Team, which shall be taken at the Centre Circle or where play was stopped, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team;
- (b) a Twenty-Five (25) Metre Penalty shall be imposed from the position where the Free Kick was awarded; and

- (c) if a Field Umpire is of the opinion that a request was made under Law 5.5.1 primarily to delay play or such request did not have sufficient merit, the Field Umpire shall report the Player who requested the count for Time Wasting under Law 19.2.2

6. TEAM OFFICIALS AND TEAM RUNNERS

6.1 CONTROLLING BODY TO REGULATE

A Controlling Body shall adopt rules which:-

- (a) specify the times and occasions when an Official and Team Runner may enter the Playing Surface; and
- (b) identify the tasks or duties which such persons may perform when on the Playing Surface.
- (i) **Runners:** Only one (1) runner is allowed to be used to deliver a message from the coach to a player - he must then leave the ground immediately. Runners are not to speak to opposition players whilst the game is in progress. After one warning the field umpire can order that official be barred from entering the ground again for the rest of the match. Clubs are able to communicate (coach to interchange area) with electronic aids, however no devices of this nature are to be carried/worn by any official onto the playing area.
- (ii) **Trainers:** Every club must have in attendance on every matchday at least (1) club trainer who must hold at least Level 1 accreditation. Trainers are to work only within their designated roles of managing injuries and referring injuries to a more qualified health professional for further advice and management. A trainer can carry water to a player but cannot be used to deliver messages, and a trainer must not remain on the ground once the reason for coming on the ground has passed.
An Umpire may show discretion only in the event of a club trainer being in the area to attend a Player who is genuinely distressed or injured.
An official who runs from the actual playing area before the full back kicks in is to be deemed "safe."
- (iii) **Water Carriers:** Each team is allowed to have 4 water carriers. Water carriers are to deliver water after a goal has been scored and before the ball is bounced in the centre to restart play.
- (iv) If an umpire deems that any of the officials listed in (i), (ii) or (iii) are not correctly performing their duties as listed, the Field Umpire will award a free kick against the offending team. If the same official offends again then he/she is to be removed however the official may be replaced.
- (v) **Water Carriers** are NOT allowed within 30 metres of the coaches boxes at any time during matches.
They are not to deliver messages to players, or to remain on the ground once water has been delivered.

6.2 IDENTIFICATION

Each Team Official and Team Runner shall wear a uniform or other form of identification, (such as an armband), as determined by the Controlling Body.

Club runners, club provided umpires, water carriers and trainers must adhere to the following VAFA requirements and must have reached the age of fifteen by the start of the season.

A VAFA umpire is to order from the field any on-field official known to be younger than fifteen years officiating in an on field capacity. Where an umpire is not certain of the age, but may suspect that the person is younger than 15, the person's name must be reported to the VAFA who will investigate the matter. The importance of this requirement being adhered to cannot be overstated. We want to avoid the need to hand out fines to force clubs to comply. The umpire must report this matter to the VAFA where it is thought under age officials is acting on behalf of clubs.

Runners. A runner must wear a VAFA Florescent Yellow top with their club name on the back (obtained through VAFA Properties), VAFA provided shorts or VAFA track pants only may be worn.

Water carriers. Each water carrier must wear a VAFA Florescent Orange top with their club name on the back (obtained through VAFA Properties), club shorts, VAFA provided shorts or VAFA track pants only may be worn.

Trainers. Trainers' outfits are available from VAFA Properties. It is compulsory for each club trainer to wear an official VAFA trainer's outfit. Trainer's navy track pants, trainer's white nylon waterproof jackets or jackets of the sponsors Club Warehouse or BDF or approved VAFA trainers' tops may be worn. Each trainer must wear a black VAFA armband (home team trainer) or a white armband (away team trainer). The armband must be worn on the left arm and above the elbow.

PART D: PRE-MATCH AND MATCH PROVISIONS

7. INTERCHANGE

7.1 INTERCHANGE STEWARD – APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES

A controlling body may appoint two interchange stewards to officiate during a match. The interchange steward shall:-

- (a) be positioned throughout the Match at or near the Interchange Area;
- (b) monitor and approve the interchange of players made by each team during a Match; and
- (c) report to the controlling body any infringement by a team of this Law 7.
- (d) **home club interchange steward is to also act as the home team's umpire escort**

7.2 PROCEDURE FOR INTERCHANGE

The following procedure shall apply to the interchange of Players during a Match:

- (a) the captain of a Team, Team Runner or Official shall advise the Interchange Steward of the Team's intention to replace a Player who is currently on the Playing Surface for another Player listed on its Team Sheet;
- (b) upon being satisfied that the replacement is permitted, the Interchange Steward shall approve the replacement;
- (c) a Team may interchange the Players concerned within a period of 3 minutes from the time approval is given by the Interchange Steward, after which the approval shall lapse;
- (d) unless Law 7.3 applies, the Players concerned shall leave and enter the Playing Surface through the Interchange Area;
- (e) a Player who does not leave the Playing Surface as specified under Law 7.2(d) is unable to re-enter the Playing Surface for the remainder of the Match.
- (f) **interchange stewards are expected to assist players from both teams who are leaving the field via the interchange area. From the field the interchange area is sometimes not easily seen, so interchange stewards are requested to assist players leaving by indicating clearly the area towards which players should move. Fines will be automatically imposed once breaches of these requirements are reported to the Executive/Administration.**

7.3 USE OF STRETCHER

7.3.1 Health and Safety of Player

Any Player who is injured during a Match and who, in the opinion of a doctor, trainer or Official, requires the assistance of a stretcher, shall be attended by the Team's training staff and a stretcher as soon as possible so as to ensure the health and safety of the Player.

7.3.2 Procedure

Where a stretcher is required, the following procedure shall apply:-

- (a) upon being advised or noticing that a Player requires a stretcher, the field Umpire shall stop play at the earliest opportunity and unless a doctor considers or it is apparent that it is unsafe to do so, the Player must be removed from the Arena on the stretcher or otherwise leave the Arena as soon as possible and by the shortest and most direct route;
- (b) a Team may replace the injured Player with a Player listed on its Team Sheet, who must enter the Playing Surface via the Interchange Area;
- (c) the Interchange Steward may allow the Player who is replacing the injured Player to enter the Playing Surface before the injured Player is removed from the Arena;
- (d) once the injured Player has been removed from the Arena, the field Umpire shall recommence play as follows depending on the circumstances:
 - (i) where the ball was in dispute at the time play was stopped, by bouncing the football;
 - (ii) where the ball was out of bounds at the time play was stopped, by directing the boundary umpire to throw the ball in;
 - (iii) where a player had possession of the football at the time play was stopped, by awarding a Free Kick to the player;
 - (iv) where a player had been awarded a Free Kick or a Mark at the time play was stopped, by allowing the player to dispose of the football.
- (e) a Player for whom a stretcher was called shall not resume playing for a period of 20 minutes (excluding intervals between quarters) from the time when the Player left the Arena. After the 20 minute period has expired, the Player may be interchanged in

accordance with the procedure set out under Rule 7.2 provided the Player is able, having due regard to his or her health and safety, to resume playing in the Match.

- (f) **if the stretcher is not placed directly by the interchange area the home club must inform the interchange steward where the stretcher can be instantly obtained if it is needed.**

7.4 INTERCHANGE STEWARD NOT AT MATCH

Where an Interchange Steward is not in attendance at a Match, the field Umpires or emergency Umpire(s) shall perform the duties that the Interchange Steward would have otherwise performed. A Team shall only advise the field Umpire or emergency Umpire of its intention to make an interchange during a period when time is being added on to the playing time in accordance with Law 10.

7.5 BREACH OF LAW 7

The Interchange Steward or field Umpire, as the case may be, shall advise the Controlling Body of any breach of this Law 7.

8. UMPIRES: DUTIES AND INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF UMPIRES

8.1.1 Appointment

Unless Law 8.1.2 applies, a Controlling Body shall appoint for each Match:-

- (a) a field Umpire or Umpires;
- (b) two or more boundary Umpires; and
- (c) two goal Umpires.

8.1.2 No Appointment of Boundary / Goal Umpires

- (a) Where it is impractical to appoint or the Controlling Body has not appointed a boundary or goal Umpire to officiate at a Match, the field Umpire(s) may, in consultation with each Team, appoint persons before the commencement of the Match to officiate in those roles.
- (b) Unless otherwise determined by a Controlling Body, a field Umpire may overrule the decision of a boundary or goal Umpire who was appointed under Law 8.1.2(a).
- (c) When no boundary or goal Umpire has been appointed under Laws 8.1.1 or 8.1.2(a), the duties normally undertaken by a boundary and goal Umpire shall be undertaken by the field Umpire.
- (d) **In matches where club umpires are appointed, the captain of the opposition must lodge a verbal complaint with one of the VAFA appointed field umpires who can order from the field the official reported to him if he observes him/her transgressing in a manner that was reported to him by the team captain. This official to be replaced at the next appropriate break in play.**

8.1.3 Replacement of Field Umpire

A Controlling Body shall adopt rules which prescribe the replacement of an Umpire who, by reason of injury or otherwise, becomes incapable of officiating either before or during a Match.

8.1.4 Non Attendance of Field Umpire

Where a Controlling Body has not appointed a field Umpire or for any reason a field Umpire is unavailable or does not attend to officiate at a Match, the competing Teams may elect to play the Match and upon doing so, may appoint an Umpire(s), (inclusive of field, boundary and goal Umpires), to officiate at the Match. The relevant Controlling Body may determine in its absolute discretion whether to recognise the result of such Match.

8.2 DUTIES OF UMPIRES

8.2.1 Field Umpires

The Field Umpires shall officiate and have full control of a Match.

8.2.2 Boundary Umpires

- (a) Duties
 - Unless determined otherwise by the relevant Controlling Body, the duties of a boundary Umpire include without limitation:-
 - (i) judging whether a football is Out of Bounds or Out of Bounds on the Full and signalling to the field Umpire when that has occurred;
 - (ii) throwing the football back into play if it has gone Out of Bounds, when directed to do so by a field Umpire;
 - (iii) determining whether a Player has incorrectly entered the Centre Square in contravention of Law 11.3.4;
 - (iv) bringing the football back to the Centre Square after a Goal has been scored; and
 - (v) reporting a Player or Official who commits a Reportable Offence.
- (b) Bringing Football into Play
 - When the boundary Umpire signals that the football is Out of Bounds, the field Umpire

shall immediately sound a whistle to indicate that the football is out of play. When directed by the field Umpire, the boundary Umpire shall bring the football into play by throwing the football over his or her head towards the centre of the Playing Surface. The field umpire may recall any throw in by the boundary umpire that in his/her opinion does not allow any opportunity for the ball to be contested.

8.2.3 Goal Umpire

(a) Duties

Unless otherwise determined by the relevant Controlling Body, the duties of a goal Umpire include:-

- (i) judging whether a Goal or Behind has been scored;
- (ii) signalling that a Goal or Behind has been scored upon being given the All Clear or Touched All Clear by a field Umpire ;
- (iii) recording the Goals and Behinds scored by each Team during a Match; and
- (iv) reporting a Player or Official who commits a Reportable Offence.

(b) Behind or Out of Bounds

Where a goal Umpire considers that a Behind has been scored and a boundary Umpire considers the football has gone Out of Bounds or Out of Bounds on the Full, the decision of the goal Umpire shall prevail.

(c) Comparing Score

At the end of each quarter and at the end of a Match, the goal Umpires shall compare the score which they have recorded. If the scores are different and cannot be agreed upon or corrected by the goal Umpires, the scores shall be compared to the score recorded by the Timekeeper(s) or person(s) appointed by the Controlling Body under Law 12.7 (if any). If the matter still remains unresolved or the Timekeeper has not recorded the scores, the matter shall be referred to the relevant Controlling Body for determination.

8.2.4 Out of Bounds

Where the field Umpire has failed to notice a boundary Umpire's signal that the football has gone Out of Bounds or Out of Bounds on the Full, the following shall apply:

- (a) the boundary Umpire shall continue signalling until he or she is noticed by the field Umpire;
- (b) upon noticing the boundary Umpire's signal, the field Umpire shall stop play and direct that the football be taken to where it crossed the Boundary Line, at which point the football shall be thrown in by the boundary Umpire or Kicked back into play, as the case may be. This provision does not apply if a Free Kick or **Twenty Five Metre** Penalty is awarded before the field Umpire notices the boundary Umpire's signal;
- (c) this Law applies even if a Goal or Behind is scored before the field Umpire notices the boundary Umpire's signal. In such instances, the field Umpire shall direct the goal Umpire to annul the score.

9. PLAYER'S BOOTS, JEWELLERY AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

9.1 INTERPRETATION

For the purposes of this Law 9, Protective Equipment includes but is not limited to:-

- (a) hard-shell helmets;
- (b) knee braces;
- (c) shoulder pads;
- (d) back supports;
- (e) arm guards; and
- (f) any other item designated as such by the relevant Controlling Body.

9.2 PROHIBITION OF ITEMS

A Player shall not wear during a Match:-

- (a) any form of jewellery;
- (b) bootstuds, plates/clets or any Protective Equipment (other than Protective Equipment approved by the Controlling Body) unless the field Umpire is satisfied that the item does not constitute a danger or increase the risk of injury to other Players competing in the Match; or
- (c) Protective Equipment which has been approved by the relevant Controlling Body, if the field Umpire is satisfied that such equipment has, during the Match, become dangerous or increased the risk of injury to other Players.

9.3 INSPECTION

At any time before or during a Match, a field Umpire may inspect a Player's boots or hands or any Protective Equipment that a Player intends to wear or use during the Match.

9.4 POWER TO ORDER - OFF

9.4.1 Order-off by Umpire and Replacement Player

A field Umpire may order from the Playing Surface a Player who is wearing or using an item prohibited under Law 9.2. Where a Player is ordered from the Playing Surface under this Law:

- (a) an Interchange Player may replace the Player ordered from the Playing Surface; and
- (b) the Player ordered from the Playing Surface may only re-enter the Playing Surface once the Player has removed the prohibited item.

9.4.2 Refusal to Leave Surface

Where a Player refuses to or does not immediately leave the Playing Surface when ordered to do so by a field Umpire, the following shall apply:-

- (a) the field Umpire shall warn the Player that a Free Kick will be awarded and that the Player may be reported if he or she does not leave the Playing Surface;
- (b) if the Player still refuses to leave the Playing Surface, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the Player of the opposing Team who is nearest to where the warning was given or where play was stopped, whichever is the greater penalty;
- (c) if the Player still refuses to leave the Playing Surface:
 - (i) the field Umpire shall report the Player for misconduct in failing to follow a direction of an Umpire;
 - (ii) the Match shall immediately end and the reported Player's Team shall forfeit the Match; and
 - (iii) Law 10.7 shall apply to any Match which is forfeited.

10. TIMEKEEPERS, DURATION OF MATCHES, QUARTER AND INTERVALS

10.1 DURATION OF MATCH AND INTERVALS

- (a) **Matches shall be played in accordance with Rules of the VAFA.**

A, B, C, D1 – D4 and Under 19 matches shall commence at 2.00 p.m.

Quarters shall be of 20 minutes duration plus "time on".

For all Under 18 matches, quarters shall be of 20 minutes duration with "no time on".

Reserve section matches shall commence at 11.40 a.m. and all reserves section matches to be 25 minutes with "no time on".

All finals shall be of 20 minutes duration plus time on except Club XVIII and Under 18 finals matches shall be of 17 minutes duration plus "time on".

Should any match be more than five (5) minutes late starting the offending club shall incur a fine (\$25) and a further fine (\$5) for each additional minute the match is delayed.

A quarter time interval is five (5) minutes.

A half time interval is fifteen (15) minutes.

A three quarter time interval is seven (7) minutes.

Late starts following quarter and three-quarter time incur an automatic fine of \$25.

The umpires are to advise teams five (5) minutes before the commencement of the game and five (5) minutes before the end of the half time break that "they are walking and the game is to start on time." If the game cannot be started as teams are not on the ground, or are not in position the umpires must note this on an Incident Report Sheet and the offending club(s) will be automatically fined \$50.

All reserve section matches must not cause a late start to senior matches.

Special arrangements - reserve matches - last half after 1.00 p.m.

If the third quarter of a reserves match begins after 1.00 p.m., the playing time for the third and fourth quarter is calculated by adding the minutes from the start of the third quarter to 1.50 p.m., subtracting 7 minutes for 3/4 time and then halving the remaining time giving the time to be played for the third and fourth quarters. When this arrangement is invoked time-on is not added for these quarters.

- (b) **If a team is not ready within thirty minutes of the scheduled starting time, the match is forfeited to the other team.**

10.2 TIMEKEEPERS

10.2.1 Appointment

- (a) **A Controlling Body shall appoint two (2) or more persons to act as the Timekeepers for a Match.**

- (b) Where the Controlling Body does not appoint a Timekeeper, each Team shall appoint a person to act as a Timekeeper for the Match in which the Teams participate.

10.2.2 Duties

Each Timekeeper appointed for a Match shall:

- (a) keep time for each quarter of a Match;
- (b) record on time cards the time taken to play each quarter and lodge the completed cards with the relevant Controlling Body;
- (c) sound the siren in accordance with the procedures contained in these Laws;
- (d) stop the clock which is used for the timing of each quarter as required under Rule 10.5 for a stoppage in play; and
- (e) perform any other function as may be directed by the relevant Controlling Body.

10.3 PROCEDURE FOR SOUNDING SIREN - START OF MATCH AND QUARTERS

The Timekeepers shall sound the siren at the times and on the number of occasions as set out in the following table:

Refer to table AFL Law 10.3

The following advice to Timekeepers as to the rules of the game relating to the keeping of time is provided.

Prior to commencement Umpires are instructed to enter the playing arena five minutes prior to the scheduled starting time of the first and third quarters. Upon entering the arena the field Umpire holds the ball aloft, this signal being acknowledged by the Timekeepers with a blast of the siren. The sole purpose of this action is to confirm to the Umpire that the Timekeepers are in position, and Timekeepers should therefore ensure that they are at their post at least five minutes prior to the commencement of the first and third quarters. In addition, Timekeepers are requested to sound the siren one minute prior to the start of each quarter.

Commencement of quarters. There has been controversy for several years as to when time actually starts at the commencement of each quarter. Immediately prior to bouncing the ball the field Umpire holds the ball aloft, this action being acknowledged with a blast of the siren. The field Umpire then blows his whistle and it is on the whistle that the quarter, and therefore time, commences. The act of holding the ball aloft and its subsequent acknowledgment is simply to again ensure that the Timekeepers are in position.

10.4 BRINGING PLAY TO AN END

10.4.1 End of Quarter

The Timekeepers shall sound the siren to signal the end of a quarter until a field umpire acknowledges that the siren has been heard and brings play to an end.

10.4.2 Siren Heard by Field Umpire

Play in each quarter shall come to an end when any one of the field umpires or emergency field umpire/s hears the siren.

10.4.3 Signal

A field Umpire shall signal that he or she has heard the siren by blowing a whistle and holding both arms above his or her head. If immediately before hearing the siren, a field umpire is of the opinion that a player should be awarded a free kick or a mark, the field umpire shall signal that play has come to an end and then award the free kick or mark to the player. A free kick will not be awarded where the football has been kicked and after the field umpire has heard the siren, lands out of bounds on the full.

10.5 STOPPING AND RECOMMENCING TIME

10.5.1 Stopping time

The timekeepers shall stop the clock when:

- (a) directed to do so by a field umpire in accordance with Law 10.5.3
- (b) the goal umpire signals that a goal has been scored
- (c) the goal umpire signals that a behind has been scored
- (d) the boundary umpire signals that the ball is out of bounds or
- (e) when the field umpire crosses his arms to indicate that he or she is going to bounce or throw the ball up.

10.5.2 Recommencing time

The timekeepers shall recommence the clock when:

- (a) directed to do so by the field umpire in accordance with Law 10.5.3
- (b) the ball is bounced or thrown up by the field umpire
- (c) the football is brought back into play after a behind is scored
- (d) the ball is thrown back into play by the boundary umpire or brought back into play by a player after the ball has gone out of bounds or
- (e) the ball is obviously in play.

10.5.3 Signaling

A field umpire shall signal to the timekeeper to stop the clock or re-start the match by blowing a whistle and raising one arm above his head.

10.6 UNAUTHORISED ENTRY ON PLAYING SURFACE AND TERMINATION OF A MATCH

10.6.1 Entry on Playing Surface

Where a person(s) enters the Playing Surface when he or she is not permitted to do so, the field Umpire shall:-

- (a) stop play immediately this is noticed
- (b) seek the assistance of person(s) authorised by the relevant Controlling Body to remove the unauthorised person(s) from the Playing Surface.
- (c) until the situation is rectified under (b), all Umpires will be accompanied from the Playing Arena by the Umpire Escorts of the two competing clubs who will remain with them until it is mutually agreed that they may leave
- (d) a decision on whether the game will be resumed will be at the sole discretion of the Field Umpire(s) based on consideration relating to personal safety & the general wellbeing of all umpires.

10.6.2 If it is noticed seating for 8 is not provided for each team by the home club this will be reported to the Vafa (refer Law 3.3 - adequate seating).

If it is noticed (by a Vafa Umpire during play) that too many officials are inside the fence or are standing, in the first instance the Umpire will stop play when the offending team gains possession of the ball in the mid field or in the forward line. Once the bench is warned the Player of the offending team will take the kick from where the play was stopped.

If it is noticed again the Umpire will stop play and award a free kick, this time to the opposition at the point where he blew his whistle.

If the bench re-offends the club will be reported to the Vafa on an UMPIRE MATCH INCIDENT REPORT SHEET (OTHER) for either an automatic fine to be imposed or investigation to take place.

A free kick is to be paid against a club if its runner or any other on field official is positioned within the 45 metre area when a full back is kicking in after a Behind has been scored. This will be a disincentive to clubs to "add to the numbers" when the ball is being brought back into play. In this event the free kick is to be taken by a Player of the opposition team directly in front of the Goals on the 45 metre arc in that half of the ground and the kick to be taken by the nearest Player to this point. Any ground that does not have a 45 metre arc drawn clearly on the ground is to be reported to the Vafa. An Umpire may show discretion only in the event of a club trainer being in the area to attend a Player who is genuinely distressed or injured.

An official who runs from the actual playing area before the full back kicks in is to be deemed "safe."

Where water carriers, runners or trainers remain on the ground after they have completed their immediate duty the following is to occur. Where there are official Vafa boundary Umpires appointed the boundary is to offer one warning to the offending official(s) (being a simple message "Deliver water/off please" or "Deliver message/off please").

If the official re-offends (make sure it is the same official) this official must be ordered off. The official can be replaced but only at the start of the following quarter. The re-offending official cannot be used again for the remainder of the game in any on field role.

10.6.3 Incomplete Match

Should both or one team believe the ground be not fit for play Vafa rules allow a period of time (30 minutes after scheduled starting time) for an alternate ground to be found which is agreeable to the field umpire or the original ground's problems attended to. Should both captains or one captain and a field umpire agree the ground is still unfit for play or a suitable alternative ground cannot be found the match shall be declared a draw.

It is recommended that all players of each team, before the Ground Inspection Sheet is signed, inspect the ground as a group. If any player is of the belief the ground is not in suitable condition for play he should be withdrawn from the team. The person signing the sheet is doing so on behalf of the group who have inspected the ground and believe it fit for play.

10.7 FORFEITURE OF MATCH

Forfeited Matches may fall into two categories:

(1) "One-off" forfeiture

Where, due to a particular Team's lack of Players, the Match is caused to be forfeited, the following is to apply in this situation.

- (i) The side forfeiting to receive the average score of the losing sides of that section;
- (ii) The side forfeited to, to receive the average score of the winning sides of that section;
- (iii) The side forfeited to, to receive four premiership points;
- (iv) Any side forfeiting twice in one season may be called before the Executive Committee to face a charge of "conduct unbecoming of a Member of the Association";
- (v) Any club which forfeits any Match is automatically fined \$200 with \$100 going to the club forfeited to, if it is that club's "home" game (applicable only to Under 19 football).

(2) Forfeiture due to suspension of Team or permanent withdrawal of Team.

If a Team is suspended or withdraws from the competition causing a "long term" forfeit in any section, the percentage of each Team in respect of any game not played as a result of such suspension or withdrawal shall be calculated as follows:

- (i) The Team suspended (or causing forfeit) shall lose from its "points for" total, the average losing margin in games played on each date to which the suspension applies.
- (ii) The Team drawn to play against such Team shall have its percentage calculated in accordance with a formula to be determined by the Executive committee, having regard to-
 - (w) the period of such suspension
 - (x) the date within the season of such suspension or withdrawal
 - (y) the performance of such Team prior to the date of such suspension or withdrawal.
 - (z) overall fairness to all clubs in the section or grade

This sub-rule will take effect when a "long-term" forfeit arises such as a Team being suspended from the competition or withdrawing due to lack of Players.

In the event of a forfeit in an Under 19 section Match that occurs on a Matchday, the Executive Committee insists that a practice Match must be played between the two Teams. The Team that has forfeited can be "loaned" Players from the opposition to allow an even Match to be played. The Match must last at least sixty (60) minutes. The home club must remember to phone the VAFA as per normal and advise of the forfeiture prior to the beginning of the practice Match.

11. COMMENCING PLAY AND CHOICE OF GOAL

11.1 CHOICE OF GOAL

The end of the Playing Surface to which a Team shall play shall be decided by the toss of a coin as follows:

- (a) the field Umpire (or such other person approved by the Controlling Body) shall **supervise the toss of the coin with opposing captains for choice of ends after both teams have entered the Playing Arena prior to commencement of play.**
- (b) before the coin is tossed, the captain of the "away" Team shall call "the fall of the coin";
- (c) the captain of the Team who wins the toss of the coin shall choose the end to which his or her Team shall play in the first quarter; and
- (d) at the conclusion of each quarter, the Teams shall change ends.

11.2 COMMENCEMENT OF PLAY

11.2.1 Readiness to Commence Play

- (a) All interchange Players must leave the Playing Surface two minutes prior to the scheduled starting time of a Match, being the time when the Timekeepers sound the siren 3 times.
- (b) Before commencing play in each quarter, the field Umpire shall:
 - (i) ensure that the Timekeepers are ready to commence timing the Match; and
 - (ii) confirm with each captain that each Team is ready to commence play.

11.2.2 Commencing Play

- (a) The field Umpire shall take up a position on the white line either side of the Centre Circle prior to bouncing the football.
- (b) Unless Law 11.2.2(c) applies, the field Umpire shall commence play in each quarter by

holding the football above his or her head, blowing a whistle and bouncing the football in the Centre Circle.

- (c) Where the field Umpire awards a Free Kick to a Player before bouncing the football, he/she shall signal time on, blow his/her whistle "and give the ball to the Player". The Timekeepers shall acknowledge commencement of play.
- (d) The Timekeeper shall commence the clock used for timing the Match when the field Umpire blows the whistle or when a Player, who has been awarded a Free Kick, brings the football into play.

11.2.3 Report to Controlling Body

The field Umpire shall advise the Controlling Body of any occasion when a Team is not ready to commence play at the scheduled starting time. The Controlling Body may impose a sanction as determined in the absolute discretion of the Controlling Body.

11.3 BOUNCING THE FOOTBALL

11.3.1 Centre Square and bouncing the ball

The field Umpire shall bounce or throw up the football on the occasions and at the position on the Playing Surface as set out in the table below.

It is to be each field umpire's choice whether to bounce the ball or throw it up after a goal has been scored or to commence a match or a new quarter. One umpire may choose to bounce the ball whilst the other may choose to throw the ball up. In this instance the ruckmen must be advised on every occasion whether the umpire with the ball will be bouncing it or throwing it up to commence play. At all other times around the ground umpires must throw the ball up.

BOUNCING THE FOOTBALL	
Occasion	Position on Playing Surface
Bounce Unless Law 11.3.2 applies, at the start of each quarter or after a Goal has been scored.	The Centre Circle.
Throw Up Where the football has become trapped as two or more opposing Players struggle for possession of the football.	Where the football becomes trapped.
Where a field Umpire is unsure about which Player has taken a Mark.	Where the mark was contested.
When a Player fails to bring the football back into play after a Behind has been scored in accordance with Law 13.	The centre of the kick off line.
When the field Umpire bounces the football and the football crosses the Goal, Behind or Boundary Line without being touched by a Player.	The position where the initial bounce took place.
When a Player, who has claimed to have taken a Mark which is not awarded by the field Umpire, is Correctly Tackled by an opponent, provided the field Umpire is of the opinion that the Player did not hear or see the field Umpire's signal of "Touched Play On" or "Play On".	Where the Player is correctly tackled.
When the Goal Umpire is unable to decide whether a Goal or a Behind has been scored.	The centre of the kick off line.
When a Player or Players from both Teams enter the Centre Square at the same time contrary to Law 11.3.4.	The Centre Circle.
When the football accidentally hits any part of a stadium roof structure (other than the roof beams)	The position on the Playing Surface nearest to where the football hit the stadium roof structure.
Unless a Free Kick or a Mark is awarded, if the football is in the proximity of an Injured Player.	The location of the football when play is stopped.

Table 11.3 Bouncing the Football

11.3.2 Free-Kick awarded

If the field Umpire awards a Free Kick to a Player during the period between when a Goal is scored and the football is bounced, play shall recommence when the Player brings the football into play.

11.3.3 Throwing up Football

The field Umpire may throw the football in the air:

- (a) where he or she is of the opinion that the conditions are unsuitable for bouncing but before doing so, shall advise the Players accordingly; or
- (b) if directed to do so by the Controlling Body.

11.3.4 Permitted Numbers at the Centre Bounce

When the football is bounced to start a quarter or recommence play after a Goal has been scored, the following shall apply:-

- (a) a maximum of 4 Players from each Team are permitted in the Centre Square;
- (b) no Player (other than the 4 initial Players) or Team Official shall enter the Centre Square from the time the field Umpire commences his or her approach to the Centre Circle to bounce the football until the football touches the ground, in the act of bouncing, or leaves the field Umpires hand, in the act of being thrown up;
- (c) where a Player or Team Official contravenes Law 11.3.4(b), the field Umpire shall signal time on and award a Free Kick to the Player of the opposing Team who is nearest to the Centre Circle. The Free Kick to be taken in the centre of the Centre Circle. The advantage Law shall not apply;
- (d) where Players or Officials from opposing Teams simultaneously encroach, the Umpire shall blow his/her whistle and direct the offending personnel to exit the Centre Square;
- (e) if an injured Player is receiving treatment (but does not require a stretcher) in the Centre Square at the time of a centre bounce, the field Umpire shall:-
 - (i) instruct the Player to immediately leave the Centre Square; and
 - (ii) not recommence play until the Player has left the Centre Square;
- (f) if an injured Player does not leave the Centre Square upon being instructed to do so, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the Player of the opposing Team who is nearest to the Centre Circle;
- (g) where an injured Player requires a stretcher at the time of a centre bounce, Law 7.3 shall apply.

11.3.5 Contesting the Centre Bounce

- (a) The centre bounce or throw up shall be contested by one (1) nominated player from each team. Such player shall be nominated to the Field Umpire prior to the bounce down or throw up of the football. The player contesting the centre bounce or throw up shall be positioned in his/hers teams' defensive half of the playing surface and with both feet within the 10 metre circle. The player may only enter the attacking teams half after the ball touches the ground or leaves the Field Umpire's hand, in the act of being thrown up. The player shall not be permitted to block an opponent's approach to the contest. The players must have both feet inside the 10 metre circle at all times until they contest the bounce or the Field Umpire calls "play on" due to an "offline bounce". No other player may enter the 10 metre circle until the football touches the ground in the act of bouncing or thrown up by the Field Umpire.
- (b) Where a Player contravenes Law 11.3.5(a), the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the Player on the opposing Team who is nearest to the Centre Circle.
- (c) Unless otherwise determined by the Controlling Body, where the field Umpire bounces the football off line, the field Umpire shall immediately call "play on" and the football may be contested by any Player.

11.3.6 Recalling off line bounces

A field umpire may recall any bounce or throw up that in his/her opinion does not allow for the ball to be contested.

12. SCORING: GOALS AND BEHINDS

12.1 GOALS AND BEHINDS

12.1.1 Scoring a Goal

Subject to Law 12.2, a Goal is scored when the football is kicked completely over the Goal line by a Player of the attacking Team without being touched by any other Player, even if the football first touches the ground.

12.1.2 Scoring a Behind

Subject to Law 12.2, a Behind is scored when any of the following occurs:-

- (a) the football touches or passes over the Goal post; or

- (b) the football passes completely over the Behind Line; or
- (c) a Player of the attacking Team kicks the football over the Goal Line but before passing over the Goal Line, the football is touched by another Player; or
- (d) if a Player from the defending Team kicks, handballs, knocks or otherwise takes the football over the Goal Line or Behind Line; or
- (e) if a defending Player plays on from Behind the Goal Line or Behind Line, and in doing so, moves off the direct line between himself and the Player standing the mark.

12.1.3 Clarification and Examples

For the avoidance of doubt:-

- (a) if the football touches an Umpire or any Official and then passes over the Goal or Behind Line, a Goal or Behind, as the case may be, shall still be recorded;
- (b) if the football touches an Umpire or any Official and does not pass over the Goal or Behind Line, the football shall remain in play;
- (c) if a football is Kicked by a Player on the attacking Team at the time when another Player is touching the football, the football shall be deemed to have been touched by that Player; and
- (d) a football passes over a Goal Line or Behind Line only when the entire football has passed over the Goal Line or Behind Line, as the case may be.

12.1.4 Football Touching the Behind Post

Where a football touches or passes over a Behind post the football shall be Out of Bounds or Out of Bounds on the full.

12.1.5 Goal Umpire to judge Goal or Behind

- (a) The Goal Umpire shall decide whether a Goal or Behind has been scored but may, before deciding, consult with the field or boundary Umpires. The decision of the Goal Umpire shall be final. The Goal Umpire shall only signal that a Goal or Behind has been scored when the field Umpire signals "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear", as the case may be.
- (b) Law 12.1.5(a) does not apply if a Controlling Body prescribes that a field Umpire may overrule the decision of a Goal Umpire who has not been appointed by the Controlling Body.

12.2 ALL CLEAR AND TOUCHED ALL CLEAR

12.2.1 Signal by Field Umpire

A Goal or a Behind shall only be signalled by a goal Umpire and recorded as a Goal or Behind when:-

- (a) in the case of the football passing over the Goal or Behind line, or touching or passing over the Goal post, the field Umpire signals "all clear"; and
- (b) In the case of the football being touched by another Player and then passing over the Goal Line, or touching or passing over the Goal post, the field Umpire signals "Touched All Clear".

12.2.2 Goal Umpire to notify field Umpire

- (a) Where the Goal Umpire is of the opinion that a Goal or Behind has been scored and the field Umpire has allowed play to continue, the Goal Umpire shall immediately notify the field Umpire. Upon being notified by the Goal Umpire, the field Umpire shall stop play and signal "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear", as the case may be, and the Goal or Behind shall be signalled by the Goal Umpire and recorded as a score. Play shall then re-commence in accordance with these Laws.
- (b) Unless Law 12.4.1 applies, any Free Kick awarded to a Player before the field Umpire signals all clear or Touched All Clear under Law 12.2.2(a) shall be cancelled.

12.3 SIGNALLING A GOAL OR BEHIND

12.3.1 Goal

The Goal Umpire shall signal that a Goal has been scored by raising both index fingers and then waving two flags.

12.3.2 Behind

The Goal Umpire shall signal that a Behind has been scored by raising one index finger and then waving one flag.

12.3.3 Changing a Decision

- (a) The Goal Umpire may change his or her decision about the scoring of a Goal or a Behind if and only if the goal Umpire notifies the field Umpire before the football is brought back into play.
- (b) A Goal Umpire shall signal that the scoring of a Goal or Behind has been changed by:-
 - (i) immediately standing on the centre of the Goal line and holding both flags above his or her head in a crossed position; and
 - (ii) then signalling the new score or advising the boundary Umpire to signal Out of Bounds or Out of Bounds on the full, as the case may be.

12.4 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREE KICKS AND ALL CLEAR

12.4.1 Free Kick Awarded Before All Clear

Where a Free Kick is awarded to a Player immediately after the football passes the Goal or Behind Line but before the field Umpire signals "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear", the following shall apply:-

- (a) the field Umpire shall signal "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear", after which the goal Umpire shall signal and record the score; and
- (b) the Free Kick shall then be taken where the infringement occurred, or the position at which the football is brought back into play, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team.

12.4.2 All Clear Given but Play has not Recommended

- (a) Where a Free Kick is awarded to a Player during the period when the field Umpire has signalled "All Clear" for a Goal to be recorded and the football is bounced in the Centre Circle, the Free Kick shall be taken where the infringement occurred, or at the Centre Circle, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team.
- (b) Where a Free Kick is awarded to a Player after the field Umpire has signalled "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear" for a Behind to be recorded but before the football is being brought back into play, the Free Kick shall be taken from the following positions:-
 - (i) in the case of a Free Kick being awarded to the defending Team, where the infringement occurred, or the field umpire shall award a Twenty Five Metre Penalty from the kick off line, whichever is the greater penalty against the attacking Team; or
 - (ii) in the case of a Free Kick being awarded to the attacking Team, the centre of the kick off line, or where the infringement occurred, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending team.

12.5 SCORING GOAL OR BEHIND AFTER PLAY HAS ENDED

12.5.1 Goal Or Behind Recorded in Certain Circumstances

Even though play has come to an end, a Goal or Behind shall be recorded for a Team if:-

- (a) the Goal or Behind is scored by a Player from a Free Kick or Mark which was awarded to the Player before play came to an end; or
- (b) the Goal or Behind was scored by a Player who disposed of the football before play came to an end; or
- (c) the Goal or Behind is scored by a Player who was awarded a Free Kick under Law 12.6.

12.5.2 Football touched in Transit

A Behind shall still be recorded under Law 12.5.1 if the football is touched in transit by another Player, provided the field Umpire is satisfied that the scoring of the Behind was not assisted by a Player from the same Team.

12.5.3 Field Umpire Sole Judge

A field Umpire shall be the sole judge in deciding whether a Free Kick or Mark should be awarded or whether the football was disposed of by a Player before play came to an end.

12.6 FREE KICK AFTER PLAY HAS ENDED

12.6.1 Before Kick or in the act of Kicking

After a field Umpire has signalled that play has come to an end, any field Umpire may award a Free Kick to any Player when a Player is preparing to Kick or in the act of Kicking for Goal. In such a case, the following shall apply:-

- (a) if the Player awarded the Free Kick is playing for the attacking Team, the Free Kick shall be awarded to the Player where the infringement occurred or, the Player in the attacking Team who is preparing to kick or in the act of Kicking for Goal shall be awarded a **Twenty Five Metre** Penalty, whichever is the greater penalty against the defending Team; or
- (b) if the Player awarded the Free Kick is playing for the defending Team, the Player shall be awarded the Free Kick where the infringement occurred or where the football is at the time of the infringement, whichever is the greater penalty against the attacking Team.

12.6.2 After the Kick

After a field Umpire has signalled that play has come to an end, any field Umpire may award a Free Kick to any Player during the period when a Player has Kicked for Goal and the football is in transit or during the period when a Player has kicked a Goal or Behind but before the field Umpire has signalled "All Clear" or "Touched All Clear". In such cases, the following shall apply:

- (a) if the Player awarded the Free Kick is playing for the attacking Team and a Goal is Kicked, the field Umpire shall signal "All Clear" and a Goal shall be recorded; or
- (b) if the Player awarded the Free Kick is playing for the attacking Team and a Goal is not scored, then that Player may take the Free Kick where it was awarded (or where the football is at the time the Free Kick was awarded , whichever is the greater penalty) or,

where a Behind is scored, elect to have the Behind recorded; or

- (c) if the Player awarded the Free Kick is playing for the defending Team, the Player shall be awarded the Free Kick where the infringement occurred. For the avoidance of doubt, any Goal or Behind which would have been recorded in favour of the attacking Team but for the awarding of the Free Kick to a Player on the defending Team, shall not be recorded.

12.7 RECORDING SCORES

A Controlling Body may appoint a person or persons to record the scores of a Match independently from the Goal Umpires. Where the Goal Umpires cannot agree on the final score of a Match, the Controlling Body may take into account the scores recorded by the person(s) so appointed to determine the result of a Match.

13. KICKING THE FOOTBALL INTO PLAY AFTER A BEHIND HAS BEEN SCORED

13.1 FOOTBALL MUST BE KICKED

Unless Law 12.4 applies, when a Behind has been recorded, the following shall apply:-

- (a) the football must be Kicked back into play by any Player of the defending Team within a reasonable time;
- (b) the football must be Kicked from within the Goal Square. For the avoidance of doubt, one foot of the Player must be Behind any of the lines which define the Goal Square at the time when the Player kicks the football;
- (c) no Player is permitted within 5 metres of the Goal Square at the time when the football is being Kicked back into play; and
- (d) the Player kicking the football into play may, provided he has kicked the football clear from his hands, regain possession and play on from within the goal square.

13.2 DIRECTION BY UMPIRE AND FOOTBALL BROUGHT INTO PLAY INCORRECTLY

- (a) After giving a player a reasonable opportunity, the field umpire shall direct a player to kick the football back into play. If a player fails to kick the football back into play after being instructed to do so by a field umpire, the field umpire shall call "play on". The player shall be required to dispose of the ball in accordance with Laws 13.1 (b) and (d). Opposing players however, may enter the goal square and tackle the player with the ball once "play on" is called.
- (b) if the field umpire is of the opinion that a player has not kicked the football back into play in accordance with Law 13.1, the field umpire shall bounce the football in the centre of the kick off line to recommence play.

13.3 GOAL UMPIRE MUST FINISH WAVING FLAGS

A Player from the defending Team may only kick the football into play when the Goal Umpire has completed waving the flag to signal that a Behind has been scored. If a defending Player kicks the football before this time, the field Umpire shall direct the Player to kick the football again.

13.4 ATTACKING TEAM DELAYING RE-COMMENCEMENT OF PLAY

- (a) Where the field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player from the attacking Team:
 - (i) is within 5 metres of the Goal Square at the time when a Player from the defending Team is kicking the football back into play;
 - (ii) has prevented the Player from the defending Team from kicking the football back into play; or
 - (iii) has otherwise delayed play,
the field Umpire shall bring the mark forward from the Goal Square to the back line of the Centre Square, at which location the football shall be Kicked back into play by the Player of the defending Team who is closest to that location.
- (b) Where the field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player of the attacking Team has again contravened Law 13.4(a), the mark shall be brought forward from the back line of the Centre Square to the forward line of the Centre Square, at which location the football shall be Kicked back into play by the Player of the defending Team who is closest to that location.

13.5 OFFICIAL WITHIN FORTY – FIVE METRE ARC

A Free Kick is to be paid against a club if its runner or any other on field official is positioned within the 45 metre area when a full back is kicking in after a Behind has been scored. This will be a disincentive to clubs to "add to the numbers" when the ball is being brought back into play. In this event the Free Kick is to be taken by a Player of the opposition Team directly in front of the Goals on the 45 metre arc in that half of the ground and the kick to be taken by the nearest Player to this point. Any ground that does not have a 45 metre arc drawn clearly on the ground is to be reported to the VAFA. An Umpire may show discretion only in the event of a club trainer being in the area to attend a Player who is genuinely distressed or injured.

An official who runs from the actual playing area before the full back kicks in is to be deemed "safe."

14. MARKING THE FOOTBALL

14.1 DEFINITION

A Mark is taken if, in the opinion of the field Umpire, a Player catches or takes control of the football:

- (a) within the Playing Surface; and
- (b) after it has been Kicked by another Player a distance of at least 15 metres; and
- (c) which has not touched the ground or been touched by another Player during the period when the football was Kicked until it was caught or controlled by the Player.

14.2 PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES

- (a) For the avoidance of doubt, a Mark shall be awarded if:-
 - (i) a Player catches or takes control of the football before it has passed completely over the Boundary Line, Goal Line or Behind Line; or
 - (ii) before the football was caught or controlled by the Player, it was touched by an Umpire or any other Official.
- (b) The field Umpire may consult with the Boundary or Goal Umpire before deciding whether a Mark has been taken before the football passed completely over the Boundary Line, Goal Line or Behind Line.

14.3 PLAYER TO BE AWARDED THE MARK

- (a) Where a field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player has taken a Mark, he or she shall award the Mark to the Player at the location on the Playing Surface where the Mark was taken.
- (b) Law 16 shall apply when a Player has been awarded a Mark.

14.4 FIELD UMPIRE TO SIGNAL "TOUCHED, PLAY ON"

Where a football is touched by another Player during the period when the football was Kicked until it is caught or controlled by a Player, the field Umpire shall immediately call and signal "Touched, Play On" in order to indicate to the Players that a Mark will not be awarded.

14.5 WHEN A MARK IS NOT AWARDED

Where a Player claims to have taken a Mark which is not awarded by the field Umpire, the following shall apply:-

- (a) if the Player does not retain possession of the football, play shall continue; or
- (b) if the Player retains possession of the football and the Player is correctly tackled by an opponent, the field Umpire shall throw up the football in accordance with Law 11.3.1, provided he or she is satisfied that the Player did not hear or see the signal of "Touched, Play On" or "Play On". If the field Umpire considers that the Player did hear or see the signal of "Touched, Play On" or "Play On", Law 15.2.3 shall apply.

14.6 FIELD UMPIRE CANCELS MARK

- (a) Where a field umpire is of the opinion that he or she has incorrectly blown the whistle to award a mark that was not subsequently completed, he or she may cancel the decision and call play on.
- (b) If the player retains possession of the football and the player is correctly tackled by an opponent, the field umpire shall bounce or throw the football up in accordance with Law 11.3.2 provided he or she is satisfied that the player could not reasonably have disposed of the football.

15. FREE KICKS

15.1 INTERPRETATION

15.1.1 Spirit And Intention of Awarding Free Kicks

It is the spirit and intention of these Laws that a Free Kick shall be awarded to:-

- (a) ensure that a Match is played in a fair manner;
- (b) provide to a Player, who makes obtaining possession of the football his or her sole objective, every opportunity to obtain possession;
- (c) protect Players from sustaining injury; and
- (d) a Player who executes a Correct Tackle which results in an opponent failing to dispose of the football in accordance with these Laws.

15.1.2 Awarding Free Kicks

In addition to any other circumstances described elsewhere in these Laws, a Free Kick shall be awarded to or against a Player, as the case may be, when a field Umpire considers that any of the circumstances set out in this Law 15 occur, irrespective of whether the football is in play. Unless otherwise stated in these Laws, a Free Kick shall be taken where it is awarded or

where the football is at the time, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team.

15.1.3 When a Free Kick may Be Awarded

A Free Kick may be awarded when the football is or is not in play. For the avoidance of doubt, a Free Kick may be awarded:

- (a) if an infringement occurs on the Playing Surface before the commencement of a quarter, in which case the Free Kick shall be taken at the Centre Circle or where the infringement occurred, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team; and
- (b) after a score has been recorded or play has come to an end, in the circumstances described in Laws 12.4, 12.5 and 12.6.

15.1.4 Effect of Free Kick

A Free Kick means that possession of the football is given to a Player of the Team who is awarded the Free Kick, after which play shall continue in accordance with Law 16.

15.2 FREE KICKS RELATING TO POSSESSION OF THE FOOTBALL

15.2.1 In Possession of the Football

A Player is in possession of the football if, in the opinion of the field Umpire:-

- (a) the Player is holding or otherwise has control of the football;
- (b) the Player is in the act of bouncing the football; or
- (c) the Player dives or lies on top of or drags the football underneath his or her body.

15.2.2 Remaining in Possession and Bouncing the Football

- (a) A Player may remain in possession of the football for any length of time:
 - (i) unless the Player is Correctly Tackled by an opponent; or
 - (ii) unless directed to dispose of the football by a field Umpire;
 - (iii) provided the Player complies with Law 15.2.2(b).
- (b) Where a Player is moving whilst in possession of the football, he or she must bounce or touch the football on the ground at least once every 15 metres, irrespective of whether such Player is running in a straight line or otherwise. For the purposes of this Law, a Player shall be deemed to be in possession of the football during the period when the Player handballs the football to himself or herself and regains possession without the football touching the ground.
- (c) A field Umpire shall award a Free Kick against a Player if he or she is of the opinion that a Player has contravened Law 15.2.2(b).

15.2.3 Holding the Football – Prior Opportunity/No Prior Opportunity

Where the field Umpire is satisfied that a Player in possession of the football:

- (a) has had a prior opportunity to dispose of the football, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick against that Player if the Player does not Kick or Handball the football immediately when he or she is Correctly Tackled; or
- (b) has not had a prior opportunity to dispose of the football, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick against that Player if, upon being Correctly Tackled, the Player does not Correctly Dispose or attempt to Correctly Dispose of the football after being given a reasonable opportunity to do so.
- (c) a Player who takes possession of the football at a bounce or throw by a field Umpire or at a boundary throw in, shall be regarded as having had prior opportunity **if the player is tackled correctly.**

15.2.4 Application – Specific Instances where play shall continue

For the avoidance of doubt, the field Umpire shall allow play to continue when:-

- (a) a Player is bumped and the football falls from the Player's hands;
- (b) a Player's arm is knocked which causes the Player to lose possession of the football;
- (c) a Player's arms are pinned to his or her side by an opponent which causes the Player to drop the football, unless the Player has had a prior opportunity to Correctly Dispose of the football, in which case Law 15.2.3(a) shall apply;
- (d) a Player, whilst in the act of kicking or handballing, is swung off balance and does not make contact with the football by either foot or hand, unless the Player has had a prior opportunity to Correctly Dispose of the football, in which case Law 15.2.3(a) shall apply; or
- (e) a Player is pulled or swung by one arm which causes the football to fall from the Player's hands, unless the Player has had a prior opportunity to Correctly Dispose of the football, in which case Law 15.2.3(a) shall apply.

15.2.5 Diving on Top of the Football

Where a Player is in possession of the football by reason of diving on top of or dragging the football underneath his or her body, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick against that Player if he or she does not immediately knock the football clear or Correctly Dispose of the football when Correctly Tackled.

15.2.6 Football held to the body of a Player

The field Umpire shall throw up the football when a Player, in the act of applying a correct tackle, holds the football to the body of the Player being tackled or the football is otherwise pinned to the ground, unless the Player being tackled has had a prior opportunity to Correctly Dispose of the football, in which case Law 15.2.3(a) shall apply.

15.3 FREE KICKS RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF THE FOOTBALL

15.3.1 Correct Disposal

A Player Correctly disposes of the football if he or she Kicks or Handballs the football.

15.3.2 Incorrect Disposal and Payment of Free Kick

When the football is in play, a Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player who hands the football to another Player or who throws the football.

15.4 FREE KICK – PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED PHYSICAL CONTACT

15.4.1 Correct Tackle or Correctly Tackled

(a) For the purposes of these Laws, a Player executes a tackle correctly if:-

- (i) the Player being held is in possession of the ball; and
- (ii) that Player is held (either by the body or playing uniform) below the shoulders and above the knees.

(b) For the avoidance of doubt, a tackle may be executed correctly by holding a Player from the front, side or behind, provided that a Player held from behind is not pushed in the back.

15.4.2 Shepherd

A Shepherd is using the body or arm to push, bump or block:

- (a) a Player who does not have possession of the football and who is no further than 5 metres away from the football at the time when the push, bump and block occurs; and
- (b) where such contact is otherwise not prohibited contact under Law 15.4.5.

15.4.3 Permitted Contact

Other than the Prohibited Contact identified under Law 15.4.5, a Player may make contact with another Player :-

- (a) by using his or her hip, shoulder, chest, arms or open hands provided that the football is no more than 5 metres away from the Player;
- (b) by pushing the other Player with an open hand in the chest or side of the body provided that the football is no more than 5 metres away from the Player;
- (c) by executing a Correct Tackle;
- (d) by executing a Shepherd provided that the football is no more than 5 metres away from the Player; or
- (e) if such contact is incidental to a marking contest and the Player is legitimately Marking or attempting to Mark the football.

15.4.4 Charge or Charging

(a) A charge means an act of colliding with an opposition Player where the amount of physical force used is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances, irrespective of whether the Player is or is not in possession of the football or whether the Player is within 5 metres of the football.

(b) Without limiting the general application of Law 15.4.4(a), a Charge occurs when a Player unreasonably or unnecessarily collides with an opposition Player:

- (i) who is not within 5 metres of the football;
- (ii) who, although within five metres of the football, is not in the immediate contest for the football and would not reasonably expect such contact;
- (iii) who is attempting to Mark the football or who has Marked the football or been awarded a Free Kick;
- (iv) after that Player has disposed of the football;
- (v) who is Shepherding another Player on his or her Team; or
- (vi) before the football is brought into play.

15.4.5 Prohibited Contact and Payment of Free Kick

A Player makes Prohibited Contact with an opposition Player if he or she :-

- (a) makes contact with any part of his or her body with an opposition Player above the shoulders (including the top of the shoulders) or below the knees;
- (b) pushes an opposition Player in the back, unless such contact is incidental to a marking contest and the Player is legitimately marking or attempting to mark the football;
- (c) holds an opposition Player who is not in possession of the football;
- (d) pushes, bumps or blocks an opposition Player who is in the act of Marking or attempting to Mark the football;
- (e) pushes, bumps or blocks an opposition Player when the football is further than 5 metres away from the opposition Player or is out of play;

- (f) pushes, bumps or blocks an opposition Player who is contesting a bounce or throw by a field Umpire or boundary throw in.
- (g) charges an opposition Player;
- (h) trips or attempts to trip an opposition Player, whether by the use of hand, arm, foot or leg;
- (i) kicks or attempts to kick an opposition Player, unless contact is accidentally made whilst the Player is Kicking the football;
- (j) strikes or attempts to strike an opposition Player, whether by hand, fist, arm, knee or head; and
- (k) holds or throws an opposition Player after that Player has disposed of the ball.
- (n) bumps or makes forceful contact to an opponent from front on when that player has his head down over the ball.
- (j) by unnecessarily and dangerously driving an opponent into the ground with arms pinned.

15.5 FREE KICKS RELATING TO UMPIRES

VFA Zero Tolerance Policy

“Any direct personal abuse or disrespectful behaviour towards Umpires will be penalised as per the Laws of Australian Football, 15.5(a) and 15.5(b)”.

With the above in mind, the following shall be immediately implemented by an umpire.

PLAYERS

1. Any player/s who display language or behaviour which may lead to further action by the umpire.
2. Pay free kicks against players who infringe in this area.
3. Pay a 25m penalty against players who infringe in this area.
4. Report players who infringe in this area.

Signal for Free Kick / Report

- The signal which will be employed by umpires to indicate situations where umpires will be penalising players for abusive language or disrespectful behaviour is as follows:
 1. The umpire will blow his / her whistle.
 2. The umpire will extend his / her arm out in front of the body with the palm of his hand facing up and out as per a traffic policeman’s stop signal.

COACHES & OFFICIALS

- Any Coach / Official, who displays abusive language or disrespectful behaviour towards an umpire, may lead to further action by the umpire.
- Pay free kicks against Coach / Official that infringe in this area.
- Report Coach / Official who infringe in this area.

Signal for Free Kick / Report

- The signal which will be employed by umpires to indicate situations where umpires will be penalising Coaches / Officials for abusive language or disrespectful behaviour is as follows:
 - o The umpire will blow his / her whistle.
 - o The umpire will extend his / her arm out in front of the body with the palm of his hand facing up and out as per a traffic policeman’s stop signal towards the Coach / Official.

A Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player or Official who:-

- (a) uses abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language towards an Umpire; (**Zero Tolerance**)
- (b) behaves in an abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene manner towards an Umpire; (**Zero Tolerance**)
- (c) intentionally, recklessly or negligently makes contact with an Umpire;
- (d) enters the Centre Circle when the field Umpire is bouncing / throwing up or attempting to bounce / throw up the football; or
- (e) intentionally, recklessly or negligently engages in conduct which affects, interferes with or prevents an Umpire from performing his or her duties.

15.6 FREE KICKS RELATING TO OUT OF BOUNDS

15.6.1 When Awarded

A Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player who:-

- (a) kicks the football Out of Bounds on the Full;
- (b) in the act of bringing the football back into play after a Behind has been scored, kicks the

- (c) football over the Boundary Line without the football first being touched by another Player;
- (d) intentionally Kicks, Handballs or forces the football over the Boundary Line without the football being touched by another Player;
- (e) having taken the football over the Boundary Line, fails to immediately hand the football to the boundary Umpire or drop the football directly to the ground; or
- (f) touches the football after the boundary Umpire has signalled that the football is Out of Bounds, except for a Player who has carried the football over the Boundary Line under this Law 15.6.1 or a Player awarded a Free Kick under these Laws.
- (f) hits the football Out of Bounds on the full from a boundary throw or a field bounce or throw by a field Umpire.

15.6.2 Where Free Kick Taken

A Free Kick awarded under Law 15.6.1 shall be taken at the point where the ball crossed the Boundary Line.

15.7 FREE KICK – SHAKING GOAL POST

15.7.1 Awarding Free Kick

Unless Law 15.7.3 applies, a Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player or Official who intentionally shakes a Goal or Behind post (either before or after a Player has disposed of the football) which may affect whether a Goal or Behind is scored.

15.7.2 Taking Free Kick

The following shall apply to a Free Kick awarded under Law 15.7.1:

- (a) if a Free Kick is awarded against a Player or Official of the defending Team and a Goal is not scored, the Player from the attacking Team who was about to or who has Kicked for Goal, shall take the Free Kick at the centre of the Goal Line;
- (b) if the Free Kick is awarded against a Player or Official of the attacking Team, the Player on the defending Team who was nearest to the position from where the football will be or has been Kicked, shall take the Free Kick from that position. For the avoidance of doubt, any Goal or Behind which would have been recorded in favour of the attacking Team but for the awarding of the Free Kick to a Player of the defending Team, shall not be recorded.

15.7.3 Goal Scored

If a Player or Official of the defending Team contravenes Law 15.7.1 but a Goal is still scored, the field Umpire shall not award a Free Kick. In such cases, the field Umpire shall signal "All Clear" and a Goal shall be recorded.

15.8 FREE KICKS-REPORTABLE OFFENCES

- (a) Unless Law 15.8(b) applies, a field Umpire shall award a Free Kick against a Player or Official who is reported for a Reportable Offence.
- (b) Unless otherwise determined by a field Umpire, where a Player(s) or Official(s) from both Teams are reported for conduct arising from the same incident, the field Umpire shall allow play to continue or if that is not practicable, re-commence play by bouncing/throwing up the football.

15.9 FREE KICKS – GENERALLY

15.9.1 When Awarded

A Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player or a Team where the field Umpire is of the opinion that:-

- (a) the Player is engaging in Time Wasting;
- (b) an Official of the Team or such other person of the Team who may from time to time be permitted onto the Playing Surface, intentionally, recklessly or negligently interferes with the football, a Player of the opposition Team, an Umpire or general play;
If it is noticed seating for 8 is not provided for each team by the home club this will be reported to the VAFA (refer Law 3.3 - adequate seating).

If it is noticed (by a VAFA Umpire during play) that too many officials are inside the fence or are standing, in the first instance the Umpire will stop play when the offending team gains possession of the ball in the mid field or in the forward line. Once the bench is warned the Player of the offending team will take the kick from where the play was stopped.

If it is noticed again the Umpire will stop play and award a free kick, this time to the opposition at the point where he blew his whistle.

If the bench re-offends the club will be reported to the VAFA on an UMPIRE MATCH INCIDENT REPORT SHEET (OTHER) for either an automatic fine to be imposed or investigation to take place.

A free kick is to be paid against a club if its runner or any other on field official is positioned within the 45 metre area when a full back is kicking in after a Behind has

been scored. This will be a disincentive to clubs to “add to the numbers” when the ball is being brought back into play. In this event the free kick is to be taken by a Player of the opposition team directly in front of the Goals on the 45 metre arc in that half of the ground and the kick to be taken by the nearest Player to this point. Any ground that does not have a 45 metre arc drawn clearly on the ground is to be reported to the VAFA. An Umpire may show discretion only in the event of a club trainer being in the area to attend a Player who is genuinely distressed or injured.

An official who runs from the actual playing area before the full back kicks in is to be deemed “safe”.

- (c) a Player has lifted a Player or climbed on the shoulders of a Player from the same Team. This Free Kick shall be taken by a Player from the opposing Team where the infringement occurred or where the football is at the time of the infringement, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team;
- (d) a Free Kick to be awarded against a Player who uses abusive insulting threatening or obscene language and/or gesture.
- (e) a Player has contravened the provisions of Law 11.3.5 (a).
- (f) a Player has engaged in misconduct.

15.9.2 Taking a Free Kick Given Against an Official

Where a Free Kick is awarded against a Team because of the conduct of an Official of the Team, the Free Kick shall be taken by the Player of the opposition Team who is closest to where the infringement occurred or where the football is located, whichever is the greater penalty against the offending Team.

15.10 FREE KICKS AFTER DISPOSAL

Where Prohibited Contact is made against a Player who has disposed of the football or against a Player who is Shepherding a Player who has disposed of the football, a Free Kick shall be awarded to that Player’s Team and shall be taken by a Player of that Team who is nearest to the location where the football touches the ground, a Player or crosses the Boundary Line, as the case may be. If taking the Free Kick at this location will penalise the Team awarded the Free Kick, the Free Kick shall be taken by the Player against whom and at the location where Prohibited Contact was made.

15.11 FREE KICK – STADIUM ROOFS

15.11.1 Payment of Free Kick

Where a Player intentionally, recklessly or negligently Kicks or causes the football to hit any part of a stadium roof’s structure which is above the Playing Surface, the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the nearest Player on the opposing Team at the position on the Playing Surface nearest to where the football hit the roof’s structure.

15.11.2 Accidental Contact

If a Player accidentally Kicks or causes the football to hit any part of a stadium roof’s structure, the football shall be out of play and the following shall apply:

- (a) if the football hits any roof beams which run the length of the Playing Surface along a wing, the boundary Umpire shall upon instruction by a field Umpire throw the football back into play from a position on the Boundary Line nearest to where the football hit the roof beam; or
- (b) if the football hits any other part of the stadium roof’s structure which is above the Playing Surface, the field Umpire shall bounce the football at the position on the Playing Surface nearest to where the football hit the stadium roof’s structure

16. DISPOSAL FROM MARK OR FREE KICK

16.1 STANDING THE MARK AND TEN METRE PROTECTED AREA

16.1.1 Standing The Mark

When a Player is awarded a Mark or Free Kick or is Kicking into play after a Behind has been scored, one Player from the opposing Team may stand at the position on the Playing Surface where the Mark or Free Kick was awarded or where the field Umpire otherwise directs the Player to stand. The position on the Playing Surface where the opposing Player stands is known as “the mark”.

16.1.2 Protected Area

The Protected Area is a corridor which extends from 5 metres either side of the mark to 5 metres either side of, and a 5 metre radius behind, the Player with the football. No Player shall enter and remain in the Protected Area unless the field Umpire calls Play On or the Player is accompanying or following within 5 metres of his or her opponent.

16.2 PLAYING FROM BEHIND THE MARK

A Player who has been awarded a Mark or Free Kick shall dispose of the football from directly

behind the mark. If a Player disposes or attempts to dispose of the football other than in a direct line over the Mark, the field Umpire shall call Play On and the football shall immediately be in play. This Law does not apply if a Player is disposing of the football from beyond the Goal Line, Behind Line or Boundary Line, in which case Laws 16.4 or 16.5 shall apply.

16.3 KICKING FOR GOAL

16.3.1 Centre of Goal Line

- (a) Where a player is kicking for goal after being awarded a mark or a free kick, the kick shall be taken along a direct line from the mark of the centre of the goal line.
- (b) Where a player is kicking for a goal after being awarded a mark or a free kick in the goal square, the kick shall be taken from directly in front of goals from a spot horizontally across from where the mark or free kick was awarded.

16.3.2 Overstepping the Mark whilst Player is Kicking for Goal

If the Player standing the Mark oversteps the Mark whilst a Player is in the act of Kicking for Goal, the following shall apply:-

- (a) if a Goal is Kicked, the field Umpire shall signal "All Clear" and a Goal shall be recorded;
- (b) if a Goal is not Kicked, the Player may elect to take another Kick, in which case the Player shall also be awarded a Twenty Five Metre Penalty.

16.4 DISPOSAL BY A DEFENDING PLAYER – GOAL LINE AND BEHIND LINE

If a defending Player is awarded a Free Kick or a Mark and is given or takes possession of the football beyond the Goal Line or Behind Line, the following shall apply:

- (a) the Player standing the Mark must be positioned 5 metres away from the Goal Line or Behind Line, as the case may be;
- (b) the defending Player may Play On in any direction provided he or she first crosses the Goal Line or Behind Line prior to disposing of the football ;
- (c) if the defending Player decides to play from beyond the Goal Line or Behind Line, he may Kick or Handball the football in any direction provided he does not move off the direct line between himself and the Player standing the mark. If the defending Player does move from this line, the field Umpire shall call Play On and the Goal Umpire shall signal and record a Behind;
- (d) if the defending Player, in disposing of the football, hits either the Goal or Behind post, the Player shall be given the football again to re-commence play.

16.5 DISPOSAL – FROM OUT OF BOUNDS

16.5.1 When Permitted

A Player who is awarded a Free Kick or a Mark may bring the football into play from beyond the Boundary Line provided that the Player moves in one direction whilst in the act of Kicking, Handballing or moving to cross the Boundary Line. If the Player changes direction whilst he or she is still beyond the Boundary Line, the field Umpire shall call Play On and the boundary Umpire shall signal Out of Bounds and throw the ball back into play from the spot where the Mark or Free Kick was awarded.

16.5.2 Standing The Mark Adjacent To Behind Post

Where a Player is given or takes possession of the football beyond the Boundary Line within 2 metres of the behind post, the Player standing the Mark must be positioned 5 metres away from the Boundary Line.

16.5.3 Football Back In Play

The football is deemed to be back in play when any portion of it is on or above the Boundary Line.

16.6 DISPOSAL WHERE PLAYER AWARDED FREE KICK OR MARK IS INJURED

Where a Player is awarded a Free Kick or a Mark and, in the opinion of the field Umpire, that Player is suffering from an injury which will prevent him from disposing of the football, the Player who is nearest to and on the same Team as the Player awarded the Free Kick or Mark, shall dispose of the football at the location (or as near as possible) where the Free Kick or Mark was awarded.

16.7 FURTHER BREACH OF LAWS BEFORE DISPOSAL

Where a Player has been awarded a Free Kick or a Mark and before disposing of the football:-

- (a) he or she or a Player from the same Team engages in conduct which contravenes these Laws, then the field Umpire shall award a Free Kick to the Player against whom the conduct was directed or who is nearest to where the conduct occurred; or
- (b) a Player from the opposition Team engages in conduct which contravenes these Laws, then:-
 - (i) if the conduct occurred **25 metres** or more in front of the position on the Playing Surface where the initial Free Kick or Mark was awarded, the field Umpire shall

- award a Free Kick to the Player against whom the conduct was directed or who is nearest to where the conduct occurred; or
- (ii) if the conduct occurred behind or at the same position on the Playing Surface where the initial Free Kick or Mark was awarded, the Player awarded the initial Free Kick or Mark shall also be awarded a **Twenty Five Metre** Penalty.

17. PLAY ON AND THE ADVANTAGE RULE

17.1 BALL IN PLAY

The football shall remain in play on each and every occasion when the field Umpire calls and signals "Play On".

17.2 CIRCUMSTANCES – PLAY ON

The field Umpire shall call and signal Play On or touched Play On when:-

- (a) an Umpire is struck by the football while it is in play;
- (b) the field Umpire is of the opinion that the football, having been Kicked, was touched whilst in transit;
- (c) the field Umpire is of the opinion that the football, having been Kicked, does not travel a distance of at least 15 metres;
- (d) the field Umpire cancels a Free Kick; or
- (e) the field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player, who has been awarded a Free Kick or a Mark, runs, Handballs or Kicks or attempts to run, Handball or Kick otherwise than over the mark.
- (f) where a Player, awarded a Mark or Free Kick, fails to dispose of the football when directed to do so by the field Umpire.
 - (i) where the field umpire cancels a mark.
- (g) **subject to Law 11.3.6** in the instance of a poor bounce by a field umpire; or
- (h) where a player fails to bring the ball back into play when kicking in from a behind after being directed to do so by the field umpire.
 - (i) where the field umpire cancels a Mark.

17.3 THE ADVANTAGE RULE

17.3.1 Paying Advantage

Where the field Umpire intends to or has signalled that he or she intends to award a Free Kick to a Player, the field Umpire may, instead of awarding the Free Kick, allow play to continue if the field Umpire is of the opinion that doing so will provide an advantage to that Player's Team.

17.3.2 Recalling The Football

Where the field Umpire has allowed play to continue instead of awarding a Free Kick to a Player, but having done so, it becomes immediately apparent to the field Umpire that allowing play to continue did not provide an advantage to the Player's Team, the field Umpire shall stop play and award the Free Kick to the Player where the infringement occurred.

18. TWENTY FIVE METRE PENALTY

18.1 WHEN IMPOSED

Where a field Umpire has awarded a Free Kick or a Mark to a Player, the field Umpire shall also award a **Twenty Five Metre** Penalty in favour of that Player if he or she is of the opinion that any Player or Official from the opposing side:-

- (a) has overstepped the mark; or
- (b) engages in Time Wasting; or
- (c) uses abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language towards an Umpire; or
- (d) behaves in an abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene manner towards an Umpire or disputes the decision of an Umpire; or
- (e) enters the Protected Area, except when the Player is accompanying or following within 5 metres of his or her opponent; or
- (f) has not returned the football directly and on the full to the Player awarded the Free Kick or mark; or
- (g) engages in any other conduct for which a Free Kick would ordinarily be awarded, unless such conduct occurred **25 metres** or more in front of the position on the Playing Surface where the initial Free Kick or Mark was awarded, in which case a Free Kick shall be awarded to the Player against whom the conduct was directed or who is nearest to where the conduct occurred.

18.2 IMPOSING A TWENTY FIVE METRE PENALTY

When the field Umpire imposes a **25 metre** Penalty, the following procedure shall apply:-

- (a) the field Umpire shall signal to the Timekeeper to stop the clock used for the timing of the Match for such time as it takes to impose the **Twenty Five Metre** Penalty;

- (b) the field Umpire shall advance the mark by **Twenty Five Metres** in a direct line with the centre of the Goal Line; and
- (c) if the Player who is obtaining the benefit of the **Twenty Five Metre Penalty** is less than **Twenty Five Metres** from the Goal Line, the mark shall become the centre of the Goal Line.

18.3 LOCAL CONDITIONS

A Controlling Body may reduce the distance of a fifty metre penalty to 25 metres for the Matches played in the competition conducted by the Controlling Body.

19. REPORTING PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS

19.1 OBLIGATION TO REPORT

19.1.1 To Controlling Body

An Umpire shall report to the Controlling Body any Player or Official who commits or engages in conduct which may constitute a Reportable Offence:-

- (a) during a Match; or
- (b) on the day of the Match and within the immediate proximity of the Arena where the Match is conducted.

19.1.2 Interpretation – "Within the Immediate Proximity of the Arena" - not applicable to VAFA

Without limiting their ordinary meaning, the words "within the immediate proximity of the Arena" shall include any area within 500 metres of the Arena where the Match is conducted.

19.1.3 Other appointed persons

In addition to an Umpire, a Controlling Body may authorise a person or persons to report any Player or Official who commits or engages in conduct which may constitute a Reportable Offence. Any person so authorised shall have the same powers and duties as imposed upon an Umpire under this Law 19.

19.2 REPORTABLE OFFENCES

19.2.1 Degree of Intent – Clarification

Where any of the Reportable Offences identified in Law 19.2.2 specify that conduct may be intentional, reckless or negligent:-

- (a) any report or notice of report which does not allege whether the conduct was intentional, reckless or negligent shall be deemed to and be read as alleging that the conduct was either intentional, reckless or negligent; and
- (b) the tribunal or other body appointed to hear and determine the report may find the report proven if it is reasonably satisfied that the conduct was either intentional, reckless or negligent.

19.2.2 Specific Offences

Any of the following types of conduct is a reportable offence:-

- (a) intentionally, recklessly or negligently making contact with or striking an Umpire;
- (b) attempting to make contact with or strike an Umpire;
- (c) using abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language towards or in relation to an Umpire;
- (d) behaving in an abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene manner towards or in relation to an Umpire;
- (e) disputing a decision of an Umpire;
- (f) use of an obscene gesture;
- (g) intentionally, recklessly or negligently:-
 - (i) kicking another person;
 - (ii) striking another person;
 - (iii) tripping another person whether by hand, arm, foot or leg;
 - (iv) engaging in Time Wasting;
 - (v) Charging another person;
 - (vi) throwing or pushing another Player after that Player has taken a Mark, disposed of the football or after the football is otherwise out of play;
 - (vii) engaging in rough play against an opponent which in the circumstances is unreasonable;
 - (viii) engaging in a melee, except where a Player's sole intention is to remove a Teammate from the incident; **not applicable to the VAFA**
 - (ix) Kicking or otherwise causing the football to hit any part of a stadium roof's structure;
 - (x) spitting at or on another person.
 - (xi) bumping or making forceful contact to an opponent from front on when that player has his head down over the ball.

- (h) attempting to kick another person;
- (i) attempting to strike another person;
- (j) attempting to trip another person whether by hand, arm, foot or leg;
- (k) intentionally shaking a Goal or Behind Post when another Player is preparing to Kick or is Kicking for Goal or after the Player has Kicked for Goal and the ball is in transit;
- (l) wrestling another person;
- (m) using abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language;
- (n) fainting to leave the Playing Surface when directed to do so by a field Umpire;
- (o) wearing boots, jewellery and equipment prohibited under Law 9;
- (p) any act of misconduct,
- (q) under the Zero Tolerance Rule

19.3 REPORTING PROCEDURE

19.3.1 Reports During Match

(a) Where an Umpire reports a Player or Official during the course of a Match.

The Association's "Order Off" rule shall apply in all matches.

The field umpire must automatically order from the field by the showing of the Red Card, for a period of 12 minutes actual playing time, to any player reported for a reportable offence under the Rules of the VAVA.

A Red Card will be held up by the umpire towards the coach's indicating that a player has been reported for an offence and is to leave the ground via the interchange area for a period of 12 minutes playing time. This player cannot return or be replaced until 12 minutes playing time has elapsed.

The Red Card will also be shown to the timekeepers indicating that the reported player is off for period of 12 minutes playing time, upon which time the timekeepers will signal back to the reporting umpire that they have seen the Red Card and will start recording the time off the field once the player has left the ground. This player can then return to the playing field or be replaced after 12 minutes playing time has elapsed. It is the responsibility of an official of the reported players' club to find out from the timekeepers when the 12 minutes playing time has elapsed.

A Black Card will be held up by the umpire towards the coach's indicating that a player has been reported for a serious offence and is to leave the ground via the interchange area.

The Black Card will also be shown to the timekeepers indicating that the reported player is off for the remainder of the match, upon which time the timekeepers will signal back to the reporting umpire that they have seen the Black Card and will start recording the time off the field once the player has left the ground. This player can be replaced after 12 minutes playing time has elapsed. It is the responsibility of an official of the reported players' club to find out from the timekeepers when the 12 minutes playing time has elapsed.

The reporting Umpire shall use his or her best endeavours to inform the Player or Official of the report:-

- (i) at the time of the incident; or
 - (ii) **at the next appropriate break in play;**
 - (iii) before the commencement of the next quarter; or
 - (iv) where the incident occurs in the final quarter, after the completion of the Match.
- (b) The Umpire shall use his or her best endeavours to inform the person against whom a Reportable Offence has been committed of the report (if applicable).
 - (c) An Umpire may inform the captain, acting captain or Official of a Team of a report where it is impractical to inform the Player or Official who has been reported.
 - (d) Apart from informing a Player or Official of the report, an Umpire shall not speak with the reported Player or Official or any other Player or Official about the report which has been made.

19.3.2 Completing Notice of Report

- (a) During the Match or after the completion of the Match, the Umpire shall complete a notice of report in the form prescribed by the Controlling Body.
- (b) Each Controlling Body shall adopt rules which prescribe the procedures for the lodgement and notification of notices of report.

19.4 SANCTIONS AND SUSPENSIONS

19.4.1 Controlling Body

- (a) A Controlling Body shall hear and determine a report made against a Player or Official and if the report is proven, may impose such sanctions (including suspension for any term or a monetary sanction), make such orders and give such directions in each case as it in its absolute discretion thinks fit.
- (b) A Controlling Body may prescribe set sanctions for Reportable Offences.

19.4.2 Delegation

A Controlling Body may delegate the power to investigate, hear and determine a report to a tribunal or other similar body duly established and constituted in accordance with the Controlling Body's constitution.

19.4.3 Rules

Each Controlling Body shall adopt Rules which prescribe the procedures for the hearing and determination of a report. Such rules must prescribe that the person reported be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard.

19.4.4 Effect of Suspension

- (a) Unless Laws 19.4.4(d) or 19.4.4(e) apply, a Player or Official suspended by a Controlling Body is, for the period of the suspension, or while the suspension remains unserved, prohibited from playing or participating in a Match conducted by the Controlling Body imposing the suspension and a Match conducted by any other Controlling Body.
- (b) Where a suspended Player or Official transfers from one Club to another Club competing in the same or another competition, the Player or Official shall complete the period of suspension with his or her new Club if that Club competes in a competition conducted during the same period as the Club from which the Player has transferred.
- (c) A Controlling Body may still require a Player or Official to complete any period of a suspension imposed by the Controlling Body, if the Player or Official returns to the competition conducted by the Controlling Body within 12 months of completing the suspension in another competition. This Law applies even though the Player or Official has completed the suspension in another competition.
- (d) A Player or Official who has been suspended from playing or participating in a competition conducted primarily between 31 March and 30 September may, upon obtaining the prior written approval of the Controlling Body who imposed the suspension, play or participate in a competition conducted primarily between 1 October and 31 March.
- (e) A Player or Official who has been suspended from playing or participating in a competition conducted between primarily 1 October and 31 March may, upon obtaining the prior written approval of the Controlling Body who imposed the suspension, play or participate in a competition conducted primarily between 31 March and 1 October.

20. ORDER OFF LAW 20.1 APPLICATION

This Law 20 applies to all competitions other than the AFL competition.

20.2 to 20.6

ORDER OFF FOR REMAINDER OF MATCH

The Association's "Order Off" rule shall apply in all matches. The field umpire must automatically order from the field by the showing of the Red Card, for a period of 12 minutes actual playing time, any player reported for a reportable offence under the Rules of the VAFA.

If the report is a serious one, the field umpire should order the player from the field by the showing of the Black Card, for the remainder of the match. In this situation this player can be replaced after 12 minutes playing time has elapsed but the reported player cannot participate in the remainder of the match.

A Black Card will be held up by the umpire towards the coach's indicating that a player has been reported for a serious offence and is to leave the ground via the interchange area.

The Black Card will also be shown to the timekeepers indicating that the reported player is off for the remainder of the match, upon which time the timekeepers will signal back to the reporting umpire that they have seen the Black Card and will start recording the time off the field once the player has left the ground. This player can be replaced after 12 minutes playing time has elapsed. It is the responsibility of an official of the reported players' club to find out from the timekeepers when the 12 minutes playing time has elapsed.

VAFA Goal and Boundary Umpires have no power to order players from the field. If they make a report, the correct procedure is to immediately notify the field umpire at the next appropriate break in play (but to be as soon as possible), who will then confirm the report with the player and order him from the field for the appropriate time, again displaying a Red or Black Card in the manner described above.

The audible obscenity rule covers all Association matches.

A Yellow Card will be held up by the umpire towards the coach's box indicating that a player has been sent from the ground, but has not been reported under the audible obscenity rule. This signal indicates that the player can be replaced.

The Yellow Card shall also be shown to the timekeepers indicating that the player is off for 12 minutes playing time, upon which time the timekeepers will signal back to the reporting umpire that they have seen the Yellow Card and will start recording the time off the field once the player has left the ground. This player can come back onto the playing arena after 12 minutes playing time has elapsed via the normal interchange procedure.

If the abuse is of the umpire, the player is to be reported and ordered-off. An umpire can simply caution a player if the language is not considered excessively obscene. In assessing the offence, the umpire must decide whether or not in his opinion the obscenity could have been heard by spectators over the nearest fence. If in the opinion of the umpire the offence (even the first) was directed at any umpire there is to be no warning and the player is to be sent off for 12 minutes of actual playing time and reported.

Audible obscenities from individuals or groups coming from 1/4 time, 3/4 time huddles, after match chants/songs or when players run onto the ground and during warm-ups will not be tolerated at VAFA matches. When these obscenities are brought to the Executive/Administration's notice by a competent VAFA official, the offending club will be asked to show cause in writing within 7 days why a fine of \$100 for a first offence; \$300 for a second offence, \$500 for a third offence and each subsequent offence should not be imposed.

General – Player Unruly Behavior.

Player(s) behaving in a generally unruly manner may be sent off the ground under the Provisions pertaining to a Yellow Card (As described under Audible Obscenity rule above). Examples of such actions are wrestling, excessive pushing and shoving. Send off under a Yellow Card in such situations is not to be extended to offences that are Reportable. (This is a trial for Under 19's only)

Any player ordered from the field shall leave the ground through the interchange area. The time of the player's departure from the field shall be noted by the timekeepers after they acknowledge the reporting umpire has shown a Yellow/Red/Black card and the reported player has left the ground. The timekeepers will advise an official on request of the expired 12 minutes of actual playing time whereupon the offending player or an interchange player may take the field through the interchange area.

In the event of any player refusing to leave the field, when ordered-off by the field umpire, the match shall be awarded to the opposing team. Where it is found that the injured party was feigning injury the umpire may change the order-off time from whole game to fifteen minutes duration.

A player ordered-off (but able to be replaced), will have his name recorded by one of the field umpires on an Incident Report Sheet and these will be monitored by the VAFA. Once the player accumulates two audible obscenity offences for which he was ordered-off, but not reported in the one season, the club will be written to and advised of the consequences of a third offence – this being an automatic two match suspension.

20.7 REDUCTION OF PLAYERS - not applicable to the VAFA

If a Team is reduced to less than 14 Players by reason of a Player(s) being ordered from the Playing Surface, the following shall apply:-

- (a) the field Umpire may, in his or her absolute discretion, declare the Match forfeited by the**

- Team with less than 14 Players, in which case Law 10.7 shall apply; or
- (b) if the Match continues, the field Umpire shall, as soon as practicable, lodge with the relevant Controlling Body a written report which contains:-
 - (i) the circumstances leading to the reduction of Players;
 - (ii) the scores of each Team at the time the field Umpire allowed the Match to continue; and
 - (iii) the final score of the Match; and
 - (c) upon receipt of the written report, the Controlling Body may in its absolute discretion:-
 - (i) confirm the results of the Match; or
 - (ii) determine the Match forfeited by the Team with less than 14 Players, in which case Law 10.7 shall apply.

21. ANTI-DOPING POLICY

21.1 APPLICATION

The AFL Anti-Doping Code, as varied in accordance with Law 21.2, shall apply to all persons to whom these Laws apply, unless a Controlling Body has adopted its own code or policy which has been approved by the Australian Sports Drug Agency.

21.2 VARIATION AND INTERPRETATION

21.2.1 Specific Reference

Where the AFL Anti-Doping Code does apply to a Controlling Body, any reference to:-

- (a) the AFL shall be read as a reference to the relevant Controlling Body;
- (b) a Player shall be read as a Player competing in a competition conducted by the Controlling Body; and
- (c) an official, employee or agent of the AFL shall be read as an official, employee or agent of the Controlling Body appointed or delegated to perform the same or a similar function.

21.2.2 Testing

Unless otherwise directed by the AFL, a Controlling Body is not obliged to perform or appoint a third party to perform testing of Players as prescribed under the AFL Anti-Doping Code.

22. INFECTIOUS DISEASES

22.1 THE MEANING OF ACTIVE BLEEDING

In this Law 22, the term "Active Bleeding" means the existence of an injury or wound, which continues to bleed. Active Bleeding does not include minor bleeding from a graze or scratch, which has abated and can be readily removed from a Player or any part of his uniform.

22.2 PARTICIPATION IN MATCHES WHEN ACTIVELY BLEEDING

- (a) Unless Law 22.7 applies:
 - (i) a Player must not remain on the Playing Surface for so long as he or she is Actively Bleeding;
 - (ii) a Club or Team must not allow any of its Players to remain on the Playing Surface for so long as the Player is Actively Bleeding;
- (b) Unless immediate treatment needs to be given, having due regard to a Player's health and safety, a Club or Team must not allow any Player who is Actively Bleeding to be treated on the Playing Surface.

22.3 ACTIVE BLEEDING – ROLE OF UMPIRE

22.3.1 Role of Umpire

Where a field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player is Actively Bleeding, the field Umpire must stop play at the first available opportunity:

- (a) direct the Player concerned to immediately leave the Playing Surface;
- (b) subject to Law 22.3.3, wait a reasonable period to allow the replacement Player to take up position before re-commencing play; and re-commence play.

22.3.2 Player to Follow Directions of Field Umpire

Where a Player is directed by a field Umpire to leave the Playing Surface because he or she is actively Bleeding, the Player must leave the Playing Surface immediately **at the nearest point to receive treatment**. The Player must not re-enter the Playing Surface or take any further part in any Match until and unless:

- (a) the cause of such bleeding has been abated;
- (b) the injury is securely bound to ensure that all blood is contained;
- (c) any blood stained article of uniform has been removed and replaced; and
- (c) any blood on any part of the Player's body has been thoroughly cleansed and removed.

22.3.3 Replacement Player

A Player directed to leave the Playing Surface may be replaced by another Player listed on the Teamsheet. A replacement Player may enter the Playing Surface **but only through the interchange area**, while the Player that he or she is replacing is leaving the Playing Surface **at any point**. **The game recommences when the replacement player takes up a playing**

position and the injured player is off the field. The injured player can only re-enter the field via the interchange area. The runner must communicate immediately player on/off to the interchange steward.

22.3.4 Refusal to Leave Playing Surface

Where a Player refuses to or does not immediately leave the Playing Surface when directed to do so by a field Umpire, the following will apply:

- (a) the field Umpire must warn the Player that a Free Kick will be awarded and that the Player may be reported if he or she does not leave the Playing Surface;
- (b) if the Player still refuses to leave the Playing Surface, the field Umpire must award a Free Kick to the Player of the opposing Team who is nearest to where the warning was given or where play was stopped, whichever is the greatest penalty;
- (c) if the Player refuses to leave the Playing Surface:
the field Umpire shall report the Player for misconduct in failing to follow a direction of an Umpire;
the Match will immediately end and be forfeited by the reported Player's Team; and Law 10.7 will apply to any Match which is forfeited.

22.4 PROCEDURE WHEN PLAYER NOT ACTIVELY BLEEDING

Where a field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player is not Actively Bleeding, but the Player has blood on any part of his body or uniform, the following will apply:

at the first available opportunity, the field Umpire must signal and direct the Player to obtain treatment. After the signal is given, play will continue;

the Player may remain on the Playing Surface after the signal is given by the field Umpire, but must at the earliest opportunity:

- (i) in the case of blood being on any part of his uniform, have the piece of uniform removed and replaced; and/or
- (ii) in the case of blood being on any part of his body, have the blood removed and the cause of any bleeding (if any), treated and covered so that all blood is contained;

If after receiving treatment, the field Umpire is of the opinion that blood is still appearing on any part of the Player's body or uniform, the Player is deemed to be Actively Bleeding and Law 22.3 will apply.

22.5 VARIATION BY CONTROLLING BODY

A Controlling Body may adopt its own rules to specify that Law 22.3 applies to all bleeding.

22.6 FAILURE TO OBEY DIRECTION

A Player's refusal to promptly obey a direction of a field Umpire given under Law 22.3 or 22.4 is a reportable offence;

Any fine, period of suspension or other sanction determined by a tribunal or other body hearing the Reportable Offence shall be in addition to any sanction which may be imposed by a Controlling Body under Law 22.14.

22.7 SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES AT THE END OF A QUARTER

A Player awarded a Mark or Free Kick may Kick the football after the field Umpire has signalled that play has come to an end, even though he is at that time Actively Bleeding.

However, this Law is subject to Law 16.6.

22.8 DELIBERATE SMEARING OF BLOOD

Regardless of any other provision in these Laws, if a Player intentionally smears or otherwise causes blood to be placed on another Player's body or uniform, the field Umpire must immediately stop play and allow that Player such time as is necessary to have the blood removed or item of uniform removed and replaced.

22.9 PROTECTIVE GLOVES

Each club or Team must ensure that any doctor, trainer and any other person treating Players of a Team wears protective gloves as may be approved from time to time by the relevant Controlling Body.

22.10 DISPOSAL OF BLOODIED CLOTHING AND OTHER MATERIAL

Each club or Team must ensure that:

Any bloodied item of uniform or clothing of a Player is placed as soon as possible in a hygienic sealed container and laundered to ensure the removal of all blood; and
all towels, wipes, bandages, dressings and other materials used in the treatment of bleeding Players must be placed in a hygienic sealed container and discarded or destroyed in a hygienic manner.

22.11 DRESSING ROOMS

Each club or Team must ensure that all dressing rooms and other areas occupied by the Team prior to, during or immediately following the completion of any Match are kept clean and that no blood remains on any surface, equipment, hand basin, toilet, shower, bath or other area. All

such surfaces, equipment and areas must be cleansed and disinfected immediately after contact with blood.

22.12 HYGIENE

Each club or Team must ensure that:

Players do not urinate (other than in a toilet) in or about any dressing rooms or on the Playing Surface prior to, during or immediately following the completion of any Match; and

Each of its Players observe a high standard of personal hygiene.

22.13 TRAINERS

Unless Law 22.4 applies, a Trainer or other personnel responsible for the treatment of Players shall not provide treatment to a Player on the Playing Surface for any cut, abrasion or other injury involving the discharge of blood.

22.14 SANCTION – CONTROLLING BODY

A Controlling Body may impose a sanction upon a Player, Club or Team for a breach of any obligation imposed under this Law 22.

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Grounds:		
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B SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Old Haileybury	Old Trinity	MR	27/6/2009	St Bernards	Old Carey	SBCO
18/4/2009	Old Melb	Old Camb	JO	27/6/2009	St Kevins	Ormond	RO
18/4/2009	Ormond	St Bernards	EEGR	27/6/2009	Old Trinity	Old Hail	MPF
18/4/2009	St Kevins	Old Carey	RO	27/6/2009	Old Camb	Old Melb	GBR
18/4/2009	Hampton Rovers	Uni Blacks	BJR	27/6/2009	Uni Blacks	Hamp Rovers	MUO
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	St Bernards	Hamp Rovers	SBCO	04/7/2009	Old Haileybury	Old Carey	MR
25/4/2009	Old Carey	Ormond	CSC	04/7/2009	St Bernards	Old Camb	SBCO
25/4/2009	Old Trinity	Old Melb	MPF	04/7/2009	Old Melb	Ormond	JO
25/4/2009	Old Camb	Old Hail	GB	04/7/2009	St Kevins	Uni Blacks	RO
25/4/2009	Uni Blacks	St Kevins	MUO	04/7/2009	Hamp Rovers	Old Trinity	BJR
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	Old Haileybury	Uni Blacks	MR	11/7/2009	Old Melb	St Kevins	JO
02/5/2009	Ormond	Old Melb	EEGR	11/7/2009	Ormond	Old Hail	EEGR
02/5/2009	Old Carey	St Bernards	CSC	11/7/2009	Old Carey	Hamp Rovers	CSC
02/5/2009	St Kevins	Hamp Rovers	RO	11/7/2009	Old Trinity	St Bernards	MPF
02/5/2009	Old Camberwell	Old Trinity	GB	11/7/2009	Old Camb	Uni Blacks	GB
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	St Bernards	Old Trinity	SBCO	25/7/2009	St Bernards	Ormond	SBCO
09/5/2009	Old Melb	Old Hail	JO	25/7/2009	Old Carey	Old Melb	CSC
09/5/2009	Ormond	St Kevins	EEGR	25/7/2009	Old Trinity	Old Camb	MPF
09/5/2009	Hamp Rovers	Old Carey	BJR	25/7/2009	Hamp Rovers	St Kevins	BJR
09/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Camb	MUO	25/7/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Hail	MUO
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	Old Haileybury	St Kevins	MR	01/8/2009	Old Hail	Hamp Rovers	MR
16/5/2009	Old Melb	St Bernards	JO	01/8/2009	St Bernards	Old Melb	SBCO
16/5/2009	Old Trinity	Old Carey	MPF	01/8/2009	Ormond	Uni Blacks	EEGR
16/5/2009	Old Camb	Hamp Rovers	GB	01/8/2009	St Kevins	Hamp Rovers	RO
16/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Ormond	MUO	01/8/2009	Old Camb	Old Carey	GB
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	St Bernards	Uni Blacks	SBCO	08/8/2009	Old Melb	Old Trinity	JO
23/5/2009	Ormond	Old Trinity	EEGR	08/8/2009	Old Carey	Uni Blacks	CSC
23/5/2009	Old Carey	Old Hail	CSC	08/8/2009	St Kevins	Old Haileybury	RO
23/5/2009	St Kevins	Old Camb	RO	08/8/2009	Old Camb	Ormond	GBR
23/5/2009	Hamp Rovers	Old Melb	BJR	08/8/2009	Hamp Rovers	St Bernards	BJR
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Old Hail	Ormond	MR	15/8/2009	Old Haileybury	Old Melb	MR
30/5/2009	St Kevins	Old Melb	RO	15/8/2009	Old Carey	St Kevins	CSC
30/5/2009	Old Trinity	Hamp Rovers	MPF	15/8/2009	Old Trinity	Ormond	MPF
30/5/2009	Old Camb	St Bernards	GBR	15/8/2009	Hamp Rovers	Old Camb	BJR
30/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Carey	MUO	15/8/2009	Uni Blacks	St Bernards	MUO
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	St Bernards	St Kevins	SBCO	22/8/2009	St Bernards	Old Haileybury	SBCO
13/6/2009	Old Melb	Old Carey	JO	22/8/2009	Old Melb	Hamp Rovers	JO
13/6/2009	Ormond	Old Camb	EEGR	22/8/2009	Ormond	Old Carey	EEGR
13/6/2009	Hamp Rovers	Old Hail	BJR	22/8/2009	Old Trinity	Uni Blacks	MPF
13/6/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Trinity	MUO	22/8/2009	Old Camb	St Kevins	GB
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Old Haileybury	St Bernards	MR	29/8/2009	Old Haileybury	Old Camb	MR
20/6/2009	Old Melb	Uni Blacks	JO	29/8/2009	Old Carey	Old Trinity	CSC
20/6/2009	Ormond	Hamp Rovers	EEGR	29/8/2009	St Kevins	St Bernards	RO
20/6/2009	Old Carey	Old Camb	CSC	29/8/2009	Hamp Rovers	Ormond	BJR
20/6/2009	Old Trinity	St Kevins	MPF	29/8/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Melb	MUO

Grounds:

CSC – Carey Sports Complex
RO – Righetti Oval
SBCO – St Bernards College Oval
GB – Gordon Barnard Reserve

JO – Junction Oval
MR – McKinnon Reserve
BJR – Boss James Reserve
EEGR – E.E Gunn Reserve

MUO – Melbourne University Oval
MPF – Marles Playing Fields, Trinity College

Finals:

05/09/2009 – 1st Semi Final
 06/09/2009 – 2nd Semi Final
 12/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
19/09/2009 – Grand Final

C SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	MHSOB	Ajax	MHS	27/6/2009	MHSOB	Old Geelong	MHS
18/4/2009	Mazenod	Bulleen Temp	CR	27/6/2009	Oakleigh	Monash Blues	WAS
18/4/2009	Oakleigh	Parkdale Vult	WAS	27/6/2009	Bulleen Temp	Mazenod	TAR
18/4/2009	Caulfield Gram	Monash Blues	GO	27/6/2009	Ajax	Beamaris	GSO
18/4/2009	Beamaris	Old Geelong	BR	27/6/2009	Caulfield Gram	Parkdale Vult	GO
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Monash Blues	Beamaris	FOMU	04/7/2009	Monash Blues	Caulfield Gram	FOMU
25/4/2009	Old Geelong	Mazenod	CP	04/7/2009	MHSOB	Bulleen Temp	MHS
25/4/2009	Parkdale Vult	Caulfield Gram	GGR	04/7/2009	Old Geelong	Ajax	CP
25/4/2009	Bulleen Temp	MHSOB	TAR	04/7/2009	Mazenod	Parkdale Vult	CR
25/4/2009	Ajax	Oakleigh	SCA	04/7/2009	Beamaris	Oakleigh	BR
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	MHSOB	Caulfield Gram	MHS	11/7/2009	Old Geelong	Monash Blues	CP
02/5/2009	Mazenod	Monash Blues	CR	11/7/2009	Parkdale Vult	Bulleen Temp	GGR
02/5/2009	Oakleigh	Beamaris	WAS	11/7/2009	Ajax	MHSOB	GSO
02/5/2009	Bulleen Temp	Parkdale Vult	TAR	11/7/2009	Caulfield Gram	Oakleigh	GO
02/5/2009	Ajax	Old Geelong	SCA	11/7/2009	Beamaris	Mazenod	BR
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	Monash Blues	Oakleigh	FOMU	18/7/2009	Mazenod	Old Geelong	CR
09/5/2009	Old Geelong	MHSOB	CP	18/7/2009	Parkdale Vult	Monash Blues	GGR
09/5/2009	Parkdale Vult	Mazenod	GGR	18/7/2009	Oakleigh	Ajax	WAS
09/5/2009	Caulfield Gram	Bulleen Temp	GO	18/7/2009	Bulleen Temp	Beamaris	TAR
09/5/2009	Beamaris	Ajax	BR	18/7/2009	Caulfield Gram	MHSOB	GO
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	MHSOB	Beamaris	MHS	25/7/2009	Monash Blues	Mazenod	FOMU
16/5/2009	Old Geelong	Parkdale Vult	CP	25/7/2009	MHSOB	Parkdale Vult	MHS
16/5/2009	Bulleen Temp	Oakleigh	TAR	25/7/2009	Old Geelong	Beamaris	CP
16/5/2009	Ajax	Monash Blues	GSO	25/7/2009	Oakleigh	Bulleen Temp	WAS
16/5/2009	Caulfield Gram	Mazenod	GO	25/7/2009	Ajax	Caulfield Gram	GSO
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	Monash Blues	Old Geelong	FOMU	01/8/2009	Monash Blues	Ajax	FOMU
23/5/2009	Mazenod	Beamaris	CR	01/8/2009	Mazenod	Caulfield Gram	CR
23/5/2009	Parkdale Vult	MHSOB	GGR	01/8/2009	Parkdale Vult	Oakleigh	GGR
23/5/2009	Oakleigh	Caulfield Gram	WAS	01/8/2009	Bulleen Temp	Old Geelong	TAR
23/5/2009	Bulleen Temp	Ajax	TAR	01/8/2009	Beamaris	MHSOB	BR
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Monash Blues	Parkdale Vult	FOMU	08/8/2009	MHSOB	Monash Blues	MHS
30/5/2009	Mazenod	MHSOB	CR	08/8/2009	Oakleigh	Mazenod	WAS
30/5/2009	Oakleigh	Old Geelong	WAS	08/8/2009	Ajax	Bulleen Temp	GSO
30/5/2009	Caulfield Gram	Ajax	GO	08/8/2009	Caulfield Gram	Old Geelong	GO
30/5/2009	Beamaris	Bulleen Temp	BR	08/8/2009	Beamaris	Parkdale Vult	BR
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	MHSOB	Oakleigh	MHS	15/8/2009	Monash Blues	Bulleen Temp	FOMU
13/6/2009	Old Geelong	Caulfield Gram	CP	15/8/2009	MHSOB	Mazenod	MHS
13/6/2009	Parkdale Vult	Beamaris	GGR	15/8/2009	Old Geelong	Oakleigh	CP
13/6/2009	Bulleen Temp	Monash Blues	TAR	15/8/2009	Ajax	Parkdale Vult	GSO
13/6/2009	Ajax	Mazenod	GSO	15/8/2009	Caulfield Gram	Beamaris	GO
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Monash Blues	MHSOB	FOMU	22/8/2009	Mazenod	Ajax	CR
20/6/2009	Old Geelong	Bulleen Temp	CP	22/8/2009	Parkdale Vult	Old Geelong	GGR
20/6/2009	Mazenod	Oakleigh	CR	22/8/2009	Oakleigh	MHSOB	WAS
20/6/2009	Parkdale Vult	Ajax	GGR	22/8/2009	Bulleen Temp	Oakleigh	TAR
20/6/2009	Beamaris	Caulfield Gram	BR	22/8/2009	Beamaris	MHSOB	BR

Grounds:

SCA – Sportscover Arena
CR – Central Reserve
FOMU – Frearson Oval,
 Monash Uni

GGR – Gerry Green Reserve
WAS – W.A. Scammell Reserve
MHS – Melbourne High School
GO – Glenhuntly Oval

CP – Como Park
TAR – Ted Ajani Reserve
GSO – Gary Smorgon Oval
BR – Banksia Reserve

Finals:

29/08/2009 – 1st Semi Final
 30/08/2009 – 2nd Semi Final
 05/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
12/09/2009 – Grand Final

D1 SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Emmaus SL	Aquinas	BSG	27/6/2009	Prahran	Whitefriars	TP
18/4/2009	Whitefriars	Rupertswood	WC	27/6/2009	Rupertswood	Emmaus SL	SCS
18/4/2009	Werribee	South Melb	SR	27/6/2009	Old Ment	Fitzroy	MGPF
18/4/2009	NOB/ St Pats	Old Ment	AGO	27/6/2009	Aquinas	Werribee	AC
18/4/2009	Fitzroy	Prahran	WTPCO	27/6/2009	NOB / St Pats	South Melb	AGO
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Prahran	Emmaus SL	TP	04/7/2009	South Melb	Rupertswood	LHO
25/4/2009	Rupertswood	Fitzroy	SCS	04/7/2009	Emmaus SL	Prahran	BSG
25/4/2009	Whitefriars	NOB / St Pats	WC	04/7/2009	Whitefriars	Old Ment	WC
25/4/2009	Old Ment	Werribee	MGPF	04/7/2009	Werribee	NOB/St Pats	SR
25/4/2009	Aquinas	South Melb	AC	04/7/2009	Fitzroy	Aquinas	WTPCO
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	South Melb	Whitefriars	LHO	11/7/2009	Rupertswood	NOB / St Pats	SCS
02/5/2009	Prahran	Werribee	TP	11/7/2009	Werribee	Emmaus SL	SR
02/5/2009	Old Ment	Emmaus SL	MGPF	11/7/2009	Old Mentonians	South Melb	MGPF
02/5/2009	Aquinas	Fitzroy	AC	11/7/2009	Aquinas	Prahran	AC
02/5/2009	NOB / St Pat	Rupertswood	AGO	11/7/2009	Fitzroy	Whitefriars	WTPCO
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	South Melb	NOB / St Pats	LHO	18/7/2009	South Melb	Werribee	LHO
09/5/2009	Emmaus SL	Rupertswood	BSG	18/7/2009	Prahran	Rupertswood	TP
09/5/2009	Whitefriars	Prahran	WC	18/7/2009	Emmaus SL	Fitzroy	BSG
09/5/2009	Werribee	Aquinas	SR	18/7/2009	Aquinas	Old Ment	AC
09/5/2009	Fitzroy	Old Ment	WTPCO	18/7/2009	NOB / St Pats	Whitefriars	AGO
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	Prahran	Aquinas	TP	25/7/2009	Rupertswood	Aquinas	SCS
16/5/2009	Rupertswood	South Melb	SCS	25/7/2009	Whitefriars	South Melb	WC
16/5/2009	Old Ment	Whitefriars	MGPF	25/7/2009	Werribee	Fitzroy	SR
16/5/2009	NOB / St Pats	Werribee	AGO	25/7/2009	Emmaus SL	Old Ment	BSG
16/5/2009	Fitzroy	Emmaus SL	WTPCO	25/7/2009	NOB / St Pats	Prahran	AGO
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	South Melb	Old Ment	LHO	01/8/2009	South Melb	Aquinas	LHO
23/5/2009	Prahran	NOB/St Pats	TP	01/8/2009	Prahran	Old Ment	TP
23/5/2009	Emmaus SL	Werribee	BSG	01/8/2009	Rupertswood	Werribee	SCS
23/5/2009	Whitefriars	Fitzroy	WC	01/8/2009	Whitefriars	Emmaus SL	WC
23/5/2009	Aquinas	Rupertswood	AC	01/8/2009	Fitzroy	NOB / St Pats	WTPCO
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	South Melb	Emmaus SL	LHO	08/8/2009	Emmaus SL	NOB / St Pats	BSG
30/5/2009	Rupertswood	Prahran	SCS	08/8/2009	Werribee	Prahran	SR
30/5/2009	Werribee	Whitefriars	SR	08/8/2009	Old Ment	Rupertswood	MGPF
30/5/2009	Old Ment	Aquinas	MGPF	08/8/2009	Aquinas	Whitefriars	AC
30/5/2009	NOB / St Pats	Fitzroy	AGO	08/8/2009	Fitzroy	South Melb	WTPCO
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	Prahran	South Melb	TP	15/8/2009	Prahran	Fitzroy	TP
13/6/2009	Rupertswood	Old Ment	SCS	15/8/2009	Rupertswood	Whitefriars	SCS
13/6/2009	Emmaus SL	Whitefriars	BSG	15/8/2009	Emmaus SL	South Melb	BSG
13/6/2009	Aquinas	NOB/St Pats	AC	15/8/2009	Werribee	Old Ment	SR
13/6/2009	Fitzroy	Werribee	WTPCO	15/8/2009	NOB / St Pats	Aquinas	AGO
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	South Melb	Fitzroy	LHO	22/8/2009	South Melb	Prahran	LHO
20/6/2009	Whitefriars	Aquinas	WC	22/8/2009	Whitefriars	Werribee	WCO
20/6/2009	Werribee	Rupertswood	SR	22/8/2009	Old Ment	NOB/St Pats	MGPF
20/6/2009	Old Ment	Prahran	MGPF	22/8/2009	Fitzroy	Rupertswood	WTPCO
20/6/2009	NOB / St Pats	Emmaus SL	AGO	22/8/2009	Aquinas	Emmaus SL	AC

Grounds:		
AGO – Alec Gillion Oval MGPF – Mentone Grammar Playing Fields AC – Aquinas College TP – Toorak Park	WTPCO – W.T. Peterson Community Oval LHO – Lindsay Hassett Oval WC – Whitefriars College	BSG – Bennetswood Sports Ground SR – Soldiers Reserve SCS – Salesian College Sunbury

Finals:
29/08/2009 – 1st Semi Final
30/08/2009 – 2nd Semi Final
05/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
12/09/2009 – Grand Final

D2 SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Old Paradians	Ivanhoe	GO	27/6/2009	Glen Eira	Ivanhoe	PR
18/4/2009	Willi CYMS	Therry Penola	FR	27/6/2009	Peninsula	Old West	PS
18/4/2009	Old West	Peninsula	WSG	27/6/2009	Therry Penola	Willi CYMS	JPFR
18/4/2009	Eltham	Glen Eira	EC	27/6/2009	Eltham	Yarra Valley	EC
18/4/2009	Yarra Valley	Banyule	DR	27/6/2009	Banyule	Old Paradians	RJBO
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Glen Eira	Willi CYMS	PR	04/7/2009	Peninsula	Ivanhoe	PS
25/4/2009	Peninsula	Old Paradians	PS	04/7/2009	Willi CYMS	Glen Eira	FR
25/4/2009	Therry Penola	Eltham	JPFR	04/7/2009	Old West	Therry Penola	WSG
25/4/2009	Ivanhoe	Yarra Valley	IP	04/7/2009	Eltham	Banyule	EC
25/4/2009	Banyule	Old West	RJBO	04/7/2009	Yarra Valley	Old Paradians	DR
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	Old Paradians	Banyule	GO	11/7/2009	Old Paradians	Glen Eira	GO
02/5/2009	Willi CYMS	Peninsula	FR	11/7/2009	Willi CYMS	Eltham	FR
02/5/2009	Therry Penola	Old West	JPFR	11/7/2009	Therry Penola	Peninsula	JPFR
02/5/2009	Ivanhoe	Glen Eira	IP	11/7/2009	Ivanhoe	Old West	IP
02/5/2009	Yarra Valley	Eltham	DR	11/7/2009	Banyule	Yarra Valley	RJBO
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	Glen Eira	Banyule	PR	18/7/2009	Glen Eira	Eltham	PR
09/5/2009	Peninsula	Therry Penola	PS	18/7/2009	Peninsula	Willi CYMS	PS
09/5/2009	Old Paradians	Yarra Valley	GO	18/7/2009	Old Paradians	Therry Penola	GO
09/5/2009	Old West	Ivanhoe	WSG	18/7/2009	Old West	Banyule	WSG
09/5/2009	Eltham	Willi CYMS	EC	18/7/2009	Yarra Valley	Ivanhoe	DR
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	Old West	Glen Eira	WSG	25/7/2009	Willi CYMS	Banyule	FR
16/5/2009	Therry Penola	Old Paradians	JPFR	25/7/2009	Old Westbourne	Yarra Valley	WSG
16/5/2009	Ivanhoe	Peninsula	IP	25/7/2009	Therry Penola	Glen Eira	JPFR
16/5/2009	Yarra Valley	Willi CYMS	DR	25/7/2009	Eltham	Peninsula	EC
16/5/2009	Banyule	Eltham	RJBO	25/7/2009	Ivanhoe	Old Paradians	IP
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	Glen Eira	Old Paradians	PR	01/8/2009	Peninsula	Yarra Valley	PS
23/5/2009	Peninsula	Eltham	PS	01/8/2009	Old Paradians	Old West	GO
23/5/2009	Willi CYMS	Ivanhoe	FR	01/8/2009	Eltham	Therry Penola	EC
23/5/2009	Therry Penola	Banyule	JPFR	01/8/2009	Ivanhoe	Willi CYMS	IP
23/5/2009	Yarra Valley	Old West	DR	01/8/2009	Banyule	Glen Eira	RJBO
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Glen Eira	Yarra Valley	PR	08/8/2009	Glen Eira	Peninsula	PR
30/5/2009	Old Paradians	Willi CYMS	GO	08/8/2009	Willi CYMS	Old Paradians	FR
30/5/2009	Eltham	Old West	EC	08/8/2009	Old West	Eltham	WSG
30/5/2009	Ivanhoe	Therry Penola	IP	08/8/2009	Yarra Valley	Therry Penola	DR
30/5/2009	Banyule	Peninsula	RJBO	08/8/2009	Banyule	Ivanhoe	RJBO
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	Peninsula	Glen Eira	PS	15/8/2009	Glen Eira	Old West	PR
13/6/2009	Old Westbourne	Old Paradians	WSG	15/8/2009	Peninsula	Banyule	PS
13/6/2009	Therry Penola	Yarra Valley	JPFR	15/8/2009	Willi CYMS	Yarra Valley	DR
13/6/2009	Eltham	Ivanhoe	EC	15/8/2009	Therry Penola	Ivanhoe	JPFR
13/6/2009	Banyule	Willi CYMS	RJBO	15/8/2009	Eltham	Old Paradians	EC
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Glen Eira	Therry Penola	PR	22/8/2009	Old Paradians	Peninsula	GO
20/6/2009	Old Paradians	Eltham	GO	22/8/2009	Old Westbourne	Willi CYMS	WSG
20/6/2009	Willi CYMS	Old West	FR	22/8/2009	Ivanhoe	Eltham	IP
20/6/2009	Ivanhoe	Banyule	IP	22/8/2009	Yarra Valley	Glen Eira	DR
20/6/2009	Yarra Valley	Peninsula	DR	22/8/2009	Banyule	Therry Penola	RJBO

Grounds:

<p>IP – Ivanhoe Park</p> <p>PR – Packer Reserve</p> <p>JPFR – John Pascoe Fawkner Reserve</p>	<p>WSG – Westbourne School Ground</p> <p>GO – Garvey Oval</p> <p>RJBO – RJ Brockwell Oval</p>	<p>PS – Peninsula School</p> <p>FR – Fearon Reserve</p> <p>EC – Eltham College</p> <p>DR – Domeney Reserve</p>
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Finals:

<p>29/08/2009 – 1st Semi Final</p> <p>30/08/2009 – 2nd Semi Final</p> <p>05/09/2009 – Preliminary Final</p> <p>12/09/2009 – Grand Final</p>
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D3 SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Elsternwick	Power House	EP02	27/6/2009	Elsternwick	Bentleigh	EP02
18/4/2009	St Marys/Sales	UHS-VU	FP	27/6/2009	St Marys/Sales	Monash Gry	FP
18/4/2009	West Bruns	St Francis Xav	MO	27/6/2009	West Bruns	St Johns	MO
18/4/2009	Bentleigh	St Johns	BRR	27/6/2009	Power House	St Francis Xav	RGO
18/4/2009	Hawthorn	Monash Gry	RRR	27/6/2009	Hawthorn	UHS-VU	RRR
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Elsternwick	West Bruns	EP02	04/7/2009	St Johns	Elsternwick	TCR
25/4/2009	St Johns	Hawthorn	TCR	04/7/2009	St Marys/Sales	Hawthorn	FP
25/4/2009	UHS-VU	Bentleigh	BO	04/7/2009	Monash Gry	Power House	ECR
25/4/2009	Monash Gry	St Marys/Sales	ECR	04/7/2009	Bentleigh	UHS-VU	BRR
25/4/2009	St Francis Xav	Power House	SFX	04/7/2009	St Francis Xav	West Bruns	SFX
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	St Johns	West Bruns	TCR	11/7/2009	Elsternwick	Hawthorn	EP02
02/5/2009	Bentleigh	Elsternwick	BRR	11/7/2009	UHS-VU	St Johns	BO
02/5/2009	Power House	Monash Gry	RGO	11/7/2009	Monash Gry	Bentleigh	ECR
02/5/2009	Hawthorn	St Marys/Sales	RRR	11/7/2009	West Bruns	Power House	MO
02/5/2009	St Francis Xav	UHS-VU	SFX	11/7/2009	St Francis Xav	St Marys/Sales	SFX
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	Elsternwick	St Johns	EP02	18/7/2009	St Johns	Bentleigh	TCR
09/5/2009	UHS-VU	Hawthorn	BO	18/7/2009	UHS-VU	Monash Gry	BO
09/5/2009	St Marys/Sales	Power House	FP	18/7/2009	St Marys/Sales	West Bruns	FP
09/5/2009	Monash Gry	St Francis Xav	ECR	18/7/2009	Power House	Elsternwick	RGO
09/5/2009	West Bruns	Bentleigh	MO	18/7/2009	Hawthorn	St Francis Xav	RRR
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	St Johns	Monash Gry	TCR	25/7/2009	St Johns	St Marys/Sales	TCR
16/5/2009	UHS-VU	Elsternwick	BO	25/7/2009	Monash Gry	Hawthorn	ECR
16/5/2009	West Bruns	St Marys/Sales	MO	25/7/2009	West Bruns	Elsternwick	MO
16/5/2009	Bentleigh	Power House	BRR	25/7/2009	Bentleigh	St Francis Xav	BRR
16/5/2009	St Francis Xav	Hawthorn	SFX	25/7/2009	Power House	UHS-VU	RGO
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	St Johns	UHS-VU	TCR	01/8/2009	Elsternwick	UHS-VU	EP02
23/5/2009	St Marys/Sales	St Francis Xav	FP	01/8/2009	St Marys/Sales	Bentleigh	FP
23/5/2009	Bentleigh	Monash Gry	BRR	01/8/2009	West Bruns	Monash Gry	MO
23/5/2009	Power House	West Bruns	RGO	01/8/2009	Hawthorn	Power House	RRR
23/5/2009	Hawthorn	Elsternwick	RRR	01/8/2009	St Francis Xav	St Johns	SFX
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Elsternwick	St Marys/Sales	EP02	08/8/2009	UHS-VU	St Francis Xav	BO
30/5/2009	Monash Gry	UHS-VU	ECR	08/8/2009	Monash Gry	Elsternwick	ECR
30/5/2009	West Bruns	Hawthorn	MO	08/8/2009	Bentleigh	West Bruns	BRR
30/5/2009	Power House	St Johns	RGO	08/8/2009	Power House	St Marys/Sales	RGO
30/5/2009	St Francis Xav	Bentleigh	SFX	08/8/2009	Hawthorn	St Johns	RRR
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	UHS-VU	Power House	BO	15/8/2009	St Johns	Power House	TCR
13/6/2009	St Marys/Sales	St Johns	FP	15/8/2009	St Marys/Sales	Elsternwick	FP
13/6/2009	Monash Gry	West Bruns	ECR	15/8/2009	West Bruns	UHS-VU	MO
13/6/2009	Hawthorn	Bentleigh	RRR	15/8/2009	Bentleigh	Hawthorn	BRR
13/6/2009	St Francis Xav	Elsternwick	SFX	15/8/2009	St Francis Xav	Monash Gry	SFX
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Elsternwick	Monash Gry	EP02	22/8/2009	Elsternwick	St Francis Xav	EP02
20/6/2009	St Johns	St Francis Xav	TCR	22/8/2009	UHS-VU	St Marys/Sales	BO
20/6/2009	UHS-VU	West Bruns	BO	22/8/2009	Monash Gry	St Johns	ECR
20/6/2009	Bentleigh	St Marys/Sales	BRR	22/8/2009	Power House	Bentleigh	RGO
20/6/2009	Power House	Hawthorn	RGO	22/8/2009	Hawthorn	West Bruns	RRR

Grounds:		
RRR – Rathmines Road Reserve	EP02 – Elsternwick Park Oval 2	BRR – Bentleigh Recreation Reserve
TCR – Thomas Carroll Reserve	RGO – Ross Gregory Oval	MO – McAlister Oval
BO – Brens Oval	FP – Ferndale Park	SFX – St Francis Xavier College
ECR – East Caulfield Reserve		

Finals:
29/08/2009 – 1st Semi Final
30/08/2009 – 2nd Semi Final
05/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
12/09/2009 – Grand Final

D4 SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Albert Park	Richmond Cen	SCA (N)	27/6/2009	Richmond Cen	Mann Cobras	LOKBR
18/4/2009	Box Hill Nth	Mt Lilydale	EP	27/6/2009	Albert Park	Mt Lilydale	O20BP
18/4/2009	Eley Park	North Bruns	WR	27/6/2009	Eley Park	Swin Uni	WR
18/4/2009	Sth Morn	Mann Cobras	CO	27/6/2009	Kew	Sth Morn	VP
18/4/2009	La Trobe Uni	Kew	LTU	27/6/2009	North Bruns	La Trobe Uni	AP
18/4/2009	Swin Uni	Chadstone	SJP	27/6/2009	Chadstone	Box Hill Nth	JR
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Richmond Cen	Swin Uni	LOKBR	04/7/2009	Eley Park	Richmond Cen	WR
25/4/2009	Box Hill Nth	Albert Park	EP	04/7/2009	Mann Cobras	Albert Park	KR
25/4/2009	Mann Cobras	Eley Park	KR	04/7/2009	Sth Morn	North Bruns	CO
25/4/2009	Kew	North Bruns	VP	04/7/2009	Mt Lilydale	Kew	MLMCSO
25/4/2009	Chadstone	Sth Morn	JR	04/7/2009	La Trobe Uni	Chadstone	LTU
25/4/2009	La Trobe Uni	Mt Lilydale	LTU	04/7/2009	Swin Uni	Box Hill Nth	SJP
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	Eley Park	Chadstone	WR	11/7/2009	Richmond Cen	Albert Park	LOKBR
02/5/2009	Mann Cobras	La Trobe Uni	KR	11/7/2009	Box Hill Nth	Sth Morn	EP
02/5/2009	Sth Morn	Albert Park	CO	11/7/2009	Kew	Eley Park	VP
02/5/2009	Kew	Box Hill Nth	VP	11/7/2009	North Bruns	Mt Lilydale	AP
02/5/2009	Mt Lilydale	Richmond Cen	MLMCSO	11/7/2009	Chadstone	Swin Uni	JR
02/5/2009	Swin Uni	North Bruns	SJP	11/7/2009	La Trobe Uni	Mann Cobras	LTU
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	Richmond Cen	North Bruns	LOKBR	18/7/2009	Richmond Cen	Kew	LOKBR
09/5/2009	Albert Park	Swin Uni	O20BP	18/7/2009	Albert Park	La Trobe Uni	O20BP
09/5/2009	Box Hill Nth	La Trobe Uni	EP	18/7/2009	Sth Morn	Eley Park	CO
09/5/2009	Eley Park	Sth Morn	WR	18/7/2009	North Bruns	Chadstone	AP
09/5/2009	Mt Lilydale	Mann Cobras	MLMCSO	18/7/2009	Mt Lilydale	Box Hill North	MLMCSO
09/5/2009	Chadstone	Kew	JR	18/7/2009	Swin Uni	Mann Cobras	SJP
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	Richmond Cen	Chadstone	LOKBR	25/7/2009	Albert Park	Sth Morn	O20BP
16/5/2009	Mann Cobras	Kew	KR	25/7/2009	Box Hill Nth	North Bruns	EP
16/5/2009	Sth Morn	Box Hill Nth	CO	25/7/2009	Eley Park	La Trobe Uni	WR
16/5/2009	North Bruns	Albert Park	AP	25/7/2009	Mann Cobras	Mt Lilydale	KR
16/5/2009	La Trobe Uni	Eley Park	LTU	25/7/2009	Kew	Chadstone	VP
16/5/2009	Swin Uni	Mt Lilydale	SJP	25/7/2009	Swin Uni	Richmond Cen	SJP
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	Albert Park	Eley Park	O20BP	01/8/2009	Mann Cobras	Richmond Cen	KR
23/5/2009	Box Hill Nth	Richmond Cen	EP	01/8/2009	Sth Morn	Swin Uni	CO
23/5/2009	Kew	Swinburne Uni	VP	01/8/2009	Kew	Albert Park	VP
23/5/2009	Mt Lilydale	North Bruns	MLMCSO	01/8/2009	North Bruns	Eley Park	AP
23/5/2009	Chadstone	Mann Cobras	JR	01/8/2009	Chadstone	Mt Lilydale	JR
23/5/2009	La Trobe Uni	Sth Morn	LTU	01/8/2009	La Trobe Uni	Box Hill Nth	LTU
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Richmond Cen	La Trobe Uni	LOKBR	08/8/2009	Richmond Cen	Sth Morn	LOKBR
30/5/2009	Albert Park	Chadstone	O20BP	08/8/2009	Box Hill Nth	Kew	EP
30/5/2009	Eley Park	Kew	WR	08/8/2009	Eley Park	Mann Cobras	WR
30/5/2009	Mann Cobras	Swin Uni	KR	08/8/2009	North Bruns	Swin Uni	AP
30/5/2009	Sth Morn	Mt Lilydale	CO	08/8/2009	Mt Lilydale	La Trobe Uni	MLMCSO
30/5/2009	North Bruns	Box Hill Nth	AP	08/8/2009	Chadstone	Albert Parks	JR
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	Mann Cobras	Box Hill Nth	KR	15/8/2009	Richmond Cen	Mt Lilydale	LOKBR
13/6/2009	Kew	Richmond Cen	VP	15/8/2009	Albert Park	North Bruns	O20BP
13/6/2009	Mt Lilydale	Eley Park	MLMCSO	15/8/2009	Box Hill Nth	Mann Cobras	EP
13/6/2009	Chadstone	North Bruns	JR	15/8/2009	Sth Morn	Chadstone	CO
13/6/2009	La Trobe Uni	Albert Park	LTU	15/8/2009	Kew	La Trobe Uni	VP
13/6/2009	Swin Uni	Sth Morn	SJP	15/8/2009	Swin Uni	Eley Park	SJP
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Albert Park	Kew	O20BP	22/8/2009	Eley Park	Box Hill Nth	WR
20/6/2009	Box Hill North	Eley Park	EP	22/8/2009	Mann Cobras	Sth Morn	KR
20/6/2009	Sth Morn	Richmond Cen	CO	22/8/2009	North Bruns	Kew	AP
20/6/2009	North Bruns	Mann Cobras	AP	22/8/2009	Mt Lilydale	Albert Park	MLMCSO
20/6/2009	Mt Lilydale	Chadstone	MLMCSO	22/8/2009	Chadstone	Richmond Cen	JR
20/6/2009	Swin Uni	La Trobe Uni	SJP	22/8/2009	La Trobe Uni	Swin Uni	LTU

Grounds:

SCA – Sportscover Arena
AP – Allard Park
EP – Elgar Park
JR – Jordan Reserve
KR – Koonung Reserve
WR – Whitehorse Reserve

CO – Citation Oval
LOKBR – Loughnan Oval, Kevin Bartlett Res
VP – Victoria Park – Kew

O20BP – Oval 20 Beaurepaire Pavillion
LTU – La Trobe University
SJP – St James Park
MLMCSO – Mt Lilydale Mercy Col Sport Oval

Finals:

29/08/2009 – Elimination Final
30/08/2009 – Qualifying Final
05/09/2009 – Semi Final
12/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
19/09/2009 – Grand Final

U19 (PREMIER) SECTION

ROUND 1				ROUND 10			
18/4/2009	Old Xaverians	De La Salle	TP	27/6/2009	Old Scotch	De La Salle	CSG
18/4/2009	Old Trinity	Old Scotch	MPF	27/6/2009	Old Trinity	Uni Blues	MPF
18/4/2009	Rupertswood	Marcellin	SCS	27/6/2009	Marcellin	Rupertswood	MC02
18/4/2009	Uni Blues	Beaumaris	CO	27/6/2009	Uni Blacks	SBMT	CO
18/4/2009	SBMT	Uni Blacks	BSO	27/6/2009	Beaumaris	Old Xaverians	BR
ROUND 2 ~ ANZAC DAY				ROUND 11			
25/4/2009	Old Xaverians	Rupertswood	SP	04/7/2009	Old Scotch	Old Trinity	CSG
25/4/2009	Marcellin	De La Salle	MC02	04/7/2009	Rupertswood	Beaumaris	SCS
25/4/2009	SBMT	Uni Blues	BSO	04/7/2009	Marcellin	Uni Blacks	MC02
25/4/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Scotch	CO	04/7/2009	Uni Blues	SBMT	CO
25/4/2009	Beaumaris	Old Trinity	BR	04/7/2009	De La Salle	Old Xaverians	WP
ROUND 3				ROUND 12			
02/5/2009	Old Scotch	SBMT	CSG	11/7/2009	Old Xaverians	Marcellin	TP
02/5/2009	Rupertswood	Uni Blacks	SCS	11/7/2009	Old Trinity	Beaumaris	MPF
02/5/2009	Marcellin	Old Xaverians	MC02	11/7/2009	SBMT	Old Scotch	BSO
02/5/2009	Uni Blues	Old Trinity	CO	11/7/2009	De La Salle	Rupertswood	WP
02/5/2009	Beaumaris	De La Salle	BR	11/7/2009	Uni Blacks	Uni Blues	MUO
ROUND 4				ROUND 13			
09/5/2009	Old Xaverians	Beaumaris	SP	18/7/2009	Old Scotch	Marcellin	CSG
09/5/2009	Old Trinity	SBMT	MPF	18/7/2009	Rupertswood	Old Xaverians	SCS
09/5/2009	Rupertswood	Uni Blues	SCS	18/7/2009	Uni Blues	De La Salle	MUO
09/5/2009	De La Salle	Old Scotch	WP	18/7/2009	SBMT	Old Trinity	BSO
09/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Marcellin	CO	18/7/2009	Beaumaris	Uni Blacks	BR
ROUND 5				ROUND 14			
16/5/2009	Old Scotch	Old Xaverians	CSG	25/7/2009	Old Xaverians	Old Scotch	TP
16/5/2009	SBMT	Marcellin	BSO	25/7/2009	Marcellin	Uni Blues	MC02
16/5/2009	De La Salle	Uni Blues	WP	25/7/2009	De La Salle	Old Trinity	WP
16/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Trinity	CO	25/7/2009	Uni Blacks	Rupertswood	CO
16/5/2009	Beaumaris	Rupertswood	BR	25/7/2009	Beaumaris	SBMT	BR
ROUND 6				ROUND 15			
23/5/2009	Old Xaverians	SBMT	SP	01/8/2009	Old Scotch	Uni Blacks	CSG
23/5/2009	Rupertswood	De La Salle	SCS	01/8/2009	Old Trinity	Old Xaverians	MPF
23/5/2009	Marcellin	Old Trinity	MC02	01/8/2009	Marcellin	Beaumaris	MC02
23/5/2009	Uni Blues	Uni Blacks	CO	01/8/2009	Uni Blues	Rupertswood	CO
23/5/2009	Beaumaris	Old Scotch	BR	01/8/2009	SBMT	De La Salle	BSO
ROUND 7				ROUND 16			
30/5/2009	Old Xaverians	Uni Blues	SP	08/8/2009	Old Xaverians	Uni Blacks	SP
30/5/2009	Old Trinity	Rupertswood	MPF	08/8/2009	Rupertswood	Old Trinity	SCS
30/5/2009	Marcellin	Old Scotch	MC02	08/8/2009	Marcellin	SBMT	MC02
30/5/2009	De La Salle	SBMT	WP	08/8/2009	Uni Blues	Old Scotch	CO
30/5/2009	Uni Blacks	Beaumaris	CO	08/8/2009	De La Salle	Beaumaris	WP
ROUND 8				ROUND 17			
13/6/2009	Old Trinity	De La Salle	MPF	15/8/2009	Old Trinity	Marcellin	MPF
13/6/2009	Old Scotch	Uni Blues	CSG	15/8/2009	Old Scotch	Rupertswood	CSG
13/6/2009	SBMT	Rupertswood	BSO	15/8/2009	SBMT	Old Xaverians	BSO
13/6/2009	Uni Blacks	Old Xaverians	CO	15/8/2009	Uni Blacks	De La Salle	CO
13/6/2009	Beaumaris	Marcellin	BR	15/8/2009	Beaumaris	Uni Blues	BR
ROUND 9				ROUND 18			
20/6/2009	Old Xaverians	Old Trinity	SP	22/8/2009	Old Trinity	Uni Blacks	MPF
20/6/2009	Rupertswood	Old Scotch	SCS	22/8/2009	Old Scotch	Beaumaris	CSG
20/6/2009	Uni Blues	Marcellin	CO	22/8/2009	Rupertswood	SBMT	SCS
20/6/2009	SBMT	Beaumaris	BSO	22/8/2009	Uni Blues	Old Xaverians	CO
20/6/2009	De La Salle	Uni Blacks	WP	22/8/2009	De La Salle	Marcellin	WP

Grounds:

CSG – Camberwell Sports Ground
CO – Crawford Oval
MC02 – Marcellin College Oval 2
SCS – Salesian College Sunbury
WP – Waverley Park

SP – Stradbroke Park
TP – Toorak Park
BSO – Brindisi St Oval
MPF – Maries Playing Fields, Trinity Grammar
BR – Banksia Reserve
MUO – Melbourne University Oval

Finals:

29/08/2009 – 1st Semi Final
 30/08/2009 – 2nd Semi Final
 05/09/2009 – Preliminary Final
12/09/2009 – Grand Final



SPORTSCOVER ARENA DRAW 2009



FRI APRIL 17 ALBERT PARK v RICHMOND (D4)
(Night)
SAT APRIL 18 NO MATCHES
SUN APRIL 19 FIDA

SAT APRIL 25 AJAX v OAKLEIGH (C)
SUN APRIL 26 NO MATCHES

SAT MAY 2 AJAX v OLD GEELONG (C)
SUN MAY 3 FIDA

SAT MAY 9 NO MATCHES
SUN MAY 10 NO MATCHES

SAT MAY 16 ST BEDES / MENTONE TIGERS v
UNI BLUES (A)
SUN MAY 17 OLD XAVS v OLD BRIGHTON (A)

SAT MAY 23 NO MATCHES
SUN MAY 24 OLD SCOTCH v OLD XAVS (A)

SAT MAY 30 UNI BLUES v OLD ESSENDON (A)
SUN MAY 31 OLD BRIGHTON v
COLLEGIANS (A)

SAT JUNE 6 VAFA U21 v AFL Q U21
SUN JUNE 7 NO MATCHES

SAT JUNE 13 NO MATCHES
SUN JUNE 14 FIDA

SAT JUNE 20 NO MATCHES
SUN JUNE 21 NO MATCHES

SAT JUNE 27 NO MATCHES
SUN JUNE 28 OLD IVANHOE v MARCELLIN (A)

SAT JULY 4 OLD ESSENDON v
OLD SCOTCH (A)
SUN JULY 5 DE LA SALLE v
OLD IVANHOE (A)

SAT JULY 11 NO MATCHES
SUN JULY 12 FIDA

SAT JULY 18 NO MATCHES
SUN JULY 19 VAFA v VCFL / VAFA U19 v
VCFL U19

SAT JULY 25 NO MATCHES
SUN JULY 26 COLLEGIANS v DE LA SALLE (A)

SAT AUGUST 1
NO MATCHES
SUN AUGUST 2
FIDA

SAT AUGUST 8 MARCELLIN v ST BEDES /
MENTONE TIGERS
SUN AUGUST 9 NO MATCHES

SAT AUGUST 15
NO MATCHES
SUN AUGUST 16
NO MATCHES

SAT AUGUST 22
NO MATCHES
SUN AUGUST 23
NO MATCHES

SAT AUGUST 29
NO MATCHES
SUN AUGUST 30
NO MATCHES

SAT SEPTEMBER 5
B SECTION SEMI FINAL
SUN SEPTEMBER 6
A SECTION SEMI FINAL

SAT SEPTEMBER 12
B SECTION PRELIMINARY FINAL
SUN SEPTEMBER 13
A SECTION PRELIMINARY FINAL

SAT SEPTEMBER 19
B SECTION GRAND FINAL
SUN SEPTEMBER 20
A SECTION GRAND FINAL

NOTES:

Night games are by request – all games to commence by 6.30pm, preference U19 games.
If senior game requested, reserve game to be played at normal venue on the scheduled Saturday –
time of game negotiable.