

# Powerchair Sports Victoria

# Victorian Powerchair League Football Competition Rules and Regulations

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#### **Preamble**

The Victorian Powerchair League features matches in two separate divisions throughout the season, namely Premiership and Championship (formerly Division 1 and Division 2). Clubs in the Victorian Powerchair League will field teams in both divisions.

A Mid-Season Cup shall be conducted each year, independent of the Victorian Powerchair League (VPL). The format of the competition shall be determined by the number of participating teams and may, at the discretion of the Committee, be conducted as either a round-robin or knockout competition. The fixture for the Mid-Season Cup shall be prepared and released prior to the commencement of the tournament each season. A Cup shall be awarded in both the Premiership and Championship divisions. The Committee shall have full authority to determine the rules of conduct, eligibility, scheduling, and any other matters necessary for the proper administration of the Mid-Season Cup.

All **Victorian Powerchair League** matches will be played according to the most recent *FIPFA Laws of the Game*, including all equipment regulations regarding Powerchairs and playing attachments. The common sense and best interest application of rulings will apply throughout the **Victorian Powerchair League**. **Powerchair Sports Victoria (PSV)** and all competing **Clubs** must ensure these Rules and Regulations are adhered to with the undertaking to do so in the spirit of the game and competition.

# **Financial Requirements**

**PSV** will bear the financial responsibility of ensuring that the costs of running the **Victorian Powerchair League** are met. This may include requiring clubs and/or individual players to pay membership fees, team registration fees, and other tournament-related fees as determined by the Powerchair Sports Victoria committee.

# **PSV Organisation Requirements**

PSV will coordinate:

- Payments to Powerchair Football Match Officials, including Match and Assistant Referees, and any other relevant game day officials
- Trophies for league award winners
- Access for the league to the playing venue on match days
- Promotional Expenses & Marketing

These expenses shall be offset by Club and Player Registration fees.

#### Insurance

Insurance for participants will be covered by Powerchair Sports Victoria provided the participant is registered with Powerchair Sports Victoria. Unregistered participants will not be allowed to take the court. There will be a liability waiver to sign for any new participants attending come and try events or during any development sessions.

# **Costs for Participants and Clubs**

The following costs shall be borne by the participants and their clubs:

- Travel to and from matches
- Player Registration fees
- Club Registration fees
- Equipment
- Playing kit
- Any other associated playing costs

# **Squad Declaration and Player Eligibility**

Each Club can declare players across both Premiership and Championship.

Each club shall have no less than five (5) players registered to the club across both Premiership and Championship, and no more than ten (10).

To be registered at a club, players must have paid their season fees prior to the registration deadline. Players and team officials must also have an active Powerchair Sports Victoria general membership for the current financial year.

Club may register a maximum of six (6) players for the Premiership and ten (10) players for the Championship. A player may be registered for both the Premiership and the Championship. Players registered in both competitions shall be eligible to participate in both. A player registered for only one competition shall be eligible to participate solely in that competition. For example, if a player is registered for the Premiership only, that player shall not be eligible to play in the Championship, and vice versa.

Example:
Premiership Registration:
Player 1
Player 2
Player 3
Player 4
Player 5
Player 6
Championship Registration:
Player 4
Player 5
Player 6
Player 7
Player 8
Player 9
Player 10
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→ Players 4, 5, and 6 may participate in both competitions. Players 7, 8, 9, and 10 may only participate in the Championship.

Please Note: Clubs may also retain players on their overall club list, no more than ten (10), who are not registered for either the Premiership or the Championship. Such players shall not be eligible to participate in either competition unless subsequently registered in future seasons in accordance with these Rules. Said players will also not be eligible to receive season trophies or awards.

All player registrations must be lodged with and approved by the Committee no later than two (2) weeks prior to the commencement of Round 1 of the season. The Committee shall have discretion to approve late registrations under exceptional circumstances.

New players who are not yet assigned to a Club may be added to a Club's list (if space allows) at any point during the season in accordance with the Draft Rules set out in later

sections of this document. This provision applies only to local players sourced from within Victoria. Clubs must notify the Committee with any of these new additions.

For the Premiership, each Club may register a maximum of two (2) Poweroos, two (2) marquees, or a combination thereof, provided that the total does not exceed two (2) such players. Poweroos and marquees shall not be permitted in the Championship.

# These restrictions apply strictly to competition registrations and do not apply to a Club's overall player list.

Definitions:

#### Poweroo Player:

A Poweroo is defined as a player who has been selected in either the most recent completed international tournament or the next upcoming international tournament, within a rolling two (2) year timeframe. This includes any emergencies selected.

#### Marquee:

A marquee is defined as a non-local (based in Victoria) player.

Clubs may, at their discretion, select two Able-bodied players to register at their club. Able-bodied players are those who do not adhere to the categories of the PF1 and PF2 classifications.

Clubs may only field 1 Able-bodied player on a given matchday. Such players are only eligible to play in the Championship and are not eligible for individual player awards.

## **VPL Draft Rules**

#### 1. Purpose

The VPL Draft system shall regulate the allocation of new, unassigned local players to Clubs during the season, ensuring fairness and balance across the competition.

#### 2. Initial Draft Order

- (a) For the first year of implementation, the draft order shall be determined by the number of players on each Club's overall list, commencing with the Club holding the fewest players and concluding with the Club holding the most.
- (b) For the avoidance of doubt, "Club list" shall mean all players formally listed with a Club, irrespective of whether they are registered for the Premiership, Championship, or not registered for any competition.

#### 3. Ongoing Draft Process

(a) The draft shall operate as a rolling order throughout the season.

- (b) When a new eligible player becomes available through official Powerchair Sports Victoria channels, the Club holding the first pick in the draft order shall have the right to add that player to its list.
- (c) Once a Club exercises its draft pick by adding a player to its list, it shall move to the bottom of the order, and all other Clubs shall move up one place.
- (d) A Club may elect to pass on its pick. In such circumstances, the Club shall retain its position at the top of the draft order until it exercises its next available pick.

#### 4. Trading of Draft Picks

- (a) Draft picks may be traded between Clubs at any point during the season, subject to the approval of the Committee.
- (b) Draft pick trades may involve the exchange of current or future draft selections only.

#### 5. Eligibility of Players

- (a) Only unassigned local players sourced through official Powerchair Sports Victoria channels shall be subject to the draft system.
- (b) Where a player is sourced directly by a Club through its own channels, that Club shall have first priority to add the player to its list. Such an addition shall not require the use of a draft pick and shall not affect the Club's position in the draft order.
- (c) Any Club sourcing a player through its own channels must notify Powerchair Sports Victoria in writing for the purposes of registering the player. A player shall not be deemed eligible to participate in any competition until such registration is completed and confirmed by the Committee.

#### 6. Administration

The draft shall be administered by the Committee, which shall maintain the draft order and oversee all allocations, draft pick trades, and disputes. The Committee's decision on all draft matters shall be final.

# **VPL Trade Rules**

#### 1. Free Agency Reset

At the conclusion of the 2024/2025 VPL season, all players shall be classified as free agents and removed from all Club lists.

#### 2. Contracted Players and Trade Requests

- (a) A player who is under contract with a Club may only be traded prior to the expiry of that contract with the consent of all four (4) parties involved:
- i. the player;
- ii. the receiving Club;
- iii. the releasing Club; and
- iv. any player(s) being exchanged as part of the trade (if applicable).
- (b) Consent shall be documented in writing on the official trade form provided by the Committee and signed by all relevant parties.
- (c) No trade shall be deemed valid until it has been lodged with and confirmed by the Committee. The Committee's role is to verify that all required consents have been obtained.

#### 3. Contract Expiry and Grace Period

- (a) Upon the expiry of a player's contract, the Club shall have a one (1) month grace period in which to negotiate and finalise a new contract with that player.
- (b) If no new contract is lodged within thirty (30) days of expiry, the player shall automatically be classified as a free agent and may be registered by any Club.
- (c) Where a Club elects to opt out of a player's contract, that player shall be deemed to have completed a one (1) year deal with the Club, and the provisions of Rule 3(a) and 3(b) shall apply.

#### 4. Trades Between Clubs

- (a) All trades between Clubs must be lodged with the Committee in writing using the prescribed form.
- (b) Trades may involve player-for-player exchanges, player-for-draft pick exchanges, or draft pick-for-draft pick exchanges, provided that all relevant consents are obtained in accordance with Rule 2.
- (c) The Committee shall have no authority to reject a trade where the required consents have been provided. Its role is strictly to confirm, record, and register trades.

#### 5. Transparency and Governance

- (a) The Committee shall maintain a public record of all completed trades, which shall be circulated to Clubs within seven (7) days of confirmation.
- (b) Any disputes arising from the validity of consents or registration shall be adjudicated by the Committee, whose decision shall be final.

#### VPL Free Agency Rules

#### 1. Definition of Free Agency

A free agent is any player who is not currently under a valid contract with a Club and is not listed on any Club list.

#### 2. Free Agency Ledger

- (a) The Committee shall maintain a transparent ledger of all current free agents, which shall be made available to all Clubs.
- (b) The ledger shall be updated promptly upon any player being released, reaching contract expiry without renewal, or otherwise becoming a free agent.
- (c) Only players recorded on the official free agent ledger shall be considered eligible to be signed by Clubs as free agents.

#### 3. Club Obligations

- (a) Each Club must notify the Committee of all player contracts, including their commencement and expiration dates, within seven (7) days of execution.
- (b) Clubs must also notify the Committee immediately of any contract renewals, extensions, or terminations.
- (c) Any contract not lodged with the Committee in accordance with Rule 3(a) shall be deemed invalid and unenforceable for the purposes of these Rules.

#### 4. Signing Free Agents

- (a) A free agent may be signed by any Club at any time during the season, subject to compliance with Club list limits and player eligibility rules.
- (b) Once a free agent contract is lodged with the Committee, the player shall be removed from the free agent ledger and placed on the relevant Club list.

#### 5. Governance

The Committee shall have responsibility for maintaining the accuracy of the free agent ledger and ensuring transparency in the free agency process. Any disputes arising in relation to free agent status or signings shall be adjudicated by the Committee, whose decision shall be final

# **Matchday Rules**

- 1. Submission of Line-Ups
- (a) No less than thirty (30) minutes prior to the first match a Club plays on a matchday, each Club shall lodge its matchday line-up and team bench with the appointed Match Officials.
- (b) A legal matchday line-up shall consist of no fewer than two (2) eligible players.

#### 2. Age Limit

- (a) There shall be no age limit for participation in the Victorian Powerchair League.
- (b) All players must competently control their powerchair unaided and be able to abide by the Laws of the Game.

#### 3. Player Numbers

- (a) All players shall display a unique team number whilst participating in a match.
- (b) Numbers must be displayed at a minimum on the rear of the powerchair.
- (c) Numbers shall range from 1 to 99 and no two players from the same Club shall display the same number.
- (d) Players without the correct player numbers on the back of their chair will not be permitted to take the court. It will be the responsibility of the game day officer and referees to ensure all equipment rules are adhered to.

#### 4. Playing Kits

- (a) Each Club shall provide its own playing strips, including distinct home and away kits, in order to avoid clashes. These must be sent to and approved by the Committee prior to the start of the season.
- (b) Goalkeepers shall wear a shirt that contrasts with the outfield players of both teams and with the opposing goalkeeper. This may also be the inverse of their home/away kit.
- (c) Bibs shall not be permitted as an alternative to playing shirts.
- (d) Players wearing the wrong kit will not be permitted to take the court. It will be the responsibility of the game day officer and referees to ensure all kit rules are adhered to.

#### 5. Powerchairs

- (a) All powerchairs shall comply with the requirements of the FIPFA Powerchair Football Technical Supplement, including all dimension and overhang requirements as outlined in "The Powerchair" section of the Supplement.
- (b) Each team shall be permitted spare powerchairs within their technical area during play. Such a powerchair may only be used in the event of complete mechanical failure to a player's chair.

#### 6. Sponsorship and Advertising

Sponsorship and advertising logos shall be permitted on athletes' playing shirts, powerchairs, or player numbers.

#### 7. Discipline

- (a) A player or member of a team's coaching staff who receives four (4) Yellow Cards during the competition shall receive a one (1) round suspension.
- (b) A player or member of a team's coaching staff who receives a Red Card following a second Yellow Card shall receive a one (1) round suspension.
- (c) A player or member of a team's coaching staff who receives a direct Red Card shall be referred to a judiciary committee appointed by the Powerchair Sports Victoria committee, which shall determine the appropriate suspension. The judiciary hearing shall be held no later than three (3) days prior to the subsequent round.
- (d) At the conclusion of each round, the Powerchair Sports Victoria committee shall provide each Club with an update on the cumulative Yellow and Red Cards received by its players and coaching staff.
- (e) A player or member of a team's coaching staff serving a suspension shall be ineligible to play or coach in either Premiership or Championship matches during the suspension period.

#### 8. Player Classification

Classification shall not be a requirement for the Victorian Powerchair League. Player eligibility shall be determined on a common-sense basis, subject to adjudication by Powerchair Sports Victoria where necessary.

#### 9. Match Outcomes and Results

- (a) A team shall be awarded three (3) points for a win, one (1) point for a draw, and zero (0) points for a loss.
- (b) If two or more teams finish the season on equal points, positions shall be determined by applying the following criteria in order:
- i. greatest goal difference across all matches;
- ii. head-to-head results between tied teams;
- iii. greatest number of goals scored across all matches;
- iv. fewest goals conceded across all matches;
- v. fewest disciplinary points (Yellow Cards = 1 point, Red Cards = 3 points);
- vi. if still equal, a penalty shoot-out shall be conducted immediately following the final match of the season.

#### 10. Forfeits

- (a) A forfeit shall count as a loss, with the opposition team awarded three (3) points and a three (3) goals to nil (3–0) result.
- (b) If a team withdraws from the competition, all results involving that team shall be voided.
- (c) Where possible, forfeited matches may be rescheduled by agreement between both affected Clubs and the Victorian Board.

#### 11. Game Defaults

If a team cannot field at least two (2) players due to Red Cards or insufficient replacements, the match shall be abandoned. The opposing team shall be awarded three (3) points and either a three (3) goals to nil (3–0) result, or the current score of the match if it provides a greater goal differential.

#### 12. VPL Score Sheets

- (a) Team sheets shall list a minimum of two (2) players from a Club.
- (b) For Premiership matches, all players on a Club's Premiership registered list can be on the sheet.
- (c) For Championship matches, only eligible Championship players may be named.
- (d) Score sheets shall be completed prior to the commencement of a match and confirmed by each team's head coach and the Match Referee.
- (e) At the conclusion of a match, score sheets shall be checked by each team's head coach and signed by the Match Referee.
- (f) The Match Referee shall record a "Player of the Match" vote on the score sheet, which shall be used in determining the Most Valuable Player award in each division at the end of the season.

#### 13. Pre-Match Routine

- (a) Each team shall be provided a minimum of ten (10) minutes to warm up prior to kick-off, with teams allocated opposite halves of the court.
- (b) The coin toss shall be conducted at centre court prior to kick-off, with both captains present and the Match Officials presiding.

#### 14. Match Officials

- (a) Each match shall be officiated by a minimum of three (3) referees: one (1) Match Referee and two (2) Assistant Referees.
- (b) Referees shall be appointed by Powerchair Sports Victoria unless otherwise stated.

#### 15.

#### **Protest Procedures**

- 1. Each Team shall identify its Captain to the Match Referee prior to the commencement of the match. Only the identified Captain shall be recognised for the purposes of in-game protests.
- 2. The Team Captain shall be permitted to respectfully discuss and protest calls with the Match Referee at any time during the course of play.
- 3. The Head Coach shall be permitted to respectfully seek clarification from the Match Referee only at half-time or following the conclusion of the match.
- 4. All protests and discussions must be conducted in a respectful manner, and the authority of the Match Referee shall at all times be upheld.
- 5. Match Officials shall apply common sense in managing protests, recognising the high intensity and emotional nature of competition.
- 6. Persistent dissent, disrespectful conduct, or protests made by persons other than the Team Captain (during play) or Head Coach (at half-time or full-time) may be subject to disciplinary action under these Rules.
- 16. Complaints
- (a) Complaints concerning the administration of the Victorian Powerchair League, whether on-field or off-field, shall be directed to the Powerchair Sports Victoria committee.
- (b) Official complaints must be submitted in writing to the President or Secretary of Powerchair Sports Victoria.

# **Sports Venue Requirements**

#### **Dimensions**

The basic size of the field that the game will be played on is 30m long x 18m wide.

#### Markings

The field is marked with lines which belong to the areas of which they are the boundaries.

The two longer boundary lines are called touch lines. The two shorter lines are called goal lines.

The field is divided into two halves by a halfway line.

The centre mark is indicated at the midpoint of the halfway line. The mark may consist of a 15 cm (6 inch) "X" taped securely onto the floor with contrasting/non-damaging tape.

#### Goal Area

A goal area is marked at the centre of each end of the field, 8m wide and 5m deep.

# **Playing Area Markings**

#### Penalty Mark

A penalty mark is placed 3.5m from the goal line and equidistant from each goalpost to indicate the location of the ball during the taking of penalty kicks. The mark may consist of a 15cm "X" or line taped securely onto the floor with contrasting/non-damaging tape.

#### Goals

Goals must be placed on the centre of each goal line. The distance between the posts is 6m.

#### Goal Posts

The goal post must consist of

- A round vertical bar 5cm in diameter and a height not exceeding 200cm.
- The vertical bar is positioned in the centre of a flat base, no thicker than 1cm.
- The base can be either round or square.
- The base dimensions should be between 40cm and 50cm in width.
- Its weight should allow the post to move when a wheelchair hits the vertical bar, but should not be moved by the impact of the ball.
- A grip maybe used underneath the base, but this should not be larger than the base.

#### The Corner Arc

A triangle 1m from each corner is drawn inside the field of play.

#### Defensive Corner Mark

A mark shall be made one (1) meter inside each goalpost which designates the area in which defensive players must not sit inside during a corner. In alignment with the Laws of the Game, the Goalkeeper shall be allowed to sit outside of the goal line within the Corner Mark.

# Officials' Area

An area at least 1m wide is placed around the entire perimeter of the court which allows the safe movement of officials around the court during matches.

**Technical Areas and Benches** 

- 1. Access Restrictions
- (a) Only persons connected with a participating Club shall be permitted in the bench and technical area while a match is in progress.
- (b) Unauthorised persons are strictly prohibited from entering the technical area or bench.
- 2. Premiership Bench
- (a) Each Club shall be permitted a maximum of three (3) officials in the bench area, namely:
- i. Head Coach;
- ii. Assistant Coach; and
- iii. Team Medic.
- (b) Players from the Club's Premiership team who are not on the court may be present on the bench.
- (c) A Club may submit a written request to the Committee for approval of any additional bench personnel prior to gameday.
- 3. Championship Bench
- (a) The same provisions as for Premiership benches shall apply.
- (b) In addition, up to two (2) players from the Club's Premiership team may be present on the Championship bench to provide support.
- 4. Support Persons
- (a) Support persons actively caring for players (including parents, guardians, carers, or friends) shall not be permitted in the technical area while play is in progress.
- (b) Support persons may enter the bench area only at half-time or in the case of a medical emergency.

#### 5. Score Table

- (a) A score table shall be located within the technical area and shall accommodate a minimum of two (2) scorekeeping officials.
- (b) The score table shall be provided with access to an electronic or manual scoreboard and seating.
- (c) Scorekeeping officials shall be provided with official score sheets by Powerchair Sports Victoria, which shall be collected by a PSV official at the conclusion of each matchday.

#### 6. Bench Location

Where practicable, benches shall be situated on the sideline opposite the broadcast camera position.

#### 7. Conduct in Technical Areas

- (a) All persons in the technical area must remain within their designated space for the duration of the match, except where otherwise permitted by the Match Referee.
- (b) All persons in the technical area shall conduct themselves in a respectful and sportsmanlike manner at all times, in accordance with the PSV Code of Conduct.
- (c) Any breaches of conduct may be referred to the Committee for disciplinary action.

#### **Score Board**

For the benefit of spectators and coaches, a visual scoring system must be maintained. The score board must be visible at all times from the team technical area. For the benefit of the spectators the score board must include a game clock (unofficial).

#### Volunteers

Each registered club must provide a minimum of one (1) volunteer for every scheduled game day. The volunteer will assist with official duties including, but not limited to:

- Scoring and timekeeping
- Match administration support
- Assisting referees and officials with reasonable requests

If a club is unable to provide a volunteer on a given day, they should notify the Competition Committee in advance so that alternative arrangements can be made. Clubs are encouraged to rotate this responsibility among their members to ensure fair participation and smooth competition operations.

#### **Balls**

PSV will supply competition balls for any Victorian Powerchair League matches. The Match Referee and Head Coaches will choose the match ball.

# **Comparative Speed Testing**

- 1. Authority to Conduct Testing
- (a) A certified referee appointed by the Committee shall have the authority to conduct random comparative speed tests on powerchairs.
- 2. Timing of Tests
- (a) Speed tests may be conducted immediately following the conclusion of any match.
- (b) Selection of players for testing shall be at the referee's discretion and based on a common-sense assessment of whether a player's speed appears to exceed the allowable limit.
- 3. Speed Limit Compliance
- (a) The maximum permissible speed for any powerchair shall be ten (10) kilometers per hour.
- (b) If a player's powerchair is found to exceed this speed limit in a manner that is obvious and clear, the player shall be subject to disciplinary measures.
- 4. Disciplinary Measures
- (a) Any player whose powerchair is found to be in violation of the speed limit shall receive a red card and be suspended from the next match.
- (b) The result of the match in which the violation occurred shall be recorded as a forfeit, with a final score of three (3) goals to nil (0) in favor of the opposing team.

# **Hot Day Regulations**

- 1. Drink Breaks for High Temperatures
- (a) In the event that the indoor court temperature is measured between thirty-five (35) degrees Celsius and thirty-nine (39) degrees Celsius, a mandatory drinks break shall be instituted.
- (b) This drinks break shall occur at the halfway point of each half and shall last for two (2) minutes to ensure player safety and hydration.
- 2. Cancellation of Matches at Extreme Temperatures
- (a) If the indoor court temperature reaches or exceeds forty (40) degrees Celsius, all matches scheduled for that day shall be cancelled.
- (b) Cancelled matches shall be rescheduled by the Committee to a future date to ensure the safety of all participants.

### **Awards**

#### 1. Funding

All Premiership, Championship, Cup, and Special Awards shall be financed by Powerchair Sports Victoria (PSV).

- 2. Premiership Awards
- (a) League Most Valuable Player (MVP) awarded to the player judged the best across the season.
- (b) Players' MVP awarded based on votes by players.
- (c) Golden Guard awarded to the leading goal scorer.
- (d) Most Assists awarded to the player with the highest number of assists.
- (e) Rising Star awarded to the best emerging player in the Premiership.
- (f) League Trophy awarded to the Premiership-winning Club and to all players and coaches of that Club.
- 3. Championship Awards
- (a) League Most Valuable Player (MVP) awarded to the player judged the best across the season.
- (b) Players' MVP awarded based on votes by players.
- (c) Golden Guard awarded to the leading goal scorer.

- (d) Most Assists awarded to the player with the highest number of assists.
- (e) Rising Star awarded to the best emerging player in the Championship.
- (f) League Trophy awarded to the Championship-winning Club and to all players and coaches of that Club.

#### 4. Cup Awards

- (a) Team Cup awarded to the Premiership Cup winners and the Championship Cup winners.
- (b) Individual Medals awarded to all players and coaches of the winning Premiership Cup team and Championship Cup team.

#### 5. Other Awards

- (a) Spirit of PSV Award awarded to an individual who exemplifies the values and spirit of Powerchair Sports Victoria.
- (b) Volunteers Award awarded to a volunteer in recognition of outstanding contribution and service.

#### 6. Presentation of Awards

- (a) All Awards and Trophies shall be presented at the annual Powerchair Sports Victoria Presentation Night, to be held after the conclusion of the season.
- (b) In the event of a tie in any Award category, duplicate trophies shall be awarded.

# **Ending and Conclusion**

#### 1. Authority of Rules

These Rules constitute the official governing framework of the Victorian Powerchair League (VPL) and all associated competitions administered by Powerchair Sports Victoria (PSV). All Clubs, players, coaches, officials, and volunteers participating in PSV activities are bound by these Rules.

#### 2. Interpretation

- (a) Where ambiguity arises, the Committee of PSV shall have the authority to interpret these Rules in a manner consistent with the values and objectives of PSV.
- (b) Unless otherwise specified, the Committee's interpretation shall be final and binding.

#### 3. Amendments

- (a) These Rules may be amended, repealed, or replaced only by resolution of the PSV Committee or Board in accordance with the Constitution of PSV.
- (b) Amendments shall take effect from the date of adoption unless a later commencement date is specified.
- (c) All Clubs shall be notified in writing of any amendments within fourteen (14) days of adoption.

#### 4. Seasonal Review

- (a) At the conclusion of each season, the Committee shall conduct a review of these Rules in consultation with Clubs, players, referees, and volunteers.
- (b) Recommendations for improvement shall be considered prior to the commencement of the following season.

#### 5. Conclusion

- (a) The purpose of these Rules is to ensure fairness, safety, and integrity in all competitions under the governance of PSV.
- (b) The Victorian Powerchair League exists not only to provide structured competition but also to promote participation, inclusion, and community spirit within the sport.
- (c) The conclusion of each season, marked by the annual Presentation Night, shall serve as both a celebration of achievement and a reaffirmation of the values of Powerchair Sports Victoria.