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## **SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT APPLICATION**

(formerly titled Over Age Permit)

When completing this application please refe	er to the relevant rules over page.
CLUB:	
PLAYERS NAME:	
DATE OF BIRTH:	
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:	
POST CODE:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
REASON FOR APPLICATION:	
Players Date of Birth which must be certified	Yes / No
Certified Medical	Yes / No
Parent / Guardians written support	Yes / No
Approved by EDFL Board	Yes Date:
Signed by EDFL Board member	Date:

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This is an extract from the April 2024 By –Laws

## **20. Special Circumstances Permits**

- 20.1 No player is permitted to play in any age group below their age level unless a special circumstances permit has been granted to the subject player by the Board.
- 20.2 A special circumstances permit may be granted to a player who has a proven debilitating physical, gender or mental condition. An application under this category must be accompanied by a copy of the player's birth certificate, the parents written consent, an appropriate medical certificate outlining the debilitating condition and written support from the subject club.
- 20.3 A special circumstances permit may be granted by the Board to a club who are struggling for numbers in a particular team to a player who meets the following criteria:
  - (a) The player must be no older than nine (9) months over the age group age limit.
  - (b) The club must be able to demonstrate that the player has less than average ability.
  - (c) The player will be assessed and reviewed on a weekly basis during the season.
  - (d) Once an overage player has played more than three (3) first (Senior) grade games he is ineligible to play U18.5.
  - (e) If additional players are registered by a team following the granting of a permit under this clause, one or more special circumstances permits may be revoked, commencing with the last permit issued.

**NOTE:** Following review of a special circumstances permit application made under this Sub- Section and any other available player history information, the Board may require further assessment of the player by requiring the player to play a minimum of two (2) games in the player's correct age group (including the Reserves if the special circumstances permit application is to play in the U18s), prior to approving or denying the application.

20.4 Special circumstances permit players must be indicated with a "P" beside their name on the official team sheet and will not be eligible to be awarded EDFNL Best & Fairest votes.



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20.5 A special circumstances permit granted under Section 20.2 & 20.3 may be revoked by the Board at any time.

## **APPENDIX "B"**

## **Junior Permit Rules**

Permit request will be addressed on a case by case basis

- All permit players must be approved by the League BOM before a player takes the field.
- A cap of six (6) permit players per week per team applies except due to EXCEPTIONAL Circumstances
  - And if so, MUST be Approved by the EDFNL Board of Management prior
- Permits will only be issued to fill a team to the total of twenty (21) listed players
  - Due to the nature of the Special Circumstances Permit this player will not be counted in this total
- An overage player approved to play can only play for their registered club
- Permit players can only play with one team in the same grade on the weekend.
- There is no limit to the amount of permit players that can be used over the season.
- A permit player will have his permit withdrawn if he plays a reserves or senior game.
- All Permit players must be indicated with a "P" beside their name on the official team sheet.
- Permit players CANNOT be awarded best and fairest votes in any grade
- Internal Permit players are only able to represent the team they are registered to for finals.
- The eligibility of permit players to play in the EDFNL finals is subject to the conditions in the EDFNL by-laws and the current area agreements with other Leagues.