



Addendum to the National Player Registration & Transfer Regulations 2020

Introduction

This Addendum is made pursuant to Regulation 3.24 of the AFL National Player Registration & Transfer Regulations (published February 2020) (**Regulations**). Definitions used in this Addendum have the same meaning as given in the Regulations.

The purpose of this Addendum is to provide for certain processes in respect of player Transfers and Permits during the 2020 community football season introduced as a result of the impact the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and the associated Government restrictions have had on community football (**COVID-19 Transfer and Permit Processes**). This Addendum will apply for the duration of the 2020 community football season following which it will have no force or effect.

To the extent of any inconsistency between the Regulations and this Addendum, this Addendum will prevail.

COVID-19 Transfer and Permit Processes

The following processes will apply for the duration of the 2020 community football season:

1. Transfer Periods

Pursuant to Regulation 3.7.1 of the Regulations, a Transfer Request may be lodged between 1 November to 30 November or 1 February to 30 June in each calendar year.

In respect of the ACT, New South Wales, the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia only, the Transfer Period from 1 February 2020 to 30 June 2020 will be extended to 31 July 2020. The Transfer Periods will not change for South Australian, Tasmania and Victoria.

Transfers will be permitted into and out of the ACT, New South Wales, the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australian from 1 February 2020 and up to and including 31 July 2020. Transfers will not be permitted into or out of South Australia, Tasmania or Victoria after 30 June 2020.

2. COVID-19 Type 2 Permit

A new national COVID-19 Type 2 Permit will be introduced from 22 June 2020 to allow the movement of players (on loan) in circumstances where their League or Club is not participating in an Australian football competition in the 2020 season.

Where a player's Club or League either does not submit any teams or does not otherwise participate in the 2020 community football season, that player will be eligible to apply for a COVID-19 Type 2 Permit no later than 31 July 2020. In such circumstances, the COVID-19 Type 2 Permit will allow the player to move to another club for the duration of the 2020 community football season and that player will then revert back to their original Club on 1 November 2020.

The differences between the COVID-19 Type 2 Permit and a normal Type 2 Permit (Local Interchange Permit) are as follows:

- A normal Type 2 Permit requires an Interchange Agreement between the relevant Leagues. There is no requirement for an Interchange Agreement for a COVID-19 Type 2 Permit.
- A normal Type 2 Permit is available to players in all Leagues and Clubs provided that an Interchange Agreement is in place. A COVID-19 Type 2 Permit is only available to a player where the player's League or Club is not participating in the 2020 season.
- The timings for a normal Type 2 Permit are determined in accordance with the relevant Interchange Agreement. A player must apply for a COVID-19 Type 2 Permit by 31 July 2020.