

KNA 2023 - Winter Comp Borrowing Guidelines

All enquiries are to be directed to the Grading Committee

Playing up

- A player from a lower grade may play in a higher grade any number of times only in circumstances where the borrowing team has less than seven (7) players available for a particular game.
- No registered player can be displaced by a borrowed player unless it is for the purpose of qualification for the final series and indicated accordingly on the score sheet.
- A player must apply for approval to the KNA Grading Convenor and the KNA Senior or Junior Registrar to permanently transfer to a higher team (application to be made in writing by the players Club Registrar or Club Official). If the transfer is approved, the player becomes a permanent member of the higher team.
- No player aged 7 years or under as of 31st December 2023, is permitted to play in 9-year grades.
- No player aged 8 years or under as of 31st December 2023, is permitted to play in 10-year grades.
- Borrowing of 12-year boys into any Intermediate team is not permitted. Please refer to KNA Bylaws
- A 13-year-old player **can** be borrowed into Cadets with approval from the borrowed players parent/s, club, and the Grading Committee. Parent must sign score sheet.
- A 15-year-old player (as of 31st December 2023) **can** be borrowed into Opens/Seniors with approval from the borrowed players club, and the Grading Committee.

Late Registration of New Players

All late registrations (after 25th February 2023) must have KNA Grading Committee approval prior to their online registration. Online **club** registrations **MUST** be completed **48** hours prior to playing.

The grading committee will take into consideration the following when assessing a player's late registration:

- they are outside the current Borrowing Guidelines
- requesting to play in a team 2 years above their age as of 31 December (NSG-Cadets) "Age players wishing to register in an age division/team up two (2) years or more above their age group as of 31 December in the year of play need the approval from the KNA Grading Committee".
- a player wishing to register in a team 2 grades below their previous playing grade.
- a player wishing to register in a team where the late registration equates to 5 or more returning players from the previous season.
- a player's representative history

Approvals

- Any requests to borrow **not covered** by the borrowing guidelines, should be put in writing for consideration to the KNA Grading Convenor via email to knagrad@kna.com.au prior to the day of play.
- Late approval must be done in writing on the day of play to the KNA Grading Convenor or a KNA Executive member who will liaise with the Grading Committee and record approval on the score sheet.
- No player may take the court unless approval has been agreed or standard penalties may apply.
- Penalties may apply if borrowing outside of these guidelines. Refer bylaws 21 (a)

Small Clubs (20 teams or less)

- Small clubs may borrow from any club provided it falls **within the borrowing guidelines.**
- The borrowing club must confirm all details to the KNA Grading Convenor & KNA Registrar in writing if a player is borrowed.
- The borrowing club must provide details on both score sheets.
- The borrowed player is only eligible to play in finals for their registered club.

Qualifying for playing in the finals

- The transfer of any player needs KNA Grading Committee approval. No transfer deemed to unfairly strengthen a team will be approved. This is especially relevant when transferring any Rep players.
- To be eligible for the final series the player needs to have played **at least three (3)** games in the higher team and then formally transferred (see below date)
- **Transfers close Monday 14th August 2023 at 5pm.**

Forfeits

Under existing competition rules & bylaws, penalties will apply following a team forfeit.

Forfeits due to Covid

Teams with exceptional COVID circumstances, will be exempt from penalties if 3 or more players are:

- Forced into mandatory COVID 19 isolation as per current NSW Health guidelines OR
- Experiencing any COVID 19 like symptoms
- Please note: this is an honour system and if a protest is lodged, the KNA Executive will review and penalties may apply

The order of borrowing a player is as follows.

OPEN GRADES

A1; A2; CADET 1; A3; CADET 2; A4; B1; B2; CADET 3; B3; CADET 4; B4; CADET 5, & CADET 6

- BORROWING IS **NOT PERMITTED ACROSS - A1**
- BORROWING **IS PERMITTED ACROSS ALL OTHER OPEN GRADES INCLUDING FROM OTHER CLUBS**

BORROWED PLAYER/S CAN WEAR THEIR CLUB UNIFORM BUT MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A TEAM BIB FROM THE TEAM THEY ARE FILLING IN FOR

- A 15-year-old player (as of 31st December 2023) **CAN** be borrowed into Opens/Seniors with approval from the borrowed players club, and the Grading Committee.

CADET GRADES

- BORROWING IS **NOT PERMITTED ACROSS - CADET 1**
- BORROWING **IS PERMITTED ACROSS ALL OTHER CADET GRADES INCLUDING FROM OTHER CLUBS**
- **BORROWED PLAYER/S CAN WEAR THEIR CLUB UNIFORM BUT MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A TEAM BIB FROM THE TEAM THEY ARE FILLING IN FOR**
- A 13-year-old player **CAN** be borrowed into Cadets with approval from the borrowed players parent/s club, and the Grading Committee. Parent must sign score sheet.
- A 15-year-old player (as of 31st December 2023) **CAN** be borrowed into Opens/Seniors with approval from the borrowed players club, and the Grading Committee.

If your team is:	You can borrow from:
Cadet 1	Cadet 2; 3; 4; 5; 6 & Intermediate 1; 2; 3; 4; 5
Cadet 2	Cadet 3; 4; 5; 6; across grade & Intermediate 1; 2; 3; 4; 5
Cadet 3	Cadet 4; 5; 6; across grade & Intermediate 2; 3; 4; 5
Cadet 4	Cadet 5; 6; across grade & Intermediate 3; 4; 5
Cadet 5	Cadet 6; Across grade & Intermediate 4; 5
Cadet 6	Across grade & Intermediate 5

INTERMEDIATE GRADES

- BORROWING IS **NOT PERMITTED ACROSS - INTER 1**
- BORROWING **IS PERMITTED ACROSS ALL OTHER INTER GRADES INCLUDING FROM OTHER CLUBS**
- BORROWED PLAYER/S CAN WEAR THEIR CLUB UNIFORM BUT MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A TEAM BIB FROM THE TEAM THEY ARE FILLING IN FOR

If your team is:	You can borrow from:
Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2; 3; 4; 5; & 12A; 12B; 12C; 12D
Intermediate 2	Intermediate 3; 4; 5; across grade & 12A; 12B; 12C; 12D
Intermediate 3	Intermediate 4; 5; across grade & 12B; 12C; 12D
Intermediate 4	Intermediate 5; across grade & 12B; 12C; 12D
Intermediate 5	Across grade & 12C; 12D

AGED GRADES

- BORROWING IS **NOT PERMITTED ACROSS GRADES - 12A, 11A & 10A**
- BORROWING **IS PERMITTED ACROSS ALL OTHER GRADES INCLUDING FROM OTHER CLUBS**
- BORROWED PLAYER/S CAN WEAR THEIR CLUB UNIFORM BUT MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A TEAM BIB FROM THE TEAM THEY ARE FILLING IN FOR

If your team is:	You can borrow from:
12A	12B; 12C; 12D; 11A; 11B; 11C
12B	12C; 12D; across grade & 11A; 11B; 11C
12C	12D; across grade & 11B; 11C
12D	Across grade & 11C
11A	11B; 11C; 10A; 10B; 10C; 10D
11B	11C; across grade & 10A; 10B; 10C; 10D
11C	Across grade & 10B; 10C; 10D
10A	10B; 10C; 10D; 9A; 9B; 9C
10B	10C; 10D; across grade & 9A; 9B; 9C
10C	10D; across grade & 9B; 9C
10D	Across grade & 9C
9A	9B; 9C; across grade & 8 Years only NSG
9B	9C; across grade & 8 Years only NSG
9C	Across grade & 8 Years only NSG
9 Years	Can NOT be borrowed into games at NSG Lofberg
8 Years	8 Years playing up in 9 Years can NOT be borrowed into games at NSG Lofberg
NSG 8 Years	Can borrow across grade & 7/8 years only
NSG 7/8 Years	Can borrow across grade & 7/8 years only
NSG 7 Years	Can borrow across grade & 7 years only
NSG 7 Years	Can NOT be borrowed into 9 Years or mixed 8/9 Years
NSG 6/7 Years	Can borrow across grade & 6 or 7 years only
NSG 6 Years	Can NOT be borrowed into 7/8 Years or 8 Years