



WorkSafe Victorian
Country Football League

RULES FOR PLAYER TRANSFER SYSTEM

1. INTRODUCTION

Leagues currently participating in the Player Transfer System:

1. All AFL Victoria Affiliates

Transfer Process

2. A Player wishing to transfer to another club completes a VCFL Player Clearance/Registration Form (Appendix One – ~~to be~~ updated for the 2009 season).
3. The new club signs the VCFL Player Clearance/Registration Form, and lodges the form with its affiliated league.

New affiliated league enters the transfer request into the VCFL IT system (Sporting Pulse/Footyweb).

4. Where the Player is transferring to a new league, the new league notifies the former league of the transfer application and requests the player's tribunal history (if any) to be forwarded **within six clear business days**.

If transferring between clubs of an affiliated league that league notifies the club where the player is registered of the transfer request.

5. The league of the former club notifies the former club of the transfer application, providing the former club with **six clear business days to respond**.

Approvals

6. The former club can **approve** the transfer any time within the six clear business days timeframe by notifying their affiliated league of the approval. Should the former club **fail to respond**, the **transfer will occur automatically, following the expiry of the six clear business day timeframe.**

Refusals

7. The former club can **refuse** the transfer within the designated timeframe of six clear business days by notifying their affiliated league of the refusal (provision for Refusal is made on the Player Transfer Refusal Form (Appendix Two) or via the VCFL IT system. **A refusal can only occur where the club can substantiate that the Player:**

- *Is contracted; and/or*
- *Is indebted to the Club (\$100 or more); and/or*
- *Is in possession of Club property (eg. jumper) that needs to be returned; and/or*
- *Wishes to withdraw their Transfer application. Clubs can only submit this as a reason for refusal where the Player has signed the Player Withdrawal of Transfer Form (as described in point 10).*

Appeals

8. Where the **player disputes the reason for a transfer refusal**, the player/new club must resolve the dispute with the former club. Where a **dispute between the parties cannot be resolved**, the player/new club can **appeal against** the refusal of transfer by notice in writing lodged with the relevant appeal body. An appeal involving clubs from the same league will be heard by the League's Independent Appeals Tribunal (refer to the Appeals procedure for the respective league - VCFL). **An appeal involving clubs from two AFL Victoria member leagues will be heard by the AFL Victoria Independent Panel.**

Appeals to AFL Victoria (In accordance with AFL VIC Regulations)

9.

- (a) A player of a club of a Member who has been refused a transfer application to transfer to a club of another Member may appeal to the AFL VIC Independent Panel ("the panel") against such refusal, by notice in writing lodged with the AFL VIC within **ten (10) days** of such refused transfer being received by the New Affiliated Body.
- (b) A player may, if so desired, submit more than one transfer application during the current season and each application shall be dealt with separately although a player may submit one (1) appeal only in any season.
- (c) The Clubs and players concerned shall each be entitled to representation at the hearing, the number of persons having representation to be limited to the player and his advocate who shall also be the clubs representative and the defendant clubs representative and its advocate.
- (d) Such representation shall not be by a person who is **legally qualified**.
- (e) No notice of appeal shall be acted upon if lodged after July 31st in any year.
- (f) Such appeal shall be heard within a period as determined by AFL VIC/VCFL.
- (g) AFL VIC/VCFL shall inform each affected Affiliated Body of the appeal as soon as practical after lodgement by the player of his notice of appeal.

- (h) The Appellant Player / Club must lodge a bond of \$550 (inc. GST) made payable to "AFL Victoria" and such bond may be forfeited should the appeal be considered frivolous. A \$250 administrative fee will be retained from the Appeal bond. – **AFL VIC only - refer VCFL Rule 7.4 for VCFL appeal procedures.**
- (i) The Appellant Player/Club must also lodge a completed Player Appeal Form together with a copy of the latest Player Transfer Refusal Form for the player in addition to the Appeal bond. – **AFL VIC only - refer VCFL Rule 7.4 for VCFL appeal procedures.**
- (j) The defendant club must also lodge a bond of \$550 (inc. GST) and such bond may be forfeited should the defence be considered frivolous. A \$250 administrative fee will be retained from the Appeal bond. – **AFL VIC only - refer VCFL Rule 7.4 for VCFL appeal procedures.**

Should the defendant club fail to lodge its:

- i) "Intention to Appeal – Defending Club Form" with AFL Victoria within four days of being notified of the Appeal details from the AFL VIC, and
- ii) bond of \$550 (inc. GST) with AFL VIC within six (6) days of being notified of the Appeal details from AFL VIC,

it shall be deemed thereby to have granted the transfer.

- (k) In all cases in reference to the applicable time lines, AFL VIC/VCFL shall determine the date and time for lodgement of the Form or bond, as the case may be.
- (l) The Panel may regulate the proceedings before it as it deems fit and the decision of the Panel shall be final and binding on all parties.

Transfer Withdrawals

10. Should a Player wish to withdraw their transfer application, the Player must complete the Player Withdrawal of Transfer Form (Appendix Three). The Player's registered club must submit this form to its affiliated league when refusing the transfer within the six clear business day timeframe.

Player Contracts

11. AFL VIC/VCFL have developed a standard playing contract (Appendix Four) to assist clubs and leagues to manage the contracting of players. It is recommended that these contracts form the basis of any contract used by clubs. In developing the standard playing contract an area has been provided for clubs to include their own player obligations. The contract shall only be valid, when the player becomes registered with the club.

12. A player will remain contracted to the club until the expiration of the contract, unless the former club releases the player from the contract. A VFL / AFL contract will also take precedence over this contract should the player wish to pursue their career at VFL / AFL level, however should the player return within the time constraints of the initial contract the player will still be bound to that club until it expires.

Transfer Guidelines

13. The following guidelines will also apply to the transfer system:

- A Player must be 18 years of age to sign a contract.
- For a contract to be valid both parties shall have signed the contract and neither shall be in breach of contract.
- Clubs can sign as many players as they like to one year contracts.
- A maximum of 15 players can be signed to multi year agreements.
- No player can be contracted for a period longer than three years.
- All contracts expire on the 31st October in the year the contract ceases.
- No player under suspension by the League can transfer until the suspension has been completed.

APPENDIX 1



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PLAYER REGISTRATION / TRANSFER FORM

GUIDELINES

1. All players wishing to play in the League named below must complete and sign a Player Registration and Transfer Form
2. If the player is under 18 years of age, a birth certificate or student identification number is required. Parents must be provided with a copy of the Code of Conduct and should complete the Parents Section.
3. The Club is required to keep a copy of this document and a copy of the birth certificate or student identification (if applicable) which must be produced within 24 hours if requested by the League.

SECTION ONE - To be completed (BLOCK LETTERS) and signed by the player:-

I, (Players full name)..... Date of Birth:/...../.....

Of (Address)..... (Suburb)..... (State)..... (P/Code).....

Wish to register / transfer (Please circle) to theFootball Club

In the Football League / Association.

Home Phone: Work Phone:

Mobile: Email:

Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐ Birth Certificate/Student Id Number (if applicable):

THIS QUESTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PLAYERS:

Has the player ever played competition football before?

ف Yes. Proceed to Section Two

ف No. Do not complete Section Two. Sign the form below and lodge with the League.

PLAYER DECLARATION:

I DECLARE that I have read (and agree to be bound by) the conditions of registration on the back of this form. I agree to abide by the Rules and By-Laws of the above named League. I will observe and obey these Rules and By-Laws and be bound by all rulings made by or with the authority of the League that relate or apply to me. I declare the information supplied by me is true and correct. I understand and give permission for my tribunal history to be forwarded to the above named league.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

CLUB SECTION (MUST be completed by the President / Secretary of the club where the player is transferring to)

On behalf of the above named football club, I declare that the above particulars are, to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENTS SECTION (MUST be completed if player is Under 18)

I hereby consent to the registration of my son/daughter with the above named League. I acknowledge that I have been provided with and understand the Codes of Conduct of the above named League. I agree to observe and obey these Codes and all rulings made by the above named League that relate to me. I understand that the League may withdraw or suspend my son(s)/daughter(s) registration to play in the above named League should I fail to comply with the Codes and/or any rulings of the league should I breach the Codes.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: NO PLAYER WILL BE PERMITTED TO PLAY IN AN OFFICIAL MATCH UNTIL HE/SHE HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION FROM THE CLUB TO WHICH HE/SHE IS SEEKING A TRANSFER/REGISTRATION FOLLOWING LEAGUE APPROVAL.
(N.B.: If applicable, the former club will be required to verify information accuracy)

PLAYER TO COMPLETE

NEW CLUB
TO COMPLETE

PLAYER'S PARENT
TO COMPLETE

APPENDIX 1

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

1. Player Bound by Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club and the League

By signing this Registration and Transfer Form, the Player:-

- (a) agrees that he or she be bound by the Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club, the League and AFL Victoria as they are presently constituted and as amended from time to time including the de-registration and non-registration policy;
- (b) acknowledges that he or she may inspect copies of the Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club and the League during normal business hours at the respective offices of those organisations; and
- (c) acknowledges that his or her failure to adhere to the Rules, Regulations and Policies of either the Club, the League or AFL Victoria may result in him or her being de-registered.

2. Assumption of Risk

By signing this Registration and Transfer Form, the Player acknowledges and agrees that:-

- (a) Australian Football is a body contact sport in which physical injury may occur from time to time;
- (b) he or she is none the less desirous of playing Australian Football for the Club; and
- (c) he or she takes upon himself or herself the risk (both physical and legal) of injury arising in the course of training for and participating in the game of Australian Football.

3. Registration of Players Under 18 Years of Age

Where the Player is under 18 years of age, by signing this Registration and Transfer Form the Parent or Guardian of the Player:-

- (a) hereby acknowledges that he or she has read and explained the contents of this Registration and Transfer Form (including Conditions 1 and 2 above) to the Player;
- (b) declares that the statements made in the Registration and Transfer Form is to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, true and correct.

SECTION TWO - To be completed (BLOCK LETTERS) by the player:-

Previous Club: League:

Date from	Date to
____/____/____	____/____/____

Other clubs: League:

Year from	Year to
_____	_____

Other clubs: League:

_____	_____
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1. Are you currently bound by a written contract to the club from which you seek a transfer from?

(Please note that all contracts automatically expire on 31 October. In the case of a multiple year agreement, the contract will expire on 31 October in the final year of the agreement)

☐ Yes. You cannot obtain a transfer while you are under contract, unless you believe that the club is in breach of the contract. If so, go to question 2.

☐ No. Go to question 3.

2. I believe that the club is in breach of my current playing contract?

Reason club is in breach:

.....
(Now go to question 3)

3. Do you owe your previous club money or any item of property?

☐ Yes. Do not proceed. You cannot transfer while you owe money or property to your previous club.

☐ No. Go to question 4.

4. Are you currently under disqualification by any League (tribunal, executive etc.) / club?

☐ Yes. Do not proceed. You cannot obtain a transfer while you are under suspension.

☐ No. Go to question 5.

5. Have you ever been disqualified by any League (tribunal, executive etc.) / club?

☐ Yes. You will not be permitted to play with your new club until your tribunal history has been received by the League and the league approves your request to play.

☐ No. Sign acknowledgement in Section One and lodge form. Your former club will have 6 clear business days to respond, once notified of the transfer application.



WORKSAFE VICTORIAN COUNTRY FOOTBALL LEAGUE CLEARANCE/REGISTRATION FORM



WorkSafe Victorian Country Football League

YEAR 20.....

WorkSafe Victorian Country Football League

This is a legal document – by signing you will be bound by the terms and conditions contained in this contract.

Please use BLOCK letters except signatures:- I,

First Name	Middle Name	Surname	Player Registration No.	
Street Address		Suburb	Postcode	Gender M or F
Home Phone	Mobile Phone**	Work Phone	Mobile Parent / Guardian**	
Email Address**		Email Parent / Guardian**		

Occupation If student, are you fulltime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

AFL Club you support Auskick Centre

Apply for registration with the Football Club ("the Club")

affiliated with the Football League ("the League")

Players over 18 to complete

1. Are you currently bound by a written contract to the club from which you seek a transfer from?
(Please note that all contracts automatically expire on 31 October. In the case of a multiple year agreement, the contract will expire on 31 October in the final year of the agreement)
- ☐ Yes. You cannot obtain a transfer while you are under contract, unless you believe that the club is in breach of the contract. If so, go to question 2.
- ☐ No. Go to question 3.

Players over 18 to complete

2. I believe that the club is in breach of my current playing contract?
Reason club is in breach:
- (Now go to question 3)

All Players to complete Questions 3, 4 & 5

3. Do you owe your previous club money or any item of property?
☐ Yes. Do not proceed. You cannot transfer while you owe money or property to your previous club.
☐ No. Go to question 4.
4. Are you currently under disqualification by any League (tribunal, executive etc.) / club?
☐ Yes. Go to question 5. ☐ No. Go to question 5.
5. Have you ever been disqualified by any League (tribunal, executive etc.) / club?
☐ Yes. You will not be permitted to play with your new club until your tribunal history has been received by the League and the league approves your request to play.
☐ No. Sign acknowledgement in Section One and lodge form. Your former club will have 6 clear business days to respond, once notified of the transfer application.

Apply for a clearance from the Football Club affiliated with the Football League

For the following reasons:-

Prior to this application I played with the following clubs for the periods named:-

- (a) Club, affiliated with the F.L. from/...../..... to/...../.....
- (b) Club, affiliated with the F.L. from/...../..... to/...../.....
- (c) Club, affiliated with the F.L. from/...../..... to/...../.....

I seek permission to play with the Club, subject to the application which I have made for a clearance to the Club being granted (if applicable) and subject to due compliance with the requirements of the League with which the Club is affiliated. I acknowledge that I have read the conditions of registration and WorkSafe VCFL Privacy Policy herein and agree to be bound by those conditions. I also authorise the league to which I desire registration, to advise my former league of this application. I DECLARE that the above particulars are, to the best of my knowledge, and belief, true and correct.

Signature of Player Date/...../.....

(If the Player has not attained the age of 18 years) Parent's/Guardian Signature

Signed Position for Football Club Date/...../.....

***To get full value from your VCFL Registration, a valid e-mail address and/or mobile number is vital.**

****Required to be completed by parents of players under 18 years of age and players over 18 years of age**

☐ Please tick the box if you do not wish to receive information from the WorkSafe VCFL or it's official partners.

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

1. Player Bound by Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club, the League and the Victorian Country Football League

By signing this Clearance/Registration Form, the Player:-

- (a) agrees that he or she will comply with and observe the Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club, the League and the Victorian Country Football League ("VCFL") as they are presently constituted and as amended from time to time;
- (b) acknowledges that he or she may inspect copies of the Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Club, the League or the VCFL during normal business hours at the respective offices of those organisations; and
- (c) acknowledges that his or her failure to adhere to the Rules, Regulations and Policies of either of the Club, the League or of the VCFL may result in him or her being de-registered and/or other sanctions.
- (d) Players under the age of 18 may upon request of the club/league or VCFL be asked to provide proof of age.

2. Assumption of Risk

By signing this Clearance/Registration Form, the Player acknowledges and agrees that:-

- (a) Australian Football is a vigorous body contact sport in which physical injury is likely to occur from time to time;
- (b) he or she is none the less desirous of playing Australian Football for the Club; and
- (c) he or she takes upon himself the risk (both physical and legal) of injury arising in the course of training for and participating in the game of Australian Football.

3. Registration of Players Under 18 Years of Age

Where the Player is under 18 years of age, by signing this Clearance/Registration Form the Parent or Guardian of the Player:-

- (a) hereby acknowledges that he or she has read and explained the contents of this Clearance/Registration Form (including Conditions 1 and 2 above) to the Player;
- (b) declares that the statements made in the Clearance/Registration Form are to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, true and correct; and
- (c) acknowledges that he or she has been informed of and/ or understands the potential dangers and risks of the Player participating in a contact sport with older participants who are most likely larger and stronger and that he or she has explained the potential dangers to the Player. The Parent/Guardian acknowledges and agrees with the Club, the League and the VCFL, that the Parent/Guardian and the Player accept the risk of the Player sustaining injury from playing Australian Football for the Club and forever releases, indemnifies and saves harmless, the Club, the League, the VCFL, their respective servants, agents, independent contractors and voluntary workers carrying out honorary or unpaid duties and each and every person participating or otherwise engaged in Australian Football matches (including training sessions) conducted by or under the auspices of the League or the VCFL, from all actions, proceedings, demands, suits, claims, costs and expenses and other liabilities of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly arising from any injury or impairment suffered as a result of the Player's participation.

4. Privacy Policy

The primary purpose of WorkSafe VCFL obtaining the information in this form is in relation to your application for your Player Registration. The WorkSafe VCFL may also use your information for a purpose that is associated with its Player Registration Program and other purposes agreed by you.

The WorkSafe VCFL will take all reasonable steps to protect your personal information from misuse or unauthorized disclosure. Full Privacy policy available at www.vcfl.com.au



APPENDIX 2
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PLAYER TRANSFER REFUSAL FORM

To be completed (BLOCK LETTERS) and signed by either the Club President / Secretary only:-

The Football Club in the
.....Football League / Association

Refuses the transfer of (Players full name).....

Of (Address)..... (Suburb)..... (State)..... (P/Code).....

Wishing to transfer to theFootball Club in the
..... Football League / Association.

Based on the following reason/s: (***Please Note: A refusal can only occur where the club can substantiate the reason.***)

REASON	(Please tick)
1. The Player is contracted; and/or	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. The Player is indebted to the Club; and/or	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. The Player is in possession of Club property (eg. jumper) that needs to be returned; and/or	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The Player wishes to withdraw their Transfer application. Clubs can only submit this as a reason for refusal where the Player has signed the Player Withdrawal of Transfer Form (which must be attached to this form).	<input type="checkbox"/>

Any further comments to support the reason above:

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It is generally expected that a club refusing a transfer of a player on one or more of the above grounds will be prepared to defend its position at a formal appeal hearing if required.

This form must be lodged with your affiliated league within six clear business days of being notified of the Player's transfer application.

Name: (Please Print) Position:

Signature: Date:

APPENDIX 3

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PLAYER WITHDRAWAL OF TRANSFER FORM



GUIDELINES

The Player's registered club must submit this form to its affiliated league when refusing the transfer within the six clear business day timeframe.

SECTION ONE - To be completed (BLOCK LETTERS) and signed by the player:-

I, (Players full name)..... Date of Birth:/...../.....

Of (Address)..... (Suburb)..... (State)..... (P/Code).....

Wish to **withdraw** my application to transfer to the.....Football Club

In the Football League / Association.

And wish to **remain** a registered player with theFootball Club

In the Football League / Association.

Home Phone: Work Phone:

Mobile: Email:

I declare that all information provided is true and correct.

Signed: Date:

NB: Deliberately providing misleading information could result in immediate penalties against the player and / or the club.

PLAYER TO COMPLETE

SECTION TWO - To be completed (BLOCK LETTERS) and signed by the club President / Secretary (or delegated representative) that the player wishes to remain at:-



On behalf of the football club, I declare that the above particulars are, to the best of my knowledge true and correct. (Penalties will apply to any club that lodges a false Player Withdrawal of Transfer Form).

Name: (Please Print) Position: (President /Secretary)

Signature: Date:

CLUB TO COMPLETE

APPENDIX 4

	AFL VICTORIA STANDARD PLAYING CONTRACT PLAYER COPY / CLUB COPY / LEAGUE COPY (If required)	
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This contract is made between _____ ("the player") and the _____ ("the club") as a member club of the _____ Football League ("the league") dated ____ / ____ / 20____.

(Players name – Print)
(Club name)
(League name)

The contract is relevant for the following playing season(s) _____
(please indicate – e.g. 2005 & 2006)

In accordance with the information on the reverse of this page, the following details set out the payment details from the club to the player as a return for services associated with the club.

N.B: The club reserves the right to impose a financial penalty on the player for any breaches of the contract conditions.

Complete as per agreement reached

	\$	
Base salary:	_____	(Payment per season regardless of matches played)
Match payments:	_____	(Per senior match played)
	_____	(Per reserves match played)
Other information:	_____	(Details):
.....	_____
.....	_____
.....	_____

Manner and dates for payment (e.g. Annual payment prior to AGM. After each home match etc).

The player must comply with the following obligations:

The club and player acknowledge that this contract has been entered into in good faith. The contract shall only be valid, when the player becomes registered with the club. This contract shall terminate on the 31st day of October in the final year referred to above.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (as at the date indicated at the top of this page)

The Player (signature) _____ For and on behalf of the club by its duly authorised officer

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Signature

Print name

Signature

Position at club

APPENDIX 4

For the term of the contract, this contract records and the following is agreed between the parties:

PLAYER OBLIGATIONS

- 1.1 Attend all training sessions and team meetings of the Club.
- 1.2 Obey all reasonable directions of the Senior Coach, President, and Secretary of the Club.
- 1.3 Play in all football matches in which he is selected to play or as otherwise directed by the Club unless a duly qualified Medical Practitioner rules him unfit to play.
- 1.4 Comply with all reasonable requirements of the Club relating to preparation for matches, attendance at social functions, behaviour and dress.
- 1.5 Not play or train for Australian Football with any other Club or team (save for a Victorian representative team or the league representative team) without first obtaining the consent in writing of the Club.
- 1.6 Do everything reasonably necessary to obtain and maintain the best possible physical condition so as to render the most efficient service to the Club and to submit from time to time and as and when required by the Club to a complete a thorough medical fitness test and examination.
- 1.7 Maintain membership of recognised hospital and medical benefits fund which provides hospital, medical and dental benefits coverage and includes ambulance subscription.
- 1.8 Not engage in any dangerous activity which in the opinion of the Club may affect the Player's ability to perform his obligations under this Contract without first obtaining the consent in writing of the Club.
- 1.9 During league matches, wear only such items of playing apparel as may be approved of or prescribed by the League and to the extent that the same are not inconsistent therewith, the Club.
- 1.10 Not comment on a matter which the Club has notified the Player is a matter upon which Players of the Club are not to comment publicly.

PLAYER BOUND TO RULES

- 2.1 The Player hereby agrees with the Club that he is bound by:-
 - (a) the Rules and Regulations of the Club;
 - (b) the Rules and Regulations of the League within which the Club plays (including requirements of players and clubs regarding registration); and
 - (c) the Rules and Regulations of AFL Victoria Inc, including any modifications thereof made from time to time ("the Rules").

DISPUTE

- 3.1 In the event of a dispute arising between the parties during the term of this Contract or following the termination hereof, the matter may be referred for determination to the nominee of the league. A request for determination by an aggrieved party shall be made in writing to the other party and shall contain a precise statement of the issue in dispute and all relevant facts giving rise to the dispute. The League may adjudicate upon any dispute in accordance with its rules in force at the time.

TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated by:

- 4.1 The Club if the Player is in breach of any of his obligations hereunder and the breach continues for a period of 14 days after notice in writing by the Club to the Player requiring the breach to be remedied.
- 4.2 The Player if the Club is in breach of any of its obligations hereunder and the breach continues for a period of 14 days after notice in writing by the Player to the Club requiring the breach to be remedied.
- 4.3 The Player immediately by notice in writing given to the Club upon his name being included, in accordance with the Rules of the Australian Football League ("the AFL"), on the official list of players of any team competing in the AFL competition.

PLAYER MOVEMENT TO VFL / AFL

- 5.1 The player will remain contracted with the club named on the reverse side of this form until the expiration of the contract. It is noted and agreed to by all parties to this contract that the VFL and or AFL contract will take precedence over this contract and that the rules and regulations of the AFL or VFL will be adhered to.

WAIVER

- 6.1 A waiver by any party of any of the terms and conditions of this Contract in any one case shall not be deemed or construed to be a waiver of such term or condition for the future or for any other or subsequent breach.

WORKSAFE VCFL STANDARD PLAYING CONTRACT**PLAYER COPY / CLUB COPY / LEAGUE COPY (If required)**

This contract is entered into by:

_____ ("the player")

AND

_____ Football Club ("the club") as a member club of the

_____ Football League ("the league")

The player shall play for the club for the following playing season(s)

The player agrees to play with the club in accordance with the following terms and conditions:-

PLAYER OBLIGATIONS

- 1.1 Attend all training sessions and team meetings of the Club.
- 1.2 Obey all reasonable directions of the Senior Coach, President, and Secretary of the Club.
- 1.3 Play in all football matches in which he is selected to play or as otherwise directed by the Club unless a duly qualified Medical Practitioner rules him unfit to play.
- 1.4 Comply with all reasonable requirements of the Club relating to preparation for matches, attendance at social functions, behaviour and dress and to attend all club functions.
- 1.5 Not play or train for Australian Football with any other Club or team (save for a VCFL representative team or the league representative team) without first obtaining the consent in writing of the Club.
- 1.6 Do everything reasonably necessary to obtain and maintain the best possible physical condition so as to render the most efficient service to the Club and to submit from time to time and as and when required by the Club to a complete a thorough medical fitness test and examination.
- 1.7 Maintain membership of recognised hospital and medical benefits fund which provides hospital, medical and dental benefits coverage and must have ambulance subscription.
- 1.8 Not engage in any dangerous activity which in the opinion of the Club may affect the Player's ability to perform his obligations under this Contract without first obtaining the consent in writing of the Club.
- 1.9 Not comment on a matter which the club has notified the Player is a matter upon which the Players of the Club are not to comment publicly.

PLAYER BOUND TO RULES

- 2.1 The Player hereby agrees with the Club that he is bound by:-
 - (a) the Rules and Regulations of the Club;
 - (b) the Rules and Regulations of the League within which the Club plays (including requirements of players and clubs regarding registration); and
 - (c) the Rules and Regulations of the Victorian Country Football League Inc. including any modifications thereof made from time to time ("the Rules").

DISPUTE

- 3.1 In the event of a dispute arising between the parties during the term of this Contract or following the termination hereof, the matter may be referred for determination to the nominee of the league. A request for determination by an aggrieved party shall be made in writing to the other party and shall contain a precise statement of the issue in dispute and all relevant facts giving rise to the dispute. The VCFL Appeals Board may adjudicate upon any dispute in accordance with its rules in force at the time.

APPENDIX 4

TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated by:

- 4.1 The Club if the Player is in breach of any of his obligations hereunder and the breach continues for a period of 14 days after notice in writing by the Club to the Player requiring the breach to be remedied.
- 4.2 The Player if the Club is in breach of any of its obligations hereunder and the breach continues for a period of 14 days after notice in writing by the Player to the Club requiring the breach to be remedied.
- 4.3 The Player immediately by notice in writing given to the Club upon his name being included, in accordance with the Rules of the Australian Football League ("the AFL"), on the official list of players of any team competing in the AFL competition

DURATION OF CONTRACT

- 5.0 The player will remain contracted with the club named on the reverse side of this form until the expiration of the contract which shall be on the 31st of October of the year or final year first thereinbefore mentioned.

It is noted and agreed to by all parties to this contract that the VFL and or AFL contract will take precedence over this contract and that the rules and regulations of the VFL of AFL will be adhered to.

PAYMENT BY CLUB TO PLAYER

- 6.0 The club agrees to pay the player in accordance with the following payment schedule:-

Match payments: \$ _____ (Per senior match played)
Incentives: \$ _____ (Details):
..... \$
..... \$

Manner and dates for payment (e.g. After each home match etc).

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This Contract entered into this day of 20.....

Signed by the said)
In the presence of)

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Witness

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Witness name

Signed by the)
Football Club by)
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