

QAFL COLTS List Management Rules 2023

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The following rules have been established for the list management of squads competing in the 2023 QAFL Colts competition.

These rules should be read in conjunction with the relevant AFL Queensland Competition Rules and Procedures.

1. Colts Competition

(a) The 'QAFL Colts' refers to the Under 19 competition in which the twelve (12) QAFL clubs will compete in.

2. Colts Age Eligibility

- (a) Players must not have turned nineteen (19) years of age prior to 1 January 2023 in order to be eligible to participate in the 2023 QAFL Colts competition.
- (b) Players must have turned fifteen (15) to be eligible to year of age to participate in any QAFL Colts match.

3. Colts List Requirements

- (a) List Size:
 - (i) Each Club can have a list of up to thirty (30) age eligible players primary registered with the Club for the entirety of the season including finals. Such players will be deemed as 'Colts Listed Players.'

(b) List Lodgement

- (i) Fourteen (14) days prior to a Club's first regular season game, each QAFL Club will be required to lodge their first list of players with the Competition Manager.
- (ii) Prior to 5.00pm on 29 June 2023, a Club can move, add or delist players from their Lists, however the Competition Manager must receive formal notification of any changes via the prescribed form.
- (iii) A player removed from the Club's List will be deemed to have been delisted and cannot be returned to the List for the remainder of the season, including finals.
- (iv) A delisted player can be replaced prior to 5.00pm on 29 June 2023.
- (v) A player transferring out of the club's database will automatically be deemed as delisted.
- (vi) Prior to 5.00pm on 29 June 2023, a Club must submit their final list of 30 Listed Players to the Competition Manager. No changes to the final list are permitted beyond this date.

(c) Youth Eligible Players:

(i) Each club can play an unlimited number of youth eligible players that are not required to be placed on the QAFL Colts List, as long as the age eligible player is primary registered with the Club they wish to play for or an aligned youth club. These players will play on a Season Permit for the duration of the QAFL season and are interchangeable at any time with no impact to the overall club List.

- (ii) Youth eligible players that are not on the QAFL List can play unlimited matches across the QAFL Seniors, Reserves and Colts competitions. They however must comply and meet the required competition and finals eligibility criteria for the competitions they seek to play in.
- (iii) If a QAFL club chooses to have a youth eligible player primary registered with their Senior club for the purposes of playing QAFL Colts, that player will need to be included on their official list of 30 players.
 - (A) There are no restrictions on the number of primary registered youth eligible players that can be played per game.

(d) Supplementary List:

- (i) Each Club can have an additional 6 supplementary players, who are primary registered at a non-aligned Youth Club, on their list (totalling 36) playing on a season permit.
 - (A) Supplementary List players can be primary registered at any Queensland Youth Database.
 - (B) Supplementary listed players are free to play in the Seniors or Reserves sides for that club without restriction.
- (e) Except as outlined in 3 (c) above, QAFL Colts teams can only name a Listed Player on the official team sheet.
- (f) Clubs may elect to not 'list' a QAFL Colt's age eligible player who will primarily play senior football, however these players, if not listed, are not permitted to play Colts.

4. Player Movement

- (a) Any QAFL Colts listed player is free to play in the Seniors or Reserves sides for that club without restriction.
- (b) Any QAFL Colts Listed Player can play in any QFA competition on a season permit.
 - (i) Note: Players can only play finals in a competition that they are primary registered in (with the exception of youth eligible players referenced in 3(b),(c)).
- (c) Any player registered with a QAFL Club that isn't included in the Club's final list lodgement of 30 Listed Players, shall not have their clearance application unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- (d) Excluding youth eligible players on a Season Permit, a QAFL Colts Listed Player cannot play finals in any other competition other than the QAFL Reserves or Seniors.
- (e) In circumstances where a player participates in a match that they are ineligible to play in, such breaches will be treated under existing AFLQ Rules and Procedures in relation to playing unregistered or ineligible players.
- (f) Where a Club has fully exhausted their player list, they can make a request for an exemption from the Competition Manager to add players on a season permit.

5. Player Points Allocation

(a) Any QAFL Colts listed player who is selected to play QAFL seniors will be fully assessed under the 2023 Player Points System Policy.

6. Finals Eligibility QAFL Colts

- (a) Only Listed Players are eligible to play in a QAFL Colts finals match.
 - (i) The exemption to rule (a) above is youth eligible players that are primary registered with a youth club and on a Season Permit to a QAFL Club.
- (b) As a minimum, a player must have participated in a total of four (4) home and away season Colts matches to be eligible to play QAFL Colts finals.
- (c) If a player has played three (3) or more home and away games in any Senior Competition, they must have played at least five (5) home and away games in the QAFL Colts to be eligible to play finals in that competition.
- (d) Youth eligible players who are primary registered with a youth club (but not on the QAFL Colts list) must still meet the minimum game requirement for finals eligibility in the QAFL Colts.