

# SECA – Player Points System

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Each club fielding a team in Shield Grades must comply with the requirements of this rule for the season as set out hereunder. REFER BY-LAW 3.4

## 1. POINTS

The team make-up may comprise any mix of players, provided the total number of points allocated does not exceed the maximum match points as defined in Rule 5 below.

## 2. POINTS DETERMINATION

2.1 Prior to the commencement of a season, each Club that fields a team in ANY Shield Grade, are required to submit a player points value for EVERY registered player within their club, in Play HQ. The Player type is determined in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3 below. Player Points will be closed to clubs, by Sunday prior to round 1 each season.

2.2 A club may request a review of a players point value via the appropriate form and submitted to SECA.

2.3 Any additional players required after the season has commenced must be sent (by the club) to the SECA GM. Any such request must be submitted by 8pm on Friday prior to the first match for which the player is required.

2.4 Clubs failing to have a player listed on the official player points (within Play HQ) prior - \$30 per breach.

## 3. PLAYER TYPES

3.1 Player types are determined according to the following table, using the highest points allocation attributed to a player over the **previous five seasons**: Exception: Any player who has qualified for finals in the Junior section of a SECA club in any two previous seasons shall automatically be defined as a Type 1 player for that Club.

Type	Category	Description	Points
1	Base Player	Played 2 junior seasons at this Club or only played at this Club (minimum 2 seasons)	1
2	Other Affiliate	Has not played in any organized cricket match in Australia or overseas in the past 5 seasons. Played in a VMCU / VCCL Competition or other State equivalent. Played VSDCA or other State equivalent 2nd, 3rd or 4th XI. Played Premier or other State equivalent 3rd or 4th XI.	2
3	SECA VSDCA 1 XI Premier 2 XI Overseas A	Played at another SECA primary club * Played VSDCA or other State equivalent 1st XI. Played Premier or other State equivalent 2nd XI. Played non-representative cricket overseas and is an Australian resident**	3
4	Premier 1 XI Overseas B	Played Premier or other State equivalent 1st XI. Played a Representative match overseas or is not an Australian resident eg, playing in Australia on a seasonal basis only. #	4
5	First Class ##	Played First Class, List A One-Day or T20 in Australia or elsewhere	5

\*SECA primary club – defined as a club that has its senior First XI in a SECA grade.

\*\*Australian Resident – means a person who is living in Australia and is either: i) an Australian citizen, ii) a permanent visa holder, or iii) a Permanent Protection Visa (PPV) holder.

# Representative Match – means any of the following matches: i) County 2nd XI, or ii) Provincial 2nd XI, or their equivalent.

## First Class – defined as any cricket match which has been granted First Class, List A One-Day or Twenty20 status by a national governing body, e.g. Big Bash or overseas equivalent.

#### 4. CLUB SUBMISSIONS/SECA RULINGS

A club may submit a request for consideration of player type or team points re-evaluation by the SECA Match Sub-Committee under extenuating circumstances. The SECA Match Sub-Committee reserves the right to allocate Player Points as it sees fit to any player not specifically covered by a category as in Rule 3 above or in circumstances outside the spirit of the prescribed system.

#### 5. TEAM POINTS

5.1 The maximum number of points for any team in Season 2025/26 is 20.

#### 6. LOYALTY PROVISIONS

6.1 All players, other than Type 1, will have their points allocation reduced by one point following the completion of two seasons at their SECA Club. According to type, they will then reduce their points allocation by one point per season until they reach one-point status as per the following table.

Type	Season 1	Season 2	Season 3	Season 4	Season 5	Season 6
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	1	1	1	1
3	3	3	2	1	1	1
4	4	4	3	2	1	1
5	5	5	4	3	2	1

#### Exceptions:

- i) An Overseas B player (“fly-in”) who primarily resides outside Australia between SECA seasons will not be eligible for a loyalty deduction for the subsequent season.
- ii) A Type 5 player will not be eligible for a loyalty deduction if he played at Type 5 level during the previous SECA season, the intervening off-season or the current SECA season.

6.2 For a player to qualify for a season loyalty points reduction, he must have been eligible to play in senior finals in accordance with SECA By-law 3.6. (4 games). Exception – games played on permit do not qualify for a loyalty provision.

6.3 Any points status achieved shall remain for life with that Club. Exception: A player who has played less than 5 seasons with a SECA primary club will not retain their loyalty points status upon playing with another SECA primary club. That player will be a Type 3 player if returning to his original club.

#### 7. PENALTIES

7.1 Failure to have a player listed on the official player points (withing Play HQ) prior to a match – \$30 per breach.

7.2 Breach of the Maximum Number of Points (20) – club shall be fined \$250 and the team shall lose 6 premiership points for each breach.

7.3 Should any Club knowingly or negligently make a false or incorrect declaration regarding Player Points allocations or otherwise not comply with these rules, the Club may be penalised in line with the penalties set out below.

Penalties may include (without limitation):

- a) Loss of points –current season. b) Suspension from finals –current season. c) Player suspensions.
- d) Club fines. e) Any other penalty determined by the SECA Executive from time to time.