



## AREA INTERCHANGE AGREEMENT

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This agreement is for the league's highest Junior (RDFNL U17's & BFNL U18's) grade and below.

An Area Agreement between **Bendigo Football Netball League** and the **Riddell District Football Netball League**.

This Agreement is signed pertaining to clearances and permits whereby an interchange of players between the above-mentioned Leagues / Regions may take place without clearance and is subject to any provisions contained within this agreement.

### PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS APPLY:

1. This agreement is on-going until it is revoked by one of the football bodies involved.
2. That the players involved desire to play with the Club on the date(s) requested.
3. That the Clubs involved are agreeable to the players playing on the day in question and have both signed off on the permit via PlayHQ and GameDay.
4. That the players concerned are aware matches played in the Bendigo FNL may be subjected to By-Laws and guidelines outlined in the BFNL Rules & Regulations Handbook, AFL Victoria County Handbook, AFL Laws of the Game, or National Community Football Policy Handbook, whilst matches played in the Riddell District FNL may be subjected to By-Laws and guidelines outlined in the RDFNL By-Laws, AFL Laws of the Game or applicable policies in the National Community Football Policy Handbook.
5. Unless otherwise permitted in local league By-Laws, players of any club having a "Bye", split round, interleague or forfeits will not be allowed to play with another club on permit unless he/she has previously played with the Club in the current season under this agreement.
6. The club playing the player from the other League shall show his registered club on the match team sheet. Permitted players into the RDFNL will show "(P)" on the match team sheet.
7. All club registered players must be selected before permit players can receive endorsement to play.
8. That any player shall not be permitted to play more than eight (8) Home & Away matches with another club under the provisions of this agreement unless otherwise indicated in local League By-Laws.
9. Unless otherwise stated in League By-Laws, permit players will not be able to play finals, however if a League's by-laws do allow this, they may play only one match per day and have satisfied the local league finals eligibility By - Laws. All available registered players must be selected in preference to permit players during finals.
10. Unless otherwise stated in League By-Laws, that the number of players played by any club under this agreement on any one day be restricted to six (6) permit players, with a maximum of three (3) coming from any one club.



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11. That the number of players played by any club under this agreement be restricted to (6) six only on any one day.

12. If a club has the following number of their own registered players available of the correct age bracket, the following number of permit players will be the maximum allowed:

- a. 14 players available on the team sheet: 6 permit players allowed.
- b. 15 players available on the team sheet: 5 permit players allowed.
- c. 16 players available on the team sheet: 4 permit players allowed.
- d. 17 players available on the team sheet: 3 permit players allowed.
- e. 18 players available on the team sheet: 2 permit players allowed.
- f. 19 players available on the team sheet: 1 permit player allowed.
- g. 20 players available on the team sheet: no permit players allowed.

**Note:** Unless otherwise stated in league by-laws, when considering the criteria for a club's number of "their own registered players available", it will not take into consideration players from a lower age group. For clarity, it only considers players eligible in that specific age group.

13. That a player may play two games per weekend but only one game per day under this agreement. A player's registered club has the option to authorise or refuse any permit application and clubs may only play a player on permit when both clubs have authorised the permit.

14. That a player from any League may play with more than one club from another League but only one match per day.

15. Once a player has played a Coates Talent League or a Senior first XVIII match in the current season, he/she is deemed to be a senior player and will be ineligible to play Junior Football (Under XVIII or below) under the terms of this agreement unless otherwise indicated in local League By-Laws.

16. That a player having played the maximum number of (8) eight matches with a club under this agreement shall need to obtain a full clearance before he/she is able to continue to play with that club. Any clearance application of a player who has played the maximum number of permit games must be approved by the League/Region of the players registered club.

17. Players playing on permit are not eligible for any League Awards unless otherwise indicated in local League By-Laws.

18. That prior to 5.00pm on the Friday before the first permit match played, the player shall obtain written permission to do so from his registered Club by completing four (4) copies of the Area Permit Form as supplied below (Appendix 1). The four forms are to be distributed as follows - one for each Club involved and one to each League involved with the permit. This condition must be strictly adhered to. Failure to do so could see the club penalised under applicable League/Region guidelines. It is the responsibility of the club seeking the permit to have the paperwork submitted.



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19. All permits shall be transacted via PlayHQ and GameDay systems using the Season Permit/Type 2 local interchange agreement option with the requested date/s only specified. Signed paperwork as stated in clause 18 must be completed prior to requesting the permit and no player is to take the field until the online permit has been approved by the players registered club. Any club who does not wish to allow a Permit to proceed has the option to deny the permit request at their level.

20. Any club found to have breached the Area Permit Agreement and its conditions will be subject to applicable League/Region guidelines.

21. Any player reported whilst on permit shall face the independent tribunal of the League in which the alleged offence was committed. In the event of finding the player guilty, the penalty shall apply to matches of the club in the grade of competition where the *offence occurred*. *Players are unable to play for any team if suspended during this suspended period.* Any penalty imposed will apply to all AFL VICTORIA competitions.

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Signed for:

**Bendigo Football Netball League**

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## PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

This form is only required to be submitted on one occasion.

### Player to Complete

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

PlayHQ or GameDay ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Currently registered with the \_\_\_\_\_ Football Club,  
affiliated with the \_\_\_\_\_ Football League.

Applies for permits to play with the \_\_\_\_\_ Football Club,  
a club affiliated with the \_\_\_\_\_ Football League.

Player's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

### Player's Home Club to Complete

The \_\_\_\_\_ Football Club Grants the permits.

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

### Player's Permit Club to Complete

The \_\_\_\_\_ Football Club acknowledges the permits  
and understands that the player is eligible to play in the underage competition of the:

\_\_\_\_\_ Football League.

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Must be signed by a parent or guardian if the player is under 18 years of age.

The club requesting the permit must be aware of the regulations governing permits, including but not limited to the knowledge of which leagues are part of this area agreement.

The club requesting the permit must also be fully aware of the conditions contained within the Bendigo FNL / Riddell District FNL Area Agreement and any of the local league By-Laws pertaining to the conditions within the Area Agreement.