



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP POLICY

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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP FORMULA

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. The Club Championship Formula has long favoured Clubs with the most teams, as it was based on an accumulation of points. As such, there was a requirement to consider changes to the formula to allow more Clubs to have the opportunity to win the Club Championship.
- 1.2. The 2022 Club Championship Formula was as follows:
 - a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 9s to Opens)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Division 1 teams
 - ii. 2 for Division 2 teams
 - iii. 1 for Division 3 & 4 teams
 - c) All points earned are added up and the winner is the Club with the most points
- 1.3. The issue is that a Club with 40 teams is always going to earn more points than a Club with 10 teams.
- 1.4. The PJRL Board adopted a new formula at its 24 April 2023 Board Meeting.
- 1.5. The Policy was amended following feedback received at the PJRL Forum on 5 November 2023.
- 1.6. Due to the introduction of the Player Development Framework in 2024, there would have only been 2 age groups contesting the Modified Games Shield, as such it has been removed. The Junior Incentive Shield now includes all Competitions up to Under 18s (i.e. in 2024 Under 11s to Under 18s).
- 1.7. The Bonus Points for 3 week Finals Series were added.
- 1.8. At the 2025 PJRL Forum on 2 November 2025, it was agreed that all League Tag Competitions are to be removed from the Club Championships and there will be a separate League Tag Club Championship.



2. POLICY

Club Championship

- 2.1. The Club Championship relates to Tackle Rugby League only.
- 2.2. To be eligible for the Club Championship, Clubs must have a minimum number of 10 Competition Teams (Under 13s to Open Age).
- 2.3. The Club Championship shall be determined by a point score using the following formula:
 - a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 13s to Open Age)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Division 1 Tackle teams
 - ii. 2 for Division 2 Tackle teams, Sunday Tackle teams
 - iii. 1 for Division 3 and 4 Tackle teams
 - c) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 4 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Qualifying Finalists) – 1 point
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - iii. Exit Competition Week 3 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iv. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - v. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - d) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 3 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iii. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - iv. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - e) All points earned are added up and divided by the number of teams that earned points for the Club
 - f) The Club Championship winner is the Club with the most average points per team

For Example: Club X accumulates 1000 points, they have 20 teams, their average points per team and point score for the Club Championship is 50.

- 2.4. Club Championship Points will be amended if a team is the cause of a match being abandoned on two (2) or more occasions in a season. The offending team will be allocated zero (0) points towards the Club Championship, though the team will still be included when determining a Club's Average Points for the season.
- 2.5. Clubs will be deemed ineligible to win the Club Championship if:
 - a) in a season a Club, Club Official, Team, Player, Team Official (Coach Manager, Trainer) and/or Club Identified Spectator is sanctioned by the Parramatta Junior Rugby League on three (3) or more occasions, that is if three (3) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



- b) in a season a Club, Club Official and/or Team Official (Coach, Manager, Trainer) is sanctioned by the NSW Rugby League on three (3) or more occasions for using offensive or obscene language towards a Parramatta Junior Rugby League Official (Board Member/Advisory Committee Member) or a Parramatta District Rugby League Referees Association Official (Referee/Touch Judge/Game Day Mentor), that is if three (3) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



Junior Incentive Shield

- 2.6. The Junior Incentive Shield relates to Tackle Rugby League only.
- 2.7. To be eligible for the Junior Incentive Shield, Clubs must have a minimum number of 6 Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s).
- 2.8. The Junior Incentive Shield shall be determined by a point score using the following formula:
- a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Division 1 Tackle teams
 - ii. 2 for Division 2 Tackle teams, Sunday Tackle teams
 - iii. 1 for Division 3 and 4 Tackle teams
 - c) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 4 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Qualifying Finalists) – 1 point
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - iii. Exit Competition Week 3 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iv. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - v. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - d) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 3 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iii. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - iv. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - e) All points earned are added up and divided by the number of teams that earned points for the Club
 - f) The Junior Incentive Shield winner is the Club with the most average points per team
- For Example: Club X accumulates 500 points, they have 10 teams, their average points per team and point score for the Junior Incentive Shield is 50.**
- 2.9. Junior Incentive Shield Points will be amended if a team is the cause of a match being abandoned on two (2) or more occasions in a season. The offending team will be allocated zero (0) points towards the Junior Incentive Shield, though the team will still be included when determining a Club's Average Points for the season.
- 2.10. Clubs will be deemed ineligible to win the Junior Incentive Shield if:
- a) in a season a Club, Club Official, Team, Player, Team Official (Coach Manager, Trainer) and/or Club Identified Spectator is sanctioned by the Parramatta Junior Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions, that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



- b) in a season a Club, Club Official and/or Team Official (Coach, Manager, Trainer) is sanctioned by the NSW Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions for using offensive or obscene language towards a Parramatta Junior Rugby League Official (Board Member/Advisory Committee Member) or a Parramatta District Rugby League Referees Association Official (Referee/Touch Judge/Game Day Mentor), that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



Emerging Club Championship

- 2.11. The Emerging Club Championship relates to Tackle Rugby League only.
- 2.12. To be eligible for the Emerging Club Championship, Clubs must have between 3 and 9 Competition Teams (Under 13s to Open Age).
- 2.13. The Emerging Club Championship shall be determined by a point score using the following formula:
- a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 13s to Open Age)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Division 1 Tackle teams
 - ii. 2 for Division 2 Tackle teams, Sunday Tackle teams
 - iii. 1 for Division 3 and 4 Tackle teams
 - c) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 4 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Qualifying Finalists) – 1 point
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - iii. Exit Competition Week 3 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iv. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - v. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - d) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 3 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iii. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - iv. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - e) All points earned are added up and divided by the number of teams that earned points for the Club
 - f) The Emerging Club Championship winner is the Club with the most average points per team

For Example: Club X accumulates 150 points, they have 3 teams, their average points per team and point score for the Emerging Club Championship is 50.

- 2.14. Emerging Club Championship Points will be amended if a team is the cause of a match being abandoned on two (2) or more occasions in a season. The offending team will be allocated zero (0) points towards the Emerging Club Championship, though the team will still be included when determining a Club's Average Points for the season.
- 2.15. Clubs will be deemed ineligible to win the Emerging Club Championship if:
- a) in a season a Club, Club Official, Team, Player, Team Official (Coach Manager, Trainer) and/or Club Identified Spectator is sanctioned by the Parramatta Junior Rugby League on three (3) or more occasions, that is if three (3) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



- b) in a season a Club, Club Official and/or Team Official (Coach, Manager, Trainer) is sanctioned by the NSW Rugby League on three (3) or more occasions for using offensive or obscene language towards a Parramatta Junior Rugby League Official (Board Member/Advisory Committee Member) or a Parramatta District Rugby League Referees Association Official (Referee/Touch Judge/Game Day Mentor), that is if three (3) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield

- 2.16. The Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield relates to Tackle Rugby League only.
- 2.17. To be eligible for the Junior Incentive Shield, Clubs must have a minimum number of 2 and a maximum number of 5 Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s).
- 2.18. The Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield shall be determined by a point score using the following formula:
- a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Division 1 Tackle teams
 - ii. 2 for Division 2 Tackle teams, Sunday Tackle teams
 - iii. 1 for Division 3 and 4 Tackle teams
 - c) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 4 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Qualifying Finalists) – 1 point
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - iii. Exit Competition Week 3 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iv. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - v. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - d) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 3 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iii. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - iv. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - e) All points earned are added up and divided by the number of teams that earned points for the Club
 - f) The Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield winner is the Club with the most average points per team

For Example: Club X accumulates 500 points, they have 10 teams, their average points per team and point score for the Junior Incentive Shield is 50.

- 2.19. Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield Points will be amended if a team is the cause of a match being abandoned on two (2) or more occasions in a season. The offending team will be allocated zero (0) points towards the Junior Incentive Shield, though the team will still be included when determining a Club's Average Points for the season.
- 2.20. Clubs will be deemed ineligible to win the Emerging Club Junior Incentive Shield if:
- a) in a season a Club, Club Official, Team, Player, Team Official (Coach Manager, Trainer) and/or Club Identified Spectator is sanctioned by the Parramatta Junior Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions, that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



- b) in a season a Club, Club Official and/or Team Official (Coach, Manager, Trainer) is sanctioned by the NSW Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions for using offensive or obscene language towards a Parramatta Junior Rugby League Official (Board Member/Advisory Committee Member) or a Parramatta District Rugby League Referees Association Official (Referee/Touch Judge/Game Day Mentor), that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



League Tag Club Championship

- 2.21. The League Tag Club Championship relates to League Tag Rugby League only.
- 2.22. To be eligible for the League Tag Club Championship, Clubs must have a minimum number of 3 Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s).
- 2.23. The League Tag Club Championship shall be determined by a point score using the following formula:
- a) Points are earned by all Competition Teams (Under 13s to U18s)
 - b) Points are calculated by the number of points on the ladder, multiplied by:
 - i. 3 for Gold teams
 - ii. 2 for Silver teams
 - iii. 1 for Bronze teams
 - c) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 4 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Qualifying Finalists) – 1 point
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - iii. Exit Competition Week 3 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iv. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - v. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - d) Bonus points will be awarded to each team that contests a 3 week Finals Series':
 - i. Exit Competition Week 1 of Finals (Semi Finalists) – 2 points
 - ii. Exit Competition Week 2 of Finals (Finalists) – 4 points
 - iii. Competition Runner-Up (Grand Finalists) – 6 points
 - iv. Competition Winner (Premiers) – 8 points
 - e) All points earned are added up and divided by the number of teams that earned points for the Club
 - f) The League Tag Club Championship winner is the Club with the most average points per team

For Example: Club X accumulates 500 points, they have 10 teams, their average points per team and point score for the Junior Incentive Shield is 50.

- 2.24. League Tag Club Championship points will be amended if a team is the cause of a match being abandoned on two (2) or more occasions in a season. The offending team will be allocated zero (0) points towards the Junior Incentive Shield, though the team will still be included when determining a Club's Average Points for the season.
- 2.25. Clubs will be deemed ineligible to win the League Tag Club Championship if:
- a) in a season a Club, Club Official, Team, Player, Team Official (Coach Manager, Trainer) and/or Club Identified Spectator is sanctioned by the Parramatta Junior Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions, that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.



- b) in a season a Club, Club Official and/or Team Official (Coach, Manager, Trainer) is sanctioned by the NSW Rugby League on two (2) or more occasions for using offensive or obscene language towards a Parramatta Junior Rugby League Official (Board Member/Advisory Committee Member) or a Parramatta District Rugby League Referees Association Official (Referee/Touch Judge/Game Day Mentor), that is if two (2) or more people from the Club are sanctioned then the Club is ineligible.