



PLAYER POINTS INDEX SYSTEM (PPIS)

Special Considerations

September 2026

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS: BY APPLICATION ONLY

Please note that eligibility for special considerations has a strong connection to a Club’s and League’s 10-year history. The following conditions and criteria are applicable to teams which did not qualify for the preceding season’s “A” or “1st” grade finals or teams which are limited by location to host sufficient local juniors to sustain regularly competitive teams.

The quotas displayed are maximum allowances and used as a guide however upon application clubs may only be allocated a portion of the quota.

All applications are to be submitted to the NSWRL Club & Competition Co-Ordinator. Each application will require the support of the Local League in the interests of fair and competitively balanced competitions.

UNIQUE LOCAL CONDITIONS	Subject to special circumstances teams may apply for an allowance that either provides additional total points or reduces the individual player quota subject to the circumstances and club’s recent history.	1. Small Population Base or Low Urban Engagement area	☐ Additional points to team allocations where the club is in an area with lower population base than regional centre in same competition or has low urban engagement compared to other suburbs in same competition. ☐ Additional points to team allocation where a club has no junior sides aligned subject to reasons outside of its control, therefore slowing the pathway to senior participation.
		2. Educational, Employment or Residential Allowance	☐ A deduction in a player’s point quota if he is relocating to a Defence Force, Police or University based team where players are coming and going over a 3-4year period. ☐ A deduction in a player’s point quota where a job transfer has changed the residency of the player.
	☐ Low Urban Engagement is to be calculated according to percentage of junior player numbers against highest in competition	Low Urban Engagement	☐ 2 points per 5% to a maximum of 36 points

1.	SMALL POPULATION BASE POPULATION & JUNIOR PLAYER NUMBERS	50 - 100	101- 150	151- 200	201+
UNIQUE LOCAL CONDITIONS POINTS TABLE	☐ Small Regional Population Base (less than 1000) or Low Urban Engagement (LUE) allowance.	+36	+30	+24	+18
	☐ Small Regional Population Base (Between 1000 and 2000) or LUE allowance	+30	+24	+18	+12
	☐ Small Regional Population Base (Between 2000 and 3000) or LUE allowance	+24	+18	+12	+6
	☐ Small Regional Population Base (more than 3000 and less than 4000) or LUE allowance	+18	+12	+6	+0
	☐ Please note LUE areas are determined by NSWRL at a Zone Management level and are measured upon the percentage the applicants junior base is of the largest junior base in that competition taking into consideration affiliations and pathways where several junior clubs affiliate to the one senior club. Please consult with your Zone Manager should you wish to apply.	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

2.	EDUCATIONAL, EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENTIAL ALLOWANCE	YR1	YR2	YR3	YR4
UNIQUE LOCAL CONDITIONS POINTS TABLE	SUBJECT TO CHANGE OF RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYER EVIDENCE				
	☐ A Player who has had a job transfer (not new employment) ☐ A Player who has relocated due to studies ☐ A Player who has relocated during the season	2/3 rd of Quota	½ of Quota	1/3 rd of Quota	0
	☐ Student/Cadet Players in University, Defence or Police only competitions	0	0	0	0

MARQUEE PLAYER ALLOWANCE	☐ Any person not registered with the subject club or another club in the same League's immediate past season who is contracted as 1st Grade Marquee Player by a Club which did not qualify for the 1st Grade semi-finals in the immediate past season shall be assessed as zero points for PPIS purposes in their initial season as Marquee Player and for each consecutive season they register with such club thereafter. ☐ All marquee player applications are to be submitted for approval 7 days prior to the commencement of the competition and cannot be changed at a later date that season.	0	0	0
A Marquee player is a player whose current Points Allocation is above the level of the competition which he is relocating.				

NOTIONAL PRINCIPAL CONTRACTS ALLOWANCE (NPC) SUBJECT TO PRE-EXISTING REGISTERED CONTRACTS		YR1	YR2	YR3	YR4
- In situations where a departing NRL player has an agreement with a Club that provides a positive input by that player to the club, community, and competition the Club may make application to have that player's PPIS value recalculated to a notional value for the purpose of allowing the club to progressively migrate to the PPIS without losing an opportunity that serves the whole of the game. - All applications must be accompanied by a player contract outlining the terms of the community work and include a "record of work" schedule to be lodged for verification of the player's fulfillment to the agreement. 0 to 99% of normal value 50% of Year 1 50% of Year 2					0
EXCEPTIONAL TEAM CIRCUMSTANCES	In situations where a player has local player status and <u>has registered</u> with their club for the upcoming season and that club is subsequently unable to field a team in that grade.	50% of PPIS value	50% of Yr1 quota		50% of Yr2 quota
TIER 2 CLUB "IN KIND" PLAYER REPLACEMENT ALLOWANCE	- In situations where a Tier 2 Club has a local player that <u>has registered</u> with a local League Tier 1 Club for the upcoming season to pursue a higher-level opportunity that Tier 2 club is entitled to seek a Tier 1, Category B replacement with the <u>+10 movement penalty removed</u>. This is an "in kind" allowance where a Category "A" player (4 points) moves up and is replaced with a Category "B" player (5 points) moving down without the loading to ensure a team's sustainability. - The Category "B" player must be at least turning 28 years+ to be eligible - This deduction is limited to 2 players from same club and same competition in the same season and can be removed in following seasons should the replaced category "A" player not reach category "B" status.	+10 removed	+10 removed		+10 removed
COMPETITIVE ASSISTANCE ALLOWANCE	The NSWRL, in conjunction with a few local Leagues, is currently piloting a Competitive Assistance Allowance to provide assistance to clubs deemed to be "cold" and having had a sustained period (10 years) in which they have finished bottom two in their league. This is a work in progress over 2026 and 2027 seasons for future consideration when the studies are complete.	TBA	TBA		TBA