



2024

QAFL COLTS LIST MANAGEMENT

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QAFL Colts List Management Rules – 2024

The following rules have been established for the list management of squads competing in the 2024 QAFL Colts competition.

These rules should be read in conjunction with the relevant 2024 AFL Queensland Competition Rules and Procedures.

1. Colts Competition

- (a) The 'QAFL Colts' refers to the Under 19's competition 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 2024 to be eligible to participate in the 2024 QAFL Colts competition.
- (b) Players must have turned fifteen (15) years of age to be eligible to participate in any QAFL Colts match.

3. Colts List Requirements

- (a) List Size:
 - (i) Each Club can compile a list of up to thirty (30) age-eligible players who are primary registered with the Club for the entirety of the season including finals. Such players will be known 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 QAFL Competition Manager. **Therefore, the due date is Saturday 23 March, 2024.**
 - (ii) Prior to 5.00pm on Thursday 27 June 2024, a Club can add, move, or delist players from their List, however the Competition Manager must receive formal notification of any changes via the prescribed templated form – 2024 QAFL Colts List.
 - (iii) A player removed from the Colt's Primary 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 Thursday 27 June 2024.
 - (v) A player transferring out of the club's database will automatically be deemed as delisted.
 - (vi) Prior to 5.00pm on Thursday 27 June 2024, a Club must submit their final list of thirty (30) 'Colts Listed Players' to the Competition Manager. The most recently provided List will be considered the final List. No changes will be permitted beyond this date.

- (c) Youth-Aged Eligible Players:
 - (i) Each club can play an unlimited number of 'youth-aged' eligible players that are not required to be placed on the QAFL Colts List, if these youth-aged eligible players are primary registered with the Club, 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-aged eligible players that are not on the Colt's List can play unlimited matches across the QAFL Seniors, Reserves and Colts competitions. However, they must comply and meet the required competition and finals eligibility criteria for the competitions they seek to play in. (Note: They can play a limit of ten (10) matches in senior-level competitions to still be able to play in junior level competition.)
 - (iii) If a QAFL club chooses to have a youth-aged 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 thirty (30) players.
 - (iv) There are no restrictions on the number of primary registered youth-aged eligible players that can be played per game.
- (d) Supplementary List:
 - (i) Each Club can have an additional six (6) Supplementary Listed players, who are primary registered at a non-aligned Youth Club, on their list (totalling 36 listed players) playing on a season permit.
 - (A) Supplementary List players can be primary registered in 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 Colts Listed Player is free to play in the Seniors or Reserves sides for that club without restriction.
- (b) Any 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 (except for youth-aged eligible players referenced in 3(c)).
- (c) Any player registered with a QAFL Club that is not included in the club's final Colt's List lodgement of thirty (30) Listed Players, shall not have their clearance application unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- (d) Excluding youth-aged eligible players on a Season Permit, a Colts Listed Player cannot play finals in any other competition other than the QAFL Reserves or Seniors of the Club with which they are registered.
- (e) In circumstances where a player participates in a match that they are ineligible to play in, such a breach will be treated under existing AFLQ Competition Rules and Procedures in relation to playing an unregistered or ineligible player.
- (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 for a specific match.

5. Player Points Allocation

- (a) Any Colts Listed Player who is selected to play QAFL seniors will be fully assessed under the 2024 Player Points System Policy.

6. Finals Eligibility QAFL Colts

- (a) Only Colts Listed Players are eligible to play in a QAFL Colts finals match.
 - (i) The exemption to this is youth-aged 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 or Reserves 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-aged eligible players who are primary registered with a youth club (and not on the QAFL Colts list) must still meet the minimum game requirement of four (4), to have finals eligibility in the QAFL Colts.
- (e) Matches played for Queensland U17s and U18s, Lions or Suns Academy teams or as a 'top up' player for an AFL reserves team on the same weekend as a scheduled club match will count, for the purpose of finals eligibility, as reserve grade matches in their registered club, irrespective of which grade they normally play in.