



# 2019 NEW AFL LAWS OF THE GAME

- Hands in the back, allowing a player to hold his ground on an opponent in a marking contest but not to push the player in the back, is allowed.



## MARKING CONTEST



- For all defenders who mark or gain a free kick within 9m of the opposition's goal, the player on the mark will be brought back to be in-line with the top of the goal-square.

## MARKS / FREE KICKS

- A player will no longer need to kick to himself / herself to play-on out of the goal-square in addition to moving the man on the mark back 10m (was 5m) and may elect to handball – only after the field umpire has called 'playon'.



## KICK-INS



## UMPIRE CONTACT

- Free kicks may be paid when players make contact with an umpire.
- Players are prohibited from setting up behind the Umpire at each Centre Bounce or Ball up.

- Post-siren, players do not have to stand directly in-line with the man on the mark when setting up for their shot on goal.
- A Player who has been awarded a Mark or Free Kick once play has ended will now be able to Kick across their body using a Snap or Check-side Kick. The Player shall dispose of the Football directly in line with the man on The Mark and the Goal.



## KICKING FOR GOAL AFTER THE SIREN



## RUCK CONTEST - PRIOR OPPORTUNITY

- Ruckmen who take possession of the ball while contesting a ruck contest will not be regarded as having had prior opportunity. Where there is uncertainty over who is the designated Ruck, the Ruck for each Team will continue to nominate to the field Umpire.

- Player with the ball allowed to play-on during the advancement of the 50m penalty in any direction.
- Defending player must not delay or impede the player with the ball during the advancement.
- The player with the ball must be able to play on in any direction without being impeded or delayed.



## 50 METRE PENALTY



# FEMALE FOOTBALL

## REGULATIONS

	Under 13	Under 15	Under 18	Open Age
<b>Ground Size</b>	Standard (reduced boundary – see diagram)	Standard	Standard	Standard
<b>No. of players on ground</b>	12 – 18-a-side	12 – 18-a-side	12 – 18-a-side	14 – 18-a-side
<b>No. of players on bench</b>	6 players	6 players	6 players	6 players
<b>Ball Type</b>	Syn only	Syn only	Leather	Leather
<b>Ball Size</b>	3	4	4	4
<b>Quarter Duration (mins)</b>	12	15	15	20
<b>Break Lengths, ¼, ½, ¾</b>	2-3-2	5-7-5	5-7-5	5-10-5
<b>Scoring</b>	Mercy Rule	Mercy Rule	Mercy Rule	Standard
<b>Results</b>	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
<b>Mouth Guards</b>	Compulsory	Compulsory	Compulsory	Club- Compulsory*

## LAWS

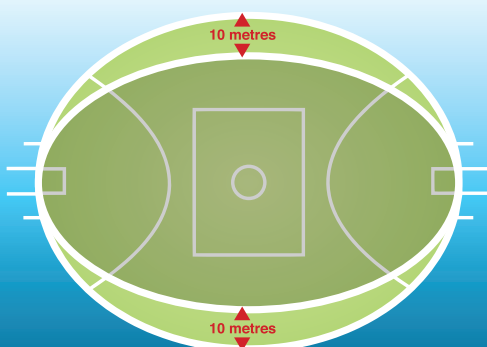
	Under 13	Under 15	Under 18	Open Age
<b>Tackling</b>	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
<b>Bouncing the ball</b>	3 Max	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
<b>Kicking off the ground</b>	No Kicking off ground	Standard	Standard	Standard
<b>Throw-ins</b>	Ball up (10mtrs in)	Ball up (10mtrs in)	Standard	Standard
<b>Marking</b>	15m Show Control	15m Direct Catch	15m Direct Catch	15m Direct Catch
<b>Penalty distance</b>	25m	25m	25m	25m
<b>Deliberate out of bounds</b>	X	X	X	X
<b>Deliberate Rushed Behind</b>	X	X	X	X

## UMPIRES & COACHES

	Under 13	Under 15	Under 18	Open Age
<b>No. Field Umpires</b>	1 Club (Home)	1-2 UA	1-2 UA	2 UA
<b>Boundary Umpires</b>	(0) Ball-Up Rule	(0) Ball-Up Rule	2 Club (when Available)	2 Club (Compulsory)
<b>Goal Umpires</b>	Club	Club	Club	Club
<b>Mentors</b>	1 per club	X	X	X
<b>Runners</b>	1 per club	1 per club	1 per club	1-2 per club

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**\*Club-Compulsory** – Open Age Competition Mouthguards will be Club- Compulsory, meaning clubs can choose to make it compulsory within their own club regulations to which mouthguards will then be monitored by club personnel and not by Umpiring officials.



## U/13 JUNIOR GIRLS GROUND MARKINGS

For the modified ground required in Under 13 football, all grounds shall be configured as below: