

# BLACKBURN VIKINGS



## WINTER SEASON 2026

### General EDJBA Information:

The EDJBA runs a “home and away” Saturday competition covering over 50 basketball stadiums in an area ranging from Collingwood through to Eltham and Park Orchards. Blackburn Vikings home matches are played at Slater Reserve, Mullum Mullum Stadium and Blackburn Primary School.

The Winter season will run in Term 2 and Term 3 2026.

### Winter 2026 Age Groups:

Under 09	2017 & Younger
Under 11	2015 & 2016
Under 13	2013 & 2014
Under 15	2011 & 2012
Under 17	2009 & 2010
Under 19	2008 & 2007
Under 21	2005 - 2006

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/vikingsbasketball>

Instagram: [@blackburn\\_vikes](https://www.instagram.com/blackburn_vikes)

Our website <https://www.blackburnvikings.com/>

## Season Dates:

The season will run from Saturday 2nd May to Saturday 12th September 2026 (inclusive of all finals).

Saturday 2nd May 2026	Round 1
Saturday 9th May 2026	Round 2
Saturday 16th May 2026	Round 3
Saturday 23rd May 2026	Round 4
Saturday 30th May 2026	Round 5
Saturday 6th June 2026	No Game - King's Birthday Weekend
Saturday 13th June 2026	Round 6
Saturday 20th June 2026	Round 7
Saturday 27th June 2026	Round 8
	School Holidays
Saturday 18th July 2026	Round 9
Saturday 25th July 2026	Round 10
Saturday 1st August 2026	Round 11
Saturday 8th August 2026	Round 12
Saturday 15th August 2026	Round 13
Saturday 22nd August 2026	Round 14
Saturday 29th August 2026	Semi Finals
Saturday 5th September 2026	Preliminary Finals
Saturday 12th September 2026	Grand Finals

## Fees:

### REGISTRATION FEES:

**BVBA fees: \$350.00\***

This includes:

- All games fees (grading, regular season and finals)
- Entry to all stadiums for all spectators
- Training costs (1 hour half court weekly session)

**A late fee of \$50 will apply to registrations from  
Thursday 12th March 2026**

**TEAMS WHO FORFEIT GAMES WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COVERING  
THE EDJBA FINE - THIS IS NOT COVERED IN THE REGISTRATION**

## Other Fees:

**Basketball Victoria Annual Participant Licence:** Each player will be charged an annual fee of \$34 (17 years and under) or \$48 (over 18 years) in addition to the Blackburn Vikings registration fees. PlayHQ automatically determines when payment of the licence is due. The licence expiry date can be checked in the profile section on PlayHQ. If your licence is due to expire during the upcoming season, you will be charged the \$32/\$46 at the time of registration so your licence remains valid throughout the season.

**Basketball Australia Game Development Levy:** Each player will be charged an annual fee of \$5.50 in addition to the Blackburn Vikings registration fees. PlayHQ automatically determines when payment of this levy is due. This Player Membership Fee is to support the growth and development of basketball at all levels of the game and to enhance opportunities for the sport.

**PlayHQ Service Fee:** A service fee to ensure PlayHQ can “continue to build features to make administrator roles easier and elevate the current participant experience”.

## How to Register:

- Players must be registered via PlayHQ.
- If you don't have a PlayHQ Account:

A parent/guardian will be required to set up a new PlayHQ Profile Account. After successfully doing so you will then be able to register your son/daughter as a family member/dependent and quickly complete registration. (\*\*It is important to note, that when registering you MUST first set up a PlayHQ account as a parent).

If a PlayHQ Profile Account has already been set up for registration to another basketball competition, then the same PlayHQ Profile Account should be used for this and all other registrations.

### IMPORTANT:

Please use an email that you will likely have long term (i.e. a personal one and not work or education). You will need this to log into your account in the future. You are also able to add an additional parent to each child's account if you wish.



## How to Register cont.:

- To create a PlayHQ account, go to <https://www.playhq.com/signup>  
Complete the form and press on the sign-up icon

Note: if you are ever searching for Blackburn Vikings, make sure you choose BLACKBURN VIKINGS BASKETBALL CLUB

- If you already have a PlayHQ Account, please ensure you use the same account to register this season. If you set up a new account, this will create a duplicate and mean your registration will be PENDING. You will then need to contact PlayHQ to merge the two accounts. If you have recently turned 18 and wish to have access to your own account. Please contact PlayHQ to change the contact email on your account rather than set up a new account and have to go through the merging process.
- Please note, we are unable to contact PlayHQ and make changes to your account on your behalf.



## Important Information - please read before registering:

- **Highest level requests:** If your child wishes to play at their highest level, please select this in the registration form. Please note, if you request highest level, you will not have the option to include any friendship requests. (Friendship requests are NOT considered when you select highest level). You will be placed with other players who have requested to play at their highest level.
- **Friendship requests:** Friendship requests must be reciprocated to be accommodated. To help with team selection, friendship requests will be limited to two friends. (Unless you have requested to enter a friendship team). You must ensure that the friend your child is requesting to play with falls into the same age group by checking dates of birth against the age group range (see above). This will avoid disappointment when the friendship request cannot be met. Coordinators will not follow up friendship requests that fall outside of their age groups.
- **Custom/Friendship team:** If your child wishes to play as part of a custom or friendship team, the team must have a minimum of 7 players and a coach (we will not enter teams of 6). Please ensure players fall into the same age group. All players need to include the details of the friendship team in their registration form and the coach will need to complete the Coach's EOI and list all players. All team members must also be available for training at the same time. If you don't have a full team, but have a group of players and a coach, please contact the appropriate age group coordinator as it may be possible to keep the group together and add some other players.

Please note, full friendship teams will be required to source their own fill-ins.

## Important Information - please read before registering:

- **Playing up an age group**: Our preference is for players to play in their correct age group however, specific requests to play up an age group to stay with friends will be at the discretion of the Age Group Coordinator, and is dependent on space being available in the age group. Please note, coordinators will **NOT** be following up friendship requests from different age groups. The request to play up an age group to stay with friends is on the individual and must be specified in the registration form with the reason included. If this is not specified, you will be placed in a team in your age group. Friendship teams where the majority of players are required to play up an age group will not be accommodated. We will allow a maximum of two players to play up an age group per team.
- **Training sessions** are held from 4pm Monday to Thursday for one hour. Please list at least two available training days. However, the more availability you have for training, the better chance we have to meet other requests, such as friendship requests as well as accommodating your training preferences.



## Important Information - please read before registering:

- **Game Day:** EDJBA games are played on Saturdays.

First possible game of the day: 8:30am

Last possible game of the day: 8:10pm

- **Game Day availability & requests:** The general expectation is that players are available all day. For example, all U9 & U11 age groups are expected to be available for most game times from 8:30am to 4:00pm. All U15s to U21s age groups are expected to be available for games from 5:40pm onwards. The EDJBA expect you will be fixtured late games (i.e. 7:20pm and 8:10pm) for less than 50% of your games in one season.
- **Special Requests:** Players who are required to play school sport or attend language school MUST advise this in the registration form. Please advise the time you are not available to play due to either of these commitments.

Please note, all requests are just that - requests - and are not guaranteed. BVBA is limited as to the number of requests we can submit to the EDJBA so only valid requests can be taken into account.

Please also note, requests may impact where players are placed and may mean other requests (friendship and/or training) cannot be accommodated.

Our volunteer coordinators do their best to place players on appropriate teams. However, the biggest influence on team placement is often the training and game day availability of the player. The higher the number of constraints or restrictions, the harder it is to place the player. Please keep requests to a minimum. It is also important to note that some requests are impossible to meet.

## Uniforms:

A new Blackburn Vikings domestic uniform will be introduced this Winter 2026 season.

Uniform fitting and purchase options will be communicated soon.



Please contact Marilyn at [uniforms@blackburnvikings.com](mailto:uniforms@blackburnvikings.com)