

TO: ALL CLUBS

FROM: FFV COMPETITIONS

DATE: TUESDAY 16 MAY 2017

SUBJECT: REGRADING & FIXTURE UPDATE

Dear Clubs,

Since the commencement of Round 1 this season, we have received in excess of 450 Late Team Requests from clubs to:

- Regrade teams from one league to another; or
- Submit a late team entry; or
- Confirm a late team withdrawal.

Sportsmart Juniors

All late team entries and late team withdrawals have now been processed. Accordingly, all Junior league structures are now settled for the remainder of the season. Moving forward, the only instance a change will be made to a Junior league is in the event a team withdraws or a new late team enters a league where a BYE exists.

All requests to change leagues have been processed in accordance with Regulation 10.6 of the [2017 Rules of Competition - Junior Regulations](#). It is important to note that not all requests to change leagues have been approved and in each case, we have endeavoured to get the balance right between maximising player enjoyment by placing as many teams and players as possible in the league which best suits their ability, and minimising league and fixture disruption by not moving teams to settled leagues and the consequent fixture changes which would be required.

Over the course of the next week we will write to each club which made a regrading request that was not approved, explaining the reasons why. We ask for your patience and understanding in this regard; it is never easy to refuse a request to regrade and much consideration goes into each of these decisions, however we must do what we believe is best for the competition as a whole.

Please refer to Appendix 1 for a list of Sportsmart Junior leagues that have been amended due to regrading.

ALDI MiniRoos

All late team entries, late team withdrawals and late league change requests have now been processed.

There will be a final opportunity for clubs to enter new MiniRoos teams and or request to change leagues in July after the completion of Round 10. We will write to all clubs closer to this time outlining the relevant process for requesting a new late team entry or request to change leagues for MiniRoos.

BOF.com.au Men's Metropolitan Leagues & Women's Metro Sevens

Please note that there have been some changes to leagues due to late team entries and withdrawals.

Please refer to Appendix 1 for a list of Men's Metropolitan Leagues and Women's Metro Sevens leagues that have been amended.

Results and Ladders

Results and ladders for leagues listed in Appendix 1 impacted by regrading and/or league balancing will be updated on SportsTG over the next 24-48 hours.

It is important to note the following when reviewing the updated Results and Ladders:

- Any regraded Team has incurred three (3) Forfeit results as a result of commencing in the new League.
- All results accumulated against a Team that has been regraded out of a league have been removed from that League and ladder.

For further clarification please refer to Regulation 10.6.5 of the [2017 Rules of Competition - Junior Regulations](#).

Fixture Update - Round 4

We confirm that all Round 4 fixtures have now been finalised and are clash free, which will allow clubs to prepare for this weekend's fixtures.

We are continuing to work through all fixtures and previously submitted preferences for the remainder of the season, with a view to releasing a final clash free fixture for all remaining rounds on Tuesday 23 May. We will advise clubs accordingly once this work has been completed.

Please ensure that all coaches, players and their families are made aware of the above information with regards to the finalisation of fixtures for the season.

If you believe there are remaining clashes for Round 4 ahead of this weekend, please write to competitions@ffv.org.au.

We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding during this busy period and wish all teams the best for this weekend and the remainder of the season.

Kind Regards,



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APPENDIX 1 – All Sportsmart Juniors, BOF.com.au Metropolitan League and Women's Metro Sevens leagues that have been impacted by regrading and/or league balancing:

Please note ALDI MiniRoos leagues are excluded from the below list.

BOF.com.au Metropolitan League 1
BOF.com.au Metropolitan League 5 North-West
BOF.com.au Metropolitan League 6 North-West
BOF.com.au Metropolitan League 7 South-East
Sportsmart Boys' East 12 Joeys Red
Sportsmart Boys' East 12 Kangaroos
Sportsmart Boys' East 12 Wallabies Red
Sportsmart Boys' East 13C
Sportsmart Boys' East 13D
Sportsmart Boys' East 14C
Sportsmart Boys' East 14D
Sportsmart Boys' East 15D
Sportsmart Boys' East 16A
Sportsmart Boys' East 16B
Sportsmart Boys' East 16C
Sportsmart Boys' Metropolitan 20
Sportsmart Boys' North 12 Joeys Blue
Sportsmart Boys' North 12 Kangaroos
Sportsmart Boys' North 13D
Sportsmart Boys' North 13E
Sportsmart Boys' North 14E
Sportsmart Boys' North 16B
Sportsmart Boys' North 16C
Sportsmart Boys' South 12 Joeys Green
Sportsmart Boys' South 12 Wallabies Blue
Sportsmart Boys' South 12 Wallabies Yellow
Sportsmart Boys' South 13B
Sportsmart Boys' South 13C
Sportsmart Boys' South 13D
Sportsmart Boys' South 13E
Sportsmart Boys' South 14E
Sportsmart Boys' South 15C
Sportsmart Boys' South 15D
Sportsmart Boys' South 16A
Sportsmart Boys' South 16B
Sportsmart Boys' West 12 Joeys
Sportsmart Boys' West 12 Wallabies Red
Sportsmart Boys' West 13A
Sportsmart Boys' West 13B
Sportsmart Boys' West 13D
Sportsmart Girls' East 12 Joeys
Sportsmart Girls' Metropolitan 12 Kangaroos
Sportsmart Girls' Metropolitan 12 Wallabies
Sportsmart Girls' Metropolitan 15-16B
Sportsmart Girls' North 12 Joeys
Sportsmart Girls' North-West 13-14C
Sportsmart Girls' North-West 13-14D
Sportsmart Girls' South 15-16C
Sportsmart Girls' South-East 13-14B
Sportsmart Girls' South-East 13-14D
Sportsmart Girls' West 15-16C
Women's Metro Sevens North-West
Women's Metro Sevens South Masters