



## EAST FREMANTLE JUNIOR COMPETITION RULES

### 2015 SEASON

### Not Applicable to Southern Conference Competition

The following are the variations to the By-laws for the East Fremantle Junior Competition in season 2015, under By-law 38.3

#### 1. FEMALE PARTICIPATION

The Development objectives of the WAFC and East Fremantle District require inclusion of females in football and, to give effect to that development objective, females have the option to play down one age group (Year 4's to 9s) during the current season, in competition with males, on application to the JCC Executive.

All female competition is preferred under the WAFC Equal Opportunity Policy and where there is a suitable female competition, it would preferred if the player plays for that suitable team.

#### 2. BEANGE RULE

ALL Registrars, Team Managers and Coaches should make themselves familiar with this ruling.

##### **NO EXCUSES.**

Relates to restrictions on number of players allowed to "play up" (1 year only) in order to boost player numbers in year 7-10 competitions:

That a side that has available twenty one (21) players registered with that team cannot then include in that side for that fixture the following:

- Players from a younger age group.
- Players from equal age group but registered from another team within the same club.
- Players who do not qualify as detailed under other By-laws or Competition Rules.

Should a team have available less than twenty one (21) players registered with that team only then can they include up to the maximum of twenty one (21) the following players:

Players registered from a younger age group. Players are able to play up a maximum of ONE age group.

#### 3. EVEN UP RULE

- a) If a side can only field between 14 and 17 players (year 7-10) the opposition coach will offer surplus players to the lesser numbered team as per By-law 25.
- b) Should a coach wish to remove a player or players from the field for inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behaviour, they can instruct the opposition side and interchange steward (if applicable) that the removal of the player or players will be subject to the requirements of by-law 26.2.3.1 that there be no replacement player and no requirement for the opposing team to remove a player up to a maximum of 15 minutes.

#### 4. E-POINT MODEL

Bylaw 1 requires that junior football in Western Australia be delivered with the Spirit of the Game in mind, which requires every participant ensures they will provide our children with a game environment that is safe, fun and fair, not accept poor behaviours around our game and deter practices that undermine our games environments

By-law 24.1.3 provides the District may adopt its preferred model of E-Point that meets its specific needs and objectives.

Although the Base Model applies only to Year 7's upwards, the District's preferred model will be applied to all competitions from Year 4- 10.

The preferred model is as set out in the attached Junior Game Environment Sheet, which MUST be completed by each team and the umpires after each junior competition game, either in the hardcopy format or any electronic format made available by the JCC.

#### 5. YEAR 7 RULES

Due to the changes in the Junior Match Policy, the East Fremantle District play 18 a side in the year 7 competition.

Boundary umpires will be essential at all year 7 games. Yellow and Red cards will be applied under by-law 43. The tribunal will be instigated in the case of a red card or a report under by-law 45, as it is for the youth competitions. Junior clubs are able to use two runners and two water runners in the year 7 competition.

#### 6. SCHOOL YEAR PLAY DOWN APPLICATION

To avoid any adverse impact on players by the removal of by-law 11.1.3 which, between 2012 and 2014, allowed for applications for players who remained down a year at school to play in their school year, the following will apply for the 2015 season.

All players are required to register and play in the "Birth Range" identified in by-law 11, unless approved by the JCC executive to play down an age group.

Any player who has remained down a year at school must apply to the JCC executive if they wish to play in their current school year group. The JCC executive can only consider an application under this competition rule that includes all of the following:

- Written application from the club under the competition rule signed by the club president and registrar.
- Written consent of the parent/guardian of the player to play in the younger age group.
- A letter from the school the player attends confirming the player's school year.
- The date of birth of the player.
- The current height and weight of the player.
- The number of players in the team or teams in the player's "Birth Range" and the number of players in the team of the school year.
- A proven history of playing down with that club or district under by-law 11.1.3 between 2012 and 2014.

#### 7. OVAL DIMENSIONS

The below table identifies the ground size for games played in the East Fremantle Junior Competition by age group. The ground dimensions are largely consistent with WAFC guidelines.

Any club that wishes to seek an exemption from the identified ground sizes for Year 8 and above must be approved by the JCC executive.

Exemptions for larger grounds in the Year 4, 5, 6 and 7 age groups will not be approved.

New ground exemption approvals must be made to the JCC executive in writing, by the 2nd April 2015.

The maximum length for Year 7 in 2015 is 140m max to align with the Year 8 dimensions.

The colour coding in the below table highlights, where clubs can mark a ground for two or more age groups, (overlap in both/either minimum and maximum for length and width) to reduce ground marking commitments.

It is recommended that should temporary goals for Year 7 teams be required, they are at least 10 metres in from the fixed goals at either end. For example, an oval with fixed goals at 154m, the Year 7 ground length be marked at 134m.

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Length (Lower Limit Metres)</b>	<b>Length (Upper Limit Metres)</b>	<b>Width (Lower Limit Metres)</b>	<b>Width (Upper Limit Metres)</b>
Year 4 and 5	100	110	70	80
Year 6	110	120	80	90
Year 7 (18 a side)	130	140	100	110
Year 8	140	150	110	120
Year 9 -12	140	160+	110	130