Schedule 3

Notice of Handicap Appeal Application

I, ……………………………………………………………………………….. .[insert name]

of……………………………………………………………………………..[insert address]

wish to lodge a request for Handicap Review in accordance with Rule 115 b of the VAL rules. I lodge this request because I believe my handicap is unfair because :

(Note that this explanation must clearly explain the complaint and the evidence to support your case).
(Specific events and handicaps must be nominated and the applicable evidence to support the complaint included).

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In lodging this request I acknowledge that:

I have been through the Handicap Review Process (Rule 115 b 1- 7)

If I have not been through the Handicap Review Process, I am exempt because the appeal relates only to Stawell Handicaps and I must apply directly to the Handicap Appeal Panel. (Rule 115 b 9).

An application to the Handicap Appeal Panel must be in writing on the prescribed form (Handicap Appeal Application, Schedule 3) and lodged with the VAL Sports Administrator within seven days of receiving the review application results (Rule 115 b 10) or within 14 days of the declaration of Stawell Handicaps. (Rule 115 b 1).

The Handicap Appeal Application must be accompanied with an application fee of $150, ($500 for Stawell Handicaps) which is non refundable unless the appeal is upheld whereby a refund of up to 50% may be granted. (Rule 115 b 11).

The Handicap Appeal Panel will be convened no later than 7 days after lodging the application unless exceptional circumstances exist whereby it will be convened no later than 14 days after application lodgement. (Rule 115 b 12).

If I wish to make written representations they must be lodged with the VAL Sports Administrator no later than 48 hours before the panel will convene. (Rule 115 b 16).

I will receive a written report prepared by the handicapper no later than 48 hours before the panel shall convene. (Rule 115 b 18).

I may have an advocate, however that advocate may not be a lawyer. (Rule 115 b 20).

I shall receive the results of the Appeal within 72 Hours. (Rule 115 b 24).

There is no further right of appeal in relation the handicaps presented. (Rule 115 b 27).

The findings of the Handicap Appeal Panel will be binding on all parties and no further right of appeal exists within VAL or to an external tribunal or any civil court of law (Rule 115 b 23).

I also acknowledge that my current handicap or any adjustment by the handicapper of steward shall stand until the contrary is determined by a Handicap Review or Handicap Appeal.

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Applicant's signature acknowledging the above Date

Send to the : Sports Administrator
Victorian Athletic League

By post Victorian Athletic League
Olympic Park,
Swan Street, Melbourne. 3004.

By fax 9427 9183