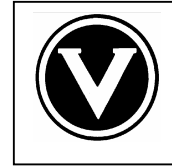


Home Team
 Away Team
 Location
 Date
 Weather Conditions



Play Smart - Play Safe



VFA GROUND INSPECTION REPORT

YES	NO
-----	----

Metric Measurement

Has the ground surface been prepared correctly for an Australian Rules football match?

Field of Play

Is the surface free of debris? (free from glass, rocks, rubbish etc.)

Have weather conditions or water made the surface unsafe?

Is the surface in good condition? (grass length, free of holes)

Are sprinkler covers correctly in place?

Is the perimeter fencing safe? (Signs, etc)

Does the perimeter fencing provide for emergency vehicle access?

Are the weather conditions safe for the game to commence? (lightning etc)

Have goalposts been padded?

Is the boundary line 3 metres from the fencing (at all points)?

Is a line drawn 4 metres outside the marked boundary line of a ground not fully enclosed by a fence?

Are there any other factors which may be dangerous to the players?

Comments:-

Prior to the commencement of play, we, the undersigned, have undertaken the above inspection and agree that the playing environment is fit for play.

.....
 Home Team Captain/Representative
 Signature

.....
 Away Team Representative/Captain
 Signature

.....
 Name

.....
 Name

In the event of **one captain** before or during any match determining that the ground is unfit for play, that captain must inform the opposition captain and the umpires of their issues. **The umpires, whether they be VFA appointed or not, have no say in the determination of a grounds suitability for play.**

If critical work to resolve these issues cannot achieve a satisfactory result, a match can be transferred to another venue as long as it is deemed safe and can commence within 30 minutes of the scheduled start. If another venue cannot be found, the match will be declared a draw (Rule 84 – VFA Rules, Page 29 – VFA Handbook).

However; if the VFA Board, during its review of the match, is not convinced the match should have been abandoned or the reason for the abandonment was not in good faith, it reserves the right to award points or any penalty as it sees fit.

A copy of this form must be signed by BOTH CLUBS for each VFA match conducted and returned to the VFA with the umpires match day paperwork