

Interchange Agreement

Heathcote District Football Netball League & Bendigo Junior Football League

This Interchange Agreement template is intended for use exclusively in situations where both football controlling bodies (Leagues) involved are AFL Victoria Country Affiliate Leagues. It is consistent with Clause 2.4 of the AFL Victoria Country Rules and Section 3.7(a) of the National Community Football Policy Handbook. Executed Interchange Agreements must be submitted to AFL Victoria Football Operations Manager Joel Lovett – joel.lovett@afl.com.au for final approval within ten (10) calendar days of its execution, before being loaded into the competition management platform (PlayHQ).

An Agreement between the **Heathcote District Football Netball League & Bendigo Junior Football League** for the 2025 Season.

This agreement is signed pursuant to AFL Victoria Country rules and regulations pertaining to permits and in particular Clause 2.4 – Interchange (Area) Agreements, whereby an interchange of players between clubs of the abovementioned Leagues may take place without a transfer and is subject to any provisions contained within this agreement.

Interchange Agreements are ongoing from year to year unless revoked by one of the football bodies party to the agreement by advising AFL Victoria.

PROVIDED HOWEVER:

- (i) That this permit is in force for the current season only.
- (ii) Prior to each match the player shall obtain permission electronically from their parent club using a Season permit.
- (iv) Players of any club having a bye will not be allowed to play with another club on that day unless they have previously played with that club in the current season under this agreement. The club playing the player from the other League shall show their registered club on the match team sheet. Players of third 18 teams of Senior Grade competitions are not to be classified as players of Junior age competitions.
- (v) A local interchange agreement can override clause (iv) to restrict junior players playing on permit when their club has a bye.
- (vi) That this agreement cannot be altered unless agreed to by the Region Manager.
- (vii) That in order for a player playing under such Area Permit to participate in a finals series in that season the player must have played a minimum of five (5) matches on permit in the team of the grade in which they have been selected to play in the finals and has met any additional league eligibility requirements.

LOCAL CONDITIONS:

1. AGREEMENT

The Agreement shall remain valid and current unless altered and then endorsed by a Region Manager. No alterations may be made to this agreement without approval from both leagues included.

2. TYPES OF PERMITS

Players are only permitted to play with their 'namesake/aligned club's under this agreement.

A 'Season Permit' maybe lodged for the entire home and away season, however eligibility of games permitted to be played under this agreement are listed in 'Player Permits'

3. INTERCHANGE OF PLAYERS

Junior League to District League

Players are permitted a maximum of:

Eight (8) permits to play in the District League H&A Under 18 grade provided that the total number of permits in any one game must not exceed eight (8) when they are one club.

Players are permitted three (3) permits to play in the District League H&A Seniors grade provided that:

The total number of permits must not exceed six (6)

The player has a signed indemnity form from both parents/guardians

4. FINALS PERMITS & ELIGIBILITY

Finals eligibility for District League: the player must have played a minimum of five (5) games in the team of the grade in which he has been selected to play in the finals and has met any additional league eligibility requirements.

5. GAMES PER DAY/WEEKEND

Players **ARE** permitted to play 2 games per weekend provided that club registered players must be selected before permit players can receive endorsement to play.

6. NUMBER OF PERMITS

Teams are only permitted a maximum of 8 permit players in any one match, if they are one club.

7. TRANSFERS

Any player seeking a formal transfer must follow regulations and deadlines outlined in the AFL National Community Football Policy Handbook.

6.8. REPORTED PLAYERS

A player playing on permit that is reported shall face the Tribunal of the League of which the offence was committed. Any penalty that is imposed shall apply in all competitions.

9. PERMIT BREACHES

Any breach of Permit arrangements and agreements will be referred to the AFL Victoria Country Rule 1.1 – Penalty for playing ineligible or unregistered players

Signed on behalf of the Heathcote District
Football Netball League

Name: *Jan Morris*
Date: *12/05/2005*

Signature: *[Signature]*

Signed on behalf of AFL Victoria Country
(Region Manager of AFL CV)

Name: *CAMERON TOMLIN*
Date: *13-05-2005*
Signature: *[Signature]*

Signed on behalf of AFL Victoria Country
(Region Manager)

Name: *Joel Lovett*
Date: *14.05.25*

Signature: *[Signature]*

Signed on behalf of the Bendigo Junior Football League

Name: *Paul Colbert*
Date: *12/5/25*

Signature: *[Signature]*