Langwarrin Junior Football Club Registrations Policy

Registrations for 2027 season will be open from November 2026

Player Registrations		
Existing LJFC players	**Players new to AFL football (or from Auskick)**	**Players transferring from another club**
◇ Online registration can be completed by via LJFC website	◇ Online registration can be completed by via LJFC website	◇ **Must contact LJFC registrar requesting a transfer be completed from their previous club (registrar@langyjfc.com)**
	◇ **A copy of new player's birth certificate must be provided to LJFC registrar as proof of age.**	◇ **Must complete LJFC registration form when the transfer period opens on 1 February 2026**
		◇ **A copy of transferring player's birth certificate must be provided to LJFC registrar as proof of age.**
		See below for details on the process for completion of player transfers.
A Players " playing age" is determined by their age as at 1 January of the current year.		
Children wanting to register and play U8's **MUST be** 7 years old as at 30th April of the current year.		
Registrations for new players received after **Round 3** need to be approved by the LJFC registrar, in consultation with the coaches- please see below for details on allocation to teams. Unless extenuating circumstances exist, no registrations will be accepted after **Round 5**		
Registration Fees:		
◇ Fee for 2027 Season will be **$210.**		
◇ A discount on fees is available on all registrations completed and paid for in FULL, prior to the 30 December 2026 for a $20.00 discount		
◇ Registration fees must be paid in full prior to Round 1, or before the child plays his/ her first game of the season **OR** an approved payment plan must be in place that is agreed and signed off by LJFC treasurer. Failure to make regular installments while on a payment plan or communicate with LJFC treasurer may result in your child being unable to play football until Registration fees are paid. Payment plans will not be available to players registering after 1/2/2027 There is discounts applied when registering the 2nd or subsequent children from the same family.		
Teams / Player allocations		
◇ New players will be generally be allocated to team in each age group with the lowest player numbers but final allocations will be decided by the club registrar in consultation with LJFC Executive Committee .		
◇ LJFC committee and coaches encourage players to play in their correct age group wherever possible. "Playing up" will be permitted in some situations if it does not impact on player numbers for the younger or older age group. "Correct age" players are given first preference in their age group.		
◇ Total player numbers may be managed for teams with high numbers. This will be based on the age group of the Team in question and determined by LJFC Executive committee in consultation with coaches.		
◇ The number of Teams per age group will decided in March 2027**,** so that Team entries for F&DJFL and AFL SE can be submitted**. Players must register before 1/2/27 so that player's numbers per team are confirmed for their age group. Unconfirmed existing Players and new players registering after this date, may be placed on a waiting list if team numbers are high and are being reviewed.**		

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◇ If a waiting list is created for a team, players will be accepted into the team based on their position on the waiting list

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Girls Teams - players will be allocated to girls teams based on their age: **U8, U10, U12, U14, U18.5** Depending on the number of teams per age group, the girls may be placed in teams for their age group according to -ability/ experience -their friendships -other factors determined by the club**.**	**Girl Teams** -players will be allocated to team by LJFC registrar after consultation with Girls Football Coordinator **U8, U10, U12, U14**, **U18.5** Factors considered for team allocations for this age group will include but not be defined by : - requests to play with friends - School attended - no. of teams for this age group - other factors as determined by club - ability/ experience
U8 -U9's – players will be allocated to a team by LJFC registrar. Factors considered for team allocations for this age group will include but not be defined by : - team played with in previous year (if 2nd year of playing) - requests to play with friends - School attended - no. of teams for this age group - other factors as determined by club	**U8 -U9's** – players will be allocated to team by LJFC registrar. Factors considered for team allocations for this age group will include but not be defined by : - requests to play with friends - School attended - no. of teams for this age group - other factors as determined by club
U10-U12 - players will be allocated to a team by LJFC registrar with support of the LJFC football department. Factors considered for team allocations for this age group will include but not be defined by : - team played with in previous year - no. of teams for this age group - other factors as determined by club	**U10-U12**- players will be allocated to teams by the LJFC registrar with support of the LJFC football department. It will be based on team numbers per team in age group. Requests to play for a particular team in an age group will be considered but is not guaranteed.
U13 - U17.5 Boys & U16 Girls Depending on overall player numbers and the playing groups eligible, the LJFC football department will determine the best way to allocate players to teams. Team allocations for this age group may include but not be defined by : - Number of teams/ players - Assessment of player's abilities - allocation by previous year's team - Other factors as determined by the club, in the best interest of individual players and the playing group.	**U13- U17.5 Boys & U16 Girls**– players will be allocated to team by LJFC registrar based on team numbers per teams in age group. New players will be allocated to the team with the lowest player numbers. Team allocations for this age group may include but not be defined by : - Number of teams/ players - Assessment of player's abilities - allocation by previous year's team - Other factors as determined by the club, in the best interest of individual players and the playing group.

Special Player Permits

Special permits are required for players who may want to play in a younger age group. Players requiring special permits should have the following paperwork submitted to LJFC secretary as early as possible to allow time for their submission to be reviewed and approved**.** Friendship group does not come into consideration when applying for a special permit.

This paperwork will then be reviewed by LJFC executive committee and then submitted to AFL SE for approval. It can take several weeks to have permits reviewed and approval is not guaranteed. They are not approved for all players. Players must not play until LJFC has received written consent for the permit and has advised the parents, team manager and Coach.

Paperwork to support a request

- letter from parents explaining their reasons for requesting the special permit
- Letters from doctor or school principal supporting the request the special permit based on medical reasons, players small size, date of birth, learning abilities etc.