



NORTH MANDURAH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

JUMPER POLICY-08

BACKGROUND

For many years at North Mandurah Junior Football Club, “ownership” of team jumpers throughout the season has been ambiguous – with no specific guidelines as to how jumpers are to be looked after during the season.

Aside from our, developing club facility, kiosk and footballs, the team jumpers are a highly significant asset – costing some \$1500 per set (and approx \$200 per jumper that needs replacing – if lost, to match the existing set).

Over the past 3 years the club has actively worked to renew jumpers so that all teams have the opportunity to play in modern jumpers that reflect the position the club aims to hold in the district.

AREA OF CONCERN

In the past there have been 9 jumpers lost from various new sets of jumpers. These losses are clearly a concern as it leaves sets incomplete and comes at a significant cost, as noted above.

One significant reason for these losses has been the decision taken by some teams to “give” players jumpers at the start of the season, giving the responsibility to players/families to look after the jumper for the season. This presents two issues as noted below:

1. If the players keep the jumpers during the week, some players will use the jumper for training, school or just “having a kick” and clearly this will correlate to a disproportionate use of some jumpers compared to others, and it follows the set becomes “old before its time”
2. As players come and go, on occasions it is difficult to get hold of jumpers

COMMITTEE’S RESPONSE: POLICY DEVELOPMENT SUGGESTION

As a result the committee suggests the following guidelines are adopted as policy:

1. That team managers implement a roster system and delegate jumper washing duties to parents on a weekly basis.
2. That the jumpers be returned to the coach/manager during a training session during the following week

Whilst it is understood some teams manage the jumpers very well, the committee feels that if we have a common policy, as the players and parents move through the age groups, both players and parents will become aware of the expectations. This will assist as the players develop into the youth age groups, which have numerous game day requirements of parents

Policy Review

To ensure this policy continues to be relevant for club operation and that it reflects community expectations, the policy will be reviewed annually.

This policy has been approved by the Committee of North Mandurah Junior Football Club on 1st October 2016