

Club and Team Transfer Regulations

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(effective December 2025)



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4.2 Establishment of New Clubs

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4.2 Establishment of New Clubs

STEP 1

LEAGUE INTENDING TO ACCEPT NEW CLUB

liaises with neighbouring Leagues of its intentions prior to lodging an

League considering to **Accept a New Club** liaises with neighbouring Leagues prior to lodging an **Intention to Accept Form** and identify impacts and any objections for resolution.

STEP 2

LEAGUE INTENDING TO ACCEPT NEW CLUB

Lodges with AFL Victoria & Source League an **Intention to Accept Form** by 31 October

League intending to accept new clubs to lodge with AFL Victoria an **Intention to Accept Form** by 31 October which includes the justification and supporting evidence of the application

STEP 3

On receipt of **Intention to Accept Form** AFLV within 14 days, notify potentially impacted Leagues and provide objection process

4.2 Establishment of New Clubs

STEP 3

POTENTIALLY IMPACT LEAGUES

Do not Object - No Appeal and AFLV make such determinations and decisions

OR

POTENTIALLY IMPACT LEAGUE Appeals

Appeal process administered consistent with Clause 6.1

No objection to the New Club. No Appeal process required, and AFL Victoria make determination with consideration to evidence

An Impacted League intends to appeal the New Club application and the intent to accept; AFL Victoria shall administer the Appeal process

4.3 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Clubs

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4.3 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Clubs

STEP 1

CLUB INTENDING TO TRANSFER

Club notifies in writing the AFL Victoria Community Manager of its intention to enter discussions with another League prior to initiating discussions and the transfer process

Club to lodge in writing with AFL Victoria CM of its intention to enter discussions prior to initiating. Provides clarity and transparency for all stakeholders.

STEP 2

CLUB INTENDING TO TRANSFER

Notifies its Source League of its intention to transfer prior to submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**

Club to notify in writing with its Source Affiliate League of its intention to transfer prior to submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**. Provides clarity and transparency for all stakeholders.

STEP 3

DESTINATION LEAGUE and SOURCE LEAGUE to meet prior to the club submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**

Destination League and Source League are to meet by to address the justification and supporting evidence of the transfer prior to club submitting an application

STEP 4

CLUB INTENDING TO TRANSFER

Lodges with AFL Victoria & Source Affiliate League an **Intention to Transfer Form** by 30 June at 5pm.
AFL Victoria to determine the validity of Application

Club lodges with Source Affiliate League and AFL Victoria an **Intention to Transfer Form by June 30th**. Form must address criteria identified.

4.3 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Clubs

STEP 5

DESTINATION LEAGUE

Declining the Transfer notify AFL Victoria, Source League and Club by 31 July at 5pm (year prior). **Matter closed**

OR

DESTINATION LEAGUE

Accepting the Transfer submit an **Intent to Accept Form** to Source League and AFL Victoria by 31 July at 5pm

The Destination League declines the club's application to Transfer. No Appeal process available, and matter is closed

The Destination League intends to accept the club's application to Transfer and must submit an **Intention to Accept Form** with justification of acceptance

STEP 5

On receipt of **Intention to Accept Form** AFLV within 14 days, notify Source League & Destination League and provide objection process

STEP 6

SOURCE LEAGUE

Must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day if they object

Source League should they intend to object the Clubs Transfer, they must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day

4.3 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Clubs

STEP 6

SOURCE LEAGUE

Does not Object - No Appeal and AFLV make such determinations and decisions

OR

SOURCE LEAGUE Appeals

Appeal process administered consistent with Clause 6.1

The Source League declines to appeal to the Transfer. No Appeal process required, and AFL Victoria make determination with consideration to evidence

The Source League intends to Appeal to the club's application to Transfer and the Destination League intent to accept, AFL Victoria shall administer the Appeal process

4.4 Establishment of New Teams

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4.4 Establishment of New Teams

STEP 1

LEAGUE INTENDING TO ACCEPT NEW TEAM

liaises with neighbouring Leagues of its intentions prior to lodging an

League considering to **Accept a New Team** liaises with neighbouring Leagues prior to lodging an **Intention to Accept Form** and identify impacts and any objections for resolution.

STEP 2

LEAGUE INTENDING TO ACCEPT NEW TEAMS

Lodges with AFL Victoria & Source League an **Intention to Accept Form** by 31 March

League intending to accept new team to lodge with AFL Victoria an **Intention to Accept Form** by 31 March which includes the justification and supporting evidence of the application

STEP 3

On receipt of **Intention to Accept Form** AFLV within 14 days, notify potentially impacted Leagues and provide objection process

4.4 Establishment of New Teams

STEP 3

POTENTIALLY IMPACT LEAGUES

Do not Appeal - No Appeal and AFLV make such determinations and decisions

OR

POTENTIALLY IMPACT LEAGUE Objects

Appeal process administered consistent with Clause 6.1

No Appeal to the New Team. No Appeal process required, and AFL Victoria make determination with consideration to evidence

An Impacted League intends to appeal to the New Team application and the intent to accept; AFL Victoria shall administer the Appeal process

4.5 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Teams

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STEP 1

CLUB OF TEAM INTENDING TO TRANSFER

Club notifies in writing the AFL Victoria Community Manager of its intention to enter discussions with another League prior to initiating discussions and the transfer process

Club to lodge in writing with AFL Victoria CM of its intention to enter discussions prior to initiating. Provides clarity and transparency for all stakeholders.

STEP 2

CLUB OF TEAM INTENDING TO TRANSFER

Notifies its Source League of its intention to transfer prior to submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**

Club to notify in writing with its Source Affiliate League of its intention to transfer prior to submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**. Provides clarity and transparency for all stakeholders.

STEP 3

DESTINATION LEAGUE and SOURCE LEAGUE to meet prior to the club submitting an **Intention to Transfer Form**

Destination League and Source League are to meet by to address the justification and supporting evidence of the transfer prior to club submitting an application

STEP 4

CLUB OF TEAM INTENDING TO TRANSFER

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AFL Victoria to determine the validity of Application

Club lodges with Source Affiliate League and AFL Victoria an **Intention to Transfer Form by June 30th**. Form must address criteria identified.

4.5 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Teams

STEP 5

DESTINATION LEAGUE

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DESTINATION LEAGUE

Accepting the Transfer submit an **Intent to Accept Form** to Source League and AFL Victoria by 31 July at 5pm

The Destination League declines the club's application to Transfer. No Appeal process available, and matter is closed

The Destination League intends to accept the club's application to Transfer and must submit an **Intention to Accept Form** with justification of acceptance

STEP 5

On receipt of **Intention to Accept Form** AFLV within 14 days, notify Source League & Destination League and provide objection process

STEP 6

SOURCE LEAGUE

Must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day if they object

Source League should they intend to object the club's application, they must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day

4.5 Transfer of Existing or Amalgamated Teams

STEP 6

SOURCE LEAGUE

Does not Object - No Appeal and AFLV make such determinations and decisions

OR

SOURCE LEAGUE Objects

Appeal process administered consistent with Clause 6.1

The Source League declines to object to the Transfer. No Appeal process required, and AFL Victoria make determination with consideration to evidence

The Source League intends to Appeal the Team's application to Transfer and the Destination League intent to accept; AFL Victoria shall administer the Appeal process

5. Introduction or Amendment of any Underage Competition

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5. Introduction or Amendment of any Underage Competition

STEP 1

LEAGUE CONSIDERING TO AMEND OR INTRODUCE AN AGE GROUP liaises with neighbouring Leagues of its intentions prior to lodging an **Intention to Introduce or Amend an Age Group Form**

League considering to **Introduce or Amend an Age Group** liaises with neighbouring Leagues prior to the proposed amendment and identify impacts and any objections for resolution.

STEP 2

LEAGUE INTENDING TO AMEND OR INTRODUCE AN AGE GROUP Lodges with AFL an **Intention to Introduce or Amend an Age Group Form** by 31 October

Intention to Introduce or Amend an Age Group by AFL Victoria by no later than 5.00pm on 31st October in the year prior to the proposed amendment.

On receipt of **Intention Introduce or Amend an Age Group Form** AFLV within 14 days, notify potentially impacted Leagues and provide appeal process

STEP 3

Potentially Impacted Leagues
Must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day if they intend to appeal

Potentially Impacted Leagues should they intend to appeal ; they must notify AFL Victoria by 5pm the following day

5. Introduction or Amendment of any Underage Competition

STEP 4

POTENTIALLY IMPACTED LEAGUE Appeals

Appeal process administered consistent with Clause 6.1

OR

POTENTIALLY IMPACTED LEAGUES

Do not Appeal - No Appeal and AFLV make such determinations and decisions

An Impacted League intends to appeal to the introduction or amendment of an age group; AFL Victoria shall administer the appeal process

No appeal to the introduction or amendment of an age group. No appeal process required, and AFL Victoria make determination with consideration to evidence