

GLENELG BASEBALL CLUB

Uniform / Merchandise Policy

PURPOSE

This document/policy is in place to provide guidelines for GBC uniforms and numbering. The policy will ensure there is a clear and fair approach to allocating numbers, whilst outlining what constitutes the uniform across each grade.

UNIFORM/MERCHANDISE COMMITTEE

The uniform committee will be formed after the AGM, but before the season each year. This is to be chaired by either the President, Secretary or Senior Playing Operations Manager and is to include, at minimum, a current member of the Senior Team Division 1 squad, a women's player, appointed Equipment Manager and another board member. The composition of this committee should include at least one representative from each of the groups above.

GAME WEAR

All players at Glenelg Baseball Club must be registered with Baseball SA before taking the field and are expected to comply with uniform requirements set out in BSA by-laws and/or playing conditions.

OFF FIELD WEAR

The uniform/merchandise committee shall approve any changes or new club wear.

THE CLUB UNIFORM AS AT 2023/24

Division 1-2-3 Senior Competition + Women's Division 1.

PLAYING TOP	Black Playing Top for home games. Yellow Playing Top for away games
NUMBER	To be allocated by uniform committee
PANTS	White (with or without piping)
HAT	Black Gothic Yellow "G" hat
BELT	Black
SOCKS	Black or Black with Yellow

Special Event Playing Tops

Currently the only approved special event playing top is 'Ladies Day' top.

PLAYING TOP	Black Playing Top with pink trim, logo & numbers.
PANTS	White (with or without piping)
HAT	Black Gothic Pink peak & "G" hat

Any requests for special event tops must be submitted to Board of Management in writing.

Division 4 and lower + Women's Division 2 and lower.

- As per Division 1-2-3, except for away uniform is not mandatory. It is not necessary for lower grade uniforms to have numbers, and therefore can be purchased blank. Please see below re number allocations.

Junior Grades (u17, u15, u13, u11)

PLAYING TOP	Black Playing Top <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Name option available upon order○ No numbers
PANTS	Grey
HAT	Black Gothic "G" hat
BELT	Black
SOCKS	Black

PURCHASING A NEW PLAYING TOP AND OTHER ITEMS

- The playing top & senior pants is currently purchased online via a link available in our shop.
- These are currently not once off items and must be ordered in bulk. So, it is essential that orders are placed prior to the season when the club advertises.
- GBC hats can be purchased via our online store at any time.
- Pants, Socks, Belt can be purchased at baseball/sports store.

PLAYING NUMBERS

Numbers are to be allocated by the uniform committee.

Glenelg is a large club and that being the case we have substantially more players than numbers are readily available each season. Glenelg also has a large base of long serving players with established numbers.

In the event a new player wishes to order a playing top with a number they must first contact a member of the uniform committee to be allocated/approved of a number.

There is a current set of numbers which are *retired* or *semi-retired*, these include, but may not be limited to the following:

Number	1, 5, 11, 15 & 39
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Import approved number. In recognition of Dale Ziersch's contribution to the club, an approved import of the club will wear Dale's number for the season they are with the club.

Number	17
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In the event a father/son or mother/daughter is coming through to senior grades a number can be placed on hold upon request of the current holder, subject to the approval of the Uniform Committee and the Board of Management.

Current grouping of numbers is as follows:

Division/Competition	Numbers
Seniors Division 1-2-3	00 to 99
Seniors Division 4+	00 to 99
Women's League	00 to 99

Should a player wish to swap numbers they must advise the GBC uniform committee prior to doing so.

Expiry of a Number

If an existing player has not been a financial playing member of the Glenelg Baseball Club for 1 complete season, or has a transfer cleared to another club their playing number may be reallocated.

- Should either of the above occur a request for a temporary hold of a number can be submitted in writing to the uniform committee.
- Uniform committee will contact all expiring number holders, providing the opportunity to submit a request for temporary hold by 31st July. No response or non-registration for a further complete season (minimum 3 game casual pass) number will be returned to reallocation pool without any further follow-up.
- Reasons to be considered are long term injury, or work relocation restricting playing.

Returning Players

Players returning to play, whose number has expired as per 'Expiry of a Number' clause will be required to adhere to same rules as a new player acquiring a number for the first time.

Duplicate Numbers

The uniform committee will endeavour to avoid duplicate numbers.

Should numbers clash priority shall go to the player who has the longest tenure in that league/division. In that case the newer player should discuss alternatives with the uniform committee to come to a workable solution.

In the event a player transfers to Glenelg from another club or comes to the club brand new to the sport and is seeking a number already held by someone in the same playing group they will need to choose a new available number when ordering their uniform. This will remain subject to the confirmation of the uniform committee. As previously mentioned, the lower grade players can play in a blank top should they wish to.

Current Number Allocation

Senior's Division 1-3	Appendix 'A'
Senior's Division 4-7	Appendix 'A'
Women's League	Appendix 'B'

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1.0	10/1/2024	January 2024	Original Version
2.0	15/4/2024	April 2024	Expiry of Number