

BJFL Junior Player Points System



Purpose

The Junior Player Points System aims to reduce excessive player movement between BJFL clubs and promote fair and sustainable competitions.

Team points apply to Under 12 to Under 16 teams.

When Do Points Apply?

Points apply only when a player transfers from one BJFL club to another BJFL club.

Player Point Values

- Standard transfer player: **Two (2) points**
- Representative transfer player: **Four (4) points**

Representative players include those involved in the AFL Central Victoria Academy, BJFL Interleague etc.

No Points Apply If:

- A player that has aged out of Under 12s transfers from a club that does not compete beyond Under 12 (unless transferring while still U12 eligible or younger)
- Female players transferring because their original club does not field female-only teams

Team Point Limit

- Maximum of 10 transfer points per team per season

Example combinations:

- 5 × 2-point players
- 2 × 4-point players + 1 × 2-point player

- 1 × 4-point player + 3 × 2-point players

The responsibility lies with the club to monitor the number of points that are transferring into a team.

Points Reduction

For every season that a transferred player remains at their club they will have reductions in points. Players must have played a minimum of five (5) club games in the previous season to constitute season and be eligible for a points reduction for a year of service.

- Standard player: **Two (2) points reduced to zero (0) points after one season**
- Representative player: **4 points reduced to three (3) points after one season, reduced to two (2) points after two seasons, reduced to zero (0) points after three seasons**
- Injury exemptions may be applied for with medical evidence
- Exemptions will be approved or denied at the discretion of the BJFL
- The league will update player points values each season with clubs required to review those point values to ensure that they are correct

Club Responsibilities

- Clubs must track and manage their team's total transfer points
- Clubs must not exceed 10 points on their team list
- Player point values are confirmed by the league each season

Merged Teams

If two clubs cannot field teams due to low numbers, they may apply to merge.

The host club may apply in writing to the league to consider exceeding the 10-point limit in any given match and must provide:

- Reason for the merger
- Full list of players involved in the merger

Approval depends on the impact on competition balance.

Penalties

- Exceeding 10 points without written approval results in ineligible players
- Penalties may include:
 - Reversal of match points
 - Fines of up to \$250
 - Further sanctions as determined by the league

Key Reminders

- Know your points
- Stay within the points cap
- Apply for any exemptions to this policy in advance
- When in doubt, check with your Club Committee or relevant person at your club before playing the player to avoid any potential penalties