

FOOTBALL VICTORIA 2024 COMMUNITY PREMIER LEAGUE (CPL) RULES OF COMPETITION



These Regulations are in addition to the 2024 Rules of Competition. Participation in the Community Premier League (CPL) is subject to compliance with both these Regulations and the 2024 Rules of Competition.

1. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 1.1. FV will determine the Community Premier League structures at their absolute discretion.
- 1.2. Number of teams is determined by FV in its absolute discretion.

GIRLS

Teams in League: 12

Number of Rounds in Competition: 22

Competition Fixtures per Team: 22

CLUBS

- Avondale FC
- Boroondara Eagles FC
- Caroline Springs George Cross FC
- Darebin Falcons WSC
- Eltham Redbacks FC
- Essendon Royals SC
- Glen Eira FC
- Keilor Park SC
- Manningham United Blues FC
- Preston Lions FC
- Sandringham SC
- Spring Hills FC

2. CALENDAR

MONTH	Apr-24		May-24				Jun-24				Jul-24				Aug-24				Sep-24			
WEEKEND (Ending Sunday)	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	1	8	15
Community Premier League (CPL)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22

3. MATCH DAY FORMAT

- 3.1. FV will endeavour to fixture in a Gala Day format where a Clubs CPL Teams are scheduled at Home on the same day following the Kick-Off times below:

JPL Girls	Recommended Kick-Off Time
Under 13 (9v9)	12:15 PM
Under 15	1:30 PM
Under 17	3:00 PM

- 3.2. The CPL fixtures have flexible kick-off times provided they do not kick-off earlier than 8:30am or later than 6:30pm.
- 3.3. Once the preliminary fixtures are released, the Club will have the opportunity to amend their Home Fixture kick-off times.
- 3.4. Post final fixture release the Clubs will require written opposition approval to change kick-off times as per the fixture change process.

4. COACHING

- 4.1. The Club must have an appointed Technical Director (TD) with an accredited C Licence or working towards their C Licence accreditation.
- 4.2. In addition to an appointed TD, the Club must have an appointed Head Coach for each age group and be working towards their C Licence accreditation.
- 4.3. Clubs expressing interest in both the Boys & Girls competition, may nominate one (1) TD for both.

5. FACILITIES

- 5.1. Clubs will be required to adhere to the below facility requirements:
 - a. Club venue allocation at a minimum must be aligned to the local government winter sports allocation window.
 - b. The pitch in which these Teams will play on must not contain a cricket wicket.
 - c. Adequate playing facilities for all age groups for season duration.

6. PLAYER RESTRICTIONS

- 6.1. Clubs will be required to submit a Team list for each Team for Round 1 onwards, listing each player, which will be tied to that particular Team for the Season, with the following exemption for team-tied players:
 - 6.1.1. Where a CPL Club has Teams participating in Community Competitions, that Club may field Players up in age groups from its CPL into its Community Teams as follows:
 - a. Unlimited Players from a CPL Team can play up per fixture at one time in the Club's Community Teams.
 - b. Unlimited Players from CPL can play up per fixture at one time for the Club's Reserves or Senior Men's or Women's.
For example
 - a Girls' CPL U17's player may play up into Women's State League.
 - a Girls' CPL U15's player may play up into Girls Under 17/18 community competitions.
 - 6.1.2. A CPL Player is permitted to participant in their Clubs higher CPL age group without restrictions preventing them from returning to their rightful CPL listed age group unless that Player is suspended.
For example
 - a Girls' CPL U15's Player may play up into Girls' CPL U17's and then return to the U15's.
 - 6.1.3. Where a Club is struggling for numbers on a given weekend, Community Players may be added to the Team list as a fill in. Once this player has filled in for three (3) CPL fixtures, the player becomes team tied and is unable to return to Community Competitions.
- 6.2. Any non-listed CPL Player found to have competed in a CPL fixture, may be deemed ineligible.

7. DISPENSATIONS

- 7.1. Clubs are expected to field age eligible players however, FV may provide dispensations for the 2024 CPL Season in line with the 2024 Dispensation Policy.
- 7.2. Please note, dispensation requests are not guaranteed and must go through the dispensation review process to determine an appropriate outcome.
- 7.3. The CPL is for Clubs who are aspiring to compete in Junior NPL Competitions in future, FV envisages that Clubs should be able to field the required teams with eligible players to compete in the competition.

8. ONLINE MATCH RECORDS

- 8.1. All Clubs for Community Premier League fixtures are required to use online match records for the 2024 season. Match record books will not be accepted.
- 8.2. Please click [here](#) to access these videos, user guides and club checklists which are available online.
- 8.3. The Home Team must submit the Full Time Score. Club Officials must take a clear image of each Team's signed and completed Match Record.

9. FINALS

- 9.1. To allow for the expanded 12 team CPL Girls competition, there will be no finals series, however the expanded competition allows for an additional 4 rounds.