



ATTENTION: ALL STAKEHOLDERS

RE: Swearing in Junior Football

At a recent Competitions Director (CD's) Meeting, the 9 metro CD's were unanimous in their agreed approach to addressing swearing in Junior Football in order to enhance the Game Day Environments.

As per the AFL Laws of the Game, if a player swears within a game (and is overheard by an umpire) then a free kick will be paid against the player as a means of positively addressing the game day environments within Junior Football.

Under the AFL Laws of the Game there is provision for this to occur under Law:

15.10 FREE KICKS – GENERALLY

15.10.1

A Free Kick shall be awarded against a Player or a Team where the field Umpire is of the opinion that:

(d) a Free Kick to be awarded against a Player who uses abusive, insulting, threatening or obscene language and/or gesture;

It is important that as a game we have a consistent approach to the application of this Law of the Game.

For further information or clarity please do not hesitate to contact Dean Margetts (Umpire Development Manager) on (08) 9287 5546 or dmargetts@wafc.com.au

Regards

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