



PRESTON LIONS FOOTBALL CLUB

2017 MiniRoos & Juniors Registration Form

1. PLAYER DETAILS

First Name: Surname: Gender: Male Female

Date of Birth: / / Proof of Age: NOTE: All new players to PLFC are required to show **Proof of Age** (ie. birth certificate, passport, student card, etc) with your registration paperwork.

Address:

Suburb: State: Postcode:

Phone (H): Mobile No:

Email:

Please note that Email is the **MAIN** method of communication used by Preston Lions FC. Please complete this section carefully and in legible writing. One Email address **MUST** be provided with this registration form.

Were you a PLFC player in 2016? Yes No If No, which Club?

FFA ID Number: (if known)

Current School:

Nationality: Country of Birth:

Photo: All players are required to upload an electronic **current passport sized photograph** for Player ID cards through the MyFootballClub system at the time of online registration. Ask a club official if you are unsure.

Where did you hear about PLFC? Current Player Past Player Website Email Facebook School Friends/Family Promotional Stand Darebin Council Other

2. PARENT / GUARDIAN DETAILS

Father / Guardian #1

Mother / Guardian #2

First Name:

Surname:

Occupation:

Address:
(if different to above)

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Mobile No:

Email:

3. OTHER CHILDREN AT PLFC

If applicable, please list the name/s of other children that you have registered at Preston Lions FC in 2017. Section 7 of this registration form outlines the discounts available to families that are registering more than one child at the Club.

Full Name: Age Group:

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4. PLAYER MEDICAL HISTORY

This information is intended to assist club officials, coaching staff and/or ambulance staff in case of any medical emergency that may arise. All information contained in this document will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Does the player suffer from any of the following conditions?

(please tick if applicable)

- Asthma/Bronchitis Attention Disorder Concussion Hernia
 Diabetes Dentures/Braces Epilepsy Glasses/Contact Lenses
 Infectious Diseases Heart Problems Learning Difficulties Leukaemia
 Muscular-Skeletal Injuries Other _____

Does the player suffer from any Allergies? If Yes, please provide details:

- Yes
 No

Does the player take any Medication regularly or for emergency use? If Yes, please provide details:

- Yes
 No

Has the player suffered any major illness or injury (including sports injuries) in the past 12 months? If Yes, please provide details:

- Yes
 No

Does the player currently suffer from any other medical problems, or is there any other medical/personal information that you consider is important to the player's participation in training, athletic and competitive activities? If Yes, please provide details:

- Yes
 No

Are you covered by any of the following?

Ambulance Membership: Yes No

Private Health Insurance: Yes No If Yes, specify provider: _____

5. VOLUNTEERS

Parents and family members of our registered junior players are expected to play an active part in the club and there are a number of duties required to be performed throughout the season. Your contribution is essential to help share the load with others. We are all here for the kids and without everyone's help this isn't possible week after week.

Are you able to assist in any of the following areas (please tick):

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| • Canteen duties – Match Days and/or Training Nights | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Team Manager role | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Juniors Committee member | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Coaching or Assisting the coach | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Match day duties – pitch preparation, setting up/taking down nets, ground marshals, etc | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Refereeing / Linesman | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • Fundraising / Social events | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • General help around the club (cleaning, handyman jobs, etc) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| • First Aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

6. SPONSORSHIP

Are you interested in sponsoring your child's team or do you know someone who would be willing to?

Yes No

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone / Mobile No: _____

Email: _____

7. REGISTRATION FEES

AGE GROUP / YEAR OF BIRTH (please tick)

REGISTRATION FEES

MiniRoos (U7 – U9)	Age Group	<input type="checkbox"/> U7	<input type="checkbox"/> U8	<input type="checkbox"/> U9	Girls \$360 Boys \$420
	Year of Birth	2010 (or younger)	2009	2008	
MiniRoos (U10 – U11)	Age Group	<input type="checkbox"/> U10	<input type="checkbox"/> U11		Girls \$430 Boys \$530
	Year of Birth	2007	2006		
Juniors (U12 – U14)	Age Group	<input type="checkbox"/> U12	<input type="checkbox"/> U13	<input type="checkbox"/> U14	Girls \$500 Boys \$680
	Year of Birth	2005	2004	2003	
Juniors (U15 – U18)	Age Group	<input type="checkbox"/> U15	<input type="checkbox"/> U16	<input type="checkbox"/> U17/U18	Girls \$600 Boys \$740
	Year of Birth	2002	2001	1999/2000	

***** FAMILY DISCOUNT:** Families with more than one child will receive a 10% discount on registration fees for their second child and each additional child registered with the Club. Note that the oldest child is considered the primary registration and pays the full amount.

WHAT YOU GET FOR YOUR FEES:

Age Groups: U7 – U11 (MiniRoos)

- Playing Kit (includes 2 x Playing Shirts (Home and Away)), 1 x Shorts & Socks)
- Tracksuit Jacket
- Participation Trophy
- Season Pass Club Membership (for parent/guardian)

Age Groups: U12 – U18 (Juniors)

- Playing Kit (includes 2 x Playing Shirts (Home and Away)), 1 x Shorts & Socks)
- Tracksuit Jacket
- Sports Bag or Hoodie (to be determined)
- Participation Trophy
- Season Pass Club Membership (for parent/guardian)

In addition to the above inclusions, your Registration Fees also cover the following team and club expenses:

- FFV Team Entry Fees
- FFV Player Registration Fees and Insurance
- Coaching expenses
- Team & Training Equipment (balls, goals, nets, flags, cones, bibs, etc)
- Darebin Council fees (grounds & facilities maintenance, etc)
- Referee fees
- Utilities (electricity, water, etc)
- Ground marking, cleaning & general club maintenance
- Printing, stationery, postage, administration, etc

8. PAYMENT SCHEDULE

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Payment of player registration fees shall be made according to the fee schedule listed on this registration form (see [Section 7](#) above) in accordance with the player's relevant age group.
- Each player is required to pay a **\$250 registration deposit** upon presenting this completed Juniors Registration Form to the club in order to secure your place in 2017. This deposit must be paid by **no later than 15 January 2017**.
- The balance of your registration fee must be paid **by no later than 31 March 2017**.
- Full payment is required before the player can be registered and prior to the season commencing. Otherwise he/she will not be permitted to participate in training sessions and/or any organised competition held by the Club.
- **Full payment is also required before any items included as part of the registration (ie. playing kits, apparel, equipment, etc) are handed over to the player.**
- Should it prove difficult for a player or parent/guardian to pay the total fee amount before the abovementioned due dates, please speak to the Juniors Coordinators about the possibility of alternate payment arrangements.
- Once full payment is received, the Club will issue each player/parent with instructions on how to complete their online registration through the MyFootballClub system. A club representative can also assist you with the online registration process during nominated training sessions.

Payment Method:
(please tick)

Cash Cheque* Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)**

* Please make **cheques** payable to **Preston Lions**. Ensure that cheques are adequately labelled on the reverse side.

** If paying by **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** please credit the following **NAB** bank account:

BSB: 083 376 Account # 730036144

NOTE: Bank transfers should include a specific transfer description. E.g., "TSmithU12"

Total Cost:	\$	Deposit Received:	\$	Balance Received:	\$
OFFICE USE ONLY		Date Received:	/ / 20	Date Received:	/ / 20
Membership Card #		Receipt No:		Receipt No:	
		Received By:		Received By:	

9. CONSENT & DECLARATION

By signing this registration form, I, the **player** and **parent/guardian**, confirm that I have read, understood and accept the terms and conditions of registration and declare that the information supplied is correct at the time of this registration.

I, the **player** and **parent/guardian**, also confirm that I have read, understood and agree to abide and be bound by the following:

- Club Policies and Codes of Conduct/ Behaviour as outlined in the attached documents
- Preston Lions Football Club Constitution, the By-Laws and Regulations of the Club (available from www.plfc.com.au)
- FFV Rules of Competition, Grievance, Disciplinary and Tribunal By-Law, Conditions of Entry and Statutes, Regulations, the Constitutions and By-Laws of FFA and FFV (available from www.footballfedvic.com.au)

Other Conditions

- Any player or parent/guardian failing to comply with these rules may find themselves (at the discretion of the Committee) ejected or removed or as member of the Club.
- The Club reserves the right to withdraw any player(s) or team that has not paid its registration fees in full by the due date.
- The Club reserves the right to suspend or expel any player(s) or parent(s)/guardian(s) for failing to abide by the rules, regulations and policies of the club, the Code of Behaviour, and no registration fee refund will apply.
- Should a player not be selected in the squad for a team, a full refund of fees will be made.
- Once a player is selected and if registration fees are not received in full within the required period, then the offer of team placement may be withdrawn and any fees paid will not be refunded.
- Once a player is selected and FFV Registration Fees are paid by the club, no refund will be provided should the player leave the club.
- Players will not be allowed to train or play unless fees are paid in full by the due date.

Medical Declaration

I (the player and parent/guardian) understand and acknowledge that:

- Football is a physical activity and contact sport with an inherent risk of injury.
- Club coaches and team managers are able to render basic first aid in cases of minor injuries (ie. cuts, sprains, etc). Legally, this is all that a club is permitted to offer as far as treatment goes.
- In cases where immediate medical attention is required, the Club will make every reasonable effort to contact and/or organise this in consultation with the player's parent/guardian prior to seeking medical treatment. If this is not possible in the circumstances, the Club agrees to contact the player's parent/guardian as soon as it is practicable to do so.
- In the event of an emergency where a parent/guardian is not available for consultation and assessment of the injury deems it necessary for urgent medical attention to be provided, I give my permission for the Club to arrange such medical attention that may be deemed necessary including ambulance transport.
- All costs incurred for treatment and medical transportation of the player will be the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- Although players are covered by the FFA National Insurance Programme whilst playing or training, the Club will not be held liable for any costs not covered by the FFA Insurance.
- The Club strongly recommends that players are covered by their own Private Health Insurance and Ambulance Cover.
- The Club, including any of its officers and/or members, as well as the owners of the facility at B.T. Connor Reserve (Darebin City Council), are released from any liability and/or claims arising out of injury, illness, accident, loss or damage suffered as a result of any player participating in or attending any authorised training session, match or event in connection with the Club.

PLEASE NOTE: Your registration will not be accepted unless both the **player and **parent/guardian** sign this consent.**

Player Name:

Player Signature:

Date:

/ / 20

Parent/Guardian Name:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

/ / 20

- Your privacy is important to us. The information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and will not be forwarded to any third parties. If you do not consent to receiving any promotional material from PLFC and its partners or sponsors, please tick the box.
- Occasionally the club may take photographs or video footage during training sessions or matches to use for marketing and promotional purposes. If you do not consent to your child's image being taken for these purposes, please tick the box.

CODES OF CONDUCT & CLUB POLICIES

The Preston Lions Football Club is a community based football (soccer) club that aims to provide a fun, safe and enjoyable sporting outlet for children and adults alike. This document serves to highlight the various policies, terms and conditions which members (including coaches, club officials, players, parents/guardians and spectators) agree to abide by when registering with the Club.

CODES OF BEHAVIOUR / CONDUCT

Football Federation Victoria (FFV) has a Code of Behaviour governing all players, parents and spectators. It is vital that everyone involved in Football, whether they are players, coaches, members, officials, volunteers, parents or spectators, understand their responsibilities to ensure that all participants enjoy the sport in a safe and family friendly environment. The Preston Lions Football Club has incorporated this Code into its own rules and must be strictly abided by. Failure to comply with any of these Codes of Behaviour will be met with sanctions, as outlined in the FFV Grievance, Disciplinary and Tribunal By-Law.

PLAYER'S CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

All players, regardless of what level of competition they are participating in, are expected to adhere to the following code of behaviour.

- Give your best effort at all times;
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit;
- Play by the Rules and within the spirit of the game;
- Show positive attitudes and follow directions given by coaches;
- During games, players are expected to show courtesy towards their team mates, opponents and match officials at all times, both on and off the field;
- Do not argue with the match official. If you disagree, have your captain or coach approach the match official during a break in play or after the match is concluded;
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, deliberately distracting or provoking another person is not acceptable or permitted in any sport;
- Coaches will not permit name-calling, teasing, criticizing or other acts designed to hurt feelings or cause injury;
- Maintain your focus and work hard for yourself and your team;
- Be a good sport and be prepared to acknowledge good play whether it is from your team or the opposition;
- Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player;
- Cooperate with your coach, team mates and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition;
- Play for your own enjoyment, and not just to please parents and coaches;
- If any team member tells you of a problem, do not hesitate to talk to the coach about it;
- Remove all jewellery prior to training and match play, as it is a hazard to you and those around you;
- Do not accept or use any banned or unauthorised drug(s), including the consumption of alcohol at any time;
- All players must be willing to play all positions, and follow the instructions given by coaches; and
- The emphasis for players is on football development, improvement in physical ability and stamina, enjoying the benefits of good sportsmanship, team spirit and having fun.

In the case of a severe disciplinary problem, a player may be asked to leave the team and the Club. This decision will be made by the Committee (after any consultation process has been exhausted) and would only happen in cases where behaviour cannot be modified to allow fellow team mates and spectators to be comfortable in that team's environs. The coach will always keep the parents informed if such action is considered so that the parent may address the problem with their child or meet with the coach, team manager and a Committee member to attempt resolution.

PARENT'S CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

- Remember that children play the sport for their enjoyment, and not yours;
- Encourage all children to participate and have fun, do not force them;
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing;
- Encourage children to always participate according to the rules;
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game;
- Remember that children learn best by example, so applaud good play by both teams;
- Always stress the importance of being a team player;
- Support all efforts to remove racial and religious vilification, verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities;
- Respect the match official's decisions and teach your child to do likewise;
- Show respect and appreciation to club officials, coaches and administrators. Ensure any issues are raised through the correct channels;
- 'Smart Supporting' – not loud and intense but calm, relaxed and at all times positive;
- Avoid yelling specific instructions and issuing commands. This can be confusing for a child and may be contrary to the coach's instructions;
- Avoid running up and down the sidelines shouting. It is better to stay with the other parents and supporters in an appropriate area;
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion;
- Do not smoke or consume alcohol near the team bench (Technical Area) or on the sidelines;
- Do not swear or use abusive language;
- Respect the facilities at both your home ground and the opposition's ground;
- Send your children ready to play. They should be properly fed and clothed, and should be punctual;
- Refrain from speaking to match officials, unless it is to say thank you after the game. If you have questions or concerns with the referees or referee assistants, relay the information to the team manager, who will take it to the coach;
- Avoid confrontation with any of the opposition supporters. It is better to walk away and leave your reputation, the team's reputation and the Club's reputation intact rather than getting involved in a 'nobody wins' situation;
- Report to the coach all injuries, special medical conditions (such as asthma) or extenuating circumstances (such as lack of sleep or family crisis) that may affect the player physically or emotionally;
- Do not approach a coach on game day, in relation to a coach's decision which has affected player time, position or game format;
- On the way home, try and focus on the positive aspects of your child's performance; and
- Breaches in the Parent's Code of Behaviour can lead to heavy fines being incurred and in expulsion from the Club.

SPECTATOR'S CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

It is important that all spectators at an FFV approved fixture are able to enjoy the match in a safe and comfortable environment. Accordingly, each person present at an FFV fixture must:

- Respect the decisions of the Match Officials and follow the rules, and teach players to do the same;
- Never ridicule or unduly scold a player for making a mistake;
- Applaud good play and performances from both teams, and congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the final outcome;
- Show respect for both teams when watching matches, because without them there would be no game;
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their race, colour, religion, language, political views, sexual preference, national or ethnic origin;
- Not engage in the use of violence in any form (physical, verbal or emotional), whether it is by other spectators, team officials (including coaches) or players;
- Not engage in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form whether lawful or otherwise, including but not limited to the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence or partaking in indecent or racist chanting;
- Comply with the FFV's "Conditions of Entry" at all venues, and any ticket conditions;
- Not carry, light or throw flares or missiles (including on to the field of play or at other spectators);
- Not enter the field of play or its surrounds without lawful authority; and
- Conduct themselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of FFV, Football Federation Australia (FFA) and football generally.

Any person who does not comply with this Code or who in the opinion of the Club and/or FFV causes or attempts to cause or is reasonably likely to cause a disturbance may be evicted from the venue and banned from attending future matches held on behalf of FFV. Any offender who then breaches the ban order against them may be charged with trespass and subject to further penalties and sanctions, including the possibility of further legal action.

BREACH OF CODE OF CONDUCT

Any breaches of the code of conduct will be referred to the Committee for an appropriate course of action. Minor infringements may result in a formal letter of warning being issued. Continuous infringements of the same nature will result in match bans and ultimately exclusion from the Club. Severe infringements such as violent or threatening behaviour towards players, coaches, officials, parents or spectators may result in expulsion from the Club. Inappropriate parental behaviour will adversely affect the children as the entire family may be asked to leave the Club.

FFV & CLUB FINES POLICY

The Club enforces a '**Zero Tolerance**' stance regarding any form of inappropriate behaviour or misconduct and offenders will be dealt with decisively, which may potentially include severe financial penalties, points deductions and even relegation for clubs.

Non-compliance with matters relating to the Club's Codes of Behaviour can lead to fines being imposed on the club by FFV for a variety of reasons including, but not limited to:

- Inappropriate behaviour or misconduct by players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators;
- Red Card offences (sending off);
- Offences which are deemed to bring the sport and/or FFV into disrepute.

These fines can range from \$60 (for Red Card offences) to several thousands of dollars for Misconduct offences, depending on the level and severity of the charge.

*** THE CLUB MESSAGE IS LOUD AND CLEAR ON ZERO TOLERANCE ***

Fines imposed on the Club by FFV resulting from inappropriate behaviour or misconduct by any player, parent, coach, team official or spectator will be deemed to be the sole responsibility of the offender(s). Likewise, any fines for Red Cards issued to players during match play will be the responsibility of the player when relating to matters of conduct and poor sportsmanship. It follows that those responsible for the fine being imposed on the Club will be responsible for the payment of that fine. In the case of players under the age of 18 years, the parent/guardian agrees to be held personally liable for any fines imposed on the Club as a result of a breach of FFV rules incurred by themselves, their family or the registered player, and they agree to reimburse the Club for the full cost of any such fines. The player will not be allowed to participate in any further competition matches until the fine has been paid back to the Club in full. Non-payment of fines may result in expulsion from the Club for the player, coach, parent or spectator and the engagement of a debt collector to pursue unpaid fines.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Government legislation requires that individuals whose profession or social/sporting activity involves direct interaction with minors need to have a valid **Working With Children Check (WWCC)** before being allowed to partake in that activity. If you are a coach or volunteer (i.e. Team Manager) and your role involves direct interaction with minors, then a WWCC is required. Application is at no personal cost to any volunteers. Forms are available from the Club or any Australia Post Office for those seeking to apply (you can also apply online). WWCC is valid for 5 years from the time of application.

TRAINING / MATCH DAY POLICY

- During the season, players are expected to arrive for training and matches at the designated time agreed on by the coach.
- All players must provide their own boots and shin pads for all soccer related activities conducted by the Club including training and match days. Players are also responsible for their own equipment and/or accessories such as bags, water bottle, sunscreen, etc. It is the sole responsibility of the player to be properly attired for training and match day.
- It is policy that parents do not enter the training field to interact amongst the players and coaches until the session is completed and observe only from the designated areas.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to the team manager or discuss them with the coach after training sessions have been completed. In this way distractions will be minimised to ensure a higher quality training session.
- Coaches may wish to engage parents as volunteer assistants for training sessions.
- It is important that players attend all training sessions for their team. Players who do not attend training during the week without a valid reason should not be expected to play a competitive match on the weekend, or may incur reduced match time at the coach's discretion. If you can't attend training, please inform the team manager or coach beforehand.
- Parents and supporters will not be allowed to enter the playing area whilst a match is in progress and whilst the referee is still on the ground.
- The technical area is reserved for players and coaching staff only.
- In the interest of minimising pressure on players and maintaining team spirit, parents are also asked not to enter changing rooms for pre, post and half time team talks. Parents can pass on messages and equipment through their team manager.

COACHING POLICY

- Where practicable, the club will appoint coaches who do not have a child playing in that particular age group.
- Final decisions on coaching staff will depend on availability of coaches, their experience and qualifications.
- The Club expects all appointed coaches to have the necessary FFA coaching accreditation that is appropriate for the age level they are coaching, or they should be working towards achieving the necessary level of accreditation. The Club will work with coaches and encourage them to attend courses, seminars and workshops run by FFV, FFA or other reputable bodies.

PLAYING PHILOSOPHY, TEAM SELECTION/COMPOSITION & MATCH PLAYING TIMES

1. The principles of fun and enjoyment, ample participation for all players, fair play and good sportsmanship, skills and fitness development are of the utmost importance. Although the club recognises the importance of winning and the development of excellence, these values must not override the club's commitment to the provision of a positive sporting experience for all players without regard to their perceived levels of ability. Team composition and match playing time have always been two of the most controversial issues in junior sport. To ensure that the club continues to thrive, there must be a defined set of policies and processes that govern these issues and it is expected that all coaches, team managers and club officials will abide by these rules in the interests of all players and the club in general.
2. For **Small Sided Football (SSF) MiniRoos** teams (**U7-U11**), the emphasis is predominantly on fun, participation, social interaction and learning. Since small children do not regard winning with quite the same fervour as many of their parents, SSF match results are never recorded. The club also recognises that this is the best time for junior players to learn the basic skills.
3. As players progress through their teenage years, the game becomes more competitive and winning assumes a higher priority. To accommodate these changing attitudes, junior coaches (**U12-U18**) are progressively allowed greater flexibility in the areas of team composition and playing time, although this doesn't mean that winning should take precedence over upholding the club's values.
4. All players should play in their own age group unless there are valid reasons for playing in an older group. SSF (**MiniRoos**) players (U7-U11) are allowed to play in a younger age group if the parent/guardian feels it is more appropriate for the child's ability and skill level.
5. A player may be allowed to join a team playing in a higher age level if the player's parents and team coach consider that it would be in the best interests of the player concerned or if there are excess numbers in the player's own age group and there are vacancies in the older group. Any such requests must be approved by the Juniors Coordinator(s).
6. The following are the recommended maximum squad numbers for each age group:

Age Groups	Field Numbers	Recommended Maximum Squad Numbers	Allowed Substitutions
U7	4 vs. 4 (no Goalkeeper)	7	Unlimited
U8-U9	7 vs. 7 (incl. Goalkeeper)	10	Unlimited
U10-U11	9 vs. 9 (incl. Goalkeeper)	12	Unlimited
U12-U18	11 vs. 11 (incl. Goalkeeper)	16	Unlimited

7. For **Small Sided Football (SSF) MiniRoos** teams (**U7-U11**), all registered and financial players who regularly attend training must be afforded equal playing time without regard to ability. If necessary, team managers should request help from parents to manage equal playing time. This allows the coach to review opportunities for players to improve. The coach should not have to manage interchange in normal club matches. All players must be given the opportunity to play in every position. There is no justification for specialisation at the SSF level. This also applies to the Goalkeeping position.
8. At **U12-U14** age level, although it is recognised that a player's ability may begin to partially determine playing time, all registered and financial players who regularly attend training must be given "ample and fair" playing time. "Ample and fair" playing time is defined as approximately one half of a match. With the unlimited player substitution rule, there is no reason why players should not have ample playing time in all matches. Players should also be encouraged to try playing in different positions.
9. At **U15-U18** age level, although selection and playing time may be made on a 'best team' basis, ability should not be the only factor. All registered and financial players who regularly attend training shall be allowed to play as frequently as possible.
10. Unregistered and/or unfinancial players shall NOT be permitted to play in any match under any circumstances. The "NO PAY - NO PLAY" policy will be strictly enforced.
11. If players from any team are invited to help make up numbers in another team, they shall not displace existing team members. While such invited players will receive some playing time, they should only be regarded as reserve players.
12. The selection of players for squad places during pre-season and team selection on match days is at the sole discretion of the coach in charge of that squad. There will be no exception to this rule.
13. In making a final decision on squad and team composition, the coach should consider the following:
 - Select players of similar technical ability;
 - Suitability of player and skill for particular position;
 - Formation preference of positions which is likely to yield a positive result;
 - Tactical needs (ie. what is known in advance about the opposition, playing conditions, etc);
 - The attitude of the player in training and games.
14. In the interests of common sense, respect and fairness for all players and families, the coach has the discretion not to apply this policy if a player:
 - Does not attend training/games for prolonged periods without reasonable explanation;
 - Is obviously injured/struggling in a game;
 - Is disrespectful towards the coach, team mates or opposition players.

DISPUTES AND COMPLAINTS

Any disputes or complaints by players or parents should be taken up with the team manager in the first instance. If required, the matter will be taken to and involve the team coach. Any complaint or dispute should be discussed at a time other than a training session or game time. If no proper resolution is achieved by consultation with the team manager and/or coach, then a formal letter outlining the points in dispute should be addressed to the Committee and a meeting will be organised for mediation purposes with all parties concerned.

CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

Preston Lions Football Club

Postal Address: PO Box 382, Preston VIC 3072

Ground: B.T. Connor Reserve, 200 Broadhurst Avenue (Cnr Radford Road), Reservoir VIC 3073

Juniors Coordinators: Mil Lozanovski – 0403 571 963 and Lou Stisniovski – 0403 571 964

Email: juniors@plfc.com.au **Web:** www.plfc.com.au **Facebook:** [Preston Lions Football Club](https://www.facebook.com/PrestonLionsFootballClub)