



GREAT SOUTHERN FOOTBAL LEAGUE

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES



Great Southern Football League Supplementary Rules

Introduction

The Rules contained and listed herein have been introduced to and adopted by the Great Southern Football League during meetings of League Delegates and confirmed by majority vote (7 Clubs “for” is a minimum).

The Rules are to be read and used in conjunction with GSFL Constitution and Bylaws as well as the AFL “Laws of the Game”, any SANFL Community Football Rules, Procedures and Guidelines however they shall override or supersede any rules contained in the above.

Amendments, deletions, or additional Rules may be instituted at a meeting of the League Delegates as long as the amendment, deletion or addition rule is listed as an agenda item and the Clubs have at least 28 days’ notice of such.

Rules

1. League Executive Officers

- a. A person is not permitted to hold an Executive position with the GSFL and an Executive or Senior Coaching position with an Affiliated Club simultaneously
- b. Club Executive description defined by a position whereby the person has a voting right of the club management committee.

2. Player Transfer hearing referred for a Tribunal to heard by the League Commissioners–

- a. A \$200 application fee is to be lodged by a Club requesting a clearance or transfer hearing.
- b. If the clearance or transfer is granted the \$200 shall be returned and the refusing Club to pay the \$200 hearing fee.

3. Central Umpires for finals.

- a. The two-umpire system will be used in all Senior Colts and Reserves matches in the major round.

4. Association Matches.

- a. Players who are selected in the Association Training Squads who do not attend training without giving a reason or whose excuse is not acceptable by the Coach and Executive, shall be suspended for the following Club match.

5. Water persons.

- a. Persons on the field carrying water to the players must be of Senior Colt age or older - clubs not complying to be fined \$50 per person per day.

6. Junior Colt Goal Kickers list.

- a. No goal kickers or top goal kicking list is to be published for the Junior Colts. The list will be kept on the prescribed system of the League and the Top Goal Kicking Trophy will be presented at the end of the season.

7. Injury to an Umpire.

- a. The offending Club to which a player belongs is responsible for the costs incurred if a player is found guilty of deliberately assaulting and injuring an umpire.

8. Player Warnings.

- a. Panel appointed boundary umpires are to have the power to issue warnings for category B type offences. These will not result in a send-off but count along with other warnings the player may have.

9. Change of Venue or Ground

- a. The Executive of the League have the power to change the venue of any programmed match if in their opinion the facility poses undue risk to participants or public safety.

10. Team Runners

- a. A Team is permitted to have two runners provided they are both nominated on the Team sheet and that only one runner is permitted on the field during play at any one time.
- b. Penalty following report: - a warning; or fine of \$200; or Team suspension from using two runners as determined by the League Commissioners.

11. Senior Coach shall not act as a Runner

- a. A Club appointed Senior Coach (or member of the Senior Coaching Panel) is not permitted to a runner for any match – Penalty may be a fine to a maximum of \$1,000 and/or loss of Premiership points with points for annulled as determined by the League Commissioners.

12. Player or Players found Guilty by a Tribunal

- a. Clubs with players found guilty by the Tribunal shall be levied \$200 per player.

13. Female Participation

- a. The GSFL adopts the “AFL Policy” in relation to “Female Participation” where no dedicated female competition exists, female participation excludes females when they turn 14 years by January one (1) in the year of play.

14. Counting of Players

- a. 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.
- b. Where such a request is made the field umpire shall stop play and signal time-on at the first available opportunity and 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.
- c. Where the team has more than the permitted number of players on the playing field the following shall apply:

- i. field umpire shall instruct both goal umpires to record the scores of both teams at the time of the player count.
 - ii. 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.
 - iii. A twenty-five-metre penalty shall then be imposed from the position where the free kick was awarded; and
 - iv. upon completing the count, the field umpire(s) should ensure that each team has the permitted number of players on the field prior to recommencing the match
- d. Where a count reveals that the opposing team has the permitted number of players on the playing field, the following shall apply:
 - i. 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.
 - ii. a twenty-five-metre penalty shall then be imposed from the position where the free kick was awarded: and
 - iii. if a field umpire is of the opinion that the request was made primarily to delay play or such request did not have sufficient merit, the field umpire shall report the captain or acting captain who requested the count for time wasting as a Category "A" offence.
- e. The field umpire as soon as practical after the match, report to The League that a request has been made to count the number of players in a team and the number of players actually counted.
- f. The League shall determine whether the offending team shall lose all points which it had scored in the match up to the time of the count, and if so determined the League shall have power to vary the scores of the match and/or provide such other penalty as deemed appropriate by The League.