## FAQ - Grassroots

#### How long is the Soccer season?

The Home and Away fixtures begin Mid-Late April each year and finishes August (TBD by the association)

### What are Training and Match Days?

Training sessions are Thursdays from 5pm with game days being Sunday mornings varying from 9am to 11am.

#### What do my registration fees cover?

Registration fees cover Football Australia and Football Victoria registrations, player insurances, end of year trophies.

They allow us to provide updated equipment each year when needed and put on functions/events that are strictly for our kids.

#### When are my club registration fees due?

As long as your child is registered and fees paid by round 1, they will be eligible to play. We are understanding and may approve an exemption to allow a longer timeframe however these are limited and subject to the committees approval.

#### My child wants to play with you guys, his friends from school all play as well.

While we will make every effort we can to keep friends together, please understand that we can only have a certain number of kids per team and it isn't possible to have 15 kids all friends from school, all playing together.

In this event, we may look to submit multiple teams into said age group and split the friends up evenly, they would likely train together, however be separated come game day and could be at different locations - in this situation, we will need more volunteers from parents/guardians to properly cater to this extra team.



# Club Expectations grassroots



- We expect players to be on time to training and early to games 45-60minutes early on home games, 30 minutes early on away games at a minimum.
  - We understand things get difficult, things are unavoidable however if no effort to notify coaching staff and a regular occurrence, will result in said child to have reduced game time in the next game this is to set an example of the importance of being punctual, **If this is an issue, please speak with our Junior Co-ordinator.**
- We expect parents/guardians, to take all issues they may have with a coach, parent, spectator or opposition to our Junior Co-ordinator and allow us as a club to investigate the issue and handle it privately, No coach will be required to tolerate abuse, harassment or any other negative feedback directly from parents/guardians or spectators.
- We ask that in order for our volunteer coaches to optimise their time, that somebody from each team (a parent/guardian preferred) step up and become a 'team manager';
  - This means, organising playing tops each week, relaying information to the coach from parents, cutting oranges etc.
- We ask that parents/guardians help on game days with things such as, referee, linemans, ground marshals, set up/pack up of fields.



Please understand, we are a non-profit, and run off the back of volunteers. If there's anything you can do to help, please reach out, whether big or small, everything helps.