

JUNIOR LEAGUE INFO SESSION

## RUN DOWN

- Welcome
- Champion Club
- Working With Children
- First Aid provision
- Concussion
- Rules & Regulations
- Set Penalties
- Tribunals
- Officials HQ
- Promotional Rounds
- Licensed Suppliers



# RUN DOWN

- Country Football WA Competition team support
- Ask questions!



## CHAMPION CLUB PROGRAM



The program consists of two levels:

- 1. Foundation Level Essential governance requirements for all clubs
- 2. Premiership Level Demonstrate outstanding governance and operational excellence

Legal Compliance Support - Assists clubs and leagues in meeting both State and Federal legal requirements by putting all the required information in one place

Policy and Best Practice Guidance - Provides access to resources and templates to ensure clubs' policies are up-to-date and align with best practices

Strategic Goal Setting - Encourages clubs to think strategically about their shortand long-term goals for achieving operational success

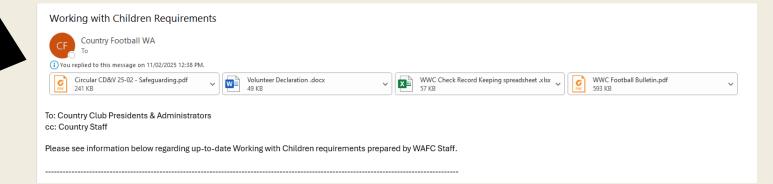
Funding Relationship Enhancement - Helps clubs demonstrate best practices, strengthening relationships with funding bodies e.g., local government as well as potential sponsors

Succession Planning and Document Storage - Offers a system for storing key documents to support volunteer handovers and effective succession planning



## WORKING WITH CHILDREN

- What are your league/club responsibilities?
- Umpires
- Have you seen the memo?



- Possible online webinar with the WWC screening unit.
  - o What questions/scenarios do you have?



## FIRST AID REQUIRMENTS

- Minimum First Aider (current) at all training and games.
- Opposing teams First Aider may assume control of injured players for both teams
- Should be clearly identifiable
- Stretcher must be available

Each team is required to supply a First Aid / Medical Officer with appropriate qualifications for each match.
 The required qualifications are;

Recommended	Level 1 Sports Trainer or Level 2 Sports Trainer or Qualified Medical Professional
Minimum	First Aider or Qualified Medical Professional

For avoidance of doubt, the above terms have the following meaning;

Level 1 Sports Trainer a person who has completed a Level 1 Sports Trainer Course & first aid

certificate (HLTAID011 Provide First Aid) which is current & up to date.

Level 2 Sports Trainer a person who has completed a Level 2 Sports Trainer Course & first aid

certificate (HLTAID011 Provide First Aid) which is current & up to date.

Qualified Medical Professional a person who is a qualified doctor, paramedic, physiotherapist,

osteopath, chiropractor, registered nurse or firefighter with current

Emergency Management Competency & appropriate first aid

competencies.

First Aider a person who has obtained a nationally accredited first aid certificate

(HLTAID011 Provide First Aid) which is current & up-to-date.

- Should a team fail to provide a qualified First Aid / Medical Officer, then the opposing team's suitably qualified First Aid / Medical Officer may assume control of injured players for both teams.
- 29.4. The First Aid / Medical Officer shall be clearly identifiable at all games, ensuring they wear WA Football approved white vest with green cross that is not covered by any clothing such as a jacket or coat.





## CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR GUIDE

#### DAY OF INCIDENT

- Any player who has suffered a concussion or is suspected of having a concussion must be medically assessed as soon as possible after the injury and must NOT be allowed to return to play in the same match or training session.
- The controlling body (league/association) MUST be notified ASAP of any concussion or suspected concussion

#### UPON NOTIFICATION

- Once a league has been notified by a club of a concussion or suspected concussion, the <u>League Administrator</u> should;
  - Suspend the player in Play HQ until seasons end
  - Provide the club with a link to the WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form
- If medically cleared that there was NO concussion, then the player can return to play after submitting WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form to the League Administrator clearing them to play.
- In this instance the <u>League Administrator</u> removes the suspension from the players Play HQ profile to allow them to return to play

#### PLAYER RECOVERY

- Every players recovery timeline will be different. A player MUST NOT be allowed to return to full contact training until they have received a medical clearance to do so
- Players must follow the Stage of Graded Return to Play WA Football Framework

#### MEDICAL CLEARANCE RECEIVED

Upon the <u>League Administrator</u> receiving a WA Football Concussion Referral & Clearance form clearing the player to return to resume full contact training and/or play, the player will be able to return to play no earlier than on or after the 21st day post the incident.

#### RETURN TO PLAY

 To facilitate this the league administrator should remove the suspension on the Players PQ profile or put an end date in accordance with the players return to play timeline.

#### **AWARENESS**

- Club to notify league
- Umpire to note on match report, league to ask question

#### PLAY HQ

- Player profile is suspended
- What if cleared of concussion (ie not diagnosed)?

#### RETURN TO PLAY

- Everyone is different
- Returned referral & clearance form
- On or post 21 days
- Suspension removed

### KEEP A RECORD

No personal info, but how, how long, year group etc.





## **EXAMPLES OF RETURN TO FOOTBALL TII**

#### Incident Symptomatic Symptom Free

· Day of incident is considered Day 0

**KEY NOTES** 

**Contact Training Full Competition** 

Must receive Medical Clearance to return to Full Contact Training

. 14 Day symptom free period does not start until the first day the player is

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3. Thursday	10. Thursday	Thursday	Thursday	Thursday
4. Friday	11. Friday	Friday	Friday	Friday

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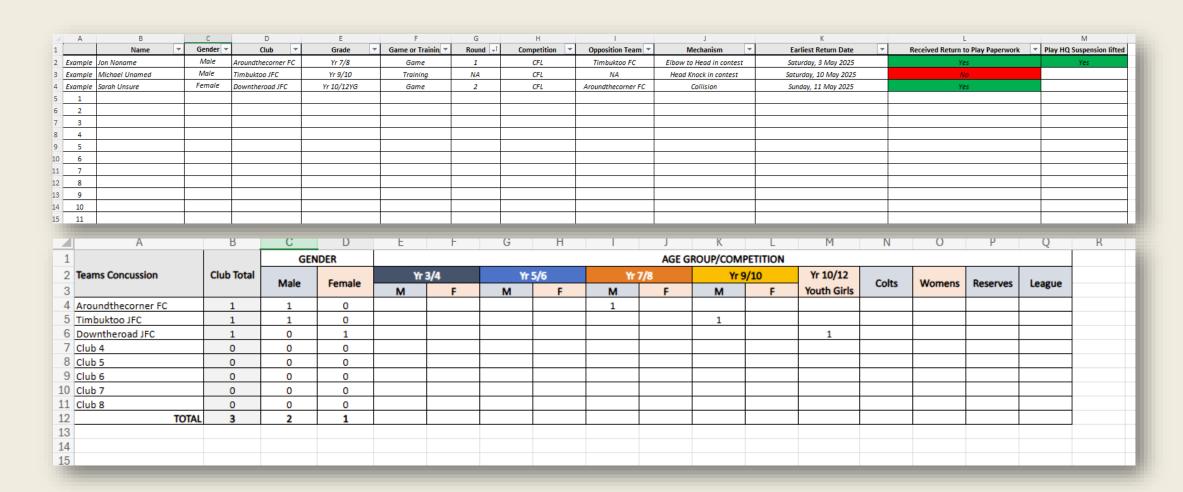
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• Concussion register – Keep a track





# RULES & REGULATIONS



2025 JUNIOR FOOTBALL

**COMPETITION POLICIES, RULES & REGULATIONS** 

### JUNIOR MATCH POLICY

- All junior competitions bound by
- Written to fit a metro setting
- Apply for exemptions (why needed)

#### THE FUTURE

- o CFWA junior competition policies, rules & regulations
- Individual competition formatting
- Exemption process through CFWA, we want to ensure you are covered (i.e multiple year groups)

#### YOUR SUPPORT

Competition staff (Kellie, Zoe, Eamon and Lowen)



## RULES & REGULATIONS

## Play Downs

- These, in normal instances, can be approved by the controlling body (doesn't need to come to CFWA).
- To be approved in accordance with Junior Match Policy.
- Document available to support

## Play Ups

- These, in normal instances, can be approved by the controlling body (doesn't need to come to CFWA).
- To be approved in accordance with Junior Match Policy
- League request an exemption if they wish different parameters (i.e. games played limits)
- Document available to support



# SET PENALTIES

- If unsure, ask!
- It will not be heard by a tribunal if at first the grading appears to not fall inline with the grading matrix
- If the incident sits within the grading for a set penalty to be offered it must be offered, can't be sent direct to a tribunal

#### WAFootball

#### Grading Matrix - Junior Leagues

The below matrix is to be used by **Junior League's** for grading *Classifiable Offences*.

A Classifiable Offence is a Reportable Offence specified below;

- Striking
- Kicking
- Kneeing
- Charging
- Rough Conduct
- Tripping

- Forceful Front-On Contact
- Unreasonable or Unnecessary Contact to the Face or Eye Region
- Headbutt or Contact Using Head
- Behaving in an Abusive, Insulting, Threatening or Obscene

manner towards or in relation to an Umpire

Conduct	Impact	Contact	Base Sanction	Early Guilty Plea
	Severe	All	6+ Matches (or Tribunal)	Not Applicable
	High	High / Groin / Chest	5+ Matches (or Tribunal)	Not Applicable
Intentional		Body	4 Matches	3 Matches
intentional	Medium	High / Groin / Chest	3 Matches	2 Matches
	Medium	Body	2 Matches	1 Match
	Low	High / Groin / Chest	2 Matches	1 Match
	Low	Body	1 match	Not Applicable

	Severe	All	4+ Matches (or Tribunal)	Not Applicable
	High	High / Groin / Chest	3 Matches	2 Matches
		Body	2 Matches	1 Match
Careless		High / Groin / Chest	2 Matches	1 Match
	Medium	Body	1 Match	Not Applicable
	Low	High / Groin / Chest	1 Match	Not Applicable
	LOW	Body	1 Match	Not Applicable

Note: Chest applies to Female Footballers only



# TRIBUNALS

- Please let us know
- The supporting documentation is needed
- Wednesday night hearings\*
- All online, not in person

1.	SUNDAY
	Leagues to receive notifications and details of Red and Yellow cards from Umpires.
	Leagues to receive notification of any set penalties offered by the umpires.
	Leagues to review any of the set penalties red/yellow card offences against League bylaws and the grading matrix to determine if the suitable penalty was offered. If the penalty that was offered on the day, does not align with the grading matrix advise the player's club and umpires of the change in grading and subsequent change in set penalty offer.
2.	MONDAY MORNING
	Leagues to advise early guilty plea acceptance of set penalty by reported individuals (deadline of Monday 5pm).
	Advise Country Football WA (Kellie - South or Zoe - North) of any potential tribunal cases by Monday 12pm. Ensure you flag any direct to Tribunal charges or serious incidents.
3.	TUESDAY MORNING
	Confirm with Country Football WA (Kellie – South or Zoe - North) any cases that will be progressing to Tribunal. Email them the below details.
	Umpire Match Report (only written document required).
	Reported individuals' details - name, date of birth, contact number, jumper number, team.
	Victims' details – name, date of birth, contact number, jumper number, team.
	Reporting Umpires details – name, contact number.
	Advocate details for any of the above - name, relationships and contact number.
	Details of the incident including the graded charge.
	Any prescribed penalty offered by the League.
	Any relevant League bylaws that need to be considered by Tribunal panel members.
4.	TUESDAY AFTERNOON
	Upon receiving details from WAFC Tribunal Administrator or Country Football WA, advise all parties that Tribunal will proceed and provide details of date and Tribunal process.
5.	WEDNESDAY MORNING
	Advise all relevant parties of Tribunal time and online link, if not previously confirmed.
	Advise Country Football WA (Kellie - South or Zoe - North) of any parties (Victim or Umpire) unable to attend Tribunal and discuss alternative options to providing relevant information required.
6.	THURSDAY MORNING
	Once received from WAFC Tribunal Administrator, confirm tribunal outcome with Offenders Club. Ensure appeal procedure and deadline is included with notification.
	Confirm with Country Football WA (Kellie - South or Zoe – North) as soon as possible if Offender or Club elects to appeal



# OFFICIALS HQ

## Registration

Compulsory for all umpires

## Competition Management

- All online completed by the allocated umpires (leagues can set up and capture any information they want and be notified immediately of an incident)
- Awards online
- All umpires can be played by the league by EFT (No Cash, No need to make multiple transactions to pay all umpires
- Club Umpire utilisation



## PROMOTIONAL ROUNDS

#### **BELT UP ROUND**

- 16, 17, 18 May
- Compulsory for all senior CFWA leagues, expanding to some Youth competitions in 2025.
- Footballs, signage, social media
- More info to follow in the lead up

### THINK MENTAL HEALTH ROUND

- 13, 14, 15 June or 20, 21, 22 June
- Compulsory for all senior CFWA leagues, FYI for Junior leagues/grades
- Footballs, goal post wrap, signage, social media
- More info to follow in the lead up



## LICENSED SUPPLIERS

## LEAGUES & CLUBS

- All on field playing apparel
- CFWA logo
- If previous supplier, change before 2026



## **UMPIRES**

 ISC are statewide exclusive supplier













