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1. FFNC Constitution
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 5. Forms for various competitions
 6. Applications for exemptions and special approval
 7. FFA Statutes and Regulations
 8. 2019 Referees Fees and Levies Schedule
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The publication of competition regulations and FIFA Laws of the Game and relevant Statutes and Regulations in a range of accessible mediums, is considered an adequate means of providing necessary information to all participants and member clubs. The electronic publication of this information on the FFNC website will be considered as the current version should any disparity be found in hard copy publications.

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Aldi MiniRoos players love their Football

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is again my pleasure to be in a position to advise Members that Football has maintained its position as the most popular team participation sport in Australia. Player participation numbers in 2018 surpassed an important benchmark of 7000 players. Football has a reach beyond the game itself and makes an important contribution to the community, through the connection and purpose of belonging to a positive sporting and social identity.

The Board of Directors and FFNC management applaud the efforts of volunteers within each of the 24 Member Clubs to create a safe and welcoming environment for all individuals and thereby to encouraging people to play football. The contribution of match officials is also acknowledged and Football Far North Coast continues to urge a collective effort to support the recruitment and retention of match officials.

Football Far North Coast has again delivered a modest surplus from activities in the last year and we note the importance of sustaining a sound financial position as a relevant factor in sustaining activity and investment in the future of the game. I highlight the role that Northern NSW Football has in driving initiatives aimed at delivering enhanced outcomes for all stakeholders. Northern NSW Football CEO David Eland is to be congratulated for his professional leadership on facilitating numerous matters on behalf of community football.

The Board continues to adhere to its primary functions of Governance and Strategic Direction to underpin the operational responsibilities of management that support member clubs and other key stakeholders. Football Far North Coast continues to evolve strategies and processes that are professional and intended to be increasingly more efficient and effective.

On behalf of the Football Far North Coast Board of Directors, I take this opportunity to thank the Football Far North Coast staff, Steve, Luke and Julie for their efforts. I wish to express our sincere thanks to valued sponsors, most notably Newcastle Permanent Building Society, loyal partners Tursa Employment and Training, Lismore Workers Club and a range of business partners. Thanks also to each and every supporter who makes a significant contribution to our game.

In conclusion, I wish everyone a rewarding 2019 season in whatever role that you may have. May we look forward to enjoying football even more as we celebrate being part of this wonderful game when the Matildas participate at the World Cup in June.



Bill Coulter
Zone President
Football Far North Coast



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RESULTS

HOME club to submit results for weekend games online by 11pm each Sunday (but at latest before 8am each Monday). Results are locked and published to the website each Monday morning preventing clubs to enter or change results online.

(A penalty of \$30 per result not entered may apply)

Results from mid-week games to be entered online by HOME club before 8am on the next working day after the completion of match

MATCH SHEETS

If original match sheets are not received at the FFNC office (by mail/delivery) by 1pm each Wednesday or within 48 hours of the completion of the match, a initial submission of match sheets must be made electronically to the FFNC office by 1pm each Wednesday following all weekend matches.

ORIGINAL match sheets are to be submitted within 10 working days regardless of any electronic copies that have been lodged.

A penalty of \$30 per set of match sheets will be imposed on the HOME club responsible for match sheets not received (ie either electronic copy or originals) within the specified timelines.

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GLASS BOTTLES ARE BANNED ON ALL SPORTING FIELDS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HIRER OF THE GROUND TO MONITOR & ENFORCE THIS RULE, SMOKING AT SPORTING FIELDS IS RESTRICTED ACCORDING TO NSW STATE GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS.

WET WEATHER PROCEDURE

It is assumed that fields are OPEN unless notification is specifically given by club, council, FFNC or Referee that they have been closed. Play should not proceed if lightning exists in the immediate vicinity of the ground. The Referee has the primary authority in such instances to make this judgement.

Fields CLOSED cannot be re-opened on the same day without express approval of FFNC. This includes postponing junior fixtures in preference to senior fixtures.

Fixtures CANNOT be moved to another location (or field) without specific approval from FFNC.

PROCEDURE FOR NOTIFICATION OF FIELD CLOSURE

MONDAY TO THURSDAY

- **BEFORE 1.00pm** (for fixtures scheduled for that day)
Clubs MUST phone **0434 856 992** or email operations@ffnc.net.au
if home ground is closed

FRIDAY

- **BEFORE 1.00pm** (for Friday night and weekend fixtures)
Clubs MUST phone **0434 856 992** or email operations@ffnc.net.au
if home ground is closed
Football Far North Coast will advise all visiting teams, match officials and the media, as well as updating the information on our website at www.footballfarnorthcoast.com.au (where possible).
- **AFTER 1.00pm FRIDAY** (for FRIDAY night)
- **AFTER 1.00pm** – (for mid-week fixtures to be played that night)
If the HOME club (or controlling Body such as local council) ground is deemed unsuitable for play after 1.00pm, the home club will be required to contact the following parties to advise that fields/grounds are closed:
 1. ALL visiting (opposition) clubs **immediately by telephone**.
Refer to this publication under "Affiliated Clubs" for contact details.
 2. Contact the FFNC Referees mobile 0434 856 992.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

If the home club's ground is deemed unsuitable for play after 1.00pm FRIDAY, the home club will be responsible for advice to all opposition teams and to the FFNC Referees mobile

FITNESS OF GROUNDS

Refer "Fitness of Grounds" (Competition Regulations and Procedures (9) (e).

We do NOT need to know if a field is doubtful, **ONLY** when it is closed.

LIABILITY FOR PAYMENT TO MATCH OFFICIALS

The HOME club will be liable for the FULL cost of appointed match officials if insufficient notification of a postponement is given. FFNC will issue an invoice in such circumstances.

NEUTRAL VENUES

Where a fixture is scheduled at a neutral venue (ie Neither team is at its own HOME venue) the host club shall contact the FFNC Referees mobile on 0434 856 992. Clubs affected will be advised of ground closure by FFNC.

Venues and Field Name Abbreviations

Bang	Bangalow Sports fields	Potts	Koala Beach fields, Pottsville
BB	Byron Bay Recreation fields	Rec 3	Blair Oval, Lismore
Burr	Burringbar Sports fields	Rec 12	Richards Oval, Lismore
Cas	Colley Park, Casino	R'view	Riverview Pk, South Lismore
CP	Crawford Park, Alstonville	Sk Hd	Skennars Head
Croz	Crozier Field, Lismore	Shores	NBO New Brighton Oval
Dun	Balzer Park, Dunoon		NOS North Ocean Shores
E1 to E6	Neilson Park, East Lismore	SL	Caniaba Street, South Lismore
Eur	Eureka Sports Ground	SP	Beech Drive, Suffolk Park
Ewing	Ewingsdale Rd, Byron Bay	Stars	Barrow Lane, North Lismore
GW1 to GW6	Geoff Watt Oval, A'ville	S1 to S7	Saunders Oval, Ballina
JSF	Jeff Schneider Field Bangalow	SCU	Southern Cross University
KyH	Kyogle High School	T1 to T3	Thistles Park, East Lismore
Mull	Pine Ave. Mullumbimby	TEB	Power Drive, Cumbalum
NH	Nimbin Headers Field, Nimbin	T'gum	Bawden St, Tumbulgum
Oakes	Oakes Oval, Lismore	Uki	Kyogle Road Uki
		W'burn	Woodburn Oval, Woodburn
		WP1 to WP3	Weston Park, Goonellabah

CLUBS HOME GROUND LOCATIONS

ALSTONVILLE FC – Crawford Park, Freeborn Place & Geoff Watt Oval, Deegan Drive, Alstonville

BALLINA SOCCER CLUB - Saunders Oval, Tamar Street, Ballina

BANGALOW SOCCER CLUB . - Bangalow Sports Ground, Bangalow Road, Bangalow
Jeff Schneider Field Bangalow

BYRON BAY FOOTBALL CLUB - Byron Rec Grounds, Cnr. Carlyle and Cowper St, Byron Bay

CASINO RSM COBRAS FC - Colley Park, Cnr Farley and West St, Casino

DUNOON - Balzer Park, Cowley Road, Dunoon

EUREKA - Eureka Rd., Eureka (Eureka Public School Grounds)

GOONELLABAH FC - Weston Park, Reserve St. (off Rous Rd) Goonellabah

ITALO STARS FC - Barrow Lane, North Lismore (adjacent to Italo Club)

KYOGLE FC - High School ground, Kyogle

LENNOX HEAD FC – Skennars Head Road, Skennars Head.

LISMORE RICHMOND ROVERS FC – Walker & Neilson Sts., East Lismore

LISMORE THISTLES SOCCER CLUB – Thistles Park, Military Road, East Lismore

LISMORE WORKERS FOOTBALL CLUB - Richards Oval (Rec12), Brewster Street, Lismore

MULLUMBIMBY BRUNSWICK VALLEY FC - Pine Avenue, Mullumbimby

NIMBIN HEADERS - Cecil Street, Nimbin

POTTSVILLE BEACH FOOTBALL CLUB - Koala Beach fields, Tom Merchant Drive, Pottsville

SHORES UNITED SOCCER CLUB - New Brighton Oval, Park Street, New Brighton (JUNIOR fields)
Shara Boulevard, North Ocean Shores (SENIOR field)

SOUTH LISMORE CELTIC FC - Nesbitt Park, Caniaba Street, South Lismore

SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY – SCU Football Centre Crawford Road East Lismore

SUFFOLK PARK PHOENIX FC – Suffolk Park Field, Beech Drive, Suffolk Park

TINTENBAR EAST BALLINA FC - Cumbalum Fields, Power Drive, Cumbalum

TUMBULGUM RANGERS SPORTS CLUB - Bawden Street, Tumbulgum

UKI PYTHONS SC - Vic Bianchetti Sports Ground, Kyogle Road, Uki

WOODBURN WOLVES FC - Wagner Street, Woodburn



TV celebrity Beau Ryan was a surprise guest to watch some mates play in the Eureka FC v Goonellabah men's division 5 game



Female players in action in Tursa Summer Youth League



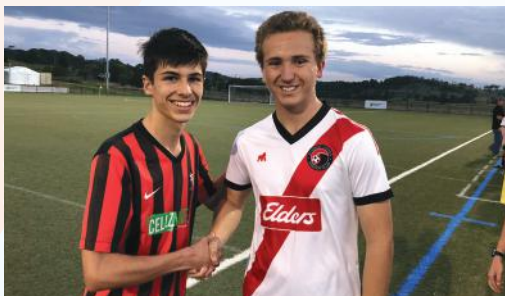
Ballina SC club president Gary Bond was awarded Volunteer of the Month in June 2018



Woodburn Wolves players on the bench waiting their turn during a Grade 12 grand final



Former Socceroo captain Craig Foster with junior players at Liverpool International Academy Lismore



The game is about respect and fair competition for all



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Lismore Richmond Rovers FC Founder Bill Harris



Casino and Ballina contested during the 2018 women's division 2 grand final



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2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tursa Employment and Training ANZAC CUP:

Men's and Mixed Gender Grade 16 Round Robin pre-season competitions, to be played on Friday nights or Sundays pre-season.

Finals to be played at CENTRAL location on a dedicated ANZAC Cup weekend (unless otherwise advised).

Tursa Employment and Training CALLAN McMILLAN MEMORIAL SHIELD:

Women's Round Robin pre-season competition to be played on Friday nights or Sundays.

Finals to be played at CENTRAL location on a dedicated ANZAC Cup weekend (unless otherwise advised).

SENIOR DIVISIONS:

All Senior Men's Divisions begin on weekend of 29/30/31 March

JUNIOR POINTSCORE COMPETITIONS:

Junior competitions (ie selective Grade 12 to 16 competitions) will begin from on weekend of 29/30/31 March or otherwise from 3rd May (TBA)

MINIROOS:

Grade 6 to 11 commence on 4th May.

F.F.N.C. Senior AWARDS night:

31st August

Lismore Workers Club, Keen Street, Lismore



Junior Grand FinalSeries: *

6th, 7th, 8th September

Senior Grand FinalSeries: *

from 13th September

* Subject to competition schedule and availability of venues

MINIROOS CARNIVALS have been confirmed for 2019 as follows;

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|----|----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. | Casino RSM Cobras FC | 19th May |
| 2. | Italo Stars FC | 2nd June |
| 3. | Lismore Thistles SC | 16th June |
| 4. | Ballina SC | 23rd June |
| 5. | Byron Bay FC | 30th June * GIRLS Gala Day |
| 6. | Goonellabah FC | 28th July |
| 7. | Alstonville FC | 4th August |

2018 AWARD WINNERS

	<u>Pointscore</u> <u>Champions</u>	<u>Grand Final</u> <u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>
Grade 12 Div. 1	TEBFC	Alstonville	Goonellabah
Grade 12 Div. 2	Dunoon United	Dunoon United	Woodburn
Grade 12 Div. 2 North	Bangalow	Bangalow	Eureka
Grade 12 Div. 3	South Lismore	South Lismore	Woodburn
12 Grade Girls	Ballina	Lennox Head FC	Ballina
Grade 13 Div. 1	Lennox Head Makos	Byron Bay	Lennox Head
Grade 13 Div. 2	Goonellabah	Goonellabah	Dunoon United
Grade 13 Div. 2 North	MBVFC	Lennox Head	MBVFC
Grade 14 Div. 1	Alstonville	Eureka	Ballina
Grade 14 Div. 2	Goonellabah	Goonellabah	Lennox Head
14 Grade Girls	Bangalow	Lennox Head	Bangalow
Grade 15 Div. 1	Alstonville Taipans	Alstonville Taipans	Shores United
Grade 15 Div. 2	Byron Bay	Byron Bay	South Lismore Celtic
Grade 16 Div. 1	Alstonville	Alstonville	TEBFC
Grade 16 Div. 2	Bangalow	South Lismore	Bangalow
16 Grade Girls	Bangalow	Bangalow	Alstonville
Women Div. 5	Uki Pythons	Uki Pythons	Ballina
Women Div. 4	Ballina	Casino RSM Cobras	Ballina
Women Div. 3	Lismore Workers	Byron Bay	Italo Stars
Women Div. 2	Goonellabah	Lismore Richmond Rovers	Casino RSM Cobras
Women's Premier	Lismore Thistles	Lismore Thistles	Byron Bay
Mens Div. 7	Lennox Head	Lennox Head	Lismore Richmond Rovers
Mens Div. 6	Lismore Richmond Rovers	Lismore Richmond Rovers	Shores United
Mens Div. 5	Casino RSM Cobras	Casino RSM Cobras	Eureka
Mens Div. 4	Eureka	Dunoon United	Eureka
Mens Div. 3	MBVFC	MBVFC	Shores United
Mens Div. 2	Lennox Head	Joint: Lennox Head & Uki	
Mens Div. 1	Ballina	Shores United	Ballina
Premier Reserves	Lismore Richmond Rovers	Lismore Thistles	Lismore Richmond Rovers
Premier Division	Lismore Richmond Rovers	Byron Bay	Lismore Richmond Rovers

2018 AWARD WINNERS

ANZAC CUP

Premier Division -	Lismore Thistles SC
Open A -	Ballina SC
Open B -	MBVFC
Grade 16 -	Alstonville FC

CALLAN McMILLAN

A Division -	Lismore Thistles SC
B Division -	Casino FC

Summer Youth League Male: Byron Bay FC

Summer Youth League Female: Alstonville FC

Club Championship: Alstonville FC

Men's Premier Player of the Year: Jonathon See - Lismore Richmond Rover FC

Women's Premier Player of the Year: Keea Parrish – Lismore Thistles SC

Men's Premier Coach of the Year: Cameron Hyde– South Lismore FC

Women's Premier Coach of the Year: Paul Albertini – Lismore Thistles SC

Terry Greedy Medalist: Jonathon Pierce – Byron Bay FC

Lisa Casagrande Medalist: Madison Fiedler – Lismore Thistles SC

Golden Boot – Men's Premier Div: Jonathon See - Byron Bay FC 18 goals

Golden Boot - Men's Open Div: Harrison Langford – Lennox Head FC (Div 7) 28 goals

Golden Boot – Women's Premier Div: Stephanie Foreman - MBVFC 10 goals

Golden Boot – Women's Open: Joyce DeWit - Ballina SC (Div 4) 29 goals

Birmingham Dedication to Football Award: Brian Breckenridge - Tumbulgum Rangers SC

2018 MATCH OFFICIAL AWARD WINNERS

FFNC Referee of the Year (*Glen Gibbs Trophy*): Anthony Smith

FFNC Female Referee of the Year (*Tanya DeBoer Trophy*): Maddison Smith

Rookie of the Year (*Corey New Memorial Trophy*): Andrew Wicks

Assistant Referee of the Year: Samuel McCalmun

Most Improved Junior Referee (*Allistair Watts Trophy*): Jacob Ross

Most Improved Senior Referee (*Bob Beaumont Memorial Trophy*): Jack Sullivan

Most Consistent Referee (*Joe Pisani Trophy*): Mathew Edmonds

Commitment to Refereeing: Graham Rosolen

Referee's Referee (*Deen Mohammed Trophy*): Ron Honeybun

FFNC WOMEN'S PREMIER

TEAM OF THE YEAR 2018

Karoline Verrall	Lennox Head FC
Breanna Gatt	Lismore Thistles SC
Thaya Everden	Lennox Head FC
Brooke Sheehan	Lennox Head FC
Britney Webster	Alstonville FC
Zoe Corbett	Byron Bay FC
Elsa Mangan	Lismore Thistles SC
Caitlen Moss	Lismore Thistles SC
Lisa Bolt	Byron Bay FC
Keea Parrish	Lismore Thistles SC
Stephanie Foreman	MBVFC

FFNC MEN'S PREMIER

TEAM OF THE YEAR 2018

Chris Jones	Lismore Rovers FC
James Tomlinson	Byron Bay FC
Gabe Vidler	Alstonville FC
Shayne Smith	Lismore Richmond Rovers FC
Patrick Kable	South Lismore FC
Tom Pitman	Goonellabah FC
Kurt Walker	Lismore Richmond Rovers FC
Oscar Stahl	Lismore Thistles SC
Bob Mullenburg	South Lismore FC
Jonathon Pierce	Byron Bay FC
Jonathon See	Lismore Richmond Rovers FC

TERRY GREEDY MEDALIST WINNERS

PLAYER OF THE MATCH – MEN'S PREMIER DIVISION GRAND FINAL

2018; Jonathon Pierce (Byron Bay FC)
 2017; Joel Wood (Byron Bay FC)
 2016; Rory Devlin (Bangalow SC)
 2015; Russell Dent (Lismore Richmond Rovers FC)
 2014; Jonathon See (Lismore Richmond Rovers FC)
 2013; Sebastian Bell (Byron Bay FC)
 2012; Kurt Walker (Lismore Workers FC)
 2011; Carl Hopper (Goonellabah FC)

LISA CASAGRANDE MEDALIST WINNERS

PLAYER OF THE MATCH – WOMEN'S PREMIER DIVISION GRAND FINAL

2018; Madison Fiedler (Lismore Thistles SC)
 2017; Keea Parrish (Lismore Thistles SC)
 2016; Hollie Jarrett (Bangalow SC)
 2015; Jade Banchetti (Bangalow SC)
 2014; Hollie Jarrett (Bangalow SC)
 2013; Jade Bianchetti (Bangalow SC)
 2012; Ellie Fryer (Alstonville FC)
 2011; Tenielle Shaw (Bangalow SC)

NEWCASTLE PERMANENT COMMUNITY AWARDS 2018

VOLUNTEER

• March	Sharon SCRIVEN	Mullumbimby Brunswick Valley FC
• April	Nathan SCULLY	Casino RSM Cobras FC
• May	Kevin KEHOE	Eureka FC
• June	Gary BOND	Ballina SC
• July	Greg JENKINS	Lismore Richmond Rovers FC
• August	Jasmine RIDDLE	Pottsville Beach FC

COACH

• March	Andy BROWN	Alstonville FC
• April	Paul ALBERTINI	Lismore Thistles SC
• May	Dee BLEACH	Shores United SC
• June	Derryn NIX	Kyogle FC
• July	Graham ARMSTRONG	Goonellabah FC
• August	Ken MCPHERSON	Italo Stars FC

Derryn Nix was also named Northern NSW Football Community COACH of the Year

REFEREE

• March	Mick LUCAS
• April	Kiara JOBSON
• May	Joshua and Jackson YATES (Joint award)
• June	Isaac PEACHEY
• July	Graham ROSOLEN
• August	John BAKER

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MiniRoos (Gala Days) Regulations

These regulations are to be adopted for all Gala Days sanctioned by Football Far North Coast.

All teams participating are bound by the Competition Regulations of The Zone, which includes MINIROOS (Grade 6 to 11). Host Clubs are required to adhere to these regulations except where written approval has been received from FFNC to amend any item.

- **REMEMBER, THE GAME IS FOR ALL CHILDREN TO ENJOY.**
- **There shall be no POOL or OVERALL winners declared and no points awarded.**
- **Carnivals are primarily for the purpose of fun and participation.**
- **Medallions or Certificates can be presented if made to all participants.**

Players participating must be currently registered with the Club and age appropriate grade for which they are playing with at the carnival. and not over the age limit for the age division in which they are playing unless specifically approved by FFNC.

Nominations may only be accepted from Club teams (no representative or composite teams).

Clubs nominating more than one (1) team in any age group must also include the distinct team name on nomination.

In the event of excess nominations being received for any age group, a ballot will determine the participating teams.

Teams eliminated by ballot will have their nomination fee refunded. Teams withdrawing after the draw has been completed will forfeit their nomination fee.

A listing all players per team must be handed in at the recording table before the first game.

Number of players per team on the field shall be as follows, plus three (3) interchange players for Grade 6 and 7, and five (5) interchange players for Grade 8, 9, 10 and 11;

Grade 6 and 7 = 4

Grade 8 and 9 = 7

Grade 10 and 11 = 9

Each team is to provide a regulation Match ball. (6-9 Size 3) (10-11 Size 4)

All matches will consist of 10 minute halves, with no half time break.

NO protest will be entered into based only on results or how the draw was constructed.

All queries must be taken directly to the Carnival Organiser whose decision will be final. Issues of serious misconduct are to be directed in writing to The Zone.

No other Club or person may conduct any fundraising during the carnival other than the host Club.



National Playing Formats and Rules

ALDI MiniRoos Club Football

UNDER 6 & 7

Playing Formats

The table below summarises the national playing formats for boys and girls aged Under 6 & 7:

The number of players	4-a-side with <u>no</u> goalkeeper Maximum of three substitutes
The field of play	30m x 20m
Goal size	2m wide x 1m high
Ball size	Size 3
Duration of the game	20 min halves Minimum 5 min half-time break
Penalty area	No penalty area required

Goal type

It is preferable that pop-up style portable goals are used where possible however, the use of poles or markers as goals is also suitable.

To comply with Australian Safety Standards, portable goals must be anchored securely to the ground. The use of sandbags or pegs is recommended when using pop-up style portable goals.

For more information on Australian Safety Standards please visit the Product Safety Australia website: www.productsafety.gov.au.

Goalkeeper

There are no goalkeepers in ALDI MiniRoos Under 6 & 7.

It is the responsibility of the Game Leader to discourage children from permanently standing in front of the goal.

Ball crossing the touch line

There is no throw in.

A player from the opposing team to the player that touched the ball last before crossing the touch line will place the ball on the touch line and pass or dribble the ball into play. Opponents must be at least 5m away from the ball until it is in play. The ball must touch a team mate before a goal can be scored.

Ball crossing the goal line

There is no corner kick.

Regardless of which team touched the ball last, a player from the team whose goal line the ball has crossed will place the ball anywhere along the goal line and pass or dribble the ball into play. Opponents must retreat to the half way line and can move once the ball is in play. The ball must touch a team mate before a goal can be scored.

Offside

There is no offside rule in ALDI MiniRoos Under 6 & 7.

Game Leaders should strongly discourage children from permanently standing in blatant offside positions.

Fouls and misconduct

Indirect free kicks are awarded for all acts of handball or fouls and misconduct. Opponents must be at least 5m away from the ball when the indirect free kick is taken. (An indirect free kick is where a goal can be scored only if the ball subsequently touches another player before it enters the goal).

Most acts of handball or fouls and misconduct at this level are caused by a lack of coordination, with no intent. In this case try and give the advantage to the attacking team and continue play. If you decide a deliberate or serious act of handball, foul or misconduct has occurred, explain to the child they have done the wrong thing and that they should not do this again. Free kicks should be awarded as appropriate.

Match results and points tables

The recording of match results should be conducted for the purpose of assigning teams to appropriate leagues, ensuring the most enjoyable experience for all players.

Under no circumstances will match results be published publicly by Member Federations, Local Associations or local clubs.

Points tables are not applicable in Under 6 & 7 football and do not exist.



Register at miniroos.com.au



National Playing Formats and Rules

ALDI MiniRoos Club Football

UNDER 8 & 9

Playing Formats

The table below summarises the national playing formats for boys and girls aged Under 8 & 9:

The number of players	7-a-side including a goalkeeper Maximum of four substitutes
The field of play	Minimum: 40m long x 30m wide Best Practice: 45m long x 35m wide Maximum: 50m long x 40m wide
Goal size	3m wide x 2m high
Ball size	Size 3
Duration of the game	20 min halves Minimum 5 min half time break
Penalty area	5m deep x 12m wide

Goal type

It is preferable that portable goals are used where possible however, the use of poles or markers as goals is also suitable.

To comply with Australian Safety Standards, portable goals must be anchored securely to the ground. The use of sandbags or pegs is recommended when using portable goals.

For more information on Australian Safety Standards please visit the Product Safety Australia website: www.productsafety.gov.au.

Offside

There is no offside rule in ALDI MiniRoos Under 8 & 9.

Game Leaders should strongly discourage children from permanently standing in blatant offside positions.

Goalkeeper

The goalkeeper is allowed to handle the ball anywhere in the penalty area. To restart play after a save or gathering the ball with their hands, the ball must be thrown or rolled from the hands or played from the ground with their feet, within 6 seconds.

The goalkeeper is not allowed to kick or drop kick the ball directly from their hands. Opponents must be at least 10 metres outside the penalty area and cannot move inside the penalty area until the ball is in play. The ball is in play once it moves out of the penalty area.

An indirect free kick is awarded if the goalkeeper touches the ball with their hands after it has been deliberately kicked to them by a team mate.

Ball crossing the touch line

Throw in.

Player faces the field of play, has part of each foot on the ground either on or behind the touch line, uses both hands and delivers the ball from behind and over his or her head. The thrower must not touch the ball again until it has touched another player. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play.

The ball is in play once it enters the field of play.

A goal cannot be scored directly from a throw in.

Ball crossing the goal line after touching the defending team last

Corner kick.

A player from the attacking team places the ball inside the corner arc nearest to the point where the ball crossed the line. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play. The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.

A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.

Ball crossing the goal line after touching the attacking team last

Goal kick from anywhere within the penalty area. Opponents remain at least 10 metres outside the penalty area until the ball is in play. Game Leaders should not restart play until they are satisfied all opposition players are at least 10 metres outside the penalty area. The ball is in play once it is kicked directly out of the penalty area.

Fouls and misconduct

Indirect free kicks are awarded for all acts of handball or fouls and misconduct. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball when the indirect free kick is taken. An indirect free kick is where a goal can be scored only if the ball subsequently touches another player before it enters the goal.

For deliberate or serious acts of handball or fouls and misconduct in the penalty area, a penalty kick is awarded from an 8 metre penalty mark with only a goalkeeper in position. All other players must be outside the penalty area and be at least 5 metres behind the penalty mark.

Fouls and misconduct are:

- kicks or attempts to kick an opponent;
- trips or attempts to trip an opponent;
- jumps at an opponent;
- charges at an opponent;
- strikes or attempts to strike an opponent;
- pushes an opponent;
- tackles an opponent from behind to gain possession of the ball;
- makes contact with the opponent before touching the ball;
- holds an opponent;
- spits at an opponent;
- handles the ball deliberately;
- plays in a dangerous manner; and
- impedes the progress of a player.

Match results and points tables

The recording of match results should be conducted for the purpose of assigning teams to appropriate leagues, ensuring the most enjoyable experience for all players.

Under no circumstances will match results be published publically by Member Federations, Local Associations or local clubs.

Points tables are not applicable in Under 8 & 9 football and do not exist.

ALDI MiniRoos Club Football

UNDER 10 & 11

Playing Formats

The table below summarises the national playing formats for boys and girls aged Under 10 & 11:

The number of players	9-a-side including a goalkeeper Maximum of five substitutes
The field of play	Maximum: 70m long x 50m wide Best Practise: 65m long x 45m wide Minimum: 60m long x 40m wide
Goal size	Maximum: 5m wide x 2m high
Ball size	Size 4
Duration of the game	25 min halves Minimum 5 min half time break
Penalty area	10m deep x 20m wide

Goal type

It is preferable that portable goals are used where possible however, the use of poles or markers as goals is also suitable.

To comply with Australian Safety Standards, portable goals must be anchored securely to the ground. The use of sandbags or pegs is recommended when using portable goals.

For more information on Australian Safety Standards please visit the Product Safety Australia website: www.productsafety.gov.au.

Goalkeeper

The goalkeeper is allowed to handle the ball anywhere in the penalty area. To restart play after a save or gathering the ball with their hands, the ball must be thrown or rolled from the hands or played from the ground with their feet, within 6 seconds. The goalkeeper is not allowed to kick or drop kick the ball directly from their hands. Opponents must be at least 10 metres outside the penalty area and cannot move inside the penalty area until the ball is in play. The ball is in play once it moves out of the penalty area or when the goalkeeper places the ball on the ground.

An indirect free kick is awarded if the goalkeeper touches the ball with their hands after it has been deliberately kicked to them by a team mate.

Ball crossing the touch line

Throw in.

Player faces the field of play, has part of each foot on the ground either on or behind the touch line, uses both hands and delivers the ball from behind and over their head. The thrower must not touch the ball again until it has touched another player. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play. The ball is in play once it enters the field of play.

A goal cannot be scored directly from a throw in.

Ball crossing the goal line after touching the defending team last

Corner kick.

A player from the attacking team places the ball inside the corner arc nearest to the point where the ball crossed the line. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play. The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.

A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.

Ball crossing the goal line after touching the attacking team last

Goal kick from anywhere within the penalty area. Opponents remain at least 10 metres outside the penalty area until the ball is in play. Game Leaders should not restart play until they are satisfied all opposition players are at least 10 metres outside the penalty area. The ball is in play once it is kicked directly out of the penalty area.

Offside

The official offside rule (Law 11, FIFA Laws of the Game) does not apply to ALDI MiniRoos Under 10 & 11. Goals can be scored from the offside position.

Game Leaders should direct players permanently standing in blatant offside positions to move into onside positions.

Children should be made aware of the official offside rule during training and be encouraged to adopt this philosophy during the game at all times.

Fouls and misconduct

Indirect free kicks are awarded for all acts of handball or fouls and misconduct. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball when the indirect free kick is taken. (An indirect free kick is where a goal can be scored only if the ball subsequently touches another player before it enters the goal).

For deliberate or serious acts of handball or fouls and misconduct in the penalty area, a penalty kick is awarded from an 8 metre penalty mark with only a goalkeeper in position. All other players must be outside the penalty area and be at least 5 metres behind the penalty mark.

Fouls and misconduct are:

- kicks or attempts to kick an opponent;
- trips or attempts to trip an opponent;
- jumps at an opponent;
- charges at an opponent;
- strikes or attempts to strike an opponent;
- pushes an opponent;
- tackles an opponent from behind to gain possession of the ball;
- makes contact with the opponent before touching the ball;
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- handles the ball deliberately;
- plays in a dangerous manner; and
- impedes the progress of a player.

Match results and points tables

The recording of match results should be conducted for the purpose of assigning teams to appropriate leagues, ensuring the most enjoyable experience for all players.

Under no circumstances will match results be published publicly by Member Federations, Local Associations or local clubs.

Points tables are not applicable in Under 10 & 11 football and do not exist.



National Playing Formats and Rules

Effective from 1 January 2015

ALL AGE GROUPS

The following aspects of ALDI MiniRoos Club Football are common across all age groups from Under 6 to Under 11.

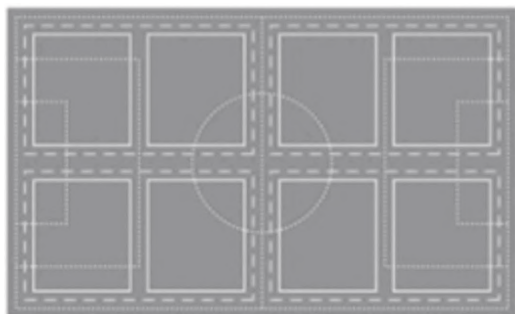
Field Layouts

ALDI MiniRoos fields are easy to set-up and only take a few minutes.

The below diagrams outline how ALDI MiniRoos pitches should look when set-up on a full-size football field:

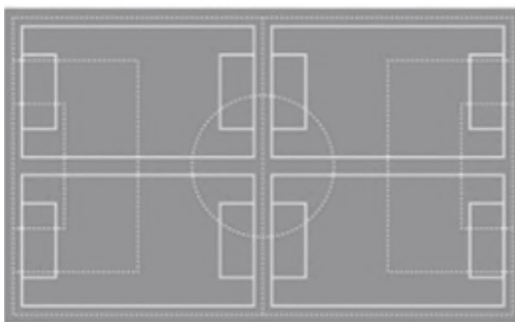
Under 6 & 7

Up to 8 pitches on a full-size football pitch



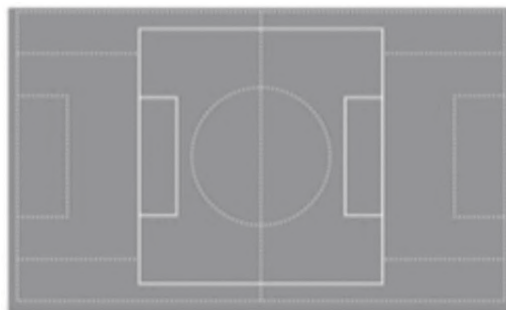
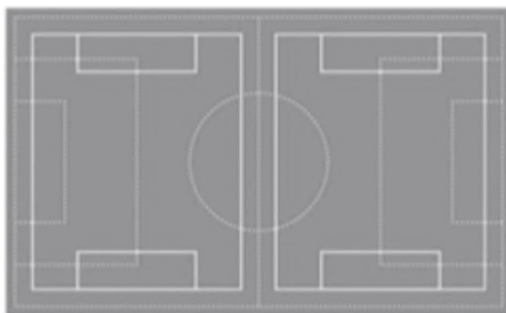
Under 8 & 9

Up to 4 pitches on a full-size football pitch



Under 10 & 11

Maximum of 2 pitches on a full-size football pitch. Alternatively 1 pitch can be set-up penalty box to penalty box.



Field Markings

Cones, markers or painted line markings are suitable.

This includes the penalty areas in the U8 – U11 age categories.

Start of play and re-start after a goal

Pass to a team mate from the middle of the half way line. All players must be in their own half of the field of play. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play. The ball must touch a team mate before a goal can be scored.

Ball in and out of play

The ball is out of play when it has wholly crossed the goal line or the touch line on the ground or in the air, or when play has been stopped by the Game Leader.

Method of scoring

A goal is scored when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, between the goalposts and under the crossbar. When goal posts are not available and cones are used for goals, a goal is scored when the ball passes between the cones without touching them, below shoulder height of the player.

Shin guards

Shin guards must be worn by all players without exception.

Concussion

Any player suspected of suffering from concussion should be examined by a medical practitioner before returning to play. As a general rule; "If in doubt, sit it out".

Substitutions

Players may be rotated on and off the field at any time during the game. A coach/parent may make substitutions while the ball is in play, ensuring the player is off the field before the substitute goes on. Equal playing time should be a priority ensuring all players regardless of age, gender and/or ability get to take the field.

Regular rotation of players is key. Kids don't register to watch football – they just want to play! If there is space on the sidelines, substitutes should be encouraged to set up small-sided games or practice their skills in a designated area, not interfering with play.

Game Leaders

Each game is to be controlled by one Game Leader.

The main role of the Game Leader is to keep the game moving fluently, limit stoppages and assist players with all match re-starts. Most importantly, they must make every effort to create an environment that ensures that all players have fun, are learning the game and have maximum involvement.

The Game Leader can be a club official, parent, older child/player or beginner referee and should always be enthusiastic and approachable. Most importantly, remember the children are learning the game – be flexible and patient.

The Game Leader should:

- Encourage all children to have fun and different children to take re-starts;
- Ensure the correct number of players are on the field;
- Discourage players from permanently over-guarding the goal;
- Check all players are wearing shin guards;
- Use a "Ready, Set, Go" prompt to encourage quick decisions when restarting play;
- Encourage children to dribble or pass ball to team mates rather than kick the ball long;
- Ensure the opposing team is at least 5 metres outside the penalty area for all goal line restarts;
- Ensure team officials and parents create a safe, enjoyable and positive playing environment for the children;
- Encourage children to be involved in all aspects of the game, attacking and defending;
- Award free kicks as appropriate to help children learn the rules and consequences of committing fouls;
- Explain the rules to players and why a free kick has been awarded;
- Let the game flow and give instruction to all players on the run where you can;
- Praise and encourage both teams; and
- Be enthusiastic and approachable.

Game leaders are encouraged to undertake a free FFA ALDI MiniRoos Certificate prior to start of the season.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION on the following items can be found online at www.footballfrnorthcoast.net.au

Refer **CLUB HEADQUARTERS** to find important information that includes;

- Working with Children guidelines
- Lightning Policy
- Wet Weather procedures
- Concussion in Sport guidelines
- Insurance policy and claim procedure
- Grants and Funding information
- Duty Officer requirements
- Club contacts
- Club Accreditation procedures
- Club resource website
- Club resource Manual
- Match Officials fees information
- FFNC Constitution
- Newcastle Permanent incentives and awards information
- Recruitment resources
- General forms

Refer **COACH HEADQUARTERS** to find important information that includes;

- Community Coaching information
- Laws of the Game

Refer **PLAYER HEADQUARTERS** to find important information that includes;

- Player participation levies (FFA, NNSWF, FFNC components)

Refer **VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS** to find important information that includes;

- Volunteer resources

Refer **REFEREE HEADQUARTERS** to find important information that includes;

- Becoming a Match Official
- Referee course information

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2019 Competition Regulations and Procedures

The Zone has the authority at any time to introduce, amend or delete any Regulation or Procedure as and when it sees fit, and the same shall be binding on all Members.

1. Competitions (Sanctioned Events)

(a) Pre-season

- (i) ANZAC Cup ((Mens) - This will be played on a round robin basis prior to the pointscore competition. Nominations will be called for from Clubs in the following divisions – Premier, Open A, Open B and Grade 16 mixed. The final to be played on a dedicated ANZAC Day weekend (or where otherwise scheduled).
- (ii) Callan McMillan Shield (womens) - This will be played on a round robin basis prior to the pointscore competition. Nominations will be called for from Clubs for A Division and B Division.

(b) Winter Season

- (i) Pointscore – Played on a home and away basis (subject to various factors determined by the Zone).
- (ii) Competitions constructed for teams/players age 12 (ie Grade 12) to seniors. These are played for points and the FIFA Laws of the Game apply unless otherwise stipulated by modifications approved under FFNC competition regulations or modified formats directed by FFA or NNSWF.
- (iii) Minirooms – Non competitive format as stipulated for the FFA ALDI Minirooms National Playing Formats and Rules.

(c) Finals Series

- (i) Senior Competitions: The five teams with the highest point scores will play off to decide the Grand Final Winner for that Division. (*Or FOUR teams where such competitions exist of four teams only).
- (ii) Junior Competitions: The four teams with the highest point scores will play off to decide the Grand Final Winner for that Grade/Division.
- (d) Summer Youth League – Competition consists of one full round, no final series, for players 14 to 20 years of age (overage players where stipulated in competition regulations male and female competitions apply where possible)
- (e) FFA Cup – As per NNSWF direction and FFA "FFA Cup" Regulations
- (f) Post-season - (1) 6-a-side – As per NNSWF "Special Competition" regulations
- (g) Other competitions; Conducted and sanctioned by the Zone or NNSWF from time to time.

- (i) Trials: All friendlies or non-competition fixtures or activities played between players from more than one club must be sanctioned. Written Application to FFNC is required within specified timelines in advance of a proposed activity. This is ordinarily a minimum of 7 working days.

(h) Non-Sanctioned

events

Indemnity cannot be assumed for events or activities that are not reasonably considered as normal club football activities. This may include training, fixtures or events that are consistent with regular activity for member clubs or individuals. Member clubs (and individuals) should seek specific written approval (sanctioning) in such instances from FFNC and in the absence of such approval, conclude that indemnity is not provided.

2. Registration

All references made in these regulations to Players, Team Officials, Match Officials, Volunteers or Participants conclude that individuals in such roles are registered

* Mandatory for All players, All ages, All competitions, EVERY YEAR

* Mandatory for ALL Team Officials

* Mandatory for ALL qualified Match Officials

* Recommended for all volunteers

- (a) Registration is in accordance with the National Registration Regulations and consistent with the FFNC Competition Regulations and relevant policies.
- (b) All participants must be registered in accordance with Competition Regulations;
- (c) A player can be registered in ONE Team, ONE Club at any one time;
- (d) All participants must be registered ONLINE at playfootball.com.au;
- (e) No child may be registered unless they are turning at least five (5) in the calendar year of registration;
- (f) A junior player being registered for the first time, must provide the Club (and FFNC where requested to do so) with satisfactory evidence of name and age
- (g) An individual can be registered but cannot participate while subject to the terms of a sanction;
- (h) Participation in a specific competition is subject to the terms of eligibility for such competition, whether by age, grading or other conditions;
- (i) The deadline for new registrations and subsequent participation is 1pm Thursday deadline exists each week and applies to eligibility for ALL fixtures scheduled within the next 7 days. All player registration requirements must be completed before a player will be eligible to participate in any fixture.
- (j) The deadline for new player registrations is 30th June of each point score season;
- (k) The deadline for cancellation of registration transfer to another club or re-grading (ie competition teams) for players can occur where participation has NOT occurred (ie meaning that a player has not been named on a match sheet) and where the application for de-registration is submitted not later than 1pm Thursday 23rd May 2019
- (l) Cancellation of a registration for non-competitive (Miniroos) players will only be considered where application to cancel registration from play football is made within 10 days of the registration being initially approved by a club. Otherwise not later than 1pm 23rd May 2019;
- (m) The Zone must receive an ORIGINAL squad list of all players in each competitive team.
- (n) All squad Lists for Grade 15 to Senior must contain the signature and DOB of all players listed.
- (o) An initial squad List for ALL competitive teams must be submitted to the Zone office by 1pm Thursday at least seven (7) working days prior to the commencement of each respective competition.
- (p) Applications and subsequent approval by FFNC and the second club for a player to transfer to another club within the zone moves the liability for that player (including fees) to the second club and dissolves the liability upon the first club.
- (q) Failure to comply with any of these Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties.

3. Player eligibility

(a) ANZAC Cup

- (i) Players must be registered for the current year and otherwise eligible to participate.
- (ii) Players who were graded in Men's Premier Division and Premier Reserve Division from the previous season are ONLY eligible to participate in Premier Division AC* in the current season (with any club).
- (iii) *A concession exists for a maximum of FOUR (4) players who were graded (and confirmed as being premier RESERVE players from the previous season, to participate in Open A in the current ANZAC Cup competition (with any club).
- (iv) Players who were graded in Men's Divisions 1, 2 or 3 (or lower divisions in the previous season and junior males aged at least 14 years) are eligible to participate in Open A (with any club).
- (v) Players who were graded in Men's Divisions 4, 5, 6 or 7 (or lower divisions in the previous season and junior males aged at least 14 years) are eligible to participate in Open B.
- (vi) Players (male or female) aged at least 14 years are eligible to participate in Grade 16.
- (vii) Eligibility of a player/team for the current season of an ANZAC Cup competition has no bearing on the grading or eligibility of a player for the current pointscore competition.

- (viii) Eligibility of players and teams in accordance with the ANZAC Cup and Callan McMillan Memorial Shield Regulations disclosed with the call for team nominations each year.
- (ix) Exemptions will not apply for the purposes of the ANZAC Cup competitions.
- (b) Callan McMillan Memorial Shield "A" Division
 - (i) Players must be registered for the current year and otherwise eligible to participate.
 - (ii) Players graded in Women's Premier Division and Division Two from the previous season are ONLY eligible to participate in Callan McMillan A (ie not "B" Division) in the current year.
 - (iii) Players graded in Women's Division 3, 4 or 5 from the previous season are eligible to participate in Callan McMillan "B" Division or Callan McMillan "A" Division in the current year.
 - (iv) Junior female players aged at least 14 years are eligible to participate in either (but not both) competitions if registered in a respective team for this competition in the current year.
 - (v) Eligibility of a player/team for the current season of a Callan McMillan Memorial Shield competition has no bearing on the grading or eligibility of a player for the current pointscore competition.
 - (vi) Eligibility of players and teams are in accordance with the ANZAC Cup and Callan McMillan Memorial Shield Regulations disclosed with the call for team nominations each year.
 - (vii) Exemptions will not apply for the purposes of the Callan McMillan Memorial Shield competitions.
- (c) Winter Season
 - (i) All players must be registered in accordance with Competition Regulations;
 - (ii) A player can be registered in ONE Team, ONE Club at any one time;
 - (iii) Registration is in accordance with the National Registration Regulations and consistent with the FFNC Competition Regulations and relevant policies.
 - (iv) An individual can be registered but cannot participate while subject to the terms of a sanction;
 - (v) Participation in a specific competition is subject to the terms of eligibility for such competition, whether by age, grading or other conditions;
 - (vi) No senior team may play more than THREE (3) junior registered players in any given match.
 - (vii) Any player playing in a higher grade and/or division than his/her registered team, must have his/her registered grade and division noted on the team sheet (against their name).
- (d) General eligibility;
 - (1) Senior Divisions: Any senior player who is listed on the match sheet in the same higher grade more than six times during a pointscore competition (finals series is a separate competition) will be re-registered to the higher division team.
 - (2) Any player who has been re-registered to the higher division as a result of the above cannot be transferred back to a lower division/grade.
 - (3) Any player playing in a higher grade and/or division than his/her registered team, must have his/her registered grade and division noted on the team sheet (against their name).
 - (4) Any junior player who plays in any part of a match in the same higher junior age grade more than six times during the pointscore competition (finals series is a separate competition) will be re-registered to that higher junior age grade team.
 - (5) Any junior who plays in any part of a match in the same senior division (first half for Premier Division) more than six times during the pointscore competition (finals series is a separate competition) will be re-registered to that senior division team.
 - (6) Any player who has been re-registered to the higher division as a result of the above cannot be transferred back to a lower division/grade.
 - (7) No senior team may play more than THREE (3) junior registered players in any given match.
 - (8) Any player playing in a higher grade and/or division than his/her registered team, must have his/her registered grade and division noted on the team sheet (against their name).
 - (9) Participation is deemed to be "name of the match sheet", except men's premier division, which is deemed to be "player takes the field in the FIRST half".
 - (10) If a club has more than one team in any division/grade, players are not permitted to play across from one team to the other within the one division/grade.
 - (11) Any player playing in a higher grade and/or division than his/her registered team, must have his/her registered grade and division noted on the team sheet (against their name).
 - (12) Participation is deemed to be "name of the match sheet", except men's premier division, which is deemed to be "takes the field in the FIRST half".



Byron Bay FC captain Alex Kempnich and coach Chris Layland hold the Tursa Employment and Training Summer Youth League trophy



This young girl is thrilled to get a selfie with Jets W-League player Tara Andrews



A Female Football Week image celebrating talented local female participants



Junior female players celebrating Female Football Week in March 2018



Federal Minister for Sport Bridget McKenzie was at Mullumbimby in late 2018 to announce a \$200k grant to upgrade the main field.



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Lismore Thistles won the men's premier division ANZAC Cup in 2018



Respecting Match Officials



Derryn Nix from Kyogle FC and pictured here with NNSWF CEO David Eland was awarded the Newcastle Permanent Community Coach of the Year for 2018



These junior Alstonville FC players enjoyed the grand final experience in 2018



Kevin Kehoe from Eureka FC was named Newcastle Permanent Volunteer of the Month in May 2018



Alstonville FC stalwarts Jan and Russell Priddle who are highly regarded volunteers



FFA CEO David Gallop and FFNC general manager Steve Mackney



NNSWF Female Participation Officer Holly Ayton with Newcastle Jets W-League players Courtney Vine and Tara Andrews when they made a visit to the region for Female Football Week.



Match Officials are an important part of the game



Men's premier division player of the year Jonathon See (Rovers) and women's player of the year Keea Parrish (Thistles)



Sharon Scriven who is an enthusiastic advocate for female football at Mullumbimby Brunswick Valley FC



These lads from various African villages were welcomed as individuals and as a group of footballers with Lismore Thistles Soccer Club



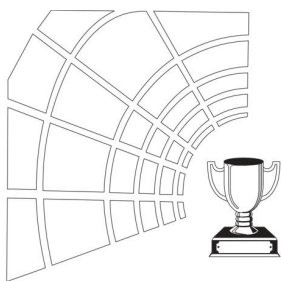
Casino RSM Cobras FC were the women's division 4 grand final winners



The Bundjalung Warriors sent both a male and female team to the National Indigenous Championships in Logan QLD in October 2018



Grand Final day is a great experience for those involved like these players from Goonellabah FC



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- (13) A maximum number of 14 players (Grades 12-14) are eligible to participate in any one fixture (including being written on a match sheet) regardless of the number of registered
- (14) A maximum number of 16 players (Grade 15–Senior) are eligible to participate in any fixture regardless of the number of registered players in a given team.
- (15) Failure to comply with any of these Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties.
- (e) Eligibility for Junior Finals Series - (Subject to specific regulations for SENIOR competitions)
Players shall be eligible to participate in the final series in:-
 - (1) The team in which they are registered.
 - (2) Any higher grade (age) team as well as their own eligible division.
 - (3) Players eligible to play in the finals series in any division must be correctly registered in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.
 - (4) There is NO minimum number of games (ie participation) to establish eligibility for a Finals Series, however participation should be considered within the spirit of fair and reasonable participation. This means that more skilled players should not participate in an older competition at the expense of players registered within the team.
- (f) Eligibility for Senior Finals Series - (Subject to specific regulations for SENIOR competitions)
Also refer specific criteria for Men's Premier and Men's Premier Reserve competitions for eligibility for those competitions.
 - (1) There is NO minimum number of games (ie participation) to establish eligibility for a Finals Series, however participation should be considered within the spirit of fair and reasonable participation. This means that more skilled players should not participate in a more senior competition at the expense of players registered within the team or junior players over senior players eligible from a lower division.
 - (2) Players eligible to play in the finals series in a senior division must be correctly registered in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.
 - (3) A junior player (aged 14 years or older) is eligible to participate in any senior division (unless specifically excluded due to regulation or FFNC notification).
 - (4) Any player whose name has not been crossed off the match sheet (with the consent of the Referee following the match) will be deemed to have played in that match.
 - (5) Players shall be eligible to participate in the final series in:-
 - (ii) Any higher division team as well as their own eligible division (once eligibility is determined).
- (g) Eligibility for Senior Final Series (Men's premier reserve)
 - (1) Players shall be eligible to participate in the Men's Premier Reserve grade finals series providing that they have participated in more matches in that division than premier division (in their last five matches played in the pointscore competition). Consideration of the player's season participation will be taken in account to determine fairness of grading at the discretion of FFNC.
 - (ii) Men's Premier Division as well as their own eligible division (once eligibility is determined).
 - (2) If the player has participated in an equal number of matches out of the last five pointscore matches in two divisions, the player will be deemed to be a higher division player.
 - (h) All participating players must be registered in accordance with Competition Regulations and must not be subject to a current suspension.
Failure to comply with any of the above Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties.
- (h) AGE eligibility Junior (ie Grade 12-16)
 - (i) A Junior players' grade eligibility will be determined by the age they turn during the calendar
 - (ii) Year. (i.e. if a player turns 12 between 1st January and 31st December of the current year, they are AGE eligible for Grade 12).
 - (iii) Clubs may apply for a junior player to be registered to participate in a team that is a maximum of ONE age (ie grade) on the normal eligible age grade for the player.

- (iv) Each application will be judged on its own merits. Determination of approval will be based on the following: (at the discretion of The Zone)
 - (v) Maximum of two over age players per team.
 - (vi) No more than six months over age (unless medical support provided).
 - (viii) The team in which an over-age player is registered will be graded in division ONE (if a division two or three exists in the same age group);
 - (ix) If the Club has more than one team in the division or age grade, the over age players are to be registered in the highest graded team, unless specific evidence and approval exists to the contrary.
 - (x) If a child is registered in an age group older than that for which they are eligible (i.e., a child that turns 10 this year is registered in a Grade 11 team) they are not eligible to play in their normal eligible age group without being officially transferred to that age group (i.e., cannot play Grade 10).
 - (xi) A junior player up to the age of fourteen (14) may play up a maximum of two years above their eligible age.
 - (xii) A junior player who is approved to register in a team as an over-age player cannot subsequently participate in either (1) A younger age division (even if the player is otherwise age eligible to participate in that grade) or (2) A senior division (ie players aged 14 or older).
 - (xiii) The eligible age will be the primary criteria for where a player can register and participate. (Eg A player who turns 13 in the current calendar year can register in Grade 13 and subsequently participate in Grade 14 and 15 subject to any other components of competition regulations (eg 6 Up Rule))
 - (xiv) A junior male player aged 14, 15 or 16 can participate in a senior male competition (subject to any conditions or exemptions that otherwise apply).
 - (xv) A junior female player aged 14, 15 or 16 can participate in a senior female competition (subject to any conditions or exemptions that otherwise apply).
 - (xvi) Failure to comply with any of these Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties such as loss of points.
- (i) General AGE matters
- (1) Over 35's - Players must have turned 35 prior to registration to participate.
 - (2) Over 40's - Players must have turned 40 prior to registration to participate. Each squad is permitted to register up to two underage players who must be at least 38 years of age on 1st January in the year of competition.
 - (3) A junior player aged at least 14 years of age can participate in Summer Youth League, noting that participation based on gender is subject to the existence or otherwise of both male and female SYL competitions.
 - (4) Applications for an exemption MUST be lodged with the Zone with the Team Nominations or prior to the registration and grading of the player.
 - (5) Players may NOT participate until written approval is received from the Zone.
 - (6) A junior female (aged at least 14 years) is eligible to participate in the women's competition subject to relevant regulations criteria.
 - (7) A junior male (aged at least 14 years) is eligible to participate in the men's competition subject to relevant regulations criteria.
 - (8) A junior player must have already turned 14 BEFORE they participate in senior football.
- (j) GENDER
- Male players
- (1) Minirooms teams (ie players aged 5-11) are mixed gender unless specifically nominated as being girls only;
 - (2) Minirooms teams (ie mixed gender) will play in an appropriate age eligible pool;
 - (3) Male players are not eligible to participate in girls only minirooms pools or teams;
 - (4) Competition teams (ie Grade 12-16) are mixed gender unless specifically nominated as being girls only teams;
 - (5) Male players (ie junior players) are not eligible to participate in girls only teams or girls competitions;
 - (6) Male players (ie junior or senior players) are not eligible to participate in female only teams or senior female competitions

- (7) Male players are permitted to participate in mixed gender or male teams that they are otherwise eligible, whether by age, registration, grading or special exemption.
- (8) A male player must be at least 14 years (ie has turned 14 years old or older) before being eligible to participate in senior competition.

Female players

- (1) MiniRoos teams (ie players aged 5-11) are mixed gender unless specifically nominated as being girls only;
- (2) MiniRoos teams (ie mixed gender) will play in an appropriate age eligible pool;
- (3) Female players are eligible to participate in girls only miniroos pools or teams;
- (4) Competition teams (ie Grade 12-16) are mixed gender unless specifically nominated as being girls only teams;
- (5) Female players (ie junior players) are eligible to participate in girls only teams or junior mixed gender competitions consistent with their age eligibility and registration conditions that apply;
- (6) Female players (ie junior or senior players) are not eligible to participate in male only teams or senior male competitions
- (7) Female players are permitted to participate in junior mixed gender or female only teams that they are otherwise eligible, whether by age, registration, grading or special exemption.
- (8) A female player must be at least 14 years (ie has turned 14 years old or older) before being eligible to participate in senior competition.

(k) Across Divisions/Grades

MiniRoos

- (1) MiniRoos players (ie Grades 6 to 11) may play for any miniroos team (either gender) within their own club for which the player is age eligible.

Junior competition age

- (1) A junior player can be registered in ONE team, ONE competition for which they are eligible.
- (2) A junior player may not play across the divisions within the one age grade (eg between Grade 12/2nd Division to Grade 12/1st Division, or viceversa)
- (3) A junior female player may register in ONE of either the junior mixed grade or junior girls grade within their club for which their date of birth makes them eligible. Eg, a girl turning 14 may register in either the Grade 14 mixed or Grade 14 girls but subject to regulations criteria, can participate in both competitions.

SENIOR competitions

- (1) If a club has more than one team in any senior division players are not permitted to play across from one team to the other within the one (ie same) division.

(a) Age

- (1) Senior competitions (and player/team grading) is not age based except for competitions that include;
 - (i) Over 35's - Players must have turned 35 prior to registration to participate.
 - (ii) Over 40's - Players must have turned 40 prior to registration to participate.
 - (iii) Summer Youth League where a junior player must be aged at least 14 years of age to participate in SYL;
 - (iv) A junior participating in Senior football must be aged at least 14 years and (subject to regulations on frequency and other relevant issues).

(l) Grading

- (i) A senior player cannot drop more than two senior divisions from their registration and eligibility from the previous season without lodgement of an application for an exemption and specific approval from FFNC.
- (ii) FFNC reserves the right to review any grading approval in instances where a player displays superior skill inconsistent with participation in a lower division.

Men's Premier Division and Reserves

- (1) registered in a Premier Division squad are eligible to participate in either premier division or reserves during the pointscore season;
- (2) Eligibility (ie grading) of individual players for the Finals Series for players who may have participated in both men's premier division and reserves during the pointscore competition is determined by the

participation of players from their last 5 pointscore games. A player will be graded as a reserves player if they have played more games during their last five games in reserves. A player who has played the same number of games or more in premier division will be graded as a premier division player for the purposes of their eligibility for the Finals Series.

- (3) A player who is graded as a premier reserves player is eligible to subsequently participate in both premier division and reserves during the Finals Series.
- (m) 6-up regulation
 - (1) Any junior player who is listed on a match sheet in the same higher junior age grade/division more than six times during the pointscore competition will be re- registered to that higher junior age grade/division team;
 - (2) Any junior player who is listed on a match sheet in the same senior higher division more than six times during the pointscore competition will be re- registered to that senior team;
 - (3) Any senior player who is listed on a match sheet in the same higher division more than six times during a pointscore competition will be re-registered to the higher division team;
 - (4) A re-grading as a consequence of the 6-up regulation will mean that a player is ineligible to also participate (ie cannot continue to participate) in the lower competition in which they had previously been eligible;
 - (5) A re-grading as a consequence of the 6-up regulation will mean that a player is ineligible to also participate in any lower competition in which they had previously been eligible;
- (n) General grading issues
 - (1) Applications for re-grading will not be accepted after 23rd May 2019;
 - (2) A player can be re-graded a maximum of ONE time in any given season.
 - (3) A player who has been re-registered to the higher division as a result of the above cannot be transferred back to a lower division/grade.
 - (4) Players found to be playing below their standard can be regraded at the discretion of the Zone;
 - (5) The Zone has the discretion to refuse the specific terms of participation of a player for any reason that is assessed by FFNC as contrary to the terms within competition or relevant regulations, including applications to play below their skill level.
 - (6) Penalties (including fines and loss of points) will be imposed if a registered player is found to participate in a grade/division contrary to their approved grading.
 - (7) Participation of a player who is found to be unregistered will initiate action consistent with the FFA National Code of Conduct Regulations. Such action may result in penalties being imposed on a club and individuals.

3. Scheduling

Fixtures of sheduled at the discretion of FFNC

4. Squad Lists

- (a) Each Club must supply the Zone with a squad list of players for each competition team (ie Grade 12-seniors) who will participate in each respective team nominated by the club for each new season.
- (b) All squad list must be lodged with FFNC not less than 7 working days prior to the commencement of each respective competition.
- (c) A service fee may be charged for late lodgement of a squad list.
- (d) A club must register a minimum of 11 players in each competition team but may register up to the following number of players in any one team, unless an application (and subsequent approval by FFNC for an exemption)is received prior to the participation of additional players in any respective team.
- (e) The maximum number of players in respective squads (without any exemption is; Grade 12 to 14 – 14 players; Grade 15 to Senior (except men's premier and reserves)- 16 players;
- (f) Clubs competing in Premier/ Premier Reserve shall be required to register a minimum of 22 players for the squad. (The maximum number of players in the combined squad is 40)
- (h) A maximum of 14 players (Grades 12-14) and 16 players (Grade 15–Senior) are eligible to participate in any fixture regardless of the number of registered players in a given team.
- (i) If any Club withdraws a nominated team from any competition, penalties will apply.

Miniroos lists

Grade 6 – squad of 7 players; Grade 7 –squad of 7 players; Grade 8 –squad of 11 players;

Grade 9 - squad of 13 players; Grade 10 and 11 –squad of 13 players;

(j) Any Club registering more than one team in a non-competitive age division (Grade 6 to Grade 11) shall only be required to submit a list of all players in each age division rather than per team.

(k) If any Club withdraws a nominated team from any competition, they will be fined as per Appendix A.

5.Competition format

The Zone shall from time to time determine the number, size and composition of all Divisions:-

(a) On the basis of a ranking of individual Clubs by means of a formal application and assessment process; taking into consideration:-

(i) the number of Clubs capable of competing at any level; or

(ii) having the potential to do so within a reasonable time frame; (iii) the need for strong viable and attractive competitions;

(iv) the need to adequately cover the major population centres of the Zone and surrounding areas; and

(v) any other factors which the Zone deems relevant in the circumstances

(b) Promotion and relegation shall apply relevant to the format of men's premier division/reserves and division one at the discretion of FFNC. The following format is considered relevant to historical circumstances;

(i) The Club finishing in last position in the Men's Premier Division pointscore shall automatically be relegated (with the club's reserves team) to Division One (and relevant lower division) for the following season unless that club has a Division One team that also wins the pointscore competition in the same season.

(ii) Automatic relegation will only apply to the Premier and Reserve squads, based on the Premier Division pointscore at the completion of the season.

(iii) The Club finishing in first place in Division One shall be automatically promoted to Premier and Premier Reserves in the following season.

6.Transfers

(a) International Transfers

(1) If the player's last registration was with a Club outside of Australia, an International Transfer Certificate (ITC also known as "International Clearance") will be required before registration can take effect. ITC applications are initiated as part of the play football process and are approved in accordance with FFA regulations and procedures.

(2) A written interim clearance may be relevant (at the sole discretion of FFA) if an ITC is not received within 30 days of all information being lodged with FFA.

(3) The club will be notified when the ITC is received. The player is NOT permitted to participate in any fixture, except trial fixtures, until a clearance is received.

(4) Applications for players between the age of 12 and 18 may subject to specific criteria for a minor mandated by FFA.

(5) Players under the age of 12 do not require an international clearance.

(c) Mid-Season Movement

(1) Any player who wishes to change Clubs during the season needs to be approved by The Zone before 23rd May 2019.

(2) Approval of de-registration is subject to criteria such as participation and confirmation of whether the player is transferring to another Zone club.

(3) The de-registration is effective immediately when approved by the Zone.

(4) If the player then wishes to register with another Club he/she must register in In play football and be approved through the normal process.

(5) The Zone shall not be responsible for payments made by a player to any club. The liability for all player payments due to the Zone shall exist with the Club to which the player is deemed registered as at 30th June.

(d) Failure to comply with the above regulations may result in penalties being imposed.

7. Match Sheets

(a) Pre-Match

- (1) Each Team Manager shall fill in a Match Sheet with the correct participant details of their team, completing all details on the match sheet header in full. FFA numbers where specifically required are to be shown.
- (2) A maximum of fourteen names for junior teams up to and including Grade 14 and sixteen names for Grade 15 to senior teams may be listed.
- (3) Players' shirt numbers must correspond with the number next to their name and signature on the Match Sheet for all competitive divisions.
- (4) All names shall be printed in block letters and show FIRST name and LAST name.
- (5) Each individual player must SIGN the relevant place on the match sheet for Grade 15 to senior fixtures.
- (6) All junior and senior players playing up from a lower division or age group must have their registered division noted next to their name on the match sheet.
- (7) A senior team may play a maximum of three (3) junior players in any given match.
- (8) Players whose names are listed on the Match Sheet before the match commences are able to take the field. Names cannot be added to the match sheet after play has commenced, however players may sign the match sheet if their name has been written on the match sheet.
- (9) Any player taking the field who was unable to sign the Match Sheet prior to the commencement of the match may do so at half-time. Players who have not signed the Match Sheet by the end of half time are permitted to take part in the match if specifically approved by the referee. A player who has still not arrived before the second half but is listed on the match sheet, can participate and sign the match sheet AFTER the match. All reasonable requests should be approved, however a player who is NOT listed on the match sheet is NOT permitted to participate.
- (10) (i) Premier Division only - The Team Manager shall tick the starting line-up.
(ii) The Team manager shall hand the Match Sheet to the appointed Match Official ten minutes prior to the commencement of the match.
- (11) The name of each suspended participant MUST be written in the appropriate section of the Match Sheet to indicate that they are standing down from that particular match or they will be deemed to have not stood down for that match and will not have decreased their term of suspension.
- (12) Failure to comply with any of the above Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties as per Appendix A.

(b) Post-Match

- (1) All players listed on the Match Sheet unless crossed out, will be deemed to have played. Cross off all players who did not participate in the match with the permission of the centre official. (2) All Match Sheets are to be handed in to the Canteen at the ground or given to the home team.
- (3) At the completion of Senior matches the Team Manager shall confer with the Match Official on the match sheet details and both shall sign the match sheet.
- (4) The original white copy of the Grade 15 to Senior Match Sheet shall be handed in to the Canteen at the HOME venue.
- (5) The Team Manager shall retain the carbon copy (in the match sheet booklet) of the Grade 15 to Senior Match Sheet for the Club's records.
- (6) All Match Sheets are then to be delivered to the Zone office at Suite 5, 32 Gumtree Drive, Goonellabah, no later than 1pm (Wed) (after weekend fixtures) or within 48 hours after other fixtures.
- (7) Failure to comply with any of the above Regulations may incur fines and/or penalties as per Appendix A.

(c) Match Results

Results will be recorded on the Zone website, www.footballfarnorthcoast.com.au, and will form the official record of each competition.

It shall be the responsibility of the home club to submit results online before 11 pm each Sunday night (after weekend matches) or by 8am the next working day for mid-week games.

The HOME club shall ensure that match sheets are submitted to the Zone office no later than 1pm (Wed) (after weekend fixtures) or within 48 hours after other fixtures.

9. Field of Play

- (a) Field markings and set up shall be as per FIFA Laws of the Game (Law 1).
- (2) The Technical Area (TA) is to be occupied by up to a maximum five substitutes (senior teams) and two registered team officials only (3 for Premier Men and Reserve Grade).
- (3) Non-compliance with directives issued for tunnel and bench areas at Grand Finals may incur a penalty and/or fine as per Appendix A.
- (b) Player Interchange
- (1) Interchange of players is permitted in matches where;
- (i) the competition is for players competing in grade eighteen or under
 - (ii) all men's divisions other than Premier Division
 - (iii) all women's divisions
 - (iv) all Miniroos fixtures.
- (2) Interchange Procedure;
- (v) All player interchanges shall take place upon the approval the referee.
- (vi) A player interchange is made when the ball is out of play and for which the following conditions shall be observed:
- (vii) the player leaving the field shall do so from the touch line at the halfway line.
 - (viii) the player entering the field shall only do so when the player leaving the field has passed completely over the touch line.
 - (ix) a player nominated for interchange shall be subject to the authority and jurisdiction of the Referee whether called upon to play or not.
 - (x) the player interchange is completed when the player who was off the field enters the field.
 - (xi) The number of player interchanges made during a match is unlimited. A player who has been replaced may return to the field for another player.
 - (xii) There is no time added on or allowance made to a match duration regardless of how many interchanges are made or when they occur.
- (c) Technical Areas
- A technical area must be designated for all competitive age teams, both of which are to be on the same side of the field.
 - The technical area is defined as the length of the bench plus one metre each side of the bench and the area in front of the bench up to a "minimum" of one metre away from and parallel to the touch-line. It can extend "back" behind the bench area as far as necessary.
 - Only substitutes listed on the Match Sheet and a maximum of TWO (2) team officials who are Registered in play football are permitted in the Technical Area (Note that a total of THREE (3) for Men's Premier Division / Premier Reserve and Women's Premier Division).
 - The participants in the Technical Area are subject to the jurisdiction of the Referee, Assistant Referees and 4th Official for the duration of the match. Regulations and authority of FFNC also specifically apply to all persons within the vicinity of the Technical Area.
 - All participants must conduct themselves in a responsible manner at all times.
 - All participants must be addressed appropriate to their role. This includes the wearing of covered footwear and appropriate clothing. Players leaving the Technical Area for the purpose of changing into non-playing gear, are NOT entitled to subsequently return to the Technical Area.
 - Team Officials are required to wear any identification lanyards where supplied and instructed by FFNC relevant to any sanctioned competition fixture.
 - All competitive age (and senior teams) interchange players/substitutes must remain in the technical area (except where warming up) and must wear interchange bibs at all times unless they take the field of play to participate.
 - A Team Official may convey tactical instructions to players during the match, however the coach and other team officials must remain within the confines of the technical area.
 - Suspended participants and participants sent from the field during the match are not permitted in the technical area of any sanctioned match until the full suspension is served.
- A maximum of ONE (1) Team Official is permitted to stand in the Technical Area at any time. Other team Officials and inter-change/substitute players are to remain seated unless required to take the field or leaving the TA to warm-up.

(e) Fitness of Grounds

- (1) The Referee shall have the right to decide upon the fitness of the ground for the purpose of cancelling a match, but in the case of severe conditions, the Zone may decide on the condition of the playing fields where required.
 - (2) A decision to determine that a match shall not proceed as per schedule due to the fitness of the field can be determined by any of the following (not necessarily in order or priority):-
Match Referee - Referee Executive - Home Club - Council - Zone
The authority does not exist to force or insist that a match proceeds where a genuine concern exists about the field or weather conditions, however the match referee has the primary authority to determine if a match does proceed.
 - (3) It should be noted that ONLY the Zone shall have the discretion to transfer or reschedule any match, including transferring the match to an alternate field.
 - (4) The Zone will advise all affected Clubs of any transfers or cancellations that may be necessary due to closures notified by 12pm Friday for weekend scheduled matches, and up to 12pm on the day of mid-week matches, and will also post such alterations on the Zone website at www.footballfarnorthcoast.com.au where possible.
 - (5) If a Club/Council ground controller finds it necessary to close grounds the day preceeding weekend matches or up to 1pm on the day of a mid-week match the Club must notify the Zone immediately.
 - (6) If a Club/Council ground controller finds it necessary to close grounds after 1pm the day preceding weekend matches it shall be the home Club's responsibility to immediately advise by telephone all opposing Clubs and the Referees contact of the ground closure.
 - (7) Where a club makes a decision to close their field(s) after 1pm M-F or on weekends, they are to phone -
 - (i) all opposition club's primary club contact person
 - (ii) Referee mobile on 0434 856 992
 - (8) Matches that are deferred due to wet weather for any reason, shall be rescheduled for play by the Zone wherever possible. If the matches are not able to be played, they shall be classed as a 0-0 draw.
 - (9) Particular caution should be taken with storm activity, noting that fixtures can be delayed for a short period and recommence when a danger has passed. The referee shall determine if a match does not proceed as scheduled.
- (f) Grade 12 Goal and Corner Kicks
- (i) Goal kicks are to be taken from a point level with the penalty spot and parallel to the goal line in that side of the field where the ball went out.
 - (ii) Corner kicks are to be taken on the goal line at a point 3 metres from the junction of the goal line and the penalty box (16.5 metres line) and towards the corner on that side of the field in which the ball went out.

RESULTS

HOME club to submit results for weekend games online **before 11pm each Sunday**
(A penalty of \$30 per result not entered may apply)

Results from mid-week games to be entered online by HOME club before 8am on the next working day after the completion of match.

MATCH SHEETS

If original match sheets are not received at the FFNC office (by mail/delivery) by **1pm each Wednesday** or within 48 hours of the completion of the match, a initial submission of match sheets must be made via fax/electronically to the FFNC office by 1pm each Wednesday following all weekend matches.

ORIGINAL match sheets are to be received within 10 working days in addition to any electronic copies lodged. A penalty of \$30 per set of match sheets not received on time to apply to HOME club.

10. Facilities and Equipment

- (1) All goalposts or portable equipment must be adequately and securely fastened to the ground.
 - (2) Clubs shall, on seeking affiliation/membership to the Zone, submit details of their playing fields and the Zone shall have the discretion to require any alterations to the playing venue (eg, location of technical areas, quality of field surface).
 - (3) There should be available at each Club an area in which the Referees can rest and leave their belongings while on the pitch. This area should contain some seating as well as being lockable.
 - (4) All grounds must be roped, or a suitable barrier provided along the full length of the field containing the technical area. The barrier or rope should be located a minimum of 2 metres from the touchline.
- (b) Club Colours
- (1) All strips, including alternate strips, are to be registered with and approved by the Zone each season. (Refer to Fees, Fines and Penalties)
 - (2) All competitive team shirts shall be individually numbered and the number of the shirt worn by each player must correspond with the name and number on the Match Sheet.
 - (3) All players taking the field shall be in full Club/team strip, including shirt (with clearly visible number), shorts and socks.
 - (4) If colours clash the Visiting Team shall be required to wear an alternate approved club strip. The Referee shall have the discretion to enforce this.
 - (5) If a team finds it necessary to wear a strip that is not registered with and approved by the Zone for their club (eg, borrows an alternate strip) approval is required from the Zone and the Match Official.
 - (6) If a dispute cannot be resolved between either team and the referee on this matter, resulting in the match not being played, the recorded result of the match shall be subject to the determination of the Zone.
 - (7) Where a "Home" club refuses to lend an alternative strip to a visiting team, a forfeit against the visiting team may be enforced if no suitable alternative strip is forthcoming, however it is still the primary responsibility of the visiting side to have an alternative strip available
- (c) Player Equipment
- (1) Player kit including shin guards, boots, undergarments/skins shall comply with the FIFA laws of the game (Law 4)
 - (2) All Match Balls shall be of materials approved by FIFA. The following sizes will apply:

Grade 6 to 9 inclusive	= size 3
Grade 10 to 13 inclusive	= size 4
Grade 14 to All Age inclusive	= size 5
 - (3) All participating female players must wear supporting bras or crop tops under their playing shirts.
 - (4) The numbers on the back of shirts must be one solid colour in complete contrast to the basic colours of the shirt, and where the shirt pattern may impair clear identification of the number from a distance of 100 metres, then the number must be placed on a plain coloured panel.
 - (5) All player shirts (including the goalkeeper) MUST have a number on the back of the shirt.
 - (6) In regard to glasses, players are permitted to wear prescription glasses subject to the lenses being "sports/safety" design and frames being assessed by the Referee as not creating an undue risk to the player or other participants. The referee has the authority to exclude any player wearing spectacles considered to be a risk to themselves or another player.
 - (7) Plaster casts – a player with a plaster cast is NOT permitted to participate regardless of any additional wrapping used to soften the hardness of the cast.
- (d) First Aid
- Each individual club (team) shall be responsible for the primary care and treatment of minor injuries (including the provision of ice). A player suspected of having a serious injury should not be moved. An ambulance should be called (000) in such instances.

11. Duration of Matches and Number of Players

A match must be of two equal periods as indicated below:

- | (a) Grade | No. of Players | match Duration |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Grade 6 & 7 | 4 | 2 x 15 min. halves |
| Grade 8 & 9 | 7 | 2 x 20 min. halves |
| Grade 10 & 11 | 9 | 2 x 25 min. halves |
| Grade 12 | 11 a side | 25 mins each way |
| Grade 13 & 14 | 11 a side | 30 mins each way |
| Grade 15 & 16 | 11 a side | 35 mins each way |
| Grade 17 & 18 | 11 a side | 40 mins each way |
| All Age | 11 a side | 45 mins each way |
- (b) In the event of a match commencing after the scheduled time, the referee shall reduce the total duration of the match by the time lost and divide both halves equally. The Referee shall then advise each team to this effect before the commencement of play. This shall not apply to Premier Division matches or final series matches unless extraordinary circumstances are deemed to exist.
- (c) Injury or other stoppage time will only apply in Men's Premier Division.
- (d) Substitutes/Interchange
- Grade 6 to 11 – no interchange limit
 - Grade 12 to 14 – maximum of 3 with unlimited interchange
 - Grade 15 to 18 – maximum of 5 with unlimited interchange
 - Over 35 and Over 40 – maximum of 5 with unlimited interchange
 - Women's Divisions – maximum of 5 with unlimited interchange
 - Premier Men's Division only – maximum of five substitutes.
 - All other seniors – maximum of five with unlimited interchange.
 - All junior divisions – half time 5 minutes
 - All senior divisions – half time 10 minutes

12. Home Team responsibilities

The team whose name appears first in the draw shall be considered to be the Home Team.

- (a) The Duty Officer must present himself to the Match Official of all senior matches 15 minutes prior to kick off, and for all junior matches 5 minutes prior to kick off.
- (b) The Home Team shall supply the Match Ball/Balls.
- (c) Premier to First Division - the Home Team Manager shall supply THREE (3) Match Balls to the Match Official 10 minutes prior to kick-off.
- (d) Duty Officers
- (1) Every Club shall appoint a minimum of one Duty Officer per field for HOME fixtures regardless of grade or division of fixture.
 - (2) All MEN'S PREMIER clubs shall appoint at least one Duty Officer for ALL fixtures in which they are playing.
 - (3) The Duty Officer MUST wear a vest at all times and be very visible.
 - (4) The Duty Officer MUST be at least 18 years of age and cannot be involved in any other activity (i.e., coach, manager, canteen, etc.) whilst acting in this capacity.
 - (5) The Duty Officer shall not consume alcohol whilst performing these duties nor prior to doing so.
 - (6) The Duty Officer should duties may include;
 - (i) If an official referee is not present, ensure that a referee is arranged either by the Club or by consent of the two teams playing.
 - (ii) Escort the designated match officials to and from the playing field and ensure their safety at all times.
 - (iii) Check with the equipment officer that an alternate strip is available if required. (iv) Encourage spectators to comply with the Spectator's Code of Behaviour.
 - (v) Direct and assist an ambulance if called to attend to a player or any other person.
 - (vi) Be of assistance wherever possible to encourage appropriate behaviour at the venue.

- (e) All clubs involved in the sale of alcohol shall comply with all liquor licensing laws and any further requirements of the Zone. FFNC recommends a designated area to be nominated for the consumption of alcohol and specifically prohibits the consumption of alcohol within ten (10) metres of the proximity of the Technical Area.
- (f) Failure to comply with any of the above regulations may incur fines/penalties as per Appendix A or prosecution by regulatory authorities.

13. Match Officials

- (a) Shall have an authority as per FIFA laws of the game (Law 5)
- (b) Junior match officials shall not act as a centre official unless specifically approved by FFNC. (f) Failure to comply with the above regulations may result in a fine as per Appendix A.
- (c) Match Officials are NOT to take match sheets from the ground for any purpose. The Home Club has the responsibility to submit match sheets to the Zone office. The referee is to submit completed match sheets to the home team.

14. Forfeits

A forfeit is typically a match in which one team is unable to field seven players for the match (however, is not limited to this example).

- (a) In the event of seven players per team being present the match must commence at the scheduled kick-off time.
- (b) In the event of a team failing to take the field within fifteen minutes of the scheduled starting time, the opposing team, if on the field of play, will be awarded the match on a forfeit.
- (c) There is no specific allowance for travel and time is deleted from the match duration after the scheduled kick-off time elapses
- (d) In the event that extraordinary circumstances prevent one or both teams (or the match officials) being able to take the field within 15 minutes of the scheduled time, the match may be deemed to be a forfeit (but requires the authority of the Zone).
- (e) (1) If the offending team has not notified the Zone by 4.30pm the day prior to the match that they will not be able to field a team, their Club will be fined as per Appendix A.
(2) If the Club receiving the un-notified forfeit is the home team, they may be reimbursed reasonable expenses including Match Official fees to a maximum of \$150.00 on receipt of an invoice to the Zone office.
- (f) Teams that advise the Zone by 1pm the day prior that they are unable to fulfil a scheduled match will be charged an administration fee as per Appendix A.
- (g) If an ineligible participant participates in a match, the team which included the ineligible participant/s shall forfeit their points and goals. All goals scored by their opponents shall be recorded, with a minimum of 3 goals and 3 match points being awarded to the opposing team.
- (h) A forfeit is classified as a match, and as such a suspension may be served by a participant (but only in the team receiving the forfeit), provided that a match sheet showing same is provided to the Zone office as per Regulation 7 (Match Sheets) (b) (6).
- (i) Any team which forfeits a match in the finals series shall take no further part in the series, and will be fined as per Appendix A.
- (j) Any team that forfeits an ANZAC Cup match will be fined as per Appendix A.
- (k) Any club which forfeits either a Premier or Premier Reserve match due to a lack of numbers must forfeit both divisions on that day.
- (l) The enforcement of a forfeit for any reason including the absence of match officials or dispute between teams shall be referred to the Zone for determination.
- (m) The Zone shall have the sole discretion to determine if a match shall be played or considered a forfeit in the event of a dispute occurring

15. Abandoned Matches

- (a) The Referee must abandon a match under the following circumstances:
- (1) A violent incident occurs on the field of play involving four or more participants engaging in violent conduct.
 - (2) One or more persons invade the pitch and engage in or promote violent, offensive or threatening conduct.
 - (3) A match official is physically assaulted.
 - (4) Any circumstances where grave danger or threat to any person may be suspected in the vicinity of the fixture/venue.
- (b) In the event of a match being abandoned by the match official(s) for reasons of violence, the team or teams reported by the match official(s) shall be suspended from their next competition round.
- (c) Where both teams are held responsible by the Competition Administrator, the abandoned match shall be voided and not replayed.
- (d) Where one team is held responsible by the Competition Administrator, the abandoned match shall be classified as a forfeit and the match points shall be awarded to the opposition team.
- (e) If the Competition Administrator decides that the match will be replayed, the match officials will be paid again for the match.
- (f) If a match is abandoned, cancelled or forfeited, a suspension is only considered to be served if the team to which the suspended participant belongs is not responsible for the facts that led to the abandonment, cancellation or forfeiture.
- (g) A yellow card issued during an abandoned match will be annulled if that match is replayed and upheld if that match is not replayed.
- (h) A direct red card issued during an abandoned match will be upheld, regardless of whether the match is replayed or not.
- (i) If a match is abandoned due to light failure, storm, player injury, etc, the Zone shall determine if the score will be recorded as it was at the time of the abandonment, recorded as a NIL all draw or if the match will be replayed, taking into consideration the duration of play, score line and the Referee's Report and any other matters considered relevant.
 - (j) The definition of a fixture as an abandoned match will ultimately be determined by FFNC.

16.Points

- (a) WIN: 3 points; (b) DRAW: 1 point; (c) DEFEAT: Nil points; (d) FORFEIT: 3 pts plus 3 goals. (e) BYE: 0 points

17.Determination of Pointscore Champions

- (a) The team with the highest pointscore will be the particular Division Pointscore Champion.
- (b) In the event of two or more teams finishing equal on points in the pointscore competition, the better goal difference will decide the higher placing.
- (c) In the event of two or more teams finishing equal on goal difference, the most goals for will decide the higher placing.
- (d) In the event of two or more teams finishing equal on most goals scored, the team with the lesser number of yellow/red cards issued to a team will decide the higher placing.
- (e) Joint premiers if no distinction in results can be determined.

18.Final Series

- (a) Final Series matches will be allocated to the home ground of the competing team that finished highest on the pointscore (where reasonable and at the discretion of the Zone)
- (b) Final Finals - The four teams with the highest point score will play-off to decide the Grand Final Winners and Runners-up for that Division in accordance with the following formula:
- Week 1 - Match A - 3 v 4 - Loser out
 - Match B - 1 v 2 - Winner to Grand Final (Match D)
 - Week 2 - Match C - Loser B v Winner A (Loser Out)
 - Week 3 - Match D - Winner B v Winner C

Matches A,B & C: If the matches are drawn at full time there will be 10 minutes extra time each way for the Grade 12 to 18 age groups inclusive. If the match is still drawn the team which finished

highest on the point score shall advance (for grades 12-14). A penalty shoot-out will apply to determine the winner in grades 15 and above.

Match D: Grand Final: If the match is drawn at full time there will be 10 minutes extra time each way for the Junior age groups. If the match is still drawn at the end of extra time, Joint Premiers will be declared for Grades 12 to 14. There will be a penalty shoot-out to determine the Grand Final Winner for Grade 15 and above.

- (c) Senior Finals - The five teams (or four if such completion exists in which case the junior format shall apply) with the highest pointscore will play off to decide the Grand Final Winner for that Division in accordance with the following formula:

Week 1 - Match A - 4 v 5 (Loser out)
- Match B - 2 v 3

Week 2 - Match C - Loser B v Winner A (Loser Out)
- Match D - 1 v Winner B

Week 3 - Match E - Loser D v Winner C (Loser Out)

Week 4 - Match F - Winner D v Winner E
Matches A, B, C, D E & F: If the matches are drawn at full time, there will be 10 minutes extra time each way. If matches are still drawn there will be a penalty shoot-out to determine the winner.

19. Zone representative and Development Players

If FOUR or more players registered in a Club team are unavailable for competition due to Football Far North Coast SAP/GTP commitments, under the jurisdiction of affiliated bodies, including representative school football, the Club may apply to have the match deferred. The application must be received by the Zone office at least 10 days prior to the match. If approved, the Zone will designate a time and place for the match to be scheduled.

20. Pregnancy

- (a) A player who is pregnant must take full responsibility for themselves. No blame or responsibility shall be accepted for that player or their unborn child/children by the Zone, affiliated Clubs or registered players in the event of an injury which causes complications or the termination of that pregnancy.
(b) If a player is pregnant there shall be no manipulation verbally by the opposing team or her own team concerning the condition of that player.
(c) The Zone advises players against playing after pregnancy has been confirmed.

21. Accounts receivable

- (a) All accounts not paid by the due date are subject to a recovery fee of \$50 (incl. GST).
(b) Overdue accounts may render the club ineligible to receive further competition points during the period the account remains unpaid in full.
(c) FFNC reserves the right to impose further penalty where financial obligations of members are not fulfilled in accordance with reasonable terms.

22. Accounts Payable

- (a) Accounts rendered upon FFNC must be submitted within a maximum of 30 days of supply (unless otherwise specified) to be deemed valid. No liability will be accepted for late lodgement of accounts.

2019 Disciplinary Regulations and Procedures

These Regulations and Procedures are supplementary to the FFA National Disciplinary Regulations and should any conflict arise the FFA National Disciplinary Regulations shall take precedence.

1. OBJECTS OF THE ZONE DISCIPLINARY AND CODE OF CONDUCT REGULATIONS:

- (a) In the first instance, the Competition Administrator shall receive and determine the process for all written reports received by the Zone, which relate to matters of offence or misconduct, under the authority of the Zone.
- (b) The Competition Administrator (or Nominee) and/or the Zone Disciplinary Panel have the authority to impose a penalty on any Zone Member or any other person or Organisation.
- (c) The determining authority needs only to be satisfied from the available evidence that the Laws of the Game, the Procedures of the Zone, the National Disciplinary Regulations and Code of Conduct or the FFNC Spectators Code of Behaviour in force at that time have been breached. Where breaching of the Laws and/or Procedures, the National Disciplinary Regulations or Code of Conduct or the FFNC Spectators Code of Behaviour has been to gain an unfair advantage, is considered dangerous, brings the game of Football or the Objects of The Zone into disrepute, by any action or deed, physical or verbal, or other method which offends the Zone, or the Objects of the Zone, notwithstanding that the Member may not be participating in a game of Football when the breach occurred.
- (d) Penalties imposed by these Procedures also apply to Members or Registered Participants seeking to participate in a competition sanctioned by the Zone or any other Football organisations which are responsible to the authority of FIFA.
- (e) A HEARING is deemed to exist when a person is given an opportunity to make a submission to any disciplinary or Code of Conduct matter. This can be done verbally, in writing or in person and is considered as part of the outcome, notwithstanding providing no obligation upon the administrator to make a determination contingent upon any submission.

2. AUTHORITY OF COMPETITION ADMINISTRATOR:

The Competition Administrator;

- (a) Will be defined as FFNC, it's nominee or higher authority in Disciplinary or Code of Conduct matters;
- (b) Will uphold a zero tolerance (or as otherwise deemed appropriate) in an assessment and response of inappropriate behaviour;
- (c) Will adhere to a consistent process within the terms underpinned within the FFA National Disciplinary Regulations, FFA National Code of Conduct and otherwise as disclosed by the Zone to its members;
- (d) Is authorised to review all official reports received by the Zone;
- (e) Will make a determination and impose sanctions (where appropriate) in accordance with the terms of applicable FFA National Regulations or FFNC competition regulations;
- (f) May initiate an investigation regarding the behaviour of any participant(s);
- (g) May impose sanctions against a participant;
- (h) May impose sanctions against a Member;
- (i) May impose specific sanctions against an individual team;
- (j) Refer serious or complex matters of behaviour (whether on the field or otherwise) to an Independent Arbitrator.

3.DETERMINING AUTHORITY

An assessment and subsequent determination is made under an authority of one or more of the following;

- (a) Competition Administrator or FFNC nominees;
- (b) Arbitrator;
- (c) Appeals Body or nominee;
- (d) Grievance Body or nominee;

A Determining Authority (above the Competition Administrator) shall (subject to adherence to the terms of an Appeals Process) have the authority to vary, set aside or to impose additional sanctions of any sanction(s) imposed by the previous Determining Authority.

4. DISCIPLINARY PROCESS OVERVIEW:

- (a) Match Official decision on Game Day/match;
- (b) Send-off report submitted by Match Official;
- (c) Conduct Report submitted by Match Official;
- (d) Conduct Report submitted by Competition Administrator;
- (e) Assessment of relevant report(s) by Administrator, Zone nominee or Independent Arbitrator;
- (f) Assessment of any verbal or written submissions from accused person or Body (ie definition of the right to be heard);
- (g) Sanction imposed (summarily by the Administrator unless referred to an Independent Arbitrator);
- (h) Sanction advised in writing to the accused party (ie line of communication is to the participant's applicable member club);
- (i) Optional appeal (where sanction is opposed above minimum sanction);
- (j) Optional appeal in accordance with the terms of the National Grievance Regulations;

A participant who is issued a RED CARD is immediately required to STAND-DOWN from all roles until an assessment has been made by the Competition Administrator of what sanction is to be imposed.

A participant who is issued a RED CARD will be required to serve a MINIMUM of ONE (1) match notwithstanding any additional sanction(s) imposed (*).

(*) Unless an appeal is upheld on the basis of mistaken identity. Evidence for such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the competition administrator before 1pm on the first business day after the relevant send-off.

There will be no exemptions given to enable a participant (who has been issued a RED CARD) to continue a participation (in any role) on a basis that they intend to appeal or have lodged an appeal.

5. LAWS OF THE GAME:

- (a) Laws of the Game (LOTG) as specified by Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA).

6. ZONE REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES:

- (a) FFNC Constitution;
- (b) FFNC competition regulations;
- (c) FFNC competition procedures;

7. MEMBER:

- (a) As defined within the FFNC Constitution;
- (b) Otherwise interpreted as a participant for the purposes of;
 - (i) Disciplinary regulations;
 - (ii) Code of Conduct;
 - (iii) Grievance Regulations

8. PARTICIPANT:

- (a) Includes all registered persons;
- (b) Includes all spectators;
- (c) Includes all persons in any role within FFNC sanctioned activity;
- (d) Includes a specific team (or teams) in incidents assessed as being serious misconduct.

9. SANCTIONED ACTIVITY:

- (a) Sanctioned match/fixture;
- (b) Sanctioned training;
- (c) Sanctioned activity within a reasonable definition of a football activity;

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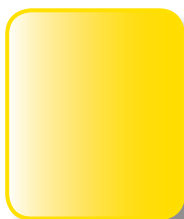
Red and Yellow Cards

Yellow Card Offences

- **Y1** Unsporting behaviour
- **Y2** Dissent by word or action
- **Y3** Persist infringement of the Laws of the Game
- **Y4** Delaying the restart of play
- **Y5** Failing to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick or throw-in
- **Y6** Entering, re-entering or deliberately leaving the field of play without the referee's permission
- **Y7** Deliberately leaving the field of play without the referees permission

Red Card Offences

- **R1** Serious foul play
- **R2** Violent conduct
- **R3** Spiting at an opponent or any other person
- **R4** Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (except a goalkeeper within their own penalty area)
- **R5** Denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the opponents' goal by an offence punishable by a free kick (unless otherwise outlined in the FIFA laws of the game)
- **R6** Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures
- **R7** Receiving a second caution in the same match





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These Rovers lads came together to support a team-mate who had a battle to beat cancer in 2018



Uki Pythons Cat North who was player of the match in the women's division 5 grand final



Derryn Nix with his Kyogle FC junior girls team



Junior players from Casino RSM Cobras FC

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10. YELLOW CARDS:

- (a) Cautionable Offences
 - Y1. Unsporting behaviour
 - Y2. Shows dissent by word or action
 - Y3. Persistently infringes the Laws of the Game
 - Y4. Delays the restart of play
 - Y5. Fails to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick or free kick.
 - Y6. Enters or re-enters the field of play without the Referee's permission.
 - Y7. Deliberately leaves the field of play without the Referee's permission.
- (b) A participant shall be cautioned during the course of a Zone match for any offence under the Laws and Procedures of Association Football as is deemed necessary by the Referee.
- (c) The Referee may reprimand a participant during the course of play without the showing of a yellow card.
- (d) A Caution (yellow card) is issued by the Referee, recording a participant's name and number and the offence committed on the Zone Match Sheet at the conclusion of the match or any abandoned match.
- (e) The only appeal allowed against a caution is for mistaken identity.

11. CUMULATIVE CAUTIONS AND SANCTIONS

- (a) In any one game a participant receiving a yellow card and then a direct Red Card will have recorded against his/her name ONE (1) Caution which will be counted in the participant's accumulation of yellow cards, plus the penalty imposed for the Red Card offence.
- (b) The accumulation of yellow cards will be reset at the end of the last Match of the pre-season, the main season competition, finals series or any other competition respectively. This means that yellow cards accumulated in a pre-season competition do not carry over to the competition proper and yellow cards accumulated in a main season competition do not carry over to any finals series. Match suspensions incurred as a result of the accumulation of yellow cards will not, however, be cancelled and shall be served in the final series if required.
 - (i) Should any participant accumulate three (3) Cautions during a pre-season competition, the participant shall serve a ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION. Should the participant accumulate a further two (2) Cautions during pre-season competitions, the participant shall serve a further ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION.
 - (ii) Should any Participant accumulate four (4) Cautions during a Main season competition, the participant shall serve a ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION.
 - (iii) Should any Participant accumulate a further two (2) Cautions, (i.e., a total of six (6) Cautions) during a Main season competition the participant shall serve a further ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION.
 - (iv) For every additional two (2) cautions accumulated during the Main season competition, the Participant shall serve a further TWO (2) MATCH SUSPENSION, however the Zone may apply an additional penalty if the participant's record or circumstances of the cautions is considered to justify such action.
 - (v) Should any Participant accumulate three (3) Cautions during the Finals series, the participant shall serve a ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION.
 - (vi) Should any participant accumulate three (3) Cautions during Summer Youth League competition, the participant shall serve a ONE (1) MATCH SUSPENSION. Should the participant accumulate a further two (2) Cautions during Summer Youth League competition, the participant shall serve a further TWO (2) MATCH SUSPENSIONS.
 - (vii) Championship and Other Competition Cautions shall be dealt with at the discretion of the Competition Administrator or nominee.
- (c) The Zone shall maintain the official record of Participants Cautions. The Zone will advise the Member's Club in writing when the Member has accumulated the required number of Cautions to serve a suspension HOWEVER it will be the responsibility of the participant's club to stand a participant down when they cumulative cards have been received requiring a suspension to be served. A participant or club cannot rely on "lack of notification" from the Zone as a defence for not standing a participant down where cumulative cards have been issued.
- (d) The requirement to stand a participant down for match caution offences shall apply in the next match designated for the participants nominated team, as per Disciplinary Procedure 13.
- (e) Sanctions imposed will remain active until fully extinguished, except;
- (f) Sanctions imposed of TWO (2) matches or less will be considered to have been served if not extinguished within a period of five (5) years after the sanction was imposed should a participant be absent from participation (in all roles) for a period of at least five years.

12. RED CARDS:

A participant who is issued a RED CARD is immediately required to STAND-DOWN from all roles until an assessment has been made by the Competition Administrator of what sanction is to be imposed.

A participant who is issued a RED CARD will be required to serve a MINIMUM of ONE (1) match notwithstanding any additional sanction(s) imposed (*).

(*) Unless an appeal is upheld on the basis of mistaken identity. Evidence for such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the competition administrator before 1pm on the first business day after the relevant send-off.

There will be no exemptions given to enable a participant (who has been issued a RED CARD) to continue a participation (in any role) on a basis that they intend to appeal or have lodged an appeal.

13. PARTICIPANT SENT FROM THE FIELD:

- (a) (i) A Member who accumulates the following number of red cards during the pre-season competition, main season competition or Finals Series, must serve the following immediate mandatory match suspensions:
 - 1) First red card - 1 match suspension
 - 2) Second red card - 2 match suspension
 - 3) Third red card - 3 match suspension
 - 4) Fourth red card - 4 match suspensionplus any further penalty determined by the Competition Administrator or nominee.
- (ii) Any penalty imposed by the Competition Administrator or any higher authority will be inclusive of the mandatory match suspension.
- (iii) A Member sent from the field shall not participate in any other game or match until the Send-Off Report has been assessed and any sanction imposed has been extinguished.
- (iv) A Team Official who has been expelled from the field of play by a Referee must serve a mandatory one (1) match suspension plus any further penalty determined by the Competition Administrator or nominee.
- (v) Suspended participants and participants sent from the field during the match are not permitted in the Technical area until the full suspension is served and cannot have any active role in coaching of team activities during a fixture.
- (b) The Competition Administrator shall advise the relevant Club of the sanction imposed and the Member's Club must contact the participant.
- (c) In cases of urgency, the Member's Club may contact the Competition Administrator, to seek priority for the process of determination.
- (d) The only appeal allowed against the mandatory match suspension is for mistaken identity.
- (e) All sanctions will be applied in accordance with the FFA schedule, noting minimum sanctions exist for each offence and may be applied at or above this schedule.

14. SCOPE OF SANCTIONS:

- (a) The Determining Authority is empowered to impose penalties on participants or Members within the Zone, in any combination of the listed penalty limits, as is determined necessary to ensure compliance with the National Disciplinary Regulations, the National Code of Conduct Regulations and the Regulations of the Zone.
- (b) The Determining Authority will enforce the an imposed Bond if the Member, or it's participants have re-offended by way of a similar or more serious offence within the time frame of the bond.
- (c) A Bond being enforced on a Member, if monetary, becomes payable by the Member or the Member's Club on receipt of written advice from Competition Administrator.
- (d) Monetary Bonds must be paid to the Zone prior to the next Zone match, before the Member is allowed further participation. Match Bonds enforced, will be served from the next Zone match after the Zone has notified the Member or Member's Club. Verbal notifications will be confirmed in writing.
- (e) The Bond expires, and cannot be enforced, from the end of the applied time. A time limit expires at midnight on the nominated date.
- (f) The sanction of placement on a bond can be imposed only on first time offenders.

(iv) Match Suspensions

The Determining Authority may suspend a participant for any NUMBER OF MATCHES (from playing only) or any TIME PERIOD (may be from involvement in all activities) up to a life ban.

(v) Reprimand The sanction of reprimand can only be considered under the terms of the FFA Disciplinary Regulations. (vi) The Determining Authority may impose additional sanctions on a club or team, including:

- (1) loss of competition points;
- (2) suspension or expulsion from the competition;
- (3) playing matches without spectators;
- (4) loss of home ground matches
- (5) a ban from attending matches
- (6) a ban on taking part in any football related activity
- (7) any other sanctions deemed appropriate

15. MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Appeals for mistaken identity for Procedures 8 and 10, must be submitted in writing to the Zone within two (2) working days from the end of the match in which the mistake allegedly occurred. Details of the person alleged to be the person who should have been identified in the specific incident is to be provided.

16. NOTIFICATION AND TIMEFRAMES

- (a) A participant who is issued a RED CARD is immediately required to STAND-DOWN from all roles until an assessment has been made by the Competition Administrator of what sanction is to be imposed.
- (b) A participant who is issued a RED CARD will be required to serve a MINIMUM of ONE (1) match notwithstanding any additional sanction(s) imposed (*).
- (c) (*) Unless an appeal is upheld on the basis of mistaken identity. Evidence for such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the competition administrator before 1pm on the first business day after the relevant send-off.
- (d) There will be no exemptions given to enable a participant (who has been issued a RED CARD) to continue a participation (in any role) on a basis that they intend to appeal or have lodged an appeal;
- (e) The competition administrator will issue a sanction notification (by notifying the participant in writing to the participant's member club) ordinarily within 10 working days from the date of the send-off;
- (f) A Member Club can write to the competition administrator seeking a sanction notification (or advice about the sanction process) if a sanction notification has not been received after a participant has stood down for the mandatory (ONE) match that applies notwithstanding any further sanction imposed.
- (g) A participant who receives a RED CARD is ineligible to participate (in any role) until a sanction that has been imposed is fully extinguished;
- (h) A participant who receives a RED CARD is not considered eligible to participate (in any role) on the basis that a sanction is unknown, has not been issued, has not been received or for any other similar reason.
- (i) A matter that is assessed by an Independent Arbitrator or within the terms of a Code of Conduct will be determined in a timeline that is contingent upon factors including the complexity of the matter and resources allocated by the Arbitrator;
- (j) A matter that is assessed by an Independent Arbitrator or within the terms of a Code of Conduct are subject to a maximum timeline of TWO (2) years (Refer FFA National Code of Conduct Regulations);
- (k) The Competition Administrator is obliged to adhere to the directions imposed by the Arbitrator and any higher authority.

17. EVIDENCE:

- (a) The evidence shall comprise written evidence, and oral presentation by way of;
 - (i) Reports, Referees or other accepted by the competition administrator; (ii) Participants' written deposition, signed and dated;
 - (ii) Witnesses' written depositions, signed and dated, from witnesses who may be called upon by the competition administrator if required.
 - (b) The Member must provide to the Competition Administrator a copy of any written submissions, materials or documents it intends to rely on in the hearing, as well as the names of any persons who will be attending to represent them, at least 2 business days before the start of that hearing. If it fails to do so, the Competition Administrator may refuse to submit them into evidence at the hearing.
- If after a hearing has concluded, the Zone or the Competition Administrator becomes aware that a Member or witness may have misled the Competition Administrator, then the Competition Administrator may set aside decisions and make new determinations upon them or their member club or team(s). Witnesses or participants considered to have misled the Competition Administrator may have penalties imposed upon them or their member club or team(s).

18. APPEALS:

- (a) The Competition Administrator will convene at an appointed time and place at its description.
- (b) The Competition Administrator shall have placed before it, reports, any written depositions that are signed and dated, and clarification from the Referee if required.
- (c) A party may be called to attend in person or by phone.
- (d) If a party fails to attend, the case can be heard and determined in that party's absence, including as to determination of the charge and/or sanction.
- (e) Once the Competition Administrator or its nominee has reached a decision the Member and/or the Member's representative will be given a copy of the findings of the Panel.
- (f) In the event that the Competition Administrator or its nominee requires time to consider its decision, they shall reserve their decision the Competition Administrator can advise the Member's Club of the decision.
 - (i) Suspensions imposed by The Panel are inclusive of any applicable mandatory match suspension as set out in 11 (a) (i).
- (g) All decisions of a Competition Administrator remain in force unless reversed by an Appeals process.
- (h) Any aggrieved Person or Organisations dissatisfied with the Competition Administrator finding may lodge an Appeal, which will be heard by the next highest authority within seven (7) working days of a determination being advised to a member.
- (i) Appeals must be submitted in writing, signed and dated, stating full grounds for the appeal, and enclosing the appropriate fee as per Appendix "A" and lodged to FFNC (or nominated body) within seven (7) working days of a determination being advised to a member.

19. INVESTIGATIVE POWERS

- (a) Where, in the opinion of the Competition Administrator, a reported incident appears likely to be particularly complex or be expected to give rise to a large number of persons wishing to give evidence or where the identity of any person cited in the referee's report is unknown or disputed for any reason, the Competition Administrator may convene an Investigative process to hear witnesses and/or make the necessary findings in respect of any matters requiring determination prior to the hearing.

APPENDIX "A" - Fines and Penalties (GST not applicable)

Fines shown below will apply in addition to any penalties that are imposed consistent with Determinations made based on Disciplinary or Code of Conduct Regulations.

Team Withdrawal (per team)

- a) After grading finalised
 - junior \$55.00
 - senior \$55.00
- b) After draw completed
 - Miniroos \$75.00
 - junior \$165.00
 - senior \$165.00
- c) After competition has commenced
 - Miniroos \$165.00
 - junior \$380.00
 - senior \$380.00
- d) Anzac Cup / Callan McMillan & Summer Youth League
 - (i) after draw compiled \$110.00
 - (ii) less than 1 week prior to and after start of comp, per round \$110.00
- Late lodgement of Team Lists or online team data entry, per team \$22.00

Participation of Ineligible Players (per match)

- a) Win or draw - junior, forfeit of points and/or fine \$50.00
 - Win or draw, senior, forfeit of points and fine \$75.00
- b) Match lost
 - junior \$60.00
 - senior \$90.00
- c) Anzac Cup/Callan McMillan/SYL
 - Win or draw - loss of pts & fine \$90.00
 - Match lost \$110.00
 - Semi-final - forfeit plus fine \$210.00
 - Grand Final - forfeit plus fine \$320.00

Home Team Responsibilities

- Failure to comply \$50.00
- Failure to provide Duty Officer \$50.00

Club Colours

- Failure to register a new strip with Zone. \$220.00

Forfeits

- Match awarded to opposition (3 points, 3 goals)
- a) Minimum 24 hrs notification
 - Senior \$55.00
 - Junior \$55.00
- b) Day of fixture or no notification
 - Senior \$220.00
 - Junior \$110.00
- c) Forfeit in a final series \$550.00
- d) Anzac Cup/Callan McMillan or SYL forfeit \$165.00

Match Sheet Infringements

- a) No signature on Match Sheet \$50.00
- b) Forged Signature \$90.00
- c) Missing FFA numbers where required \$30.00
- d) Incorrect FFA number or surname \$30.00
- e) Insufficient information on Match Sheet header \$30.00
- f) Conflicting shirt numbers \$30.00
- g) Late lodgement of Match Sheets, per incident \$50.00

Annual General Meeting

- Non-attendance \$55.00

Results Not Entered

- Per result \$30.00

Trophies

- a) Not returned Cost of replacement
- b) Damage to trophies Cost of repair or replacement

Inducement of Junior Match Official

- To act as a centre official \$95.00

Disciplinary Appeals -

- First appeal \$400.00
- Second appeal \$800.00
- Grievance \$1000.00

Zone Disciplinary Sanctions

(as determined by FFA)

Suspensions—if more than six (6) months, times are defined as whole years.

Offence No.	Offence	Minimum Sanction
1 (R4 or R5 for players)	Denying the opposing team a clear goal-scoring opportunity	The Mandatory Match Suspension
2 (R6 for players)	Use of offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures	The Mandatory Match Suspension
3 (R1 for players)	Serious Foul Play (e.g. when challenging for the ball)	1 additional match plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
4 (R2 for players)	Assault on a Player (e.g. violent conduct when not challenging for the ball)	1 additional match plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
5 (R6 for players)	Serious Unsporting Conduct	1 additional match plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
6 (R6 for players)	Use of discriminatory language and/or gestures, including racist, religious, ethnic or sexist	4 additional matches plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
7 (R3 for players)	Spitting at a player	5 additional matches plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
8 (R2 or R6 of players)	Inciting a brawl	5 additional matches plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
Specific Offences Against a Match Official		
9 (R6 for players)	Use of offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures against a match official	The Mandatory Match Suspension
10 (R6 for players)	Unsporting conduct toward a match official	3 additional matches plus the Mandatory Match Suspension
11 (R2 for players)	Assault of a match official	6 months including the Mandatory Match Suspension
12 (R3 for players)	Spitting at a match official	12 months including the Mandatory Match Suspension

NOTE: The Offences and sanctions listed above apply against players or any other person whether on or off the field of play.



Jasmine Riddle from Pottsville Beach FC is one the many amazing volunteers in community football



Former Lismore locals Ashley Wilson and Craig Foster have each forged impressive careers within the game



Brent Wallace from Northern NSW Football (NNSWF) was at the Ballina Cinema Under the Stars event in November

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