

# **Registration Policy**

## 1. KEY AIM

The key aim of the Camberwell Junior Football Club ("the Club") Registration Policy is to provide as many children as possible with a game of football, irrespective of their ability. However, in order to optimise the player experience (based on infrastructure capacity), the Club may decide to cap the number of teams to be registered each season and apply registration caps to certain age groups accordingly.

#### 2. REGISTRATION PROCESS

Registrations are taken online through the AFL's Online system. A link to the Registration Form will be available on the club's website <a href="https://www.camberwellsharks.com.au">www.camberwellsharks.com.au</a> and through the club's social media channels.

A Registration is not complete until:

- The player has submitted all required information via the form this includes acknowledgment of agreeing to the CFC Team Composition and Registration Policy;
   and
- made payment for the Registration Fees via credit card using the Online system, thus generating a payment timestamp and a 'pending' registration; and
- The club, having received notification of the pending Registration, and processing registrations in order of receipt, identifies that there is available capacity within an appropriate team in which to place the player and confirms the registration with the registering parent via email The automated email from the YJFL Online System is not a confirmation of registration.

## 2.1 Returning Players

A Priority Registration Period for Returning Players will be opened (advertised on the CJFC website) for a period of not less than 5 days prior to registration being open to new players. Returning Players who register in this period will be given priority in team placement for the coming season ahead of players new to the club. Age groups will be filled on a 'first in, best dressed' basis until such time as player cap is reached. Thereafter, returning players will be placed on a wait-list, with parents advised as to their final registration status by no later than the middle of January 2020.

Returning players can still register after the priority period until all registrations close but will not receive priority due to team numbers.

#### 2.2 New Players

Registrations for New Players can be made online only after the priority period for returning players and subject to places being available (by age group). New player registration will remain open at the discretion of the Club.

A New Player is defined as one who has not previously played club football for the Camberwell Sharks.

### 2.3 Insufficient Player Registrations

Registration will re-open after the initial registration period until the YJFL registration closing date (30th June) only where there is sufficient capacity within teams and age groups to accommodate players.

## 2.4 Player Transfer

Players from other clubs seeking to Transfer into the Sharks should email the club Registrar with:

Proof of ID (birth certificate, passport, Student ID), and details of their previous club.

Transfer details can be lodged with the Registrar at any time. The AFL transfer system opens February 1st each year and transfers may take up to 10 days to be finalised. The club will advise the player when clearance has been received and at that time the player may complete online registration.

## 3. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS

## **Team Numbers**

In each age group, we have listed the maximum number of players a team can have. This varies in age groups, as players circumstances are different at various ages. The maximum numbers of players allowed per team are listed below and can be adjusted on approval of the football executive:

Age Group	Max. No. of Players Male	Max. No of Players Female
U8s	15	-
U9s	18	-
U10s	24	20
U11s	24	20
U12s	24	24
U13s	24	24
U14s	24	24

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U15s	26	24
Colts	28	30
Youth and U16 Girls		24

## Registration of Players

The club will commence the registration of returning players on the advertised dates. During the advertised priority period, players will be allocated a guaranteed spot in a team based on their order of registration ('first in, best dressed'). Once the age group cap is reached, any additional registrations of returning players will be placed on a waiting list.

## Registration of New Players

The Club will only accept registrations from new players if the Club has the capacity to accept them. The available teams will be advertised on the website prior to the advertised new player registration cut-off date.

## Waiting List Feedback

Returning players on a waiting list will be advised by mid-January if they are confirmed in a team for that season. New players on a waiting list will be advised thereafter.

#### Additional Structures

Places may be offered, under the following structures (all dependent on numbers):

- In Camberwell Sharks team of the appropriate age group.
- In Camberwell Sharks team in an age group above (but playing in a lower YJFL grade).
- In a combined team with a neighbouring club. This is a last resort with conditions dependent on both clubs' situations.

## Siblings Policy

If a sibling is accepted into a team, all other siblings will be included in a Sharks team, no matter the status of their registration.

## Transfers for New Sharks Players

If a player is registered with another club and wishes to join Camberwell Sharks, a clearance from the old club may be required. Please email <a href="mailto:registrar@camberwellsharks.com.au">registrar@camberwellsharks.com.au</a> with players Full Name, Date of Birth, Proof of ID and Name of Previous Club. Camberwell Sharks will apply for a clearance on your behalf.

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