



AFL BARWON JUNIOR FOOTBALL FINALS

AFL Barwon Junior Football 2024 Finals Series Information Pack

Dates & Venues:

Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th August – Surf Coast & Torquay

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th August – Bell Park

Saturday 31st August & Sunday 1st September – North Geelong

Online Team Selection

Selected teams for all junior and senior grades are to be entered into PlayHQ by 6:00pm Thursday evening.

Please ensure all team sheets are correct prior to being provided to the umpires.

Timekeeping

Participating clubs are responsible for providing timekeepers for their game.

The timekeeper must record starting and finishing times of quarters on the scorecards. They must also record times of players being sent off the ground (on departure and re-entry to the ground).

Time clocks should only be stopped when the stretcher enters the playing arena, a head count is taking place, blood rule or a player has been sent off. Scorecards must also correspond.

Results

The host club will collect all match day paperwork, take a photo and email to william@ aflbarwon.com.au where it will then be entered into PlayHQ.

The host club will also be responsible for dropping off the match day paperwork at the AFL Barwon office before Monday at 10:30am.

First aid

Clubs will be responsible for their own first aid, taping etc. during finals as per a normal match day.

Game ball

Match day footballs will be supplied by AFL Barwon for all matches during finals.

Club uniform clashes

Away clubs are responsible to obtain alternative playing strips if there is a clashing of playing uniform strips for all home and away games and finals.

For the purposes of finals, the lower positioned team is deemed to be the away team.



Responsibilities fulfilled by the host club:

- Interchange Steward
- Umpire Escorts – 2 people for each match
- Trainer's table provided in both the home and away rooms ➤ Canteen operations

Presentations

Presentations will be completed after each Grand Final game.

Please ask your teams to move quickly to the presentation area after the game.

Extra Time in Finals

1. There will be no drawn games in any finals. In the case of equal scores at the end of scheduled time, the teams will play two (2) five (5) minute periods. The match will recommence with the team kicking to the same end as they were in the last scheduled quarter, with an immediate change of ends at the conclusion of the first extra time period.
2. Coaches are permitted to address players at the conclusion of the fourth quarter. Players must be in position to recommence the game prior to the goal umpires returning to their position.
3. In the event of scores still being tied at the conclusion of these periods of extra time once confirmed by the goal umpires, play will recommence (without change of ends) and the team to score first will be the winner.

Juniors - Eligibility for Finals

1. A player must play at least three AFL Barwon Junior Football games in a particular age group with his or her club to play in a finals game in that age group.
2. For the purpose of eligibility to play with a particular team in AFL Barwon Junior Football Finals, a player who has played in a higher grade/division must play at least six (6) games in lower grades/age groups to be eligible to play in finals with a lower graded team.
3. Furthermore, any player who has played more than half the season with a higher grade or division is ineligible to play in the lesser grade of AFL Barwon Junior Football finals.
4. Should a player qualify to represent more than one team, AFL Barwon Junior Football has clarified that players may only play in one final on the same weekend, regardless of division, gender of competition and/or age group.
5. To be eligible to play in a particular team during the finals series a player must meet the requirements of 26.1, 26.2 and 26.3. Regardless of the participation in finals of any other teams from their club on that weekend.
6. For further clarification, eligibility for finals is determined by the number of games played during the home & away season, inclusive of grading games.

Higher grade/division definition: Any match played in a higher graded division or older age group or a representative competition will be deemed as a higher grade/division match and the player will need to meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the above Eligibility for Season/Finals to be eligible for the lower grade/division during finals.

Fine \$100.00 and loss of match points.