

REGRADING AND LATE TEAM ENTRY PROCESS

Bendigo Amateur Soccer League

Season 2022



Junior Competitions

1. Re-Grading Process

NOTE: Re-grading can be to move down or up a division (within the same age group).

1.1 Following the conclusion of Round 3 of the Regular Season, a request to re-grade to a new League will only be considered by BASL if:

1.1.1 The League to which the team wants to move contains a bye (i.e., an uneven number of teams); and

1.1.2 The league from which the team wants to move does not contain a bye (i.e., an even number of teams), OR

1.1.3 There is a concurrent request from a Team to move between the two Leagues, which would effectively result in a direct swap between the two Teams in question and, therefore, no disruption to either of the respective leagues.

1.2 A request to re-grade can be lodged by the club. BASL in its absolute discretion for the enjoyment of all competitions can also re-grade teams during this period. This will be done in consultation with the impacted teams and clubs.

Note: This decision of BASL does not need to consider dot points 1.1.1 to 1.1.3 above. The decision of BASL to regrade a team will be done in consultation with the impacted teams and clubs. The final decision will be BASL's and cannot be appealed.

1.3 No Club shall have more than one (1) Team re-graded in the same competition age group except in extraordinary circumstances as deemed necessary by BASL.

1.4 BASL may consider a request to re-grade which does not satisfy the criteria stipulated in Rule 1.1.1 to 1.1.3 above in exceptional circumstances. In doing so, it will consider the following:

1.4.1 The extent of League and fixture disruption for other Teams caused by the proposed move.

1.4.2 Match results recorded between Rounds 1-3 of the current Regular Season. No request to re-grade will be considered if a Team has not won or lost all three fixtures.

1.4.3 History of the Team's performance across previous seasons.



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- 1.4.4 Any additional information sought or requested by BASL, including but not limited to referee and opposition feedback.
- 1.5 The following match determinations will apply to competitions affected by an approved request to re-grade:
- 1.5.1 Any re-graded Team will commence in its new League in Round 4 and will incur three (3) Forfeits results because of commencing in the new League after the third round. BASL will determine the three rounds for which the regraded Team is to be allocated a Forfeit. Each Forfeit will be attributed a 3-0 result against the re-graded Team.
- Note: Where the re-grade of a team is instigated by BASL the league may consider additional fixtures (catch-up). The final decision is BASL's and not appealable.**
- 1.5.2 All results accumulated against a Team that has been re-graded out of a League will be removed from that League and ladder.
- 1.6 The Re-grading Period will commence following Round 3 of the Regular Season. All re-grading requests must be received by BASL no later than 9.00am on the Monday after the conclusion of a Team's Round 3 Competition Fixture. Any request received after this time will not be considered unless, in the opinion of BASL, the request benefits all affected Leagues.
- 1.7 All re-grading requests must be submitted through an email to competitions@basl.com.au (cc info@basl.com.au and secretary@basl.com.au). One email will be required for each re-grading request that is submitted. Requests for re-grading or confirmation sought over the phone will not be considered by BASL.



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2. Late Team Entries

As participation is one of the key pillars of the league, all efforts will be made to ensure late team entries are catered for.

- 2.1 Any Club entering a late Team in Junior competitions (Under 12 to Under 18 – Mixed and All-Girls) will be automatically placed in:
 - Where a vacancy exists after the release of the respective competitions draw.
- 2.2 For non-competitive competitions (Under 6 to Under 11) will be automatically placed in:
 - Where a vacancy exists after the release of the non-competitive competition draw.
- 2.3 Where no vacancy exists BASL will in its sole discretion will look at the impact to the requested competition prior to making its final decision to accept a late application.
- 2.4 In the event several new teams are requested by clubs in any specific age group or division after the release of the Championship Season or non-competitive draws, BASL may in its discretion re-draw the entire competition to ensure participation.
- 2.5 Where a late Team entry is accepted by BASL after the commencement of a competition, BASL will determine the allocation of Forfeits for the number of Competition Fixtures missed by that Team (because of late inclusion in the League in question) at its sole discretion.
- 2.6 Late team entries will consider the skill level of the team as provided by information from the entering club. The final division a team is placed is the sole discretion of BASL and is not appealable.