



# MAZENOD

## Junior Football Club Inc

### Frequently asked Questions (2023)

1. I am a new parent to the school and my son wants to play football. Who do we contact and how do we register?  
A: You can contact the President [presidentmjfc1@gmail.com](mailto:presidentmjfc1@gmail.com), or registrar [registrarmjfc1@gmail.com](mailto:registrarmjfc1@gmail.com)
2. Who is the best person to contact in my son's team with inquiries before or during the season?  
A: Please contact your son's team manager who should be able to assist.
3. I would like to discuss matters concerning the coaches or managers, who do I speak to and what is the correct form of communication?  
A: If you have concerns about your son's coach or team manager then contact our integrity officer on [Integritymjfc1@gmail.com](mailto:Integritymjfc1@gmail.com)
4. How often are the committee meetings and am I able to attend?  
A: Typically they are monthly and we encourage any interested parents to attend to learn about how the club functions. We are all volunteers and so many hands do make light work.
5. I am a parent that would like to be more involved. Who do I contact and what is the correct process?  
A: Please make contact with the President on [presidentmjfc1@gmail.com](mailto:presidentmjfc1@gmail.com), to discuss any matters relating to volunteering and they will be able to assist or point you to the best committee person to speak with.
6. When will my son receive his playing jumper?  
A: Typically, your son will receive his jumper at each game. The jumpers come back to the managers and we have volunteers who will take turns in washing the jumpers week to week. A roster is drawn up by the manager so everyone has a role to support your son's team.
7. What is the correct uniform to wear at training?  
A: We strongly encourage the boys to wear footy boots, socks, shorts and a footy jumper. MJFC training jumpers are typically organised for each team to wear. Mouth guards and water bottles are other essential items to bring along.
8. What is the dress code on game day?  
A: We ask that all players wear black pants (chino type, not tracksuit), black school shoes and the MJFC polo. If it is cold then a Mazenod tracksuit jacket or a MJFC jacket can be worn.
9. Will parents be explained the codes of conduct and spectator behaviour and the penalties with breaches on the team? (E points)  
A: Managers will provide a parents' and spectators' code of behaviour prior to the season commencing. Parents and spectators can cause the team to lose "E" points for poor behaviour which affects the team's ladder position and may cause them to miss out on finals.
10. What are the expectations on attending training? Will poor attendance by my son affect possible team selection in finals?  
A: The coaches will set with the players the team rules and expectations on training attendance and consequences.



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- 11.** If my son is injured at training or a game, is he covered by insurance for medical costs, and how is this managed by the club?

A: All players are covered by the Mazenod College insurance 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The team manager needs to be notified of any injuries especially concussion so that they can fill in an injury form and submit it to the WAFC and school as the case may be.

- 12.** What is the correct jumper to wear on game day?

A: The team manager will provide the players their jumper for game day. All teams are expected to wear the blue jumper unless there is a clash and then the jumper can be reversed, and the white jumper can be worn.

- 13.** How does the interchange process during a game work?

A: Every player that leaves the field through the interchange needs to be recorded by the interchange steward using the Interchanger App. This records the time on and off the ground. Every player is expected to play at least 50% game time every game unless injured. If a player is injured then the interchange steward is to record that they have been injured which therefore does not affect the team for not playing every player minimum 50% game time.

- 14.** How is the interchange process calculated and monitored, and by whom?

A: The manager or assistant coach liaises with the interchange steward throughout the game to ensure that minimum games times will be met over the course of the game. The Interchanger App automatically records the time for each player. The results are automatically sent to the WAFC and the President and Coaches Coordinator for review after each game. Any players not meeting the minimum 50% game time will mean a question will be asked by the WAFC for a please explain. Loss of "E" points can occur if valid reasons are not provided.

- 15.** Are parents able to access the interchange percentages?

A: Parents can ask the team manager for game times if they want, however the process involving the President and Coaches Coordinator as well as the WAFC will normally keep players meeting the minimum requirements.

- 16.** Are the parents allowed on the field during games and join the team and coaches in the huddle?

A: Parents are not allowed on the field of play during the game. At ¼ time and ¾ time parents may come out to the team huddle subject to the coach's team rules, however the WAFC prefer that only the 5 people allowed within the coaches box be allowed on the field during the breaks. This is strictly enforced during finals. This also goes for the pre, half time and post game time in the change rooms. We therefore feel that it is best to avoid going out to the team huddle and leave it to the coaches to talk to the players so that they are getting a consistent message. The 5 people allowed in the coaches' box and within this roped off areas are the Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Runner (who can be a second assistant coach if they are accredited), Manager and First Aid Person.

- 17.** My son is a boarder. Who is responsible for getting him to and from the games?

A: It is up to the Team Manager to arrange with parents someone to pick up any boarders on away games. The parents need to advise the boarding house who is picking up and dropping off their sons. The boarders can otherwise walk to Ray Owen or Mazenod sports ovals for home games.



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**18.** I have been rostered on to assist with the setup/pack down, scoreboard or goal umpiring. Are there any information sheets that I can access to assist with my duties and who do I contact for this information?

[A: The Team Manager will provide the instructions on what to do for your volunteer role on game day.](#)

**19.** What do the player fees go towards?

[A: Player fees are used to run the club and pay for things like polos for years 7 and 10, ambulance fees for attending home games at Ray Owen Reserve, footballs, training equipment, playing jumpers, umpires for years 9-12, WAFC fees, coaches accreditation fees, and other general costs associated with running the club.](#)

**20.** How are umpires paid and who has to pay for them?

[A: Umpires are paid by the club for Year 9 – 12 inclusive. In Years 7 & 8 parent umpires from each team are expected to be part of the volunteer roster. If the team cannot get a parent to umpire, then the parents will need to find an umpire and pay for them on the day. This is organised by the Team Manager and funds can be paid by the Manager. If an umpire has to be found for year 9 – 12 then the Manager can pay for the umpire and be reimbursed by the Treasurer.](#)

**21.** How much are umpires paid?

[The umpire fees for Year 7 are \\$60 per umpire when there are two umpires \(one supplied by each team\). If there is one umpire then it is \\$80/game \(paid 50/50 by each team\). The umpire fees for Year 8 are \\$65 per umpire when there are two umpires \(one supplied by each team\) and \\$90/game if there is only one.](#)

[The umpire fees for Year 9 are \\$70 per umpire when there are two umpires \(one supplied by each team\) and \\$95/game if there is one.](#)

[The umpire fees for Year 10 are \\$80 per umpire when there are two umpires \(one supplied by each team\) and \\$100/game if there is one.](#)

[The umpire fees for Year 11/12 are \\$110 per umpire when there are two umpires \(one supplied by each team\). It is unusual that umpires will be required to be provided for year 10 – 12, and also for year 9 \(however this is not guaranteed\).](#)