

Bendigo Amateur Soccer League



## **Junior Competitions**

## 1. Re-grading Process

## NOTE: Re-grading can be to move down or up a division.

- a) Following the conclusion of the Pre-Season Cup grading games or after the finals (which will only involve only the top four teams in each division), a request to re-grade to a new League will only be considered by BASL if:
  - the Division to which the team wants to move contains a bye (i.e. an uneven number of teams); and
  - the Division from which the team wants to move does not contain a bye (i.e. an even number of teams); OR
  - There is a concurrent request from Team/s to move between the two Divisions, which would effectively result in a direct swap between the two Teams in question and, therefore, no disruption to either of the respective leagues.

Note: A request to re-grade can be lodged by the club. BASL in it's absolute discretion for the enjoyment of all competitions can also re-grade teams during this period.

This decision of BASL does not need to consider dot points in 1a above. The decision of BASL to regrade a team will be done in consultation with the impacted teams and clubs. The final decision will be BASL's and cannot be appealed.

- b) No Club shall have more than one (1) Team re-graded in the same competition age group except in extraordinary circumstances as deemed necessary by BASL.
- c) BASL may consider a request to re-grade (or decide to regrade a team itself) which does not satisfy the criteria stipulated in Rule (a) above in exceptional circumstances. In doing so, it will give consideration to the following:
  - The extent of League and fixture disruption for other Teams caused by the proposed move.



- Match results recorded during the Pre-Season Cup pre-season competition. No request to re-grade lodged by club will be considered for a team that has:
  - o won less than five (going up a division) or
  - won more than one pre-season cup game (down a division).
- Scores of the results in the pre-season cup.
- History of the Team's performance across previous seasons.
- Players that make up the roster for the team and there previous playing history.
- Any additional information sought or requested by BASL, including but not limited to referee and opposition feedback.
- d) The Re-grading Period will commence following Round 3 of the Pre-Season Cup. All re-grading requests must be received by BASL no later than 9.00am on the Monday after the conclusion of a Team's Round 3 Pre-Season Cup fixtures. Any request received after this time will not be considered unless, in the opinion of BASL, the request benefits all affected Leagues.
- e) All regrading requests must be submitted through an email to competitions@basl.com.au (cc secretary@basl.com.au) by the club Secretary. One email will be required for each re-grading request that is submitted. Requests for re-grading or confirmation sought over the phone will not be considered by BASL.

## 2. Late Team Entries

As participation is one of the key pillars of the league, all efforts will be made to ensure late team entries are catered for.

- a) Any Club entering a late Team in Junior competitions (Under 12 to Under 18 Mixed and All-Girls) will be automatically placed in:
  - Where a vacancy exists after the release of the respective competitions draw. (for 2021 this is the Pre-Season Cup and Championship Seasons)
  - Where no vacancy exists in the Pre-Season Cup, this team will be entered directly into the Championship Season and will not play the Pre-Season cup.



- b) For non-competitive competitions (Under 6 to Under 10) will be automatically placed in:
  - Where a vacancy exists after the release of the non-competitive competition draw.
- c) In the event several new teams are requested by clubs in any specific age group or division after the release of the Championship Season or non-competitive draws, BASL may in its discretion re-draw the entire competition to ensure participation.
- d) Where a late Team entry is accepted by BASL after the commencement of a competition, BASL will determine the allocation of Forfeits for the number of Competition Fixtures missed by that Team (as a result of late inclusion in the League in question) at its sole discretion.
- e) Late team entries will consider the skill level of the team as provided by information from the entering club. The final division a team is placed is the sole discretion of BASL and is not appealable.

