



SCHEDULE 17A

2019 SFNL PLAYER QUALIFICATION - MEN'S FOOTBALL

1. QUALIFICATION

- 1.1 AFL or VFL Open Age shall be deemed a higher grade than the League's Open Age teams of any Division.
- 1.2 Any Player issued a permit to play in either the AFL, VFL or NAB U18 and who also holds League registration may only play with one club in any one weekend.
- 1.3 Any Player issued a permit to play in either the AFL, VFL or TAC and also holds League registration may only participate in an official League match when the League has received notification from the AFL, VFL or TAC that such Player is available to play for his Member Club and not required by his AFL, VFL or TAC club in that particular weekend.
- 1.4 Save for the exception in rule 1.5, for a Player to be eligible to participate in a League Under 19 grade match, he must NOT have reached the age of twenty (20) before 1st day of July in the year for which he desires to be registered for the League Under 19 competition.
- 1.5 A Member Club may play up to four (4) Players in a League Under 19 grade match who have attained the age of 20 years in the period from 1 January and 30 June in the current season.
- 1.6 No Player shall be qualified to play for a Member Club in any League match:
 - 1.6.1 who is not a duly registered playing member of that Member Club and the holder of a permit to play.
 - 1.6.2 who is under any disqualification or who has not paid any fine imposed by the League or any other Football League.
 - 1.6.3 Unless he has obtained all required transfers and permits.
- 1.7 All Players shall be entitled to free movement between grades, subject to age limitation, where the Member Club fields more than one team in the League provided that only two (2) Players, excluding Under 19 Players, who have played in ten (10) or more games in a higher grade, shall be permitted to play in a lower grade during the subsequent Home and Away matches.
- 1.8 Member Clubs must enter all team participants on the online database with Player positions by 10:00am on the day prior to the game.

2. FINALS QUALIFICATION

- 2.1 A Player cannot play in a finals match for a Member Club in a Senior team unless that Player has played six (6) home and away matches in six (6) separate scheduled rounds.
- 2.2 A Player, excluding an Under 19 Player, who has played a total of ten (10) or more games in any higher grade(s) CANNOT play in any finals of a lower Open Age grade.
- 2.3 Any Member Club that field only Senior and Reserve Open Age teams that are both playing in the same round of the finals shall have open selection of Players. However, the Player must have played at least six (6) home and away games for the member Club in six (6) separate scheduled rounds.
- 2.4 Any Member Club that field Senior, Reserve and Third Open Age teams that are all playing in the same round of the finals shall have open selection of Players. However, the Player must have played at least six (6) home and away games for the member Club in six (6) separate scheduled rounds.
- 2.5 A Player cannot play in a Member Club's Reserve grade final match unless that Player has played six (6) home and away matches in six (6) separate scheduled rounds, of which four (4) matches must have been played in the Reserve grade and/or Thirds grade, unless rule '2.3' or '2.4' applies.
- 2.6 A Player cannot play in a Member Club's Thirds grade final match unless that Player has played six (6) home and away matches in six (6) separate scheduled rounds, of which four (4) matches must have been played in the Thirds grade, unless rule '2.5' applies.
- 2.7 A Player to be eligible to play in a Member Club's Under 19 finals match must play in a minimum of five (5) home and away matches in that grade during the season.
- 2.8 A Player eligible to play Senior, Reserve, Under 19's or Thirds grade finals may only play one match per finals weekend including Friday nights.
- 2.9 Any Member Club that breaches these rules shall be deemed to have lost the game that the breach occurred in.