POINT COOK FOOTBALL CLUB

2027 Junior Player Registration | Terms & Conditions

Returning player priority closes: Sunday 15 November 2026, 11:59 pm
New and transferring player registrations considered from: Monday 16 November 2026

1. Purpose

Point Cook Football Club (PCFC) aims to give existing junior players the first opportunity to register for Season 2027. Strong demand and league-imposed player limits mean that some age groups may have fewer places than interested players. These terms set out how registrations and available places will be managed.

2. Returning player priority period

Eligible returning players have priority to submit a completed registration up to 11:59 pm on Sunday 15 November 2026. During this period, new and transferring players may express interest but will not be offered a confirmed place ahead of eligible returning players.

From Monday 16 November 2026, remaining places may be offered to new and transferring players, subject to availability, eligibility and Club approval. A returning player who misses the deadline loses priority and will be considered alongside other applicants for remaining places.

3. Who is a returning player?

A returning player is a player officially registered with PCFC for the 2026 season who wishes to register with PCFC for 2027. A previous association with PCFC alone does not automatically qualify a player for the 2027 returning player priority period; relevant exceptional circumstances may be reviewed under section 6.

4. Capacity and no guaranteed place

All registrations are subject to applicable Western Football Netball League (WFNL) and AFL requirements, team structures, eligibility rules and maximum player numbers. Registration during the priority period does not guarantee a place if eligible returning player numbers exceed capacity. Registration acceptance does not guarantee selection in a particular team or grade.

5. How oversubscribed returning player groups are assessed

If eligible returning player applications received by the deadline exceed available places, the Junior Subcommittee will consider the following factors together, without a fixed numerical points system:

- Club loyalty: number of seasons registered with PCFC and continuity of involvement.
- Family volunteer contribution: meaningful past or ongoing support through coaching, team management, committee or Age Group Coordinator roles, match-day duties, fundraising and Club events.
- Player commitment and conduct: documented participation, adherence to Club expectations and respectful behaviour.
- Exceptional circumstances: relevant family, participation or registration circumstances requiring individual consideration.

No single factor automatically secures a place. Volunteer contribution will be considered fairly, recognising that families have differing capacities to volunteer. Football ability, perceived talent or likely team grading will not determine registration priority.

6. Assessment, conflicts and communication

The Junior Subcommittee will oversee decisions, with input from relevant Age Group Coordinators where appropriate. Coaches may provide factual information but cannot independently promise, approve or allocate registration places. Decision-makers must declare relevant conflicts of interest and must not participate in decisions affected by those conflicts.

PCFC will seek to apply the criteria consistently, consider relevant exceptional circumstances and communicate outcomes directly and respectfully to affected families. Where places are unavailable, applicants may be placed on a waiting list.

7. New and transferring players

New players and players seeking to transfer from another club are welcome to lodge an expression of interest during the priority period. An expression of interest is not a registration acceptance or a guarantee of a place. Applications may be considered for remaining places from Monday 16 November 2026. Transfers are subject to applicable league and AFL clearance and eligibility rules.

8. Completing a registration

A returning player must complete registration using the Club-nominated platform by the priority deadline and meet any applicable fee or approved payment-arrangement requirements. Verbal advice to a coach, an expression of interest or an intention to return does not constitute completed registration. The Club may seek supporting information to verify eligibility.

9. Waiting lists and Club approval

Where capacity has been reached, PCFC may maintain a waiting list and contact applicants if places become available. All applications remain subject to Club approval and applicable competition requirements. PCFC may review individual circumstances, provided decisions are made fairly, consistently and in line with these terms and relevant league rules.

10. Questions and review

Families seeking clarification or review of a registration outcome should contact the PCFC Junior Administration team through the Club's published contact channels. Requests will be referred to an appropriate Club representative not directly involved in the original decision wherever practicable.