



PS4
NATIONAL
PREMIER LEAGUES
QUEENSLAND



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2018 INFORMATION PACK

PLAYSTATION 4 NATIONAL PREMIER LEAGUES

This document provides information regarding the past, present and future status of the PlayStation 4 National Premier Leagues Queensland to assist clubs during the 2018 licence application period.

BACKGROUND

Announced in 2012 as a direct outcome of Football Federation Australia's National Competition Review, the National Premier Leagues were introduced in 2013 as a new nationwide second tier designed to drive the development of state-based clubs.

Composed of junior, youth and senior competitions, the National Premier Leagues operate in each Member Federation under a single national banner.

PlayStation 4 has held the position of naming rights sponsor since 2014 and will continue until at least the end of the 2017 National Premier Leagues Finals Series.

STRATEGIC PURPOSE

The primary objective of the National Premier Leagues is to raise the standards of football in Australia both on and off the pitch.

Improvements in player development, administration, facilities and the financial and commercial position of clubs are high among the key outcomes.

Consistency across the top leagues of each Member Federation supports these aims and helps to recognise the role that State League clubs play in developing talent and advancing the sport. In Queensland, the National Premier Leagues unites the football community towards these goals.

NATIONAL COMPOSITION

Eight of Football Federation Australia's nine Member Federations manage their local National Premier Leagues division. Each state-based division is supported by a junior development model consisting of several age groups.

This provides an essential element of the elite player pathway in identifying and preparing talented youth for National Youth Championships and National Training Centre squads, Hyundai A-League club academies and youth international selection.

At senior level, the National Premier Leagues act as Australia's national second tier underpinning the Hyundai A-League.

The premiers of each Member Federation's competition additionally compete in an end-of-season Finals Series to determine the PlayStation 4 National Premier Leagues Champions of Australia.



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STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Expanding the National Premier Leagues in Queensland and introducing a dynamic new element in promotion and relegation is a further realisation of the competition's original strategic purpose.

These bold moves are motivated by a desire to increase the competition's commercial potential within Queensland, incentivise clubs to improve their professionalism, broaden the development pathways to identify more elite young players and provide a stronger platform for greater government support.

PRESENT

At present, a total of 12 clubs compete across PlayStation 4 National Premier Leagues Queensland's junior, youth and senior age groups. The Skill Acquisition Program offers opportunities for players aged U10/11 to progress through to the senior level of PS4 NPL.

FUTURE

The PS4NPL review and application process for licences commencing 2018 will see the NPL Women's licence uncoupled from the NPL licence. It will also see the Skill Acquisition Program (SAP) licence introduced as a stand alone licence from the NPL and provide the option for either a Male and/or Female licence. Applicants can apply for 1 licence alone or 1 licence from each category (PS4NPL Mens, SAP Male or SAP Female). The period for each licence is 5 years, commencing in 2018.

The model would see Queensland expand the competition to a 14-team National Premier Leagues Queensland competition with the introduction of a second-tier 14-team Queensland Premier League featuring promotion and relegation between the primary and secondary divisions.

NPL PROMOTION / RELEGATION MODEL



The Skill Acquisition Program will offer an expansion of age groups to U9, U10, U11 and U12 and participation in the Queensland Junior Premier League. More details on these changes can be found in the Skill Acquisition Program information pack.

TEAM COMPOSITION

Both PlayStation 4 National Premier Leagues Queensland and Queensland Premier League licensees must have the following team compositions: Senior Mens, Under 20, Under 18, Under 16, Under 15, Under 14 and Under 13.

Subject to a successful application, FNQFC Heat and NQ Fury, are exempt from this provision until the commencement of the 2020 season.

FINANCE

Football Queensland will invoice the Applicant for:

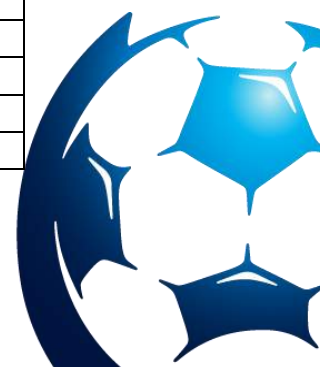
- Licence Fee will be NIL for 2018 but will be subject to annual review by the Football Queensland Board. Any licence for subsequent years of the licence period will be set to assist to defray the costs of administration of the relevant League in which the licence holder is participating; but in any event it will be no greater than \$10,000 per licence in any one year.
- Travel contribution capped at \$10,000 per SEQ licence and \$20,000 per Regional licence
- Player Registration and Competition Fees
- Match Officials (see 2017 fee schedule as an indicative advise only)
- Contribution to Videographer costs – currently \$110 per game and will be reviewed annually.

These accounts are to be paid within 14 days.

Effective as at 1st January 2018, Football Queensland will not be providing the Technical Director funding Subsidy.

The 2017 Match Official fees are listed below:

Competition	Referee	Assistant	Assistant	4 th Official	TOTAL
Male					
Senior	190.00	95.00	95.00	95.00	\$475.00
Youth	106.00	53.00	53.00	N/A	\$212.00
U18	80.00	40.00	40.00	N/A	\$160.00
U16	58.00	29.00	29.00	N/A	\$116.00
U15	53.00	26.50	26.50	N/A	\$106.00
U14	47.50	23.75	23.75	N/A	\$95.00
U13	42.50	21.25	21.25	N/A	\$85.00
U12	37.00	18.50	18.50	N/A	\$74.00
Female					
Women	106.00	53.00	53.00	N/A	\$212.00
U17	80.00	40.00	40.00	N/A	\$160.00
U15	53.00	26.50	26.50	N/A	\$106.00
U13	42.50	21.25	21.25	N/A	\$85.00



KEY DATES

Should your club be interested in expressing an interest in participating in the league, please see key dates below:

- **12th December 2016** Expression of Interest open
- **31st January 2017** Expressions of Interest close
- **1st February 2017** Applications are sent to those who lodged an Expression of Interest
- **28th February 2017** Applications close
- **1st March 2017** Football Queensland to begin assessing the applications
- **28th April 2017** Football Queensland to notify successful applicants
- **5th May 2017** Football Queensland to make an official announcement of successful applicants

An Expression of Interest Form must be completed by the club/entity and forwarded to NPLlicencing@footballqueensland.com.au by the due date.





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