



# SUMMER 6s RULES AND REGULATIONS

## Player registration

- Please note that ALL players must be registered on [www.playfootball.com.au](http://www.playfootball.com.au)

## Shin Pads

- Each and every player must wear shin pads. Failure to comply will result in exclusion from the game.

## Game Rules

FIFA rules apply, except for the following Six-A-Side variations.

- Each player agrees to abide by the FFA Code of Conduct.
- Each team can list up to ten (10) players on the match card – all players must be registered in the team they play for. Teams using players that are not registered as a member of their team will forfeit the game and a result of 3 – 0 win will be awarded to the opposing team.
- Teams must start play at the nominated time for their division with a minimum of four (4) players. Teams unable to field at least four (4) players at the commencement of the game (indicated by the referee’s whistle) will forfeit the game. At the discretion of the opposing team a “friendly” game will be allowed to enable those that have turned up to participate. The result of any friendly game will be disregarded. A result of a 3-0 win will be awarded to the non-forfeiting team.
- If at any time during the game a team is unable to continue to field the minimum number of four (4) players, the game will be abandoned and a 3 – 0 win will be recorded for the opposing team.
- No more than six (6) players on the field of play at any one time.
- Unlimited substitution from halfway with referee’s permission.
- No offside.
- **NO SLIDE TACKLES or TACKLING FROM BEHIND.** This will result in an **automatic** yellow card to the offending player.
- Throws in are taken if the ball goes out over the sideline
- Goalkeeper can only handle ball inside the box. The goalkeeper must play the ball by placing the ball on the ground or by throwing the ball. The goalkeeper cannot kick the ball from their hands.

- If a game is stopped before the allocated full-time (except for failure to field the minimum number of players): Scores will be considered valid and the game considered completed if 50 percent or more a game of the allocated match time is played; a game stopped before 50 per cent of allocated full-time will result in a nil-all score for both teams and be considered completed.
- **MIXED COMPETITION** teams must have a **minimum** of two female players on the pitch at all times.
- **1 Goal scored by a FEMALE (in senior Mixed comp) player will count as 2 goals for the match score**
- The Competition Coordinator will notify team managers ASAP of field closures-on Noosa Lions Facebook page.

#### **Penalties and player suspensions for infringing the rules of the game:**

- A player will be suspended for a specified amount of games after the game in which the infringement occurred.
- A player dismissed from the field of play for two (2) yellow card offences in the same game: one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division of the competition will be given and the player is prohibited from participating in any other match until the one (1) match suspension is served in the division the dismissal occurred. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
- A player dismissed for a straight red card offence: minimum of one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division of the competition will be given and the player is prohibited from participating in any other match until the one (1) or more match suspension is served in the division the dismissal occurred. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
- Three (3) yellow cards accumulated: automatic one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
- Six (6) yellow cards accumulated: automatic two (2) scheduled games suspension in that division. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
- Any teams accumulating SIX (6) or more yellow cards will have **3 points** deducted from the team cumulative score.
- Any teams accumulation THREE (3) or more red cards will have **3 points** deducted from the cumulative team score.
- Any further red cards for the team will result in another **3 points** being deducted for each red card.

The competition coordinators have the right to dismiss from the competition, any individual player or team that consistently flouts the rules and accumulates cards or endangers other players.

#### **Fighting**

- Any player or person deemed to be fighting by the referee shall incur a red card.
- The Disciplinary Committees committee will request information from the referee in relation to the incident and determine an appropriate sanction.
- The decision will be advised both orally and in writing to the team manager by the Competition Coordinator by COB on the Monday immediately following the game in which the offence occurred. The team manager may submit a response to the Competition Coordinator for consideration within one business day of being notified of the suspension. The Competition

Coordinator will advise the team manager of their final decision within one business day of receiving the team manager's submission.

- Where multiple players are determined to be involved in the fighting, the Disciplinary Committee may suspend or expel offending players, persons or teams from the current season, or for the life of the competition.

### **Respecting Referees**

- Offences against referees, including stand-in referees, will not be tolerated.
- Any Players dismissed on either second yellow or straight red caution for disrespecting a referee's decision or for any other action, word or behaviour to attempt to intimidate or bully a referee or to show contempt for role of a referee will receive a **minimum four (4) games suspension** in that division of the competition. The suspended player is prohibited from participating in any other match in any other division on the day of dismissal and until the suspension has been completed.
- A player who receives a suspension for an offence against a referee will, if convicted of a second offence, receive a **minimum two year ban from Summer Sixes competition**. If the same player returns after two years and receives a third ban for an offence against a referee, the Disciplinary committee may ban the player from participation in the Summer Sixes competition for life.