2021 By-Law Variation Matrix



| | Girls | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | 10 12 (Excluding Div 1) | | 14 (Including U12 Girls Div 1) | 16 | 18 | | | | |
| Regulations | | | | | | | | | |
| Ground size | Modified (approved) | Modified (approved) Standard | | Standard | Standard | | | | |
| # players on ground | 12 | 12 (15) 16 (18) 16 (18) | | 16 (18) | 16 (18) | | | | |
| Ball type | Syn only | | | Leather | Leather | | | | |
| Ball size | 2 | 3 3 4 | | 4 | 4 | | | | |
| Quarter duration (mins) | 10 | 12 | 15 15 | | 17 | | | | |
| Break length 1/4 - 1/2 - 3/4 time | 3-6-3 | 3-6-3 3-8-5 | | 3-8-5 | 3-8-5 | | | | |
| Scoreboard | * | | ✓ | - | 1 | | | | |
| Results | Yes (not published) | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Best & Fairest/Goals | x | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | | | |
| Finals | Lightning Carnival | · · · · | | | 1 | | | | |
| Laws | Lighting curitur | | • | | | | | | |
| Tackling | Modified | Modified | | | 1 | | | | |
| Bumping | * | * | | | 1 | | | | |
| Stealing the ball | * | * | | | 1 | | | | |
| Barging | | * | | · · · · · | 1 | | | | |
| Smothering | * | * | ✓ | · · · · · | · · | | | | |
| Fending off | * | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Shepherding | * | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Bouncing the ball | 1 max | 1 max | Unlimited | Unlimited | Unlimited | | | | |
| Kicking off the ground | * | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Ball ups | Nominated players of equal size | | * | 4 | 4 | | | | |
| Throw-ins | * | * | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | |
| Distance over which marks are paid | Om (reasonable attempt) | Om (shows control) | Om (shows control) | Om (shows control) | 15m | | | | |
| Distance penalty | 10m | 10m | 25m | 25m | 25m | | | | |
| Play on whilst advancing | * | * | * ✓ | | 1 | | | | |
| Zones | ✓ | 1 | ************************************** | | * | | | | |
| Deliberate out of bounds | * | * | * | 1 | ✓ | | | | |
| Deliberately rushed behind | * | * | * | 1 | ✓ | | | | |
| Wait for flag after point | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ ✓ | | * | | | | |
| Set playing positions | * | * | * * | | * | | | | |
| Umpires | | | | | | | | | |
| # field umpires | Club Appointed (2) | Club Appointed (2) | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| Boundary umpires* | * | * | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | |
| *Where no SMIEL Boundary | Impire is appointed the field | lumnire will conduct a ball u | p 10 metres inside the field of play adia | cent to where the hall cr | ssed the line | | | | |

Where no SMJFL Boundary Umpire is appointed, the field umpire will conduct a ball up 10 metres inside the field of play adjacent to where the ball crossed the line All of these changes were made in 2019/20, except distance over which marks are paid in 18 Girls.

| | Mixed | | | | | | | Boys | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| | 8 | 9 & 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | |
| Regulations | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ground size | Modified (approved) | Modified (approved) | Standard | Standard | Standard | Standard | Standard | Standard | Standard | |
| # players on ground | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 16 (18) | 16 (18) | |
| Ball type | Syn only | Syn only | Syn / Leather | Syn / Leather | Leather | Leather | Leather | Leather | Leather | |
| Ball size | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | full size | full size | full size | |
| Quarter duration (mins) | 10 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 | 20 | |
| Break length 1/4 - 1/2 - 3/4 time | 3-6-3 | 3-6-3 | 3-8-5 | 3-8-5 | 3-8-5 | 3-8-5 | 3-10-5 | 3-10-5 | 3-10-5 | |
| Scoreboard | * | * | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | ✓ | |
| Results | Yes (not published) | Yes (not published) | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | ✓ | |
| Best & Fairest/Goals | * | * | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Finals | Lightning Carnival | Lightning Carnival | √ | ✓ | 1 | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Laws | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tackling | Modified | Modified | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Bumping | * | * | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Stealing the ball | * | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Barging | * | × | ✓ | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Smothering | * | × | ✓ | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Fending off | × | × | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Shepherding | × | × | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Bouncing the ball | 1 max | 1 max | Unlimited | | | | | | | |
| Kicking off the ground | * | × | * | * | 1 | ✓ | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Ball ups | Nominated players of equal size | Nominated players of equal size | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Throw-ins | * | * | 1 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Distance over which marks are paid | 0m (shows control) | Om (shows control) | 15m | 15m | 15m | 15m | 15m | 15m | 15m | |
| Distance penalty | 10m | 10m | 25m | 25m | 25m | 25m | 25m | 50m | 50m | |
| Play on whilst advancing | * | * | 32 | 3E | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Zones | 1 | 1 | 32 | se | * | x | sc | sc | sc | |
| Deliberate out of bounds | * | * | * | st. | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Deliberately rushed behind | * | * | * | * | * | ✓ | 1 | 1 | ✓ | |
| Wait for flag after point | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | × | × | |
| Set playing positions | * | * | * | × | * | × | × | × | × | |
| Umpires | | | | | | | | | | |
| # field umpires | Club Appointed (2) | Club Appointed (2) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Boundary umpires* | * | * | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 1 | 1 | 1 | |