

2023 WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules

- Metro North Exemption for Male Competitions



BACKGROUND

All competitions managed by the West Australian Football Commission are played as per the AFL Laws of Australian Football. In addition to the AFL Laws of Australian Football, the local WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules apply to all Year 11/12 competitions to ensure fair and even competitions.

In addition to this, the Metro North Conference has formally requested and been granted an exemption to aspects of these local Rules with details outlined below. This exemption document must be read in conjunction with the full 2023 WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules.

COMPETITION RULES

1. MATCH OPERATIONS	
1a. Number of Players	As per 2023 WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules Exemption - i. Maximum of 7 players on the bench.
2. GENERAL MATCH RULES	
2a. General	As per 2023 WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules
3. COMPETITION RULES	
3a. Competition	As per 2023 WAFC Year 11/12 Competition Rules
4. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY	
4a. Temporary Play Ups	As per 2023 WAFC Competition Rules – Eligibility & Finals Qualifications.
4b. Player Movement (General)	<p>EXEMPTION -</p> <p>Clubs with multiple teams may elect to treat their teams as a 'squad' or as separate entities. For Clubs choosing to play as a 'squad', the following regulations will apply;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Players are permitted to move from one Year 11/12 team to another Year 11/12 team within the same Club as follows; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. teams must be in different divisions (movement between teams in the same division is prohibited) b. for Clubs with three or more teams, movement to a lower division is restricted to the next lowest division team available in the club ii. Players are not permitted to play for multiple Year 11/12 teams in the same round. iii. Prior to Round 1 commencing, Clubs will nominate twelve (12) players per team who will not be permitted to drop to a team in a lower division throughout the season. Exemptions for long term injured players returning to competition may be granted on application to the WAFC Competitions Team.

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	<p>iv. Once a player has played eight (8) games for a team, they cannot be selected in a lower division team.</p>
<p>4b. Forfeits and Byes</p>	<p>As per 2023 WAFC Competitions Policy 10F: Match Forfeits</p> <p>i. Should a team play in ineligible player or utilise an ineligible official, that team will forfeit the game.</p> <p>EXEMPTION -</p> <p>i. Where a Club has more than one Year 11/12 team and needs to forfeit due to insufficient players, the team to forfeit must be the team in the lowest division of that Club.</p> <p>ii. Where a Club's higher division team has a fixtured 'BYE', no more than three higher division players may be selected to play in a lower division. These players may be promoted back to the higher division after having played at least two matches in the lower division.</p>
<p>4c. WAFL Players (Colts & Futures)</p>	<p>As per 2023 Competition Rules – Eligibility & Finals Qualifications;</p> <p>i. No player may participate in WAFL Competition match and Community Football on the same weekend.</p> <p>ii. WAFL players must have played a minimum of seven (7) matches for their Junior Community Year 11/12 team in the qualifying rounds of the current season to be eligible for finals.</p> <p>iii. WAFL players who have played at least three quarters of the total matches of the qualifying rounds of the relevant WAFL season are ineligible to play with a junior club / team during junior finals.</p> <p>iv. If a player is found to have played in both the WAFL and Year 11/12 Junior Competitions in the same weekend, they may be deemed an ineligible player and the game will be recorded as a forfeit.</p> <p>EXEMPTION;</p> <p>v. WAFL players are not permitted to move between teams.</p> <p>vi. Wherever possible, WAFL players must play in the Club's highest division Year 11/12 team.</p>
<p>4d. Finals Qualification</p>	<p>As per 2023 Competition Rules – Eligibility & Finals Qualifications;</p> <p>i. Players may only compete in one finals series with one team.</p> <p>ii. To be eligible to take part in any finals match all non WAFL players must have played a minimum of five (5) matches for that team in the qualifying rounds of that season.</p>