

## **New - Regional League (RL) Competition**

After the completion of the 2025 RDL competition, the VJBL Administration met with the associations involved to discuss the format of the competition moving forward.

In addition to this meeting, at the 2025 ACM, the VJBL delegates discussed the competition format of all VJL competitions and the ability to reduce travel where possible.

Following these two discussions the VJBL Administration have reviewed the team numbers in the Under 12 and Under 14, VJL and RDL Competitions and have made the decision to rename the RDL competition to Regional League.

The Regional League competition will now sit beneath the VC and VJL competitions as a three-tier competition.

## **Regional League Entry**

All VJBL teams that enter the 2025/26 Grading season, could fall back into the Regional League competition based on performances during grading.

However, if you wish to just enter RL, you can enter your teams to start in Grading Phase Two.

## **New - VJBL Competition Formats**

### **Under 12 - Boys and Girls**

Teams will now grade for the following competitions

- Victorian Championship (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 1-4 (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 5 (3 pools of 10 teams)
- Regional League (Remainder of teams, separated into geographical pools)

### **Under 14 - Boys and Girls**

Teams will now grade for the following competitions

- Victorian Championship (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 1-3 (1 pool of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 4 (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 5-8 (3 pools of 10 teams)
- Regional League (Remainder of teams, separated into geographical pools)

### **Under 16 - Boys and Girls**

Teams will now grade for the following competitions

- Victorian Championship (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 1-3 (1 pool of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 4 (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 5 and below (3 pools of 10 teams)

### **Under 18 - Boys and Girls**

Teams will now grade for the following competitions

- Victorian Championship (2 pools of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 1-4 (1 pool of 10 teams)
- Victorian Junior League 5 and below (3 pools of 10 teams)

## New – VJBL Travel requirements

The unanimous decision was to limit travel according to the level of competition that teams were playing. Therefore, we have adjusted the max travel numbers as per the table below, as we believe our elite competitions should still be required to travel to the 210km limit.

	VC	VJL1	VJL2	VJL3	VJL4	VJL5	RDL
<b>UNDER 12</b>	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	170 KMS	170 KMS	170 KMS	170 KMS

	VC	VJL1	VJL2	VJL3	VJL4	VJL5-8	RDL
<b>UNDER 14</b>	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	170 KMS	170 KMS

	VC	VJL1	VJL2	VJL3	VJL4	VJL5-10
<b>UNDER 16-18</b>	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	210 KMS	170 KMS

## Geographical Pools – Regional League

We have given a basic breakdown of how the RL competitions may be broken down, but this is a guide and not set in stone.

If your association grouping, is touching another group, or has an arrow pointing to a different group, there is a possibility your teams may play.

