



Gridiron SA Junior Tackle Playing Policy

Version	Scope	Status	Board Approval	In Effect
1.0	Public	Approved	4/10/2024	4/10/2024

1. Introduction:

- a) This policy is to cover off age limits for Junior Tackle players now that we have aligned the Junior and Senior season
- b) Good opportunity to transition Juniors into Seniors

2. Playing Age rules:

- a) U19 competition for Juniors 2024/25
- b) Must be 18 or younger prior to the 1st of August of the competition year
- c) Any junior who is 18 or 19 can nominate a half to play of the senior game to an official and the half must be monitored by the clubs coaching staff.
- d) Must register as a Junior
- e) Anyone who is 18 and older can register as a Senior but must not play Junior games
- f) Anyone under 18 who wants to play Seniors must be reviewed by the Gridiron SA Board, on a case-by-case basis, with safety being the primary consideration.
 - 1. The Gridiron SA Junior to Senior Eligibility form must be filled out prior, and sent to the board.
- g) Any player aged 18 or older who has played state tackle games at a senior level is considered to have moved up to Seniors and will not be allowed to play Juniors

3. Penalties:

- a) If the 2-quarter playing time is exceeded, then both Junior player and Senior HC will miss the following week with suspension
- b) Any player registered as a senior player that plays in a junior game will receive a 5 week ban and the team will forfeit that game - forfeit policy and penalty will apply