



FOOTBALL BY-LAWS

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1 Definition

- i) The name of the Incorporated body is the “Gippsland League Inc” herein after referred to as the “League”
- ii) The Board of Management is the elected members by the member clubs to oversee and control the affairs of the GL; herein referred to as the “Board”.
- iii) Subject to the provision herein applied; the Gippsland League is an affiliate member of AFL VICTORIA and in the event of conflict between the GL and AFL VICTORIA Rules and Regulations the AFL VICTORIA Regulation will take precedence.

2 Members

- i) The League consists of the members of the Board, Life Members and clubs duly admitted and affiliated in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Gippsland League. As long as they remain a member, the member clubs will consist of the following clubs:- Bairnsdale, Drouin, Leongatha, Maffra, Moe, Morwell, Sale, Traralgon, Warragul, Wonthaggi
- ii) Each club shall field a Senior, Reserve, Third and Fourth grade or a combination of these grades as agreed to by the League.
- iii) No club fielding less than the four grades will be entitled to a reduction in fees payable to the League

3 Fines

- i) The Board shall determine the amount of fines.
- ii) Fines may apply for late starting, poor ground markings, incorrect attire of players and officials, missing paperwork, wrong playing numbers, non-provision of required official etc. Fines will be notified to the Clubs by the General Manager/Finance Manager and are to be paid within 30 days.
- iii) Fines imposed by the Independent Tribunal are to be paid within thirty days of decision.

4 Auditor

- i) A qualified Auditor, who shall not be a club/League member, shall be appointed by the Board at the Annual Meeting

5 Committees of the Board

- i) The board may appoint at any meeting a sub committee to control any affairs of the League.

6 Clearances

- i) Clearances shall be dealt with under AFL VICTORIA rules and regulations. Refer AFL VICTORIA rule 1.0.

7 Uniform and Registration

- i) Each Club is to wear a registered Club uniform as accepted by the League with approved AFL VICTORIA logos. Visiting teams will wear white shorts with AFL VICTORIA piping. Fine for non-compliance is \$20-00 per instance.
- ii) The League shall keep a register of registered club uniforms which can not be altered without the board's approval.
- iii) The visiting team will wear an alternate "strip" where the colours of competing clubs is the same /similar or is considered to be a clash.
- iv) The Board shall arrange for an "away strip" for the visiting teams where there is no alternate strip for the visiting club.
- v) Players must wear the numbers allotted them on the official team sheet, and in their own Club colours. Fine for non-compliance is \$20-00 per instance.
- vi) An open radius shall apply for each Club.
- vii) To be eligible to play with a Club a player must register prior to playing his first match with the Club.
- viii) Sponsored logos must be approved by the board.
- ix) Logos on the back of jumpers - to be placed either directly above or below the player's number and must not exceed 30cm x 10cm in size. Logos on the front of jumpers must not exceed 10cm x 10cm.
- x) Logos on Shorts - can be placed on either side with a maximum size of 7.5cm x 7.5cm.

8 Team Numbers

- i) The maximum number of players that a club can field for Home and Away and Finals matches are:
 - Seniors: Eighteen plus four interchange.
 - Reserves: Eighteen plus four interchange.
 - Thirds: Eighteen plus four interchange.
 - Fourths: Eighteen plus four interchange.

9 Home Games

- i) The Clubs shall be drawn to play in Home and Away Matches and Finals matches and the dates will be arranged by the League. Matches will take place on such grounds as the League shall elect.
- ii) During the Home and Away season the normal day starting times shall be:- Seniors at 2.20pm, Reserves at 12-30pm, Thirds at 10-45am, Fourth's at 9-00am. Twilight games starting times shall be:- Seniors at 5.00pm, Reserves at 3.10pm, Thirds at 1.20pm, Fourth's at 11.30am. Night games starting times shall be:- Seniors at 7.00pm, Reserves at 5.10pm, Thirds at 3.20pm, Fourth's at 1.30pm. Permission may be sought from the League for different starting times with at least five days notice. Clubs to be fined \$5 per minute for late starting and resumption of play except in the finals series when the penalty shall be \$10 per minute and shall apply to all teams.

- iii)** Seniors shall have breaks of five minutes at quarter time/three quarter time and fifteen minutes at half time. Reserves, Thirds and Fourths shall have breaks of five minutes at quarter time/three quarter time and eight minutes at half time.
- iv)** At home and away matches all open-age players to pay at the gate.
- v)** In the event of a Club failing to keep its engagement, the Club so offending shall forfeit the match and pay the Umpires fees/or an amount equal to, unless notice is given to the League Secretary before 8pm on Wednesday immediately prior to the engagement. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, any club finding it necessary to forfeit a match must notify the League Secretary in writing of such forfeiture, stating the reasons for same. Such notice to reach the League Secretary no later than 5-00pm Friday prior to the match.
- vi)** The Secretary of each competing team is to furnish two official scoring cards, two time keeping cards and two team sheets. Such team sheets to be handed to the umpires and opposing Secretary 15 minutes prior to the commencement of each match.
- vii)** Team sheets are to be entered on the IT system and shall:-
 - a) List the names and numbers of players in the team.
 - b) Identify the interchange players.
 - c) Identify the captain.
 - d) List the names of the coaches.
 - e) List the team runner.
 - f) List the trainers/water carriers (maximum of six).
 - g) List any other official taking part in the match.
- viii)** The Secretary of the home Club is to forward to the League, by Wednesday's mail following the match, the team sheets, the results of matches signed by goal umpires, timekeepers cards, interchange sheets, code of conduct cards and any reports by umpires.
- viii)** If any Club is found guilty of playing any player who was not on the day he played a bona fide player, and ineligible to play under the Rules and regulations, the Club and player shall be subject to AFL VICTORIA rule 1.3.
- ix)** The following shall apply regarding team sheet irregularities:-
 - a.** Suspended player - if an illegible player appears on the team sheet and it is proven that he played; the penalty will be the loss of premiership points, up to \$500 fine for the Club and a charge being imposed on the player concerned, to be heard by the Independent Tribunal - If a suspended player appears on the team sheet, and he did not play, the penalty will be \$100-00 fine to the Club
 - b.** If a player participates in a match, but his name does not appear on the team sheet, the penalty will be a \$100-00 fine against the Club and the player be ineligible for votes in the League Beat and Fairest award in that match.
- x)** If a game is halted beyond the control of a Club, prior to half time, and the match cannot recommence within thirty minutes, the match shall be declared a draw. Each team to receive two premiership points and the scores at that time will be used to determine percentage. After half time, if the game is halted beyond the control of a Club, and play cannot recommence within thirty minutes, the team that is leading shall be declared the winner and receive four premiership points, and percentage be calculated using the scores to that point. If scores are level, each team receives two premiership points.

10 Runners/Trainers/Water Carriers

- i) Eligibility as per AFL VICTORIA Rule 17.1.
- ii) Club Runners must be registered players/officials of the Club. Runners must wear the Official GL Runner Uniform as directed by the league; pink top and bottom.

The reserves, thirds and fourths teams will be allowed one runner each. The senior teams may have up to two runners each. Only one runner, at a time, from each team, shall be allowed to enter the playing field. When using two runners, the runners must enter and leave the playing field between the interchange lines.

If both runners, from the same team, are found to be on the playing field during play, at the same time, the field umpire shall send one runner from the field with a yellow card and AFL VICTORIA send off regulations shall be applied.

- iii) Trainers and water carriers must be registered players/officials of the club. Trainers and water carriers must wear the official GL trainers vest during a match. Trainers may wear white uniform or club attire under the vest. Design of the vests to be supplied by the League.
- iv) Runners, trainers and water carriers to wear correct strip or the umpires will order them from the ground
- v) Water carrier's minimum age is 15 years of age.
- vi) Fine for non-compliance of the above is \$50-00 per instance.
- vii) Duties as per AFL VICTORIA rule 17.2.
- viii) Trainers may deliver water to players during the course of play.

11 Ground

- i) Each Club must provide a ground approved by the League together with adequate dressing room facilities.
- ii) Each ground will meet the standards of AFL/AFL VICTORIA Rule 3: Playing Surface and Goal Posts.
- iii) Each Club must provide an adequate scoring board with letters and figures not less than 30 cm in size and not less than 2 m from the ground.
- iv) Any Club not having grounds correctly marked shall be fined \$50 for each instance.

12 Interchange

- i) There will be two lines, 15 m apart, marked across the boundary line (one metre each side) equidistant from the two coaches boxes. Players must enter and leave the arena during the course of the match between these lines unless otherwise provided for in the AFL VICTORIA Rules.
- ii) An Interchange Steward appointed by the Club is to be located inside the fence line, between the interchange lines. He/she must ensure that the AFL/AFL VICTORIA Laws of the game Rule 7. Interchange is adhered to.
- iii) Interchange stewards must wear red coat/vest and must escort Umpires from and to the umpire's room at the start, half time and at the conclusion of game.
- iv) Changes to the interchange players need to be listed at breaks
- v) A player that requires use of a stretcher throughout a game can be taken from anywhere on the ground and is able to participate further in the game at a later time.
- vi) The League shall supply an interchange steward's list of duties to follow.
- vii) Fine for non-compliance of the above or not completing duties is \$50-00 per instance.

13 Independent Tribunal

- i) The League shall appoint an Independent Tribunal comprising of a minimum of six members. Any three of such members shall form a quorum.
- ii) Qualification will be required under AFL VICTORIA rule 7.1.2.
- iii) The tribunal shall adhere to the procedures set by the AFL VICTORIA rules 7 & 8.
- iv) Charged players/witness, each with an advocate, are required to attend a set tribunal hearing.
- v) Reporting umpires are required to be present at the Tribunal hearings.
- vi) All players/witnesses/umpires and advocates shall sign the Tribunal register at the end of each hearing.
- vii) Fine for non-compliance of the above is \$200-00 per instance.

14 Order off Rule

- i) The order off rule will apply as per the AFL VICTORIA Rule 11.

15 Set Penalties

- i) Set Penalties will apply as per AFL VICTORIA Rule 12.

16 Disciplinary Matters and Appeals

- i) All protests, disputes and questions shall be dealt with by the Independent Tribunal.
- ii) All protests must be accompanied by the required deposit of \$500, which shall be liable to be forfeited to this League if the protest is deemed to be frivolous, and any protest in respect to home and away matches together with deposits must be in the hands of the General Manager of the League within five days from the date of the match in respect of which the protest is entered, and in respect to the finals matches, within 48 hours of the match in which the protest is entered.
- iii) On protests being received by the General Manager, a meeting of the Independent Tribunal of the League must be called, who shall meet as early as possible.
- iv) In the case of any report the Tribunal Secretary shall give notice of the hearing to the Club Secretaries concerned and they must ensure required personnel attend such hearing and bring forward any evidence in connection with such a report.
- v) If any member Club of the GL bringing legal action against the GL, thus incurring costs to all member Clubs, shall be disqualified from the GL.

17 Report Procedure

- i) There will be a report procedure provided by the GL at the start of each year and clubs will adhere to this procedure. Fine for non-compliance is \$100-00 per instance.
- ii) The home club must ensure that the secretary/match day manager communicates with the field umpires at the conclusion of each match to obtain the "all clear" (no report) or that there is a report and then ensure that the report procedure is followed. Fine for non-compliance is \$100-00 per instance.

18 Stretchers

- i) Home club must have a suitable stretcher available at the interchange box at each home game. Fine for non-compliance is \$200-00.

19 Finals Eligibility

i) Seniors

To be eligible to play in a **Seniors** finals series match, a player must have played a minimum of four (4) matches with the participating Club in the current season.

ii) Reserves

To be eligible to play in a **Reserves** finals series match, players must have played a minimum of four (4) matches in the Reserves with the participating club in the current season

For a player to remain eligible to play in the 2nd 18 finals series of the current season, he must not play in excess of eight 1st 18 H & A matches in the current season.

iii) Thirds

To be eligible to play in a **Thirds** finals series match, players must have played a minimum of four (4) matches with the 3rd 18 of the participating Club during the current season.

Players playing under a local interchange agreement must meet all criteria in the agreement to be eligible to play in a Thirds finals match.

iv) Fourths

To be eligible to play in a **Fourths** finals series match, players must have played a minimum of four (4) matches with the 4th 18 of the participating Club during the current season.

Players playing under a local interchange agreement must meet all criteria in the agreement to be eligible to play in a Fourths finals match.

v) For a player to have played a game under this by law, the player must have got changed into his playing attire and taken to the ground, in match conditions, for at least one quarter of the entire game.

19.1 - EXEMPTIONS

i) A player who has qualified for finals in his respective grade cannot play more than **one finals game per weekend**. If a player qualifies in **two grades** he must then choose which grade he plays in for that entire weekend.

The only exception to this rule shall be;

- if an under 16 player moves up to help field a team in the Thirds.
Note - you must first pick all available under 18 players before this happens & all **qualified under 16s players in Thirds** (Fourth players who have played a minimum of four games with the Thirds)
- or an under 18 player moves up to help field a team in the Reserves.
Note - you must pick all available reserve players before this happens & all **qualified Thirds players in the Reserves** (Thirds players who have played a minimum of four games with the Reserves)

ii) If a Club has a combination of both Seniors, Reserves teams participating in the same final on the same day, or different finals on different days of the same weekend. The Club may choose any player on its list for one of those games provided the player has played four (4) games with the Club in the current season.

19.2 - NAB LEAGUE/ GIPPSLAND POWER PLAYERS

Senior qualification

- i) For the purposes of Finals Qualification, a NAB League game is considered equal to a 1st 18 competition game with an AFL Victoria Country affiliated team.
- ii) Players that have played a NAB League match in the current season are ineligible to play in a Reserves finals match in that same season.

Thirds qualification

- iii) NAB League listed players must play a minimum of two (2) matches with the 3rd 18 of the participating Club during the current season to qualify to play in a Thirds finals match
- iv) Gippsland Power Under 16s matches or any other representative football matches in any senior/junior grade **do not** count towards Gippsland League finals qualifications.

19.3 - VFL/AFL LISTED PLAYERS

- i) Any player drafted by an AFL club, placed on an AFL supplementary or rookie list or included on an official VFL list can, provided he has qualified under the rules, return to play with the G.L in the finals in the senior's grade only.

19.4 - PENALTIES

- i) The penalty for breaching any of this finals qualifying criteria in section 19 will be a club fine of \$1,000 per player and the forfeiting of the match the player was involved in.

20 Umpires

- i) Goal, field and boundary umpires for the seniors and field umpires for the thirds and fourths shall be obtained from a registered panel. Field, boundary and goal umpires from a registered panel have the power to report players.
- ii) If the panel is unable to provide field umpires the League shall communicate with both home and away clubs to organize personnel. These umpires will have power to report.
- iii) Each Club shall provide goal umpires for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th eighteen home and away matches. The above officials shall not have the power to report players.
- iv) Goal umpires must compare and initial each others cards at the end of each quarter. If there is a discrepancy, goal umpires are to confer with timekeepers to ascertain correct score.
- v) Each Club must provide its goal umpires with two white flags at least 60 cm square and with white coats.
- vi) Home clubs shall provide boundary umpires for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th eighteen matches.
- vii) Any club having Officials in incorrect attire will be fined \$50-00 for each instance.

21 Inter League

- i) Any player selected in a squad to play in an Interleague game and does not make himself available shall be automatically suspended for two home and away matches unless he produces a Doctor's certificate or receives from the Coach and selectors permission to withdraw from the squad and such permission to be sought

24 hours prior to the match. The Coach and selectors shall be the sole judge of whether the permission should be given. A player who produces a Doctor's certificate will be ineligible to play for his club in the next home and away match unless given permission to play by the Coach and selectors.

- ii) Any player selected in a training squad for an Interleague team and, does not make himself available for each training session unless he produces a Doctor's certificate and receives from the Coach and selectors permission to withdraw from the squad, shall be automatically suspended for one home and away match for each training session that he makes himself unavailable. The Coach and selectors shall be the sole judge of whether permission should be given.

Note: Suspension under these rules will not affect the eligibility for League Best & Fairest Medal.

22 Premiership Cups

- i) The Senior Premiership Cup will be called the Mort Kennedy Cup
- ii) The Reserves Premiership Cup will be called the W J Doherty Cup
- iii) The Thirds Premiership Cup will be called the Mick Fox Sen Cup.
- iv) The Fourths Premiership Cup will be called the Cunningham/Keating Cup
- v) Any of the above awards can be named after a sponsor or have a sponsor's name added to, that is procured for the GL.

23 Best and Fairest

- i) Field umpires will cast their 3,2,1, votes in each grade and place in a sealed envelope and handed to the home club representative who will ensure it is sent to the League.
- ii) When more than one player gains a winning or equal total of Umpires votes, then all players who are eligible will be awarded Best and Fairest Medallions.
- iii) Order of voting importance for all grades shall follow the order of number, Club and name.
- iv) The Senior Best and Fairest will be called the Trood Award/Rodda Medal
- v) The Reserves Best and Fairest will be called the Hartley Medal
- vi) The Thirds Best and Fairest will be called the Wilkinson Medal
- vii) The Fourths Best and Fairest will be called the Shaw/Carter Medal

24 Goal Kicking Awards

- i) The senior Goal kicking award will be called the J.C Lawless Award.
- ii) The Reserves Goal Kicking award will be called the (TBD).
- ii) The Thirds Goal Kicking award will be called the (TBD).
- iv) The Fourths Goal Kicking award will be called the (TBD).
- v) Any of the above awards can be named after a sponsor or have a sponsor's name added to, that is procured for the GL.

25 Best on Ground in Grand Final

- i) The Seniors Best on Ground will be called the AFL VICTORIA medallion adjudged by the officiating field umpires.
- ii) The seniors Best on Ground will be called the Stan Aitken Medal (adjudged by a GL appointed representative).
- iii) The Reserves Best on Ground will be called the AFL VICTORIA medallion adjudged by the officiating field umpires.
- iv) The Thirds Best on Ground will be called the AFL Vic medallion adjudged by the officiating field umpires.
- v) The Fourths Best on Ground will be called the AFL Vic medallion adjudged by the officiating field umpires.
- vi) Any of the above awards can be named after a sponsor or have a sponsor's name added to, that is procured for the GL.

26 Inter-League Best Players

- i) Seniors Best Player will be called the (TBD) medal.
- ii) Under 18's Best Player will be called the (TBD) medal.
- iii) Under 16's Best Player will be called the (TBD) medal.
- iv) Any of the above awards can be named after a sponsor or have a sponsor's name added to, that is procured for the GL.

27 Coaches Box

- i) Home clubs are to supply coach's boxes for both home and away teams of sufficient size to cater for interchange players, coaches and support staff.
- ii) The Coaches Box area will be marked with a white line two metres in front of and to the sides.
- iii) During the course of play only the following are allowed to leave the coaches box official area:
 - (a) The runner relaying messages.
 - (b) Interchange players warming up or entering/leaving the field.
 - (c) Team Manager to inform the interchange steward of changes.
 - (d) Trainers and water carriers.
 - (e) Fine for non-compliance Failure to comply will incur a fine of \$50
- ii) All officials are expected to observe a code of conduct that is not offensive. Constant abuse will incur a fine of \$100-00 and/or a charge of Conduct Unbecoming and referral to the Tribunal.

28 Football Record

- i) The Football Record is the weekly publication produced by the League for the home and away season and finals series. At the beginning of each season the League will distribute a list of Football Record requirements that clubs will adhere to. Fine for non-compliance is \$100-00.
- ii) Players numbers are to be the same in the Football Record as the official team list. Fine for non-compliance is \$20-00 per instance. .

29 Provision of Match Day Officials

- i) Home club is to supply one interchange steward (all four grades), one time keeper (all four grades), one goal umpire and boundary umpires for reserves, thirds and fourths games.
- ii) Visiting club is to supply one time keeper (all grades), one goal umpire for reserves, thirds and fourths.
- iv) All clubs must provide the required match day officials. Fine for non-compliance is \$50 per instance.

30 Proficiency of Officials

- i) All officials shall make themselves thoroughly familiar with and become proficient in their duties as required under the laws of the game, rules & regulations and by laws of the AFL, AFL VICTORIA and GL.

31 Required Paperwork

- i) The League shall distribute a list of required paperwork/instructions/duties etc at the start of each season and all clubs will adhere to these requirements.
- ii) The Secretary of the home Club is to forward to the League, by Wednesday's mail following the match, the team sheets, the results of matches signed by goal umpires, timekeepers cards, interchange sheets, code of conduct cards and any reports by umpires.
- i) Fine for non-compliance of the above is \$50-00 per instance.

32 Junior Development Officer

- i) Each club is to appoint a Junior Development Officer who will attend JDO meetings and adhere to the JDO requirements. Failure to attend meetings will incur a fine of \$100-00.

33 Service Certificates

- i) These certificates are available for persons who have given their club and or League service of excellence over a period of time. They will begin at 5 years service and increase in increments of five years.
Certificates do not allow special privileges but are an acknowledgement of service.
- ii) The Board or clubs may recommend person/s, with supporting evidence, that they believe are worthy and recipients will be presented with the certificate at the board's discretion.

34 Life Members

- i) Nominations for Life Members of the League may be presented to the Board with supporting information. Presentation to Life Members so elected shall be made at the board's discretion.
- ii) Nominees must have completed outstanding service and shown devotion to their club/League over a long period of time.
- iii) Life members will receive a badge and be allowed free entry to all H & A and finals matches
- iii) Life members of the LVFL, GLFL, WGFL and WGLFL shall be recognized as Life Members of this Association.

35 Failure to Carry Out League Instructions

- i) All clubs must carry out any instructions issued by the GL or its representatives. Fine for non-compliance is \$100-00/and or referral to the Tribunal.

36 Occupational Health & Safety

- i) All clubs must have an OH&S Policy and adhere to it.
- ii) It is expected that all clubs will endeavor to have their venue a safe place to be with all care taken for the welfare of their employees, members and visitors.

37 Gippsland League – League fees payments & overdue accounts

- i) League fees will be invoiced on the first working day of month. Fees must be paid in full within 45 days of the date of the invoice.
- ii) Failure to pay the invoice within 45 days will result in the following penalties:
 - **Ineligibility for competition points in all grades in both Football and Netball.** After 45 days of the date of the invoice owing, in any future matches where the invoice is still owing, the club in breach will be ineligible for competition points in all football and netball matches it competes in. Matches will be played in full, the match scores will be recorded as at the final siren with the club in breach listed as a giving a forfeit. Percentage will be recorded for both sides on the ladder.
 - **Teams will be ineligible to compete in finals** if their accounts receivable to the League includes overdue League Fees that exceed 45 days at the completion of round 18 matches.
 - **Salary Cap reduction.** The club in breach of rule 37 (i) for any invoice before June 30th will have their total Salary Cap reduced by \$20,000 of the original Gippsland League Cap for the year or by 10% (if their submitted budget is lower than \$130,000). The reduction will only occur for the current season and the amount cannot be reinstated for the season once deducted. If the breach of rule 37 (i) occurs for an invoice after June 30th the salary cap reduction will occur for the following season.

If that the club breaches the adjusted salary cap under the AFL Gippsland Allowable Player Payments Rule and is found guilty of breaching the reduced cap for their total player payments. The League will enforce the following penalties.

- The Senior football grade will be deducted 16 premierships points for the following season.
- The Salary Cap will be reduced by \$25,000 for the following season that the Senior football team participates in.
- The club will be stripped of any Senior/Reserves football premierships won for the season where the breach of the reduced cap occurred.

- (iii) **Exemptions:** A club may be exempt from the penalties listed in 37 (ii) if they have a payment plan for the overdue account and are *meeting the minimum requirements*.

If a club believes it is going to have difficulty paying an invoice within 45 days, they must approach the League within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. The League will establish a payment plan for the club's invoice with the first instalment due the following working day at the expiry of the 45 day period from the invoice date. The club will need to meet the commitments of this plan otherwise the penalties in 37 (ii) will apply. If the club refuses to enter into a payment plan they will be liable for the penalties in 37 (ii).

- (iv) **Carry over fees from previous years:** At the end of the League's financial year (October 31st), if a club has outstanding League fees on their account they must enter into a new payment plan from November 1st to clear their debts to the League.

The payment plan must have all overdue fees paid by the end of Round 18 in the following season or the club in breach *will not participate in finals in any grade they participate in*. For example - in Round 18 2020 a club cannot have any overdue fees from the 2019 season or they cannot participate in finals.

38 Gippsland League Football and Netballs Usage

- i.) Prior to each season the League will instruct the clubs via email of any League requirements for footballs and netballs usage in the upcoming season. This may include brand of balls to be used, sponsorship requirements or any other League requirements. In every match during the regular season match balls that meet these requirements must be used.
- ii.) Clubs require written permission from the League to use and balls in matches outside of the stated requirements.
- iii.) Any Gippsland League football match scheduled as twilight or night fixtures require a yellow ball to be used that also meets any requirements in 38 (i). Fines for breaching 38 (i), (ii) or (iii) will be \$100 per instance.
- iv.) The League will be responsible for supplying finals footballs and netballs.

39 Tampering with League documents

- i) Any person alters, destroys, falsifies or represents any document used in the operation of the League, in order to mislead, conceal, fabricate or conspire against the League, an official, an umpire or other member of the League commits an offence. Such offence is punishable by a suspension of up to six (6) months and/or a fine of up to \$2,000 as determined by the board or its delegate.