# **ARLC SA LTD 2018**

# Age Policy Policy Document



The NRL age policy requirement will apply to all ARLC SA Ltd registrations.

A player's age group will be determined as at the 1<sup>st</sup> January (Year of Birth)

### **EXAMPLES:**

A child has their fourteenth (14) birthday on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 would be eligible to play in the under 14's (Junior A's) age group is the 2017 season. (Year of Birth 2004)

If a child has his fourteenth (14) birthday on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 (Year of birth 2003) they are not entitled to play in the under 14's age group in 2018, he will be required to play in the under 15's age group.

No junior player will be permitted to play more in an age group that has participants more than 2 years above his/her determined age group by birth. In the case where the competitions are played as **blended** age groups eg: An under 12 player will be allowed to play under 14's provided he turns 12 in that year and the required consent has been sought and approved by the NRL SA Club and Competition Coordinator.

Players seeking to play in a higher grade then 2 year above their determined age by birth will be required to have a parents' consent for signed and approved by the NRL SA Club and Competition Coordinator.

Approval may be subject to assessment by the NRL Game Development staff.

### Minimum Age to Play Rugby League

No player is permitted to play in organised Rugby League Competitions until they have turned 4 years of age.

### Minimum Age to Play Senior Football

No player will be permitted to play **Senior Rugby League Grade** until they have turned 17 years.

### Playing in a Higher Age Group

A player will be permitted to play in a higher age group (providing that he participates in this registered age group) prior to participating in the higher grade. In the case of an under 18's player being selected to play senior rugby League (First grade only) he will not be required to participate in his under 18's grade prior to his selected grade. He must have turned 17 years prior to participating at senior level.

# **NRL SA Competition Format**

The NRL SA Football Operations Advisory Committee will review junior player registration numbers if required and make a recommendation to the ARLC SA Board for approval on the age format for competitions. This can be either by age and month or by weight division if required.

## Age group format:

Munchkins-League (u6) Mixed Born 2012 to 2014

**U8's Mixed** Born 2010 to 2011

**U10's Mixed** Born 2008 to 2009

**U12's Mixed** Born 2006 to 2007

**U14's Boys** Born 2004 to 2005

**U17's Boys** Born to 2001 to 2003

Seniors +19 – Min age 17 years