



Supporting Documentation

VT League

Definitions and Interpretations



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Unless the context requires otherwise, the following shall have the following meanings:

A club that competes in VT League and is financially responsible for all teams that they enter in the VT League competition.

Club:

TFV acknowledges the vital role of clubs, and their volunteers, in supporting the VT League. Their dedication and contributions form the foundation on which this competition is built. TFV further recognise the Bayside Vipers, Casey Cougars, Melbourne City Lions, and University Blues for their pivotal role as Foundation Clubs in establishing and developing the VT League in 2007.

Club Registered Player:	A player that registered with a club and: • intends to compete in the current season of VT League; and • participated in at least three (3) matches in the immediately previous season; or • participated in at least one match in the current season of the VT League.
Club Team/Team:	An eligible team that represents a Club and competes in VT League.
Conditions of Entry or COEs:	The Victorian Touch League Conditions of Entry.
D2M:	Division 2 Men.
D2W:	Division 2 Women.
D3M:	Division 3 Men.
D3W:	Division 3 Women.
Eligible Player / Coach / Team Staff / Club:	An eligible player / coach / team staff / club that has successfully met the requirements outlined in these COEs.
Finals Series:	The finals series of the VT League competition comprising of qualified teams as determined by the final rankings of all teams entered within their gender division of VT League.
Financial Clearance:	A declaration by a Club that a Player who is or was a member of that Club has no outstanding financial obligations to that Club.
Free agent:	Any player that: • intends to compete in the current season of VT League; and • has previously competed in any State League around Australia; or



- did not participate in the immediately previous season of the VT League; or
- is returning to a club where the player competed in a minimum of three (3) consecutive VT League seasons in which the player participated in a minimum of four (4) regular season matches in each season; or
- is returning to a club where the player competed in a minimum of two (2) consecutive VT League seasons in which the player participated in a minimum of four (4) regular season matches in each season and in which the club was not entered in Premier; or
- is returning to a club where the player competed in a minimum of two (2) VT League seasons in which the player participated as a Junior Player.

Division:	A gender division where a group of teams entered VT League by Clubs who will compete against each other in the regular season of VT League to achieve qualification into the finals series of VT League.
Gender Division:	A division comprising of teams who solely consist of either male or female players.
Ground Controller:	The VT League Ground Controller is an independent, defined as an individual that is not a current member of or participant in a current VT League Club and is both perceived and able to be impartial, person appointed by TFV each VT League match day. The ground controller will coordinate all match day VT League operations, including acting as the sole timekeeper for the competition. The Ground Controller should have a minimum Level 1 First Aid qualification; however, this is not essential.
Home-Grown Player:	A player who started their Touch Football career in Victoria.
Inter Club Transfer:	A player transfer from one club to another club.
JB:	Junior Boys division.
JG:	Junior Girls division.
Junior Division:	A VT League division that is limited to Junior players. For the purposes of the COEs Junior divisions will be treated as a division that is classified below Division 3. Any disputes relating to a Junior division will be decided by the VT League Referee Coordinator and/or Touch Football Victoria.
Junior Player:	A junior player is a player that does not turn eighteen (18) years old, or older, during the calendar year the VT League season is operating.
Junior VT League:	The Victorian Touch League competition that is limited to junior players.



Ladder:	A table used to show a Team's ranking compared to the other teams entered in the same division of the VT League competition. A VT League division that is limited to Masters players.
Masters Division:	For the purposes of the COEs Masters divisions will be treated as a division that is classified between Division 2 and Division 3. Any disputes relating to a Masters division will be decided by the VT League Referee Coordinator and/or Touch Football Victoria.
Masters Player:	A Masters player is a player that turns forty (40) years old, or older, during the calendar year the VT League season is operating.
Match:	An officially sanctioned VT League match between teams, either in the regular season or finals series of competition.
Metropolitan Melbourne based Club:	A club who's main training venue (the venue where your highest classified team trains the majority of a season) is located within the Metropolitan Melbourne area geographically as defined by the Victorian government and Local Government Areas.
MM:	Masters Men division.
MW:	Masters Women division.
Official Start Time (OST):	The official start time as determined by the fixture or the new start time of a match due to a delay to the official start time as determined by the referee.
Participants:	Any person directly engaged in VT League in any way. This includes but is not limited to club members, coaches, officials, players, team staff, and TFV staff.
Percentage:	Determined by dividing the total tries scored by a team in their division, by the total tries conceded by the team, in their division.
PM:	Premier Men.
PW:	Premier Women.
Promoted:	Where a team in a division is entered to play in the immediately higher division during the following VT League season in accordance with these COEs.
Regional Victorian based Club:	A club who's main training venue (the venue where your highest classified team trains the majority of a season) is located within the Regional Victorian area geographically as defined by the Victorian government and Local Government Areas.
Registered Member of TFV:	A player, coach, official and/or team staff that has completed the correct category of registration with TFV and paid the required payment. TFV shall



retain the right to withdraw and/or reinstate a registration status in accordance with its policies.

Regular Season:	The regular season of VT League competition (not being the finals series).
Relegated:	Where a team in a division is entered to play in the immediately lower division during the following VT League season in accordance with these COEs.
Senior Team:	Any team entered in Premier, Division 2, or Division 3.
TFA:	Touch Football Australia - The national governing body for Touch Football.
TFV:	Touch Football Victoria
Touch Football Functions:	A formal or social event or ceremony hosted by Touch Football Victoria.
Touch Football Rules:	The current Touch Football Australia Playing Rules 8th Edition .
Touch Football Tournaments:	A formal or social competition hosted by Touch Football Victoria where teams are entered into divisions to compete against each other.
Touch Football Tours:	A series of professional sporting events hosted by Touch Football Victoria.
Victorian Touch League:	Victoria's premier Touch Football competition governed under the Touch Football Rules, TFA Code of Conduct, and guided by these COEs.
VRP:	Victorian Referee Panel.
VT League:	Victorian Touch League.
VT League Advisory Committee (VTAC):	The VT League Advisory Committee comprises of at least one (1) representative from each current VT League Club as well as up to two (2) representatives from the VRP. Clubs may elect to nominate up to two (2) representatives of which one must be female and one male. The operation and oversight of VT League will function under the control of TFV and be supported by the VTAC. The VTAC will collaborate on matters supporting the operation of VT League, perform a pre and post season review of these COEs, and advise TFV on any matters as required by these COEs. The VTAC will meet regularly prior to, during and immediately following the VT League season.



**VT League Inter-Club
Transfer:**

The transfer of a Player from one Club to another Club within a VT League season or between consecutive VT League seasons. A VT League Inter-Club Transfer also requires a Financial Clearance.

XO:

Mixed Open division.

In the interpretation of these COEs unless the context requires otherwise:

- words importing the singular shall be deemed to include the plural and vice versa.
- words importing any gender shall be deemed to include the other gender.
- headings are included for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of these COEs.
- "including" and similar words are not words of limitation.
- any words, terms or phrases defined in the remainder of these COEs shall have the meaning as prescribed with the Condition.
- words, terms, or phrases not otherwise defined in these COEs shall be given their ordinary meaning.