



# **AFL Cairns By-laws**

## **Updated April 2021**

## **Awards**

### **10.2 (A) LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

Life membership to AFL Cairns may only be granted as per the provisions of the Constitution.

### **10.2 (B) CRATHERN MEDAL AND OTHER BEST AND FAIREST AWARDS**

(a) A Player found guilty by the Tribunal, or who accepts a set penalty, in any grade in respect of a reportable offence during the minor round in any season shall be ineligible to win the AFL Cairns best and fairest award for any grade for that season.

(b) A Player found guilty by the Tribunal and later determined not guilty on appeal shall be eligible for best and fairest awards for that reason.

(c) Best and fairest votes in all grades are based on home and away matches and should a Player be reported and found guilty in subsequent matches of the same season they shall not be deprived of their award but shall be ruled ineligible for any such awards for the following season.

(d) AFL Cairns best and fairest medal awards are not to be determined on a count-back in the case of tied voting. In the case of a tie medals will be presented to all eligible winners.

## **FINALS ELIGIBILITY**

8.1 (a) (V) Colts games or representative football **will not** count towards senior finals eligibility. Special consideration may be sought and approved at the direction of the General Manager.

8.2 (c) (i)

A player must play a minimum of three **(3)** home and away games with any team (Seniors or Reserves) in their registered club to be eligible to play senior finals.

## **PLAYING UNIFORM**

4.14 F (iii) Either black or skin tone undergarment can be worn in the AFL Cairns Competitions.

## **ADMISSION TO GROUNDS**

6.2 (e) Admission prices to the grounds for AFL Cairns' matches will be set by AFL Cairns prior to the commencement of the season, in season 2020 they will remain at \$6.

(f) Clubs charging a gate will be required to issue tickets at the gate and submit a brief reconciliation to AFL Cairns on the Monday following the match.

(g) AFL Cairns will issue season passes for both the home and away seasons and the finals' series as it deems fit.

#### **HALF -TIME SENIOR GAMES**

4.9 (d) (iii) AFL Cairns Women's Competition Breaks will be: 5 minutes ( $\frac{1}{4}$  time) 10 minutes ( $\frac{1}{2}$  Time) 5 minutes  $\frac{3}{4}$  Time.

#### **MATCH DURATION REF 4.9 (H) – VARIATIONS**

4.9 (H)

COMPETITION	TIME OF QUARTERS	TIME OF BREAKS
SENIORS	20 MINUTES PLUS TIME ON	6/15/6
RESERVES	20 MINUTES NO TIME ON FINALS 17 PLUS TIME ON	5/15/5
AFLCW	15MINUTES NO TIME ON FINALS 13 PLUS TIME ON	5/10/5

#### **PONT SYSTEM**

13 (d) please refer to AFL Cairns Point System 2020 for current Points System.

In 2021, Club Points Values are:

<b>2021 Club Point Values</b>	
Port Douglas	34 points
South Cairns	34 points
Cairns City Lions	34 points
Cairns Saints	38 points
Centrals TB	42 points
North Cairns	42 points
Manunda Hawks	42 points

Once a player is registered with the club, the club will be asked to enter points value of the player (use the 2021 AFL Cairns Points System for allocation of points). The league will then get notification and check the player's value against the players history. Clubs will not be able to exceed their weekly allocation, when selecting teams in SportsTG.

## **RUNNERS**

4.15 (c) (iv) Each Club shall be entitled to use 2 runners for each match in each grade of the AFL Cairns competition. They must however use the Interchange gates, as per the Laws of the game.

(v) In the event that a Club is short of water carriers a runner may carry water to and from players.

## **SALARY CAP (PSC)**

(d) Clubs will be required to lodge with AFLC a Player Registration List before Round 1 of each season and subsequently by 30 June and 30 September in each season.

The List will identify each player and all financial payments or transactions (cash or in-kind) made to that player.

The List will be accompanied by a Statutory Declaration signed by any two of the following club officials, the President, Treasurer and Coach declaring that the details are accurate and factual.

(e) All players must sign a Standard Playing contract before the commencement of the season, and lodge this with the league, prior to Round 1.

## **YELLOW CARDS**

(viii) Any player who receives three (3) yellow cards in any one season shall automatically be suspended for one (1) week. This can be taken to tribunal.

(ix). Any player who receives more than three (3) yellow cards in any one season shall automatically be suspended for one (1) week with each additional yellow card.

## **COMPLIANCE**

8.16 AFL Cairns retains the exclusive right to undertake, licence and deal with all rights relating to any broadcast, transmission, recording and communication via television, radio, internet, mobile device or other technology (whether presently known or hereafter devised) of each Australian football match administered by AFL Cairns and to retain for its own benefit all revenues derived therefrom, and no club is permitted to undertake any such activity itself or enable, facilitate or grant any competing or conflicting licence, right or entitlement to any third party.

## **Laws of Game**

### **STANDING THE MARK**

#### **20.1.1 Standing The Mark**

When a Player is awarded a Mark or Free Kick, one Player from the opposing Team may:

- (a) stand on The Mark;
- (b) move along a lateral line to the Protected Area defined in Law 20.1.2 without advancing beyond The Mark; or
- (c) otherwise be directed by a field Umpire.

For the avoidance of doubt, all other Players from the opposing Team must be positioned behind The Mark or otherwise outside the Protected Area defined in Law 20.1.

### **PLAYER SUSPENSION**

Ref 5.3 (d) – **deletion of rule-** Previously any suspended player could play in a sanctioned practice match. Rule amended to stipulate that only a suspended player with three (3) games suspension or less can play in sanctioned practice match. Players with four (4) games suspension or more cannot play in a sanctioned practice match.