



Basketball Geelong Junior Representative Points Cap System

Objective:

To deliver a new mechanism for the management of representative players playing in the junior Geelong Competitions, to discourage significant poaching as a result of representation and to deliver more even competitions throughout the BG Junior Competition.

Reach:

This policy impacts only Junior Competitions at Basketball Geelong (U18 and below).

Mechanism:

BG will implement a points cap for all domestic teams, based on the following:

- Representative players will be given a player points rating
- Points cap is calculated by club per Year of Birth
- The points cap per club per Year of Birth will be 8 points
- The points cap is only activated and enforced if there are non-home grown players contributing to the points tally within the club. That is if a player is seeking an inbound clearance into a club
- A player on permit activates the points cap but does not attract penalty points
- A player who holds a points rating is only eligible to apply for a clearance at one point during the year, that is at the end of Summer Season round games and prior to the commencement of the following Winter season

Player Points Rating

- A player's points rating is defined by the highest level of Basketball they play currently and/or the previous season
Junior Categories

Category 1: **2 POINTS** Geelong Representative 1st Team
Any other VJBL VC Teams

Category 2: **1 POINT** Geelong Representative 2nd Team
Bellarine & Corio Rep 1st Teams (unless below happens)
Any other 1st Teams

- If a 1st team from another association is graded into VJBL VC then they will be promoted to a Category 1 player
- A cleared player attracts an additional 2 Penalty points
- A player cleared to another club becomes home-grown after 2 Consecutive years and attracts NO penalty points
- Each player will be categorised based on the normal representative team. A player who has filled in for a higher level team should not be categorised as a higher level player.



De-listing a player

Clubs may de-list a player, so that they no longer hold the points for the de-listed player.

Mechanism:

- The club must email Basketball Geelong with information listing why this player should no longer be included on their points cap.
- The player will be registered as a de-listed player, if the player decides to return to play in Basketball Geelong competition they must clear to a club and therefor carry the penalty points, this includes the club in which they were de-listed from.

Advantages of the system

- Encourages development from within the club. They are not penalised for having strong home-grown players.
- The points cap is not activated or enforced if all players are home-grown.
- Discourages poaching and player movement to already strong clubs. A player moving clubs attracts extra points AND activates the points cap enforcement policies for the receiving club.
- A representative player can easily move to a lower club but it is difficult to move to a higher club. This will have the long term effect of evening out the competition.
- Simple to administer and manage.

Administration and responsibilities

- BG to monitor representative player lists and maintain accurate player points ratings
- BG clearance process to have question relating to Representative teams players
- BG should be actively informing players when they enquire about playing at Basketball Geelong of this process
- BG to check and verify that a requested clearance will not contravene the points cap for the receiving club within that year of birth.

Clubs responsibilities

- Clubs to be fully aware of the possible consequences of receiving a representative player from another BG club.
- Clubs to be aware of their current player points rating and age group totals
- Clubs to notify BG if any new player has represented another association

Players and parents within the BG representative program to be informed of the system and its potential restriction of transfers between clubs.

The following table indicates for each Basketball Geelong competition season, the corresponding representative teams in which players will be categorised on.

BG COMPETITION SEASON	REPRESENTATIVE SEASON PTS COUNT FROM
Summer 2017 / Winter 2017	2015/2016 & 2016/2017
Summer 2018 / Winter 2018	2016/2017 & 2017/2018
Summer 2019 / Winter 2019	2017/2018 & 2018/2019
Summer 2020 / Winter 2020	2018/2019 & 2019/2020



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is an individual players point rating determined?

Each player who has played junior representative basketball in the previous 2 years will be assigned a points rating of either 2 points or 1 point. The allocated points are based on their highest level of representation within the previous 2 years.

How is a club's point's cap calculated?

Points for each clubs players (including penalty points) are totalled by YEAR OF BIRTH.

What is the points cap?

The cap is 8 points per club per YEAR OF BIRTH.

When is the points cap activated and enforced?

The points cap is activated and enforced when they are cleared from one BG club to another. If the inbound clearance or permit would cause the receiving club to exceed the points cap for that year of birth the clearance or permit cannot proceed.

When are penalty points applied?

Penalty points are applied to a player when they are cleared from one BG club to another. The penalty is 2 points and applies until the player qualifies as home-grown for their new club.

What is the home-grown qualification period?

A player new to BG competitions becomes home-grown immediately on playing their first game. A player cleared from one BG club to another retains their original home club until they have played 2 consecutive years with the new club. At this time their home club changes to the new club. A player on permit always retains their current home club status.

A player does not have a points rating but is cleared from one BG club to another. Do they attract any penalty points?

No, penalty points only apply to points-rated players.

How does a permit differ from a clearance?

A clearance attracts 2 penalty points whereas a permit does not attract any penalty points. However both actions activate the points cap.

Our club has a number of home-grown representative players for a particular year of birth and total points exceed the points cap. How does this affect us?

There is no restriction on home grown players at all. A club just needs to understand they will not be able to accept any new representative players into their club with the same year of birth that they are already exceeding.