

AFL Sydney Juniors By-Laws Key Substantive Amendments 2020



All Bylaws should be referred to in conjunction with the 'COVID 19 Community Football Guidelines Appendix

Provision	What	Why
4.3 Players Aids & Protective equipment (New)	Grouping these By-Laws under a single section	Provide ease of reference to Clubs.
5.10 Ten Goal Equalisation Rule	Added warning & ability for E Point deduction - 10 goal and sideline behaviour.	Ensure that matchday environment measures are in place to provide avenues for punishing repeat offenders. Further club education & processes required around the delivery of this bylaw.
8 (B) Teams (New)	Include a provision for Leagues to impose sanctions for late nomination or withdrawal of teams by Clubs	Provide clarity to Clubs on the impact and consequences of late team nominations and the withdrawal of teams.
9.1 (G) Number of players	Consolidation of player numbers for youth girls age groups	All competitions (Harbour + West) competing in 2-year age groups, Under 10 – Under 18. Removal of odd age groups.
9.2 Restricted Player Lists	Extended RPL Lists & Clarification of players moving 'across' competitions	Returned to 2019 RPL numbers
9.3 Player Movement between teams	Limiting the number of games that a player can 'play up' before being ineligible for lower age groups or divisions.	Removed for 2020. Will be reassessed in the off season, with intentions of implementing for 2021.
10.4 Finals Structure	Removed variable finals structure based off the size of competition	All eligible competitions will now have a straight Top 4 Finals Week 1 = 1 st v 4 th and 2 nd v 3 rd Week 2 = 2 Winners straight into the Grand Final
10.7 Player Eligibility	Include a provision which enables a League to determine additional finals eligibility requirements beyond Regulation 4.12.	Clarification of ability to participate in multiple finals games & Reduced minimum games to qualify – now 2 Games



AFL Sydney Juniors By-Laws Key Substantive Amendments 2020

All Bylaws should be referred to in conjunction with the 'COVID 19 Community Football Guidelines Appendix

Provision	What	Why
12.9 Players seeking to Play up a Competition Age Group (Juniors)	Establish requirements where a Club determines to play a Player in a higher Competition age group	Ensure that Clubs elevating Players into higher age groups is not at the expense of existing true age group Players.
13.12 Melee	Define a Melee for reporting purposes 3 or more Players and officials	Enable Leagues to define and quantify what a Melee is under the State & Territory Tribunal Guidelines.
20.4 Amendments to By-Laws (New)	Include a provision that allows Leagues to amend a By-Law, at any time.	Enable Leagues to more effectively and efficiently address issues or irregularities.
Appendix 'E' Youth and Junior age By-Laws	Consolidation of player numbers for youth girls age groups & updating officials allowed for Under 9+10 age groups	Change to Youth Girls age groups for Western Sydney. Removal of water carriers for Under 9 + 10 age groups.
Appendix 'I' E Points	Added conditions for loss of E Points	Following club feedback, failure to adhere to the 10-goal equalisation rule & umpire reports on poor sideline behaviour added as possible deductions.
Appendix 'J' Codes of Behaviour	Includes possible outcomes for breaches	Codes of Behaviour has been updated to include possible outcomes for breaches.