



Player Registration Points System

Purpose:

The purpose of the Player Registration Points system in the AFL Cairns Senior Competition is to promote a dynamic, competitive competition providing stability for the Clubs.

Objectives:

1. Encourage clubs to develop and promote their junior teams and players.
2. Encourage clubs to recruit new players from outside AFL Cairns.
3. Better manage increasing player payments and improve the financial stability of Clubs.

The System:

1. Each Player registered to a Club will be assessed according to the point system set out in this Policy.
2. Each Club will be allocated a number of Player Registration Points each season to which their Senior Grade Team must comply with and not exceed for each game, each week in any given AFL Cairns football season.
3. At the time of registration each new player shall complete the AFL Queensland Registration Form and the AFL Cairns Player Assessment Form which will provide accurate information concerning the player's playing history. Upon completion, both the player and an official of the Club will be required to sign the form, certifying it as a true record. The following conditions apply;
 - i) Any player providing false or misleading information shall be liable to penalties including, but not limited to, deregistration, suspension or a fine.
 - ii) Any official of a club complicit in the deliberate submission of false or misleading information shall be liable to a fine or disqualification.
 - iii) The Club of such player or official may be liable to an immediate loss of five Player Registration Points and a fine and/or loss of premiership points equal to the number of games played by the player in question in that season.
 - iv) The AFL Cairns Review Board will determine the penalties for deceptive or misleading information supplied.
4. The AFL Cairns Player Assessment Form will require the player and registering Club to 'self-assess' points to be allocated to the player. The Secretary shall record these points in the Club's Player Register.
5. All Player Registration Points assessments will be evaluated for their correctness by the AFL Cairns Football management team and, upon approval, will endorse the assessment.

6. AFL Cairns and each Club will maintain a seasonal Club Player Register of their players denoting individual player points and Club points total. The Club Secretary and the AFL Cairns Operations Manager will compare and agree on the total and it's accordance with the Club's points allocation.
7. All internal AFL Cairns transfer Players' point value decreases by two points annually until reaching the base value of one point.
8. All other players point value reduces by one point annually until reaching the base value of one point.
9. Players with three years continuous service to an AFL Cairns Club as a senior player (i.e. not eligible for Under 16 or 18) can transfer as a four point player. Their point value then reduces by two points annually until reaching the base value of one point.
10. When transferring between AFL Cairns Clubs, Under 18 Players retain an eight point value for three years following ineligibility to play under-age football. The eight point value does not reduce until after three years then as per Clause 7.
11. Players returning to their original AFL Cairns Club after at least one season away return at their rating prior to departure less one point.
12. An AFL Cairns player wishing to return to a different AFL Cairns Club from another League is an eight point player, less one point for each season spent in the other League after leaving AFL Cairns.
13. Clubs can formally request details of another AFL Cairns Club's Points Total for a specific game if they believe it to contravene these Rules.
14. A detailed review of the "Player Registration Points System" will be held after 2009 season with further reviews being undertaken as deemed necessary by the Clubs.

Appealing AFL Cairns Player Assessment

The process where Clubs or a Player wish to appeal the points allocated to a player by AFL Cairns will follow the subsequent processes;

- i) If a Club believes the points allocated in the assessment process are not correct, fair or reasonable, it then requests in writing a review of the decision by the AFL Cairns Review Board. This correspondence will contain sound, factual information supporting the Appeal.
- ii) If a Player believes he has a bona fide and demonstrable case for reassessment based on compassionate or similar grounds, he can request, in writing, a review of his assessment. This correspondence will contain sound, factual information supporting the Appeal.
- iii) The Review Board will consist of one Executive Board Member, the AFL Cairns General Manager (or other of similar position) and an AFL Cairns Tribunal Member. The Review Board can not consist of a person involved in the initial assessment.
- iv) All new Appeal information and the original Registration information will be made available to the Review Board in the case of an Appeal.
- v) The decision by the Review Board is final and there is no further form of recourse.

Points Allocation:

Player Assessment

- All Players registered with an AFL Cairns Club up until the end of the 2008 season will be valued at one (1) point.

Player Assessment Criteria		
Points	Category	Explanation
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local player	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A Player who has played in the registering Clubs Junior teams or a recognised feeder team that does not have a senior team in the AFL Cairns league,– A Player returning to their original AFL Cairns Club after playing elsewhere. This includes AFL or other major leagues.– A Player who joins a Club after not playing competition football outside the AFL Cairns competition for two (2) years.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AFL Cairns Reserves Grade Player seeking transfer.• Other Australian regional and metropolitan football league player.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A Player that has played no more than two (2) Senior games with an AFL Cairns Club in the preceding year.– A Player from another league e.g. Townsville, Ovens & Murray, Central Wheatbelt, Essendon District, QAFL, VAFA, SAAFL, TANFL etc
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Major league player.• Ex AFL Player	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A Player who has played at this level in the past two (2) years. ie. VFL, SANFL, WAFL.– A Player who has been listed with an AFL Club in the past three (3) years and has <u>NOT</u> played with the registering AFL Cairns Club as a junior or has played for another AFL Cairns club previously.
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AFLC 3-Year Player	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A Player with three years continuous service to one AFLC Club transferring to another AFLC Club.
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Player transferring from one AFL Cairns Club to another AFL Cairns Club.• Under 18 Player	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A Player not deemed a Reserves Grade Player transferring from an AFL Cairns Club to the registering Club.– A Player transferring from an AFL Cairns Club to the registering Club whilst eligible to play Under-Age football and for three years following ineligibility.

Club Points Allocation

- The Points system will be introduced for season 2009 and be applicable as from the 21st September 2008.
- **The total (maximum) number of points per Club for Senior Grade players per game will be thirty-eight (38) points.**
- The weekly team-sheet will note each players point value and the team total which will not exceed thirty-eight points.

Each Team's Points	2008	2009	2010	etc
Cairns City Cobras	38			
Cairns Saints	38			
Centrals -Trinity Beach Bulldogs	38			
Manunda Hawks	38			
North Cairns Tigers	38			
Port Douglas Crocs	38			
South Cairns Cutters	38			

Terminology & Definitions:

A **Player** is the footballer registered with or seeking registration and clearance to a Club.

A **Club** is an AFL Cairns football club.

The **Registering Club** is the Club with whom a player will play with in a given season.

An AFL Cairns **Season** is from the day following the Grand Final of one season to the day of, and including, the next Grand Final.

An AFL Cairns **Reserve Grade Player** is determined as a player that played no more than two (2) Senior games with an AFL Cairns Club in the preceding year.

Playing coaches are rated on the league from which they are recruited as per the player criteria.