

EYRE PENINSULA ZONE



MORTLOCK SHIELD

RULES and BY LAWS

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MORTLOCK SHIELD RULES and BY LAWS

1. CARNIVAL

A carnival shall be held annually on Eyre Peninsula, the winning team to hold the MORTLOCK SHIELD.

2. ANNUAL CONFERENCE

An annual conference shall be held on the first Sunday of March each year unless otherwise notified in writing at least thirty days prior, when each league team desirous of participating in the forthcoming carnival shall be represented by two delegates, with one voting right, and an observer. The Regional Umpiring Manager may be an observer.

3. CARNIVAL CONFERENCE

The Presidents of each competing League are to meet in the Port Lincoln Football League Office after the final game on Saturday to discuss any issues that may arise.

4. QUORUMS

A quorum for the Carnival Conference shall consist of a bare majority of all teams participating in the carnival.

A quorum for the Annual Conference shall consist of at least four teams being represented, of the participating teams which include Eastern Eyre, Far West, Great Flinders, Kangaroo Island, Lincoln City, Lincoln Districts and Mid West.

5. ELIGIBILITY

All Leagues in the Eyre Peninsula Zone shall be eligible to compete.

All leagues other than the current competing leagues desirous of competing in the carnival must apply in writing to the Carnival Executive, prior to the first of October for consideration at the annual conference the following March.

6. PATRON

- (a) The Mortlock Shield Patron is an official of the Mortlock Shield.
- (b) This is a two year tenured position.
- (c) The public role of the Patron is to preside at ceremonial events such as official openings, awards presentations and similar events.
- (d) The Patron may provide advice and counsel on general directions or specific activities of the Mortlock Shield
- (e) The Patron does not have any responsibility for the management of the Mortlock Shield

7. THE MORTLOCK SHIELD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a) The Mortlock Shield Committee shall establish a sub-committee to conduct the carnival and shall:
 - (i) Be referred to as the Mortlock Shield Executive Committee.
 - (ii) Provide the carnival committee consisting of Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, the Eyre Peninsula Regional Director and the ability to coop additional members when required.
 - (iii) Provide the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer for all Mortlock Shield conferences.\
 - (iv) Seek member nominations for the Mortlock Shield Committee bi annually.

- (b) The Mortlock Shield Executive Committee shall:
- (i) Conduct and control the Mortlock Shield Carnival.
 - (ii) Submit, within two months of the carnival, an interim statement of profit and loss to each participating league.
 - (iii) Remit, to each participating league, together with the statement of interim profit and loss, its proportion of profit, if any.
 - (iv) In the event of a loss being incurred, levy and collect an equal share of such a loss from each team participating.
 - (v) Table an audited statement of profit and loss at the annual conference.
 - (vi) Submit minutes of the Annual and Carnival Conferences to all leagues within two months of each conference being held

8. DISBURSEMENTS

NET PROFIT – any profit to be disbursed as soon as possible after the carnival and, if necessary, an amount of at least \$1000 be held over for contingencies. Profit to be disbursed on the following breakdown:-

Far West	33%
Kangaroo Island	33%
Mid West	16%
Eastern Eyre	12%
Great Flinders	6%
Lincoln City	0%
Lincoln Districts	0%

Each of the Eyre Peninsula teams, namely: Eastern Eyre, Far West, Great Flinders, Lincoln City, Lincoln Districts and Mid West are to contribute \$600 from their share of the disbursement to the Eyre Peninsula Fund.

9. HONORARIUMS

- (a) Honorariums to the controlling body to be reviewed at the Annual Conference held in accordance with Clause 2 of these Rules.
- (b) The honoraria is:-
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| Chairperson | \$250 |
| Secretary | \$1000 |
| Treasurer | \$500 |
| Assistant Secretary | \$100 |

10. RULES

With the exception of the rules of these by laws, the carnival shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the S.A.N.F.L.Inc. Whose decision in the event of an appeal shall be final.

11. COMMISSIONERS

- (a) Three Commissioners shall be appointed for the hearing of any disputes which should arise during the carnival.
- (b) The Commissioners may, as they in their discretion think fit, censure, fine, suspend or disqualify any person or team found guilty of a charge.
- (c) The controlling body conducting the carnival shall appoint the three Commissioners referred to in sub-clause (a) hereof.

12. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

No player shall play for more than one team and he must be a bona-fide and qualified player for the league he represents.

13. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

(a) Qualifications

A person who shall have been named in the twenty-five players, and any player brought in to replace an injured player, registered with the controlling body at the commencement of the carnival, and/or shall have been specifically appointed by a participating league and shall have actively participated as an official, as defined below at a minimum of fifteen annual carnivals.

(b) Definitions

Officials are defined as below:-

- (i) A delegate, team manager, coach, trainer, runner or selector to the Mortlock Shield Carnival team from their participating league.
- (ii) A selector, coach, team manager, trainer and/or runner to the Eyre Peninsula Team as nominated by the Mortlock Shield Committee.
- (iii) A member of the Mortlock Shield Committee appointed to and actively participating in the management and/or conduct of the Mortlock Shield Carnival for a minimum period of ten years shall also be eligible for life membership nomination.

(c) Applications

- (i) Nominations for life membership must be tabled at the Carnival Conference.
- (ii) It will be the responsibility of the leagues that table nominations to research their qualification and present the qualifications for ratification at the Carnival Conference.
- (iii) Conferring of life membership shall be voted upon at the Annual Conference.
- (d) Presentations such life membership(s) conferred as in clause 12(c) (3) shall be presented during the Mortlock Shield Carnival.
- (e) The die for the life membership medallion shall be stored at A.J.Olsen, Lyons Parade, Forrestville, S.A.

14. CARNIVAL PROGRAMME

- (a) Saturday's matches and starting times shall be in accordance with the overall premiership table according to percentages and games results of the Monday games of the previous championship.
- (b) This format is also to be used to place teams in groups for the following year's program and competing leagues will be grouped as follows:

Pool A	Pool B
1 st	2 nd
3 rd	4 th
5 th	6 th
7 th	

- (c) The above format will remain unchanged although the scheduling of actual matches may change dependent on travel considerations.
- (d) The program will be:-

DAY ONE

Time	Team	Versus	Team
9.30 a.m	1 st	v	3 rd
10.30 a.m	4 th	v	6 th
11.30 a.m	7 th	v	3 rd
12.30 p.m	Opening Ceremony		
12.45 p.m	6 th	v	2 nd
1.45 p.m	1 st	v	5 th
2.45 p.m	2 nd	v	4 th
3.45 p.m	3 rd	v	1 st

All games are to be 2 x 20 minute halves.

DAY TWO

gpk Accountants and Business Consultants Shield Premier Finals

Time	Team	Versus	Team
9.00 a.m	Pool A 3 rd	v	Pool A 4 th
10.00 a.m	Pool A 4 th	v	Pool B 3 rd
11.00 a.m	Pool B 3 rd	v	Pool A 3 rd

Games are to be 2 x 20 minute halves.

Viterra Mortlock Shield Championship Finals

Time	Team	Versus	Team
12.00 p.m	Pool A 2 nd	v	Pool B 2 nd
2.00 p.m	Pool A 1 st	v	Pool B 1 st

Games are to be 4 x 20 minute quarters.

- (f) The halves for Saturday's games will be twenty minutes with no time on except in the circumstances stated in 1 (h) hereof.
- (g) Premier Division games will have twenty minute halves and the Championship Division games will have twenty minute quarters.
- (h) All matches shall be decided on the basis of two points for a win and percentage. If the scores are tied at the completion of full time on Saturday's game, the timekeepers will continue play until the next score is recorded. (no drawn games are allowed on Saturday)

15. TEAM COMPOSITION

- (a) Each League shall submit a squad of twenty five players whose names, together with distinguishing numbers shall be in the hands of the Secretary of the controlling body, no later than the Thursday evening prior to Saturday's matches, failure to do so shall incur a fine of \$1000.00, deducted from disbursements. The date of birth must be specified for any player under the age of twenty one (21). All twenty five players are eligible to compete in all scheduled games. Such money to be paid to the Eyre Peninsula Fund.
- (b) The manager of a team shall notify the controlling body of the final squad of twenty-five not less than one hour before that team's first match on Saturday.
- (c) In the event of a selected squad of twenty-five players being unduly reduced after Saturday's play by sickness or injury, the team so affected may apply to the Permit Committee for replacement, in accordance with By-Law 22 (a)

16. PLAYING TIME

- (a) (i) All qualifying matches on Saturday will be played in two halves of twenty minutes with time on. Time on will only be recorded when signalled by the field umpire or when a score is recorded.
- (a) (ii) The half time interval will be five minutes.
- (b) (i) All Premier Division finals matches will be played over two halves of twenty minutes with no time on.
- (b) (ii) The half time interval will be five minutes.
- (c) (i) Both Championship Division finals will be played over four quarters of twenty minutes with time on.
- (c) (ii) Quarter time will be five minutes, half time ten minutes and three quarter time five minutes
- (d) At the conclusion of time in the Championship Division finals, if the goal umpires concur that the game is a draw, extra time shall be played (2 x 5 minute periods). Captains will toss a coin to re-commence the game
- (e) In the event of a player being sent off under the blood rule or being taken from the ground on a stretcher time-on as indicated by the central umpire will be allowed in all Mortlock Shield games

Please note that a compulsory siren will sound no later than ten minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the upcoming match. Special circumstances can result in time being added due to significant injury at the discretion of the controlling body. All teams must be in position and ready to commence play at the scheduled time.

17. TROPHIES

The following trophies shall be awarded at the completion of the last game on Monday:

- (a) The Championship winning team will be awarded the Mortlock Championship Shield.
- (b) The losing team from the final should be declared the runner up in the carnival.
- (c) The best and fairest player over the two days will be awarded the Bampton Medal.
- (d) The best and fairest under twenty-one player over the two days will be awarded the Don McSweeney medal and trophy.
- (e) The leading goal kicker will be awarded the Laurie Martin trophy.
- (f) The runner-up best and fairest player over the two days will be awarded the Wes Crosby medal and trophy.
- (g) The Umpire of the Carnival will be awarded the Michael Hegarty Medal.
- (h) All trophies will be decided by officiating umpires votes being cast on a 5-4-3-2-1 basis.
- (i) The Premier Division winners are to be awarded the gpk Accountants and Business Consultants Shield

18. CARNIVAL UMPIRES

- (a) Annual carnival games shall be umpired using the dual umpire system.
- (b) Each team shall nominate one central umpire and one goal umpire.
- (c) The controlling body shall organise reserve goal and all boundary umpires for the carnival.
- (d) Umpire appointments will be made by a selection panel organised by the Regional Umpiring Manager(s)
- (e) All appointments made by the umpire's selection panel must be approved by a controlling body representative.
- (f) In the event of a league being unable to supply a field umpire, the next best available field umpire within the Eyre Peninsula Zone, as nominated by the Regional Umpiring Manager, will be the replacement.
- (g) The Mortlock Shield Committee shall annually call for nominations for the Mortlock Shield Umpire Award Panel and appoint a three person panel to select the Umpire of the Carnival.
- (h) The Umpire of the Carnival is to be the Eyre Peninsula Umpire at the State Country Championships.

19. BLOOD RULE

- (a) When in the opinion of a field umpire, a player has incurred bleeding which needs to be stopped, play will be halted and the player sent from the field for treatment. The game will recommence once the replacement player has taken his position on the field.
- (b) The player will be allowed back on the field once the bleeding has stopped. The field umpires have the power of discretion as to when a player should be sent from the field under this rule. Once the game has stopped and the bleeding player has been told to leave the field the replacement player may enter the field of play. Play shall not commence until the bleeding player has left the field of play and the replacement player has his position.
- (c) The bleeding player may leave the field by the shortest path to receive treatment, however the player may only return to the field of play through the interchange gate.

20. SEND OFF RULE

- (a) A send off rule applies in all Mortlock Shield games. At the field umpires discretion a player may be sent from the field for a duration of 10 minutes playing time and will be replaced.
- (b) This procedure will be indicated by the field umpire displaying a yellow card.
- (c) Time will be kept by the reserve umpire and the team runner will need to receive the all clear from the reserve umpire before the player will be allowed to resume play.
- (d) Players who are removed from play in this manner must exit and re enter play via the interchange gate.
- (e) A player who receives a yellow card may or may not be reported and notwithstanding the above, the order off rule (red card) applies as a law of the game.

21. TEAM OF THE CARNIVAL

- (a) A Team of the Carnival is to be announced and medallions distributed to those named.
- (b) This team is to be selected by a representative from each League and facilitated by the Eyre Peninsula Regional Director.
- (c) The selection group is to meet on the Saturday Morning, Evening and Half time of final match on Monday to select team.

22. PERMIT REQUESTS

- (a) In the case of injury and a new player is required to be added to the team list, Leagues are to submit a letter to the Zone Director/Permit Committee in the Port Lincoln Football League Office by 1.00 p.m on the Sunday of the carnival. The Replacement player must be an Under 21 player, and be approved by the Permit Committee prior to being included.
- (b) Three members of the Mortlock Shield Committee are to make up the Mortlock Shield Permit Committee with the Eyre Peninsula Regional Director, the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary to be used in the first instance. Replacement members if required to be arranged by the Regional Director