# BULLCREEK LEEMING JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB (INC) 

## TEAM ALLOCATION POLICY

## PURPOSE

Bullcreek Leeming Junior Football Club is committed to achieving fairness and equality to all members and teams. All requests for a specific team allocation will be given due consideration in accordance to the allocation policy.

## DEFINITIONS

BLJFC: Bullcreek Leeming Junior Football Club
JCC: Junior Competition Council

## RESTRICTIONS WITHIN THE POLICY

When considering team allocations, BLJFC cannot guarantee that all such requests can be granted.

The East Fremantle District JCC, at their discretion, has the authority to direct the club to re-allocate players should they feel that it is in the best interests of maintaining the Spirit of the Game.

## RETURNING MEMBERS

All members returning from the previous season will be given priority within teams over new members, provided that a completed registration form and payment of season fees are submitted on or before $1^{\text {st }}$ February.

BLJFC will endeavor to keep teams together from season to season providing that numbers are fairly distributed between teams within an age group.

If minimum numbers are not met with returning team members, the team will be disbanded and players will be redistributed into teams subject to new registrations.

## NEW PLAYERS / EXISTING PLAYERS CHANGING TEAMS

Existing players that wish to change teams from the previous season are asked to submit their request, in writing, at the time of registration. All requests for changes will be considered.

New members will be allocated to teams based on team numbers with a view to maintain an even balance between teams within an age group. New members may also submit team allocation requests, in writing, at the time of registration. These requests will be considered and, should team numbers permit.

Where teams within an age group are considered at capacity with registrations from returning members, new members wishing for placement will be advised as soon as possible. The East Fremantle JCC encourages clubs in this situation to notify them of surplus players in an attempt to find placement for these players and assist clubs that are in need of further registrations to meet ideal team numbers within a particular age group. BLJFC is a willing participant in this player placement program and all efforts will be made to assist in locating a club that can accommodate.

## YEAR 3 COMPETITION

The criteria in selecting team placements for the year 3 age group takes the following points into consideration in no particular order:

- School peer groups.
- Auskick team placements from the previous year.
- The team balance and numbers.
- The appointment of coaches.

All team requests will be considered when forming teams within the year 3 competition. Registrations submitted on or before registration day will be given priority over late registrations.

## AUSKICK

The criteria in selecting team placements for Auskick takes the following points into consideration in no particular order:

- School peer groups.
- Auskick team placements from the previous year.
- The team balance and numbers.
- The appointment of coaches.

All team requests will be considered when forming teams within the Auskick competition. Registrations submitted on or before registration day will be given priority over late registrations.

## PLAYING OUTSIDE YOUR CORRECT AGE GROUP

BLJFC, in conjunction with the East Fremantle District JCC, strongly encourages players to play within their rightful age group.

The WA Football commission does allow for players to play a maximum of 1 year above their age group and, with this in mind, BLJFC will consider requests to play up on a case by case basis.

Any player wishing to play below their age group must apply, through BLJFC, to the JCC. Applications will only be considered if the player meets the size/ height or disability play down criteria. Further information regarding both policies can be found in the WAFC Global Competition Rules or you can contact the club registrar.

Players that wish to play outside their correct age group will not be granted approval at
the expense of a correctly aged player.

## TEAM NUMBERS

The East Fremantle District JCC will only allow the registration of teams that meet the prescribed minimum and maximum team numbers as per the tables below.

Table 1
ONE TEAM MIN AND MAX SQUAD THRESHOLDS

| Junior |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Low | Ideal | High |  | Low | High |  |
| Year 3 | 12 | 17 | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| Year 4 | 12 | 17 | 20 |  |  |  | No more than 20 for team management |
| Year 5 | 12 | 17 | 22 |  |  |  | No more than 22 for team management |
| Year 6 | 14 | 20 | 25 |  |  |  | Ned slightly more leading into Year 7 |
|  |  |  |  | Year 7 | 18 | 28 | No bench and Max of 7 (3 Spare) |
|  |  |  |  | Year 8 | 18 | 28 | No bench and Max of 7 (3 Spare) |
|  |  |  |  | Year 9 | 19 | 28 | Bench Min of 1 and Max of 7 (3 Spare) |
|  |  |  |  | Year 10 | 19 | 28 | Bench Min of 1 and Max of 7 (3 Spare) |
|  |  |  |  | Year 11 | 19 | 30 | Bench Min of 1 and Max of 7 (3 Spare) |
|  |  |  |  | Year 12 | 19 | 32 | Bench Min of 1 and Max of 7 (7 Spare) |

Table 2
ONE TEAM MIN PLAYERS TO NOMINATE TEAM

| Team | Minimum | Extra players | Total | Comment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year 3 | 10 | 2 | 12 | Reaches minimum players of 12 |
| Year 4 | 10 | 2 | 12 | Reaches minimum players of 12 |
| Year 5 | 10 | 2 | 12 | Reaches minimum players of 12 |
| Year 6 | 12 | 2 | 14 | Reaches minimum players of 14 |
| Year 7 | 15 | 3 | 18 | Reaches minimum players of 18 |
| Year 8 | 15 | 3 | 18 | Reaches minimum players of 18 |
| Year 9 | 16 | 3 | 19 | Reaches minimum players of 19 |
| Year 10 | 16 | 3 | 19 | Reaches minimum players of 19 |
| Year 11 | 16 | 3 | 19 | Reaches minimum players of 19 |
| Year 12 | 16 | 3 | 19 | Reaches minimum players of 19 |

Table 3
TWO TEAM MIN AND MAX PLAYERS GUIDE (Relates to Total column in Table 2)

| Junior |  |  |  | Youth |  |  |  | Comment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Low | High | Total |  | Low | High | Total |  |
| Year 3 | 12 | 15 | 24-30 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year 4 | 12 | 15 | 24-31 |  |  |  |  | Run lean and top up with lower age group players if needed but physical size duty of care required. <br> Note - 5 game maximum before players remain in higher age group |
| Year 5 | 12 | 15 | 24-32 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year 6 | 14 | 15 | 28-33 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Year 7 | 18 | 21 | 36-42 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Year 8 | 18 | 21 | 36-43 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Year 9 | 19 | 22 | 38-44 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Year 10 | 19 | 22 | 38-45 |  |


|  |  |  |  | Year 11 | 19 | 22 | $38-46$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  | Year 12 | 19 | 22 | $38-47$ |

## Notes

1. Table 3 is a two team guide and can be used for determining more than two teams. Note that the Low column in Table 3 relates to Total column in Table 2.
2. Year 6 (Table 1) has more players required to build towards Year 7 Youth League.
3. Two 2014 Year 6 teams, with a combined total of returning players of more than 28 but less than 36 will be permitted to merge into one Year 7 team. Above 36 players, two teams will need to be formed.
4. Minimum player numbers for multiple teams are based on one team minimum players. Clubs cannot submit multiple teams below minimum numbers. Flexibility of Youth League squad numbers will be considered in extraordinary circumstances such as if a team had a squad greater than maximum and all players return then a squad is permitted to continue at larger numbers. However, if that team's squad reduces naturally through retirements to fewer than 28 , then it is permitted to add new players back up to 28 .
5. Clubs with existing numbers over the thresholds cannot delist existing players from the squad and replace with new players. For example if a team had 30 players and all players nominated to return. There are two new players applying to join so the club delists two existing players and adds the new players back to a squad size of 30 .
6. Squads above 28 will also be accepted if the squad has players considered to be mentally or physically challenged.
7. Clubs can voluntarily cap Youth League squad sizes at 25 if under 25 originally.
8. Clubs cannot reduce existing squads that are above 25 down to 25 thus excluding players.
9. Play ups may be required in higher age groups but physical size duty of care is required.
10. Transfers of Development Squad players will be at the approval of the JCC taking into account amount of existing development squad players in that team and performance of the team.
