## **AREA PERMIT AGREEMENT**

## BETWEEN HAMPDEN FNL & WARRNAMBOOL & DISTRICT FNL

This Agreement is signed pursuant to the AFL Victoria Country rules and regulations pertaining to clearances and permits and in particular rule 2.4 Area Permits, whereby an interchange of players between two leagues may take place without clearance or permits and is subject to any provisions contained within this agreement.

## **PROVIDED HOWEVER:**

- 1. That this Agreement is in place commencing from the 2023 Season.
- 2. Future amendments can be requested by any party as long as amendments are requested once in any 12-month period and are made prior to 28 February in the year prior to the season commencement.
- 3. The area agreement can be unilaterally terminated by any party as long as notice is given to all other parties prior to 28 February in any given season. Unilateral notice of termination given after 28 February will only apply to the season in the next calendar year.
- 4. By mutual agreement, the timelines as provide for in section 2 and 3 above may be waived or amended.
- 5. That the player(s) involved desire to play with the club in the other League on the day in question.
- 6. That the clubs involved are agreeable to the players playing on the day in question.
- 7. That the players are registered players within AFL Victoria.
- 9. That prior to each match a player who wishes to play on permit must obtain a Type 2 Local Interchange permit and approved online by all parties before match day. This condition must be strictly adhered to. Failure to do so could see the club penalised under AFL Victoria Country Rule 1.1 (ineligible players).
- 10. Permit players must be listed on the team sheet as area permit players. Failure to do so could see the club penalised under AFL Victoria Country Rule 1.1 (ineligible

players).

- 11. Underage players of any club having a "BYE" will be allowed to play for another club on that day. Open age players of any club having a 'BYE' will not be allowed to play with another club on that day unless he has previously played with that club in the current season under this Agreement.
- 12. That the number of players played by any club under this agreement on any one day be restricted to six (6) permit players only, limit of four (4) players for reserve football and limit of two (2) players for senior football. The maximum number of junior players that can gain a permit to a club is six (6) with a maximum of three (3) coming from any one club. If a junior player is permitting back to their previous registered club from the last season, then they are not included in the headcount. Eg, Player A has gained a clearance from Club A in the current season to play at Club B, during the current season Player A requests a permit to Club A, they is not include in the headcount.
- 13. Under this agreement players must only play one match per day.
- 14. That any Hampden Football Netball League open age player wishing to make use of this agreement must be registered at the HFNL Club in the current season. Once a player has played one (1) Hampden Football Netball League senior match in the current season, he is deemed to be a senior player. As such he is ineligible to play with a Warrnambool & District Football Netball League club under this agreement. Clause 14 is applicable to junior players who play a HFNL or WDFNL Senior game.
- 15. Senior Players may only interchange/permit to 1 HFNL or 1 WDFNL club in any one season. Junior players may only interchange/permit to 2 HFNL or 2 WDFNL clubs in any one season.
- 16. Finals qualification will be based on the local finals qualification by-laws for each League.
- 17. A player must have used a permit throughout the current Home & Away season, to be eligible to continue to use this permit once the players Home & Away season his completed. E.g. A HFNL U16 player wanting to gain a permit after the HFNL Season has finished, must had previously gained a permit to play at the Club they are requesting to permit too.
- 18. All permits shall be transacted via the Play HQ permit system using the Local Interchange permit option. These permits will be a weekly permit, not a seasonal permit.
- 19. Any Club found to have deliberately breached the Area Permit Agreement and its conditions will be subject to a \$100 fine per breach, payable to their respective

League. Serious breaches will be forwarded to AFL Victoria Country for determination.

## **Reported Players**

1. A player that is reported shall face the independent Tribunal for the league of which the offence was committed. Any penalty that is imposed shall apply for all competitions.

Hampden Football Netball League Inc.

Sign:

**Shane Threfal** 

Date: 28/3/23

Warrnambool & District Football Netball League Inc.

Sign: Kylie Murphy

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Date: 27th March 2023

**AFL Western District Region Manager** 

Sign:

Jason Muldoon

Date: 27/3/2023