



TO: MEN'S STATE LEAGUE NEW CLUB APPLICANTS
FROM: FV COMPETITIONS
DATE: MONDAY 9 OF NOVEMBER 2020
SUBJECT: 2021 - MEN'S STATE LEAGUE NEW CLUB APPLICATION

Dear Clubs,

FV would like to confirm the new Club application process for the 2021 Men's State League (MSL) season. Interested clubs are now able to make a submission to FV for consideration.

It is important to note that FV are running this process in anticipation in case there are any vacancies in the Men's State League structures following the COVID19 2020 interrupted season. To be clear, there may be no vacancies or FV may choose not to fill a vacancy in season 2021. FV are running the process in case there is an instance where a vacancy will be filled for the 2021 season.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

The following *Men's State League Application Form* must be completed in order for FV assess entry into the Men's State League Competition for season 2021.

Completion of this application does not guarantee entry into Men's State League and FV may choose to withdraw an application at any time.

FV will only consider applications that are made in full and submitted by **Thursday 3rd of December 2020**.

KEY TIMELINES:

Applications Close	Thursday 3 rd of December 2020
Application Review & Interview	Monday 7 th of December 2020 – Friday 11 th of December 2020
Successful Clubs Formally Accepted	TBC – awaiting league structure confirmation from existing Clubs
MSL League Structure Notification	TBC – awaiting league structure confirmation from existing Clubs

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

CLUB OVERVIEW:

- Outline the reasons that the Club believes they should be accepted for a position in Men's State League in 2021.
- Background of the team and track record in senior competitions ie) Metropolitan Men's competitions or other affiliated or non-affiliated competitions in Victoria, and/or the club having an established junior pathway registered within FV competitions and are working towards the expansion of their program from younger age groups to senior football.

- The Club is required to have a minimum two (2) Star rating in the National Club Development Program (NCDP).
- Club Committee Structure – specifically administration of the MSL team including: (1) FV liaison for club, (2) MSL team managers.
- Existing Womens/Girls' teams in FV competitions or non-affiliated competitions in Victoria or plan to establish women/girls' teams in FV competitions.

FINANCIAL:

- The Club must not have had any outstanding debts with FV over the last two (2) seasons.
- Acknowledgement that all senior and reserve players, in addition to being registered through PlayFootball will also be financial (paid for in full), prior to commencement of Round 1 of the Regular Season.
- Acknowledgement that the team entry fees for this level of competition will be paid by the instalment deadlines.

FACILITY ACCESS:

- Confirmation in writing of ground/venue access for the duration of the 2021 season by a Council Operations Manager or the venue owner.
- Confirmation grounds meet the minimum requirements for Men's State League as published in FV's Rules of Competition – Schedule 6 Minimum Facility Requirements – Community Competitions.
- Facility plan overview including amenities.

Please note: FV may choose to conduct a facility inspection at its discretion when evaluating the application.

MSL TEAM OVERVIEW:

- Player List including players names and FFA ID's who have confirmed or expressed keen interest in playing in the Men's State League team should the Club be successful.

This information is required to include:

- Origin of player (Where do they come from – are they a junior player, current player, come from a new club etc.)
- Playing position for each player
- Appropriate team for each player (Seniors, Reserves or Senior/Reserves)

Note: Clubs must submit player rosters that show a strong indication that they will be able to field both a seniors and reserves team.

- Acknowledgement that the Club will field both a seniors and reserves team for the duration of the Regular Season. Failure to do so may result in withdrawal of the Club from the Men's State League structure in accordance with the Rules of Competition.



- Acknowledgement that the Club/Team will participate in the FFA Cup commencing in mid-February and that all players will be registered in PlayFootball prior to the Qualifying Round of the FFA Cup in 2021.
- MSL Coaching Structure
 - Currently appointed coaching positions for MSL teams (seniors and reserves)
 - Appointed coaches to include copy of coaching accreditations and Working with Children's Checks (WWCC)
 - Plan to fill unappointed coaching positions

Clubs which fail to provide FV with all of the above criteria will not be considered for inclusion in Men's State League in 2021.

If you have any questions regarding this process please contact the Competitions department on 9474 1800 and press '2' for Community Competition when prompted, or contact us via email competitions@footballvictoria.com.au

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Tessa Sernio".

Tessa Sernio

Community Competitions Manager