



FREMANTLE NETBALL ASSOCIATION

PERMIT POLICY FINALS

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A) INTENT OF POLICY

The policy is to ensure that

1. registered players in a team are given first priority to participate in finals;
2. the standard of a team playing in the finals is not improved by "permit player/s".

B) HOW POLICY WORKS

It is essential that the Policy is understood at all levels of the Association, i.e.

1. Clubs
2. Coaches
3. Players (and parents)

Any approved "permit player" – this player cannot take the place of a regular player in the team except for injury or illness.

C) BACKGROUND

1. To be eligible to participate in final rounds matches all players must have played at least three times with their Club during the season with these qualifying matches being played on separate dates;
2. Final round fixtures – should a player have played games during the season in more than one grade/division, the grade/division in which the most games have been played will be deemed to be the team the player is registered in for the purpose of finals;
3. Final round fixtures – should a player have played an equal number of games in more than one grade/division, the higher grade/division will be deemed to be the team the player is registered in for the purpose of finals;
4. Final round fixtures – a player from a higher grade/division cannot play in a lower team/division without the sanction of the Permit Committee and only then in the event of extreme circumstances.

D) PERMIT APPLICATION/S

1. A team that is eligible to play in the finals may apply to the FNA Permits Committee to bring up a "permit player" from a lower division to play in the finals.
2. The application must be on the approved form and include the following details:
 - i. Grade requesting permit for and position this team finished on ladder;
 - ii. Reasons why the player is required (reasons can include injury or illness to a regular team player, work commitments, etc.);
 - iii. Details of Permit Player (the applicant);
 - iv. Name and date of birth;
 - v. Grade Registered in, position this team finished on ladder;
 - vi. Will this player be playing in own team final;
 - vii. Is this player a SNL player or an FNA Rep. Team player;
 - viii. This players' normal playing position.
3. It must be indicated on the permit application the permit dates required;
4. The applicant "permit player" must not be of a higher playing standard than the regular players in the team requiring the permit player (e.g. A JB7 team requesting a Permit player from JC1 grade);
5. The "permit player", if approved, cannot take the place of any regular player on the team except for injury or illness;
6. An individual application form is required for each player;

7. Applications on the "Permit Application" form must be received at least 5 days prior to the game;
8. In cases of emergency, applications on the "Permit Application" form will be accepted up to two hours prior to the commencement of the game;
9. The Permit Application must be signed by the Club president or secretary;
10. The Permit Approval will be attached to the score card by the office.

E) PENALTY

1. Should a player play up without Permit approval the penalty shall be the loss of that game by a forfeit;
2. Should a player from a higher grade/division play in a lower grade/division without Permit approval the penalty shall be loss of that game by a forfeit.