

THE GAME PLAN

Match Day Procedures

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Match Day Paperwork

2024 Season -

Senior Football, Reserves Football, U18 Male/U19 Female Football:

- Transition to online reporting of Match Day Paperwork through Officials HQ
- No requirement to submit physical paperwork to Highton Reserve
- Clubs are required to submit relevant paperwork (Team Sheets, Interchange Sheet, Umpire Scorecards) to Umpire, Umpire will then submit all relevant documents to the League through Officials HQ.
- Clubs will be required to store relevant match day paperwork documents

U14/U16 Male & Female Football:

Paperwork submission to Highton Reserve (same process as last season)

U9/U10/U12s:

Paperwork submission through the Google Drive Drop Box (same process as last season)

Match Day Paperwork

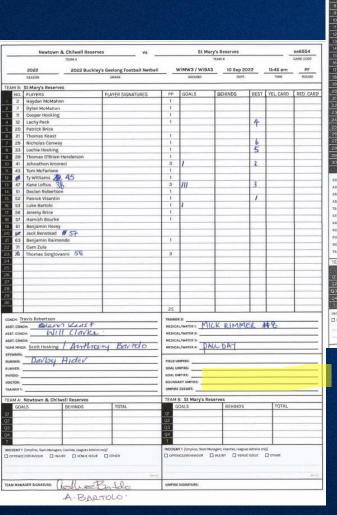
Scorecards - All Grades *

One from each goal umpire and one from each of the timekeepers.
 The timekeepers' scorecards MUST be signed and all times of entry and exit from the ground filled in correctly.

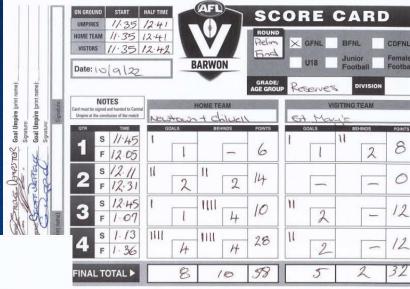
Umpires Match Report – U16 & Below

- To be handed to the Field Umpire and collected at the end of each game. Again for 2024 we will be using a single page report (no duplicates).
- If a Club requires a duplicate, they will have to organise a photocopy prior to sending to AFL Barwon.
- The form can be downloaded at: https://www.aflbarwon.com.au/match-day-forms

Match Day Paperwork – Seniors, Reserves, U18/U19



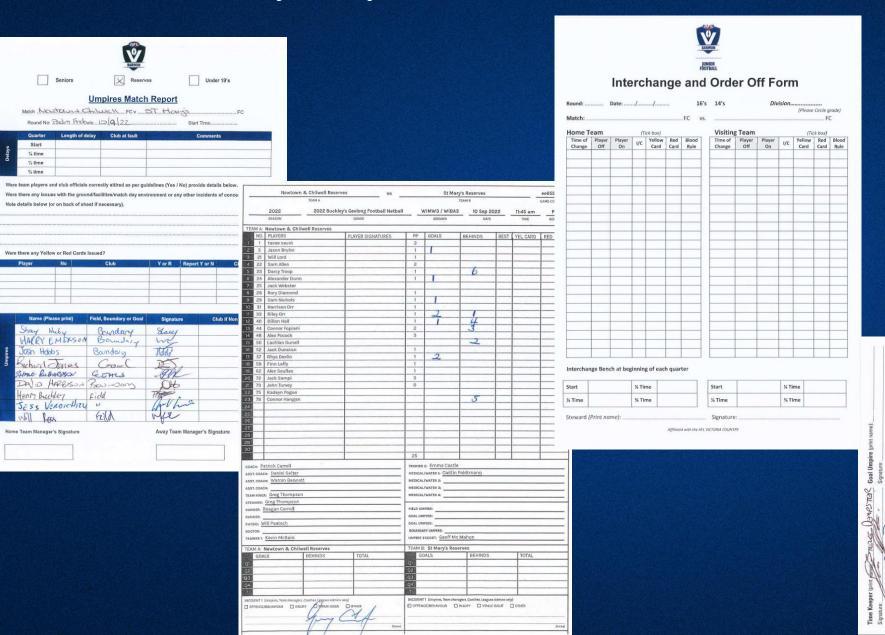
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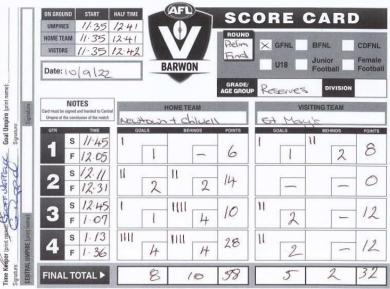
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Match Day Paperwork – U16s & Below –



U12 & Below - Submitted through the Google Drive U14/U16 - Hardcopies submitted to AFLB Office



Match Day Paperwork – Junior Grades

	Under 14, Under 16						
2		Team sheets - Original	Produced using the AFL Vic Country Data Base, signed and handed to umpire				
1		Interchange Sheet	signed by interchange steward				
2		Goal Umpire cards	signed by both goal umpires and central <u>umpire</u>				
2		Timekeeper cards	signed by both timekeepers and central umpire				
1		Umpires Report (Under 14/16)	signed by all Central umpire/s officiating				
1		Best & Fairest envelope	completed and sealed by umpires				
1		Best & Fairest card (Under 14/16)	completed and sealed by umpires				
		Player Reports	original copy of reports of players				
	Under 9, Under 10, Under 12						
2		Team sheets – Original	Produced using the AFL Vic Country Data Base, signed and handed to umpire				
2		Goal Umpire cards	Signed by both goal umpires and central umpire				
1		Umpires Report	signed by all Club Central umpires officiating				

- Under 9/U10/U12 Paperwork uploaded through your Club's Google Drive Folder (accessed through the QR Code provided.
- Under 14/16 Paperwork to be submitted to the AFL Barwon Office.
- Under 18, Reserves, Seniors Online submission of paperwork through OfficialsHQ

Match Day Paperwork *

Best & Fairest Votes (U14s/U16s)

Best & Fairest envelopes and voting cards to be handed to the Field Umpire and collected at the end of each game.

Best & Fairest Votes for Seniors, Reserves & U18/U19 Football Competitions will be submitted through Officials HQ.

Reported Players/Officials

Report Form pads will be supplied to each Club. If you require additional pads, please contact the Office. The Home Club is responsible for ensuring the correct Report Pad is available in the umpire rooms with other match day paperwork for each game.

Each club <u>must</u> have an official who obtains the all clear from the Field Umpire at the end of each game, and no later than 20 minutes after. In the event of a report, the officiating umpires will submit the original of the report form to the Home Team Manager, to be delivered with the match day paperwork to AFL Barwon.

Media Awards (Seniors Only)

Team Manager to Coordinate Club Coaches completed Geelong Addy Awards votes on a 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 basis,

Votes to be submitted no later than the following Tuesday 9.30am post-match.

Coaches votes can be given to players from both sides. i.e. 5,4,3, 2,1 for each team (5 being the best) via AFL Barwon QR Code / Link

Best practice for Team Managers, print off QR Code, have QR Code on hand when playing away match

Match Day Paperwork

Standard forms for use in 2024 include:

- Interchange Form U14 & above (required regardless of whether there is an interchange or not)
- Umpires Match Report form (U16s & below)
- Video Request Form for MRP (Senior Male Comps only)
- These forms can be downloaded at www.aflbarwon.com.au go to the "Club Info" drop-down menu and then "Matchday Forms"
- AFL Barwon Website > Club Resources > Match Day Forms

MATCHDAY PROCEDURES FOR TEAM MANAGERS *

- Be organised!
- Print off 3 copies of the team sheet (night before or that morning)
- Ensure all players are registered to your club for the current year
- Positions to be filled
 - Timekeeper
 - Umpire escort (use runner in junior grades)
 - Runner (one in all grades)
 - Trainers
 - Water carriers & individual water bottles.
 - Scoreboard attendants (<u>home games</u>)
 - Interchange steward (<u>home games</u>)
 - o Goal umpire (Underage, or as required)
 - Boundary umpire (<u>If required in Seniors or U18s only</u>)
 - All clear to Umpires within 20 minutes of the conclusion of the match
- Ensure all people undertaking tasks are aware of their responsibilities.

Team Manager's Equipment Kit

- Equipment Kit:
- First aid kit
- Goal umpire coat and flags
- Coach vest
- Umpire t-shirt
- Runners vest
- Whistle
- Timekeeper clock
- Match day footballs (2)
- Warm up footballs
- Spare football jumpers and shorts
- Water Carrier Vests + Water Bottles

- Wristbands (U9/10 and U9/U10 Female)
- Cones to mark boundary (U9/U10/U12)
- Hand Sanitiser
- Paperwork Kit:
- AFL Barwon Handbook (access online)
- Match day paperwork
- Match day envelope
- Pens!

Resources in preparation for 2024

Resources -

- Loco Sportswear (for purchase of all AFL Barwon game-day vests)
- AFL Barwon Match Day Forms
- Training Footballs Order Form
- AFL Barwon Policies (including relevant codes of conduct)
- De Grandi Club Catalogue Access Password 'degrandihigh'
- https://schools.degrandi.com.au/
- Modified Rules U9/U10 Tutorial Video
- AFL Club Help: PlayHQ Club Training Webinars, User Guides & support
- Marsh Pre-Match Checklist (paper copy)
- Project Clothing Umpire Uniform







Paperwork – Home Team *

To be placed in Umpires Room – 30 min prior to the game

- Current notice of report pad available from AFL Barwon
- Umpire's Match Report Sheet U16 & Below
- 2 Scorecards for the goal umpires— available from AFL Barwon
- Best & Fairest Vote Card and Envelope (U14/U16s Only)
- Video Review Request Form (<u>Seniors only</u>) Online

Other

- 2 x Scorecards to be given to the timekeepers
- Interchange sheets, clipboard and pen to be given to the interchange steward
- Media Vote Form for both teams (Seniors only) Online

Paperwork – Both Teams *

- **Team Sheet** to be given to the umpires prior to the game, with all officials who will be inside the fence during the game listed accordingly, and a line drawn through any players who are not participating in the game.
- Jumper numbers must be correct, and all participating players listed on PlayHQ.
- Ensure that PlayHQ mirrors the hard copy paperwork submitted to the league.
- Extra Team Sheet to list best players and goalkickers (need someone to record goalkickers during the game) (Not for Under 12s & Below)

Match Day Procedures

- A representative from both teams needs to complete the matchday checklist on Marsh Insurance (via QR Code, on the Resources slide) prior to the game.
- Team Managers need to ensure Coaches keep to the listed times at each break.
- Timekeepers must adhere to quarter break sirens as outlined in AFL Barwon Handbook.
- Umpire Escorts must go out to the umpires and accompany umpires at each quarter break. At Half Time & Full Time, they must escort them to & from their rooms.
- Both Team Managers must go to the Umpires' Rooms after the match to receive the "all clear". I.e. confirm any reports or video review requests and collect relevant copies of any reports.
- Home Team Manager to collect the football and all paperwork from the umpires.
- Away Team Manager to provide the home team manager with their best players and goalkickers.

Marsh Pre-Match Checklist QR 2024.pdf

- Home Team Manager to enter Match Results, Best Players and Coalkickers into PlayHQ.
- PlayHQ live scoring is advantageous.

2024 Football Competition Rule Changes

All Competitions

16. Ladders

1. Point Allocation

(c) Where a competition has an uneven number of byes experienced by participating clubs, the Match Ratio system may be used to create the ladder for that competition.

The Match Ratio is a calculation that is used to rank ladders similar in many ways Ladder Points Average (in that it allows for fairness when the number of games each team plays in a season is not equal). However, they are fundamentally different in regard to the calculation method and display. Teams will be sorted based on the ratio of matches won. The Match Ratio % is calculated:

Match Ratio Formula

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Match Ratio = 100

2024 Football Competition Rule Changes

Female Football:

3. Players Per Match

• The Division 1 Senior Female Competition is deemed to be a 16 per side competition with 20 players to be selected for each game. Any lower Divisions in the Senior Female Competition are deemed to be a 16 per side competition with a maximum of 23 players and a minimum of 14 players. If either side has less than 16, both teams must play with the same number of players on the field.

19.2 State League Players

- 19.3 For purposes of state league player eligibility, a player who has played nine (9) or more games for a club affiliated with a senior state league competition in that season will not be eligible to play any remaining home and away games or finals with her local club.
- 19.3.2 All state league players who have played eight (8) or less games in a senior state league competition, must play at least three (3) games with their community club in the current season to be eligible for finals.

2024 Football Competition Rule Changes *

Seniors, Reserves Under 18 Male Football

22.8.2 A player may only play in one game over a weekend of finals if their Club is competing in more than one section. "This includes divisions of AFL Barwon Junior Football (cannot play in an AFL Barwon Junior final and an Under 18s, Reserve or Senior final on the same weekend)

22.8.3 An exemption to 22.8.2 may be granted on matchday by the AFL Barwon Ground Manager for a reserves player who has already participated in a final on that weekend being a late inclusion in the Senior team, if deemed appropriate due to exceptional and unforeseeable circumstances.

23.6 Any player who is ordered off three times during the season in an underage game inclusive of Under 18 Colts games will receive an automatic suspension of one game in home and away or finals matches. A player who is ordered off for a fourth time during the current season will face the AFL Barwon Tribunal whose decision will be binding

22.4 Talent League Player

22.4.1 Any player that plays ten (10) or more games in the Talent League competition may, provided they have qualified under the rules, return to play with their community club in the finals of the senior competition only. (Existing Rule 22.7.2 does not apply for these players)

CAN ONLY PLAY SENIOR FOOTBALL

AFL Barwon Coaching Box Card Policy

White Card





AFL Barwon Coaching Box Card Policy

1.1 Introduction

- a) AFL Barwon is committed to enacting measures that ensure the match day environment for all players, coaches, volunteers, umpires, and spectators is safe, inclusive and a positive experience.
- b) This AFL Barwon Coaching Box Card Policy is established in accordance with Rule 8 "Coaches" and 17.3 "Officials of the AFL Barwon Handbook and sets out the objectives and application of a process aimed at addressing unacceptable behaviour directed at umpires from the Coaching Box Area.
- c) The Policy recognises the influential role that a Coach plays in establishing the behavioural standards of a team and places responsibility on that Coach to manage the behavioural conduct of those persons in the Coaching Box Area in accordance with the Code of Conduct provisions.

Phase	Action Overview
Phase 1	Play immediately stopped. A free kick awarded against the offending team.
	A first warning (white card) shown to the offending team's Coach
Phase 2	Play immediately stopped. A free kick and 50m penalty awarded against the
	offending team. A second warning (white card) shown to the offending
	team's Coach
Phase 3	Play immediately stopped. A free kick and 100m penalty awarded against
	the offending team and a RED Card (ejection from Match) issued to the
	Coach.





Term	Means
Captain	A person listed by each team as Captain on the official team sheet
Club Umpire	An umpire appointed by a club to officiate as a Field Umpire in a match
MRP	AFL Barwon Match Review Panel
Coach	The Head Coach. Where the Head Coach is also a player and is on the field in a playing capacity when a third phase card is invoked, the person who has assumed the Coaching Responsibility on the sideline will be deemed to be "the Coach".
Coaching Box Area	Incorporates the designated areas outside the boundary line of a playing field where any person listed on the team sheet as a coach, team official or player is to be located to undertake their duties.
Competition	Refers to any Australian Rules Community Football Competition conducted or affiliated by/with the AFL Barwon Football Commission in which clubs participate in a season, and for clarity, excludes any Masters, AFL 9's, AFLX competitions.
Controlling Body	The League or AFL Barwon Football Commission
Field Umpire	Any League appointed field umpire or club field umpire officiating a match
Handbook	The 'National Community Football Policy Handbook', as amended or varied from time to time.
Head Coach	The person listed on the official team sheet as the Head Coach
MRP	Match Review Panel
Policy	This AFL Barwon Coaching Box Card Policy as amended or varied from time to time.
Rules	The AFL Barwon Rules/By-Laws, as varied by each League, that are in place for the season(s) to which this Policy applies.
Season	A football season commencing from the first Home and Away Match until, and including, the Grand Final of a Competition and all Sanctioned Practice Matches.
Unacceptable <u>Behaviour</u>	Any of the following behaviours arising from the Coaching Box Area that are heard or observed by the Field Umpire(s)
	i. Continually questioning/disputing any umpiring decisions;
	ii. Abusing, threatening, or insulting any umpire or making inappropriate comments about them;
	iii. Using inappropriate language or gestures towards or about any umpire.

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