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National Premier League

Starting 11 - Any Starting 11 player in the National Premier League is ineligible to play in any other match during the same weekend.

NPL Bench – All National Premier League bench players are eligible to play in either NPL U21s or Championship during the same weekend.

Championship Men

Starting 11 – Any starting 11 player cannot drop back to League 1 or below in the same weekend.

Starting 11 – A maximum of TWO (2) Starting 11 Championship players are eligible to play in the NPL U21s in the same weekend. These two players cannot be overage players.

Championship Bench – Eligible to play in either NPL Under 21s or League 1 during the same weekend (regardless of which game is played first)

National Premier League Under 21s

All NPL Under 21s players are eligible to play in either NPL or Under 18 leagues during the same weekend. No player playing in NPL Under 21's can appear in Under 16's competitions during the same weekend.

League 1 Men

Free to play in any age-appropriate youth competition during the same weekend.

If your NPL team has a bye, those who started the previous weeks' game, are ineligible to play down in the week in which the bye is in. (for example, NPL Bye round 21 – those who started Round 20 NPL match are ineligible to play in Men's Championship in round 21)

Starting 11 *refers to the first 11 players to take the field for any team are deemed the 'Starting 11' Regardless of whether they start on the pitch or come onto the pitch after kick off.*

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Women's Premier League

Starting 11 – Any Starting 11 player in the Women's Premier League is ineligible to play in any other match during the same weekend.

WPL Bench – All Women's Premier League bench players are eligible to play in either Women's Championship or YPL Under 18s during the same weekend.

Championship Women

Women's Championship players are eligible to play in the YPL Under 18s.

Starting 11 – All Women's Championship Starting 11 players are ineligible to play in League 1 during the same weekend.

SYPL Under 18 Girls

All YPL Under 18s players are eligible to play in any age-appropriate league during the same weekend.

If your WPL team has a bye, those who started the previous weeks' game, are ineligible to play down in the week in which the bye is in. (for example, WPL Bye round 21 – those who started Round 20 WPL match are ineligible to play in Women's Championship in round 21)

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Regional Southern/Northern Leagues – Men.. Player Borrowing

a) A regional league side may borrow up to a maximum of three (3) non-regular players from a higher division regional league side in any one game.

b) Where three (3) players are borrowed from a higher division regional league side, the maximum number of players allowed on the match-day team sheet is 13 players.

c) Where one (1) or two (2) players are borrowed from a higher division regional league side, the maximum number of players allowed on a match-day team sheet is 16 players.

d) A regional league side can borrow players from lower regional league side without limitation. To be clear, there is no limit on the number of players a team can borrow from lower regional leagues.

Regional Southern/Northern Leagues – Men.. Team Stacking

a) A player who has started in NPL cannot play in any regional league competition in the same season.

b) A player who has started in Championship cannot play in regional league 2,3,4 OR Over 35s competitions in the same season.

c) A player who has taken the field in League 1 in a season must not take the field in League 3 or League 4, in the same season, unless by special and reasonable emergency exemption granted by the competition coordinator.

d) Teams in the O35 competition cannot borrow any players under 35 years old, a player must have already turned 35, to be eligible for the O35 competition (not turning 35).

Regional Southern/Northern Leagues - Women

a) No player who has started in WPL can play in any regional league competition in the same season.

b) A player who starts in Southern Championship Women cannot take the field in a regional league game in the same weekend, regardless of which team plays first.

c) A player who has taken the field in Championship Women in a season may not take the field in League 3, in the same season, unless by special and reasonable emergency exemption by the competition coordinator.

The penalty for breaching these rules is a 3-0 forfeit in the game involved + applicable fine from Football Tasmania's Competition & Disciplinary Regulations, Schedule 4- Penalty Matrix.

Finals Series – Player Eligibility

WPL Finals Series Eligibility

All Standard Team Stacking rules apply to all Finals Series matches, as well as other matches which may be played within the same weekend.

NPL Finals Series Eligibility

a) The NPL Finals Series is required to adhere with the Player Roster Principles.
b) All Standard Team Stacking rules apply to all Finals Series matches, as well as other matches which may be played within the same weekend

NPL21s Finals Series Eligibility

a) All Standard Team Stacking rules apply to all Finals Series matches, as well as other matches which may be played within the same weekend
b) Any overage player who has taken the field in one (1) or more matches in the NPL Home & Away season are ineligible to participate in the NPL21s Finals Series.
c) A Player who has taken the field in ten (10) or more NPL matches during the Home & Away season is ineligible for the NPL21s Finals Series.

There are no exemptions to the above Finals Series Eligibility