

# North Eastern Football League By Laws

**1/ AFL PAYMENTS**

**07/03/05**

Money allocated to the NEFL League and the Clubs for players drafted to AFL clubs must be allocated to junior football.

**2/ AMBULANCE**

**29/08/91**

The NEFL is not responsible if a player uses the Ambulance service at minor round or final matches.

**3/ AMBULANCE**

**06/11/00**

The NEFL executive is to organise St John First Aid facilities at all finals venues.

**4/ ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION MEDAL**

**23/08/04**

It is recommended that Players & Officials wear their club colours to the Medal Count Dinner.

**5/ ASSOCIATION MEDAL**

**10/05/05**

Permit players in colts grades are not eligible to receive medal votes in minor round matches.

**6/ BOUNDARY UMPIRES**

**29/05/91**

Each participating club shall supply the boundary umpires for one half of the oval for all minor round matches.

**7/ BOUNDARY UMPIRES**

**15/06/98**

Boundary umpires for A grade matches are to be a minimum of 16 years of age and dressed in white shorts and shirt. Boundary umpires for other grades are to wear a white shirt and be of a reasonable size. Clubs failing to comply will be fined \$50.00.

**8/ BOUNDARY UMPIRES**

**30/07/01**

Clubs to record names of Boundary Umpires on team sheets each week in A Grade Only.

**9/ COACHES****01/05/00**

A record of all accredited coaches in the NEFL is to be kept by the League Secretary.

**10/ GRAND FINAL****15/10/01**

On Grand Final day cars are not to be allowed into the ground before the gates open.

**11/ INTERCHANGE STEWARDS – FINALS****03/08/98**

The Host club is to supply an interchange Steward who must be independent and wear a white coat.

**12/ INTERCHANGE STEWARD****01/08/00**

The Interchange steward is to be seated in between the coaches boxes.

**13/ JUNIOR FOOTBALL****Amended 03/12/2007****12/02/03**

The Chairman of the Colts committee is to be elected by the Colts Delegates.

**14/ UNDER 14s****01/06/09**

Each team must have twelve (12 ) registered players to constitute a game. Premiership points, medal votes and percentages to count. Surplus players from one team exchanged for the day to the opposition, must be written on the opposition's team sheet with their club's initial in brackets. If a team does not have twelve (12 ) registered players, a forfeit will occur, with teams then to play a match under normal rules after sharing of players to ensure even numbers.

**15/ UNABLE TO FIELD A FULL SIDE IN UNDER 17s****2/04/07**

BY LAWS: Two Junior Colts who played in the Junior Colts game on that day can act as interchange players for the Senior Colts game. The opposition are to field the same number of players on the ground, with a minimum of 15 players. Junior Colts interchange players are to be marked on a team sheet.

*This bylaw applies to minor round games only.*

**16/ JUNIOR FOOTBALL - PERMITS****06/06/06**

All Senior Colts players that are playing under a permit will be allowed a limit of three A grade games. If any more than three A grade games are played, the player will have his Senior Colts permit automatically revoked.

**17/ 25 METRE PENALTY****07/04/10**

25 metre penalty replace 50 metre penalty in all grades

**18/ MAIL MEDAL**

**21/08/96**

Secretary to notify all clubs of the top two A grade & B grade vote getters or more if applicable. The NEFL does not have a count back under any circumstance. In the event of a tie, medals are to be presented to each winner.

**19/ MATCH DAY SHEETS**

**23/02/04**

The match day check sheet as required for insurance purposes is to be completed by the home club and signed by both clubs and forwarded to the NEFL secretary.

**20/ MEETINGS**

**09/04/01**

Meetings of the NEFL can be called by the President & Secretary as required.

**21/ MEETINGS**

**23/08/04**

Clubs not attending any NEFL Delegates meetings are to be fined \$100.00 on recommendation from NEFL Commissioners.

**22/ MISCELLANEOUS**

**19/08/99**

Should a rescue helicopter lands on an oval during play, the match is to be abandoned and each club will receive a point. If this happens during finals, the match is to be replayed.

**23/ MISCELLANEOUS**

**06/03/06**

When coaches address players at quarter time breaks, they must be outside the 50 metre square. This is to be run for a trial period from the start of the 2006 season.

**24/ OVALS**

**17/08/93**

Resolved the 50 metre line is to be marked at all host grounds.

**25/ OVALS**

**03/09/07**

A line be drawn halfway between the coaches box and the boundary line from both ends of the coaches box.. Coaches and Officials are to be behind the line during play. Additional lines are to be drawn three (3) metres or as much as possible on each side of the coaches box. Coaches and Officials are to be behind the line during play. Trainers are exempted from this bylaw when attending to injured players.

**26/ OVALS**

**14/11/05**

That a reserve parking spot is to be reserved near the change rooms each week for the Head Trainer of all clubs.

**27/ B GRADE**

**14/05/01**

Players applying for B Grade permits must apply yearly, and be marked "B Grade only" and be sent to the league secretary.

**28/ TEAM OF THE YEAR**

**09/10/00**

Players selected in Team of the Year are to be notified prior to the Medal Dinner.

**29/ TEAM SHEETS**

**11/03/02**

Time sheets may be computer print outs provided players included and deleted are made and forwarded to the NEFL secretary. All team sheets must be signed by the relevant Team Manager in the section provided for listed Officials.

**30/ TIME KEEPERS**

**31/01/95**

A timetable should be placed in each time keepers box showing appropriate starting times, and break times for ¼ time, ½ time & ¾ time etc.

**31/ TIME KEEPERS**

**04/08/97**

The NEFL will provide neutral time keepers for all grades of the grand final.

**32/ TRIBUNALS**

**29/05/91**

Club Advocates are completely responsible for behaviour of any representative of his/her club or any person involved with their club at or during any tribunal hearing.

**33/ TRIBUNAL HALL HIRE**

**29/05/91**

In regard to tribunals, the club of the reported player is to pay for the hall hire costs if the player is found guilty. If the player is not found guilty, the NEFL will pay the hire.

**34/ TRIBUNALS**

**13/06/00**

In regard to charges or complaints, that the secretary give at least 48 hours notice to clubs of any infringement of constitutional rule prior to commissioners hearing, so clubs will have the opportunity to defend the case.

**35/ TRIBUNALS**

**27/09/04**

The NEFL Officials, including the Executive & umpires shall refrain from commenting on reports & tribunals in the media.

**36/ UMPIRES**

**02/07/93**

That in the event of umpires officiating Senior Colts then B Grade, all umpiring obligations of first game must be completed directly after the game, before starting the next match.

**37/ UMPIRES**

**15/06/98**

Local panel umpires must produce an umpire's pass at the gate for all matches they are officiating.

**38/ UMPIRES**

**19/05/99**

Junior Colt umpires are required to wear a white uniform.

**39/ UMPIRES**

**08/08/05**

The Reserve umpire has the same power in reporting players and the send off rule as Central umpires.

**40/ UNIFORMS**

**28/11/05**

All Clubs with exception of Eudunda have home & away shorts.

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**41/ WATER BOYS/GIRLS**

**03/07/06**

Water boys/girls should be 13 years of age or over for minor round games & finals and that they be limited to 4 per club wearing a club colour arm band and a white shirt.

**42/ CLEARANCES:**

**05/03/07**

That services required can be used for refusal on clearances from NEFL Club to NEFL Club with in NEFL during 15<sup>th</sup> day January to 14<sup>th</sup> day of July in each year.

**43/ APPROACHING UMPIRES**

**03/09/07**

**On the Oval** – The team Captain or in his absence the vice captain, may approach the Field Umpires regarding any interpretations, playing conditions or miscellaneous incidents that are of concern to his team. Coaches and Players are not permitted to approach the Field Umpires at any time. Runners and Trainers are only permitted to approach umpires in the event that there is a serious medical condition that needs attention.

**Umpires Change rooms - off the Oval (i.e. before and after matches and half time of A Grade)** – The team Captain or in his absence the vice captain, and the Team Manager may approach the Field Umpires regarding any interpretations, playing conditions or miscellaneous incidents that are of concern to his team. Coaches and Players are not permitted to enter the umpires change rooms.

**Arrival and Departure** – The Club President, Secretary, and Senior nominated Delegates are encouraged to welcome and converse with umpires before and after the match. These discussions should be positive in content and in the best interests of NEFL football.

**44/ MISCELLANEOUS****Updated 02/06/08**

When coaches address players at quarter time breaks, they must be outside the 50 metre square.

**45/ SUSPENSIONS****07/02/07**

All suspensions be left to the discretion of the NEFL Commissioners.

**46/ UMPIRES REPORTING PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS****08/04/08**

Umpires can report players and Officials until 12.00pm (i.e.midnight ) on the day of a scheduled NEFL match.

**47/ NEFL RUNNERS.****06/05/08**

Each club have one runner per team.

**48/ NEW New - TEAMS NOT RECOMMENCING A MATCH****02/06/08**

After a quarter break should an umpire consider a team not being in their playing positions, after being asked to resume their positions, than an umpire can give a free kick to the opposing team in the centre of the ground. The match should not recommence until all players are in their positions and spectators, trainers and other officials have left the playing arena and the Umpires signals to time keeper & the siren is blown. The match should not recommence until all players are in their positions and spectators, trainers and other Officials have left the playing arena. Umpires signals to time keeper & the siren is blown.

**49/ NEFL BY LAW Boundary Line:****07/07/08**

The boundary line for all matches will be placed a minimum of 5 metres from all fixtures including fences, sheds and concrete walkways. Moved P Meyer seconded J Wood. **Carried**

**50/ NEFL BY LAW Tribunal:****01/12/08**

The NEFL Executive will have the discretion to grant permission for a reported player who has exceptional circumstances and is unable to attend the Tribunal, to plead not guilty and provide evidence using teleconference type communication. The player shall be represented at the Tribunal by a Club Advocate.

**51/ BY LAW Umpires Appointments****01/12/08**

Umpires nominates to officiate on Grand Final day are to be approved by the NEFL Executive prior to their appointment being confirmed.

**52/ BY LAW: CLEARANCES WITHIN NEFL****02/03/09**

Re 2009 Season A player wishing to transfer from one Club to another within the NEFL shall obtain a clearance before playing “**Services Required** ” Will be a valid reason for refusing a clearance..

**53/ BY LAW: BORN 1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY**

**04/05/09**

Players born on 1<sup>st</sup> January be included to play in Under 17s and Under 14s of the current season.

**54/ ADDITIONAL BYLAW - Medal ineligibility:**

**01/06/09**

Any player who accepts a prescribed penalty that involves suspension of a match or more will not be eligible to win the Association Best & Fairest or Runner Up Award.

**03/08/09**

Players receiving a reprimand from Commissioners are still eligible for an NEFL Medal.

**55/ BY LAW: Stretcher case**

**07/04/10**

If Umpire signals for a stretcher in U/14s, U/17s & B Grade time will stop & will resume again when play starts.

IF stretcher called in U/14s adjust starting time in next grade.