

## RULE 7 PREMIERSHIP POINTS SYSTEM

### 7.1 Player points are allocated on the following basis:

Category	Criteria	Points
A	A player who has played a 15 a side test for a Tier 1 international Union	20
B	A player who has at least five Super rugby or Heineken Cup caps or; Has played 15 a side for a tier two Pacific Island international Union (i.e. Fiji, Samoa, Tonga)	16
C	A player who holds a current Super Rugby contract or; A player who has played (i.e. taken the field): in 50 or more 1st grade games in NSW Premiership competition (in total across any clubs) or; more than 50% of the 1st Grade games at a different Premiership Club in 2016 Australian age representative (U20) in 2015 or 2016 or; A player who has at least five SANZAR Union 1 <sup>st</sup> division provincial championship (e.g. ITM Cup or Currie Cup) caps from the 2015 or 2016 season or; Aviva (formerly Guinness) Premiership, RaboDirectPro12 (formerly Magners League), French top 14, Amlin Challenge (formerly European Challenge) Cup or LV (formerly Anglo Welsh) Cup in 2015 or 2016.	10
D	A player who holds a current Australian 7s contract or; Australian schoolboy representative in 2015 and or 2016; A player who has played; between 35 and 49 1 <sup>st</sup> grade games in the Premiership competition (in total across any Clubs) or; more than 50% of the Colts 1 games at a different Premiership Club in 2016	6
E	A player who is not an Australian Citizen, <b>AND</b> was not a resident in Australia during both 2015 <b>AND</b> 2016 OR a player who has played Division 1 at the Australian Schoolboys championships in 2016	4
F	All other players	2
G	Any player who plays 1st Grade for the last placed team in 2017 who then plays for another club in 2018 will automatically have a Premiership Points System loading of 20 points. In this instance alone, a 1st Grade player is someone who plays eight (8) 1st Grade games in the regular season.	<b>20</b>

### 7.2 Discounts

Type	Description
Family	Up to 5 points for new players to the club (in their first year only) for : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o siblings of existing players <i>that played the previous season with the club</i></li> <li>or</li> <li>o sons of past players</li> </ul>
Local	One point per year discount for players who have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o previously played with the club</li> </ul> or <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o previously played with a local junior club between U10 - Open</li> </ul>
Long Service	Discount for Category A, B, C or D: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o a player who has played 150 club games or given 8 years' service will be valued at two points with no further discount available</li> </ul>
Experience	Discount for Category A, B or C players (up to a maximum of five points) of one point per year each year they have been out of <i>international union or Super competition representation</i> .
Age	Any player who is 35 years of age or older on January 1st is a Category F 2 point player, provided that the player has previously played with the club. There is no further discount available.

### 7.3 Guidelines

**7.3.1** The points system applies to 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and colts 1 and colts 2

**7.3.2** A points cap applies to all players taking the field in each grade:

Grade	Points		Colts	Points
1 <sup>st</sup> grade	100		Colts 1	40
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	60		Colts 2	35

**7.3.2.1** Australian Schoolboy representative players, including Australia 'A' (current or former) will not be eligible for Colts 3. Applications for dispensation from this rule may be sought from the competition manager.

**7.3.3** Players must be categorised at the highest level at which they have played

**7.3.4** Points are not cumulative throughout a season – each player is only indexed at one level as of 1<sup>st</sup> January

**7.3.5** Discounts are not cumulative – only one type of discount may apply to a player. Where a player may be eligible for different types of discounts, Clubs should apply the highest discount available to the player

**7.3.6** Discounts cannot index players below 50% of their points

**7.3.7** For the purposes of long service discount a minimum of eight rounds must be played to constitute a season. NB Representative seasons will count towards long service discounts.

### 7.4 Tier 1 International Unions

Argentina, Australia, England, France, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa, Wales

**7.4.1** Category A and B players are only eligible to play 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade except:

Players who are not currently contracted and did not perform any International and or Super duties in the preceding season, are eligible for any grade and/or Colts (subject to Colts eligibility).

**7.4.1** Players with current Super Rugby contracts can only play 1st Grade.

### 7.5 Sanctions

**7.5.1** If a Club breaches this rule by exceeding the cap permitted in 7.3.2, in any one Competition Round, the penalty will be the loss of five competition points and the respective Club Championship points for each grade or each of the grades in which the breach occurred irrespective of the result of the match or matches.

**7.5.2** If a form is incorrectly completed or provides false or misleading information regarding a player's category or discount under rules 7.1 or 7.2 above, the Club and or player will be referred to the CEO and may be asked to appear before the Judiciary.

**7.5.2.1** Clubs found guilty by the Board of exploiting the rules under rule 7 may have competition points deducted and or suffer further penalty as determined by the Board.

**7.5.3** In the Finals Series the penalty shall be automatic forfeiture of the match or matches in which the breach occurred, irrespective of the result of the match or matches.

**7.6** In the event that a game is forfeited in a grade immediately preceding a grade that is governed by the player points system, all reserves of the non-offending team will be regarded as non-fresh reserves and will their player points will not contribute to the team's points total for the game.

**7.6.1** In the event of wet weather causing a game to be postponed, all reserves will be regarded as non-fresh reserves and their player points will not contribute to the team's points total for the game. Notwithstanding rule 20.4.1 and 13.6.

## Premiership Points System Assessment Sheet 2017

It is the responsibility of the Club & the Player to ensure the accurate completion of this form. Sanctions apply for failure.

### PART A – Player Declaration (to be completed by the player)

1. Circle the category letter that represents the highest level of Rugby you have played as of 01/01/2017
2. If Category A or B, also circle the relevant union or competition. If Category C, D or E, also tick the appropriate box. If unsure please check with your club

Category	Criteria	Points
<b>A</b>	I have played a 15 a side test for (please circle): Australia, Argentina, England, France, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa, Wales.	20
<b>B</b>	I have at least five caps in either (please circle): Super Rugby <b>or</b> Heineken Cup <b>OR</b> ; I have played (i.e. taken the field) 15 a side for a tier two Pacific Island International Union (i.e. Fiji, Samoa, Tonga)	16
<b>C</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> I have a current Super Rugby contract <b>or</b> ; I have played (i.e. taken the field): <input type="checkbox"/> in 50 or more 1 <sup>st</sup> grade games in NSW Premiership competition (in total across any clubs) <b>or</b> ; <input type="checkbox"/> in more than 50% of 1 <sup>st</sup> grade at a different premierships club in 2016 <b>or</b> ; <input type="checkbox"/> as an Australian age representative (U20) <i>in 2015 or 2016</i> <b>or</b> ; <input type="checkbox"/> Aviva (formerly Guinness) Premiership, RaboDirectPro12 (formerly Magners League), French top 14, Amlin Challenge (formerly European Challenge) Cup or LV (formerly Anglo Welsh) Cup in <i>2015 or 2016</i> <b>or</b> ; <input type="checkbox"/> I have at least five SANZAR Union 1 <sup>st</sup> division provincial championship (ITM or Currie Cup) caps from the <i>2015 or 2016 season</i>	10
<b>D</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> I have a current Australian 7s contract <b>or</b> ; <input type="checkbox"/> I was an Australian Schoolboy representative in 2015 and/ or 2016 <b>or</b> ; I have played: <input type="checkbox"/> between 35 and 49 1 <sup>st</sup> grade games in the Premiership competition (in total across any clubs); <input type="checkbox"/> more than 50% of the 1 <sup>st</sup> grade Colts games at a different Premiership Club in 2016	6
<b>E</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> I am not an Australian Citizen, <b>AND</b> was not a resident in Australia during both 2015 <b>AND</b> 2016. <b>OR</b> , I have played: <input type="checkbox"/> Division 1 at the Australian Schoolboys championships <i>in 2016</i>	4
<b>F</b>	I have played in none of the above categories	2
<b>INFO ONLY</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> I am a current or former Australian Schoolboy (including A) representative	No additional

#### Clarification:

PLAYER NAME (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## PART B – Club Declaration (to be completed by the Club)

### CLUB INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Circle the discount category that applies to this player
2. Tick the box for the type of discount that applies to the player
3. Note the discount points in the discount column
4. Briefly describe the evidence for this discount in the evidence box
5. Use the calculation table to calculate the total points to be allocated to this player.
6. Enter the information in the registration management system when registering the player

**NOTE:** Discounts are not cumulative – only one type of discount may apply to a player. Where a player may be eligible for different types of discounts, Clubs should apply the highest discount available to the player. **Discounts cannot index players below 50% of their points.**

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Evidence		

### CALCULATION TABLE

<b>POINTS</b> (As per Part A)	
<b>DISCOUNT POINTS</b> (As per Part B – choose the highest one to apply)	
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b> (Cannot be less than 50% of points)	

CLUB REP NAME (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_