



SOUTHERN FOOTBALL LEAGUE MINI LEAGUE PLAYER ROTATION POLICY

The Southern Football League Player Rotation Policy is geared towards enhancing the participation and skill development of players aged 5 to 12 from Auskick through to Youth. The rotation of players through a variety of positions is designed to allow players to experience the skills and roles required in different positions, and to ensure all players are provided with equal opportunity.

The policy states that every player in a team should play at least half a game, and that no player should spend more than half a game in any one position. Furthermore, every player should experience playing on each of the five positional lines over a three match period.

The Australian Football Match Policy document clearly states that to ensure all players feel an essential part of the team, regardless of their age, size, sex, ability or the competition they are playing in, it is critical they have an equal amount of time on the field during the season.

This will keep players in the game and reduce the likelihood of them leaving to pursue other sports. It also satisfies parents expectations that their child will be given a fair go.

It is recommended that coaches keep records of the weekly game time of each player to ensure each has had equal time. Please note that players should be rotated through a variety of positions on the field in each line, not straight up and down the spine or only on the left or on the right side of the field.

Coaches and Team Managers must ensure that this policy is adopted and relates Spirit of Junior Football).