



TUFC SUMMER SIXES RULES AND REGULATIONS 2025

PLAYER REGISTRATIONS:

- Please note that ALL players must be registered with FFA in order to play.
- All players need to be registered via playfootball and in the team group on 360player.
- If you have never been registered, instructions for completing registration and obtaining an FFA number are available on our website or follow the instructions on the Football Australia website.
- Record your number somewhere e.g. Phone & inform your team manager as well.

TEAM MANAGERS:

- Each team must nominate a team manager who will be responsible for:
 - Team and player registrations, including payment of whole team fee. We will be using 360player and will send out the links for payments.
 - Certifying players on match cards, and
 - Regulatory and disciplinary matters for their team.

MATCH BALLS:

- Senior teams – each team must provide a No. 5 match ball.
- Junior teams U14 and older – each team must provide a No. 5 match ball.
- Junior teams U10 – U12 – each team must provide a No. 4 match ball.
- Miniroos team U8 – U9 – each team must provide a No. 3 match ball.

SHIN PADS:

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

PLAYER STRIPS:

- Each team is responsible for playing strips for its players, including shirts, shorts and socks.
- Each strip must be matching (or at least the same colour) to ensure identification of team members.
- **Each shirt of each team's strip must have a number at least 150mm high to enable the unique identification of each player in a team.**
- If playing strips of opposing teams are considered too similar in colour, a set of bibs can be borrowed from the canteen to distinguish teams.
- Teams are reminded that they must have a strip prior to the first match of the Summer Sixes competition – no exemptions will be allowed. Failure to have matching and numbered strips will see teams suspended from the competition until they comply.

ALCOLHOL POLICY:

- Taking into account the social aspect of this competition and these fields being public spaces, alcohol will be allowed in the general playing fields precinct.
- There will be NO drinking of alcohol during the course of your games.
- NO GLASS BOTTLES will be allowed as they present an obvious danger. (Any soft drinks brought to the field, should also be in cans) GLASS Bottles will be taken off teams and place with the TUFC Coordinator until the team leaves the fields for the night.
- Any persistent infringement of this policy (after a formal warning) could result in a TEAM dismissal from the tournament.

TEAM DUTIES:

SET UP AND TAKE DOWN:

Each field needs two goals, two nets and 4 corner flags. Please return immediately any unused corner flags to the container.

- For each round of the competition, if you are a team that is playing in the first game of the evening, you must organise to collect one goal, one net and two corner flags from the container and place the goal frame and corner flags in the correct position on the field on which you are playing.
- For each round of the competition, if you are a team playing the last match of the evening, you must organise to take down, return goal frame, nets and corner flags and pack neatly into the container.
- The team that is named as the Home team is responsible for goal, net and corner flags on the end that has the canteen on it.
- The team that is named as the Away team is responsible for goal, net and corner flags on the end that has the school on it.

MATCH CARDS:

- **Match MUST be filled out correctly. Players Full First and Last Name and Players Jersey Number. Failure to do so will result in a forfeit, if both teams do this it will be recorded as 0-0 draw and no points recorded.**
- **Each team can list up to ten (10) players on the match card – all players must be registered in the team they play for. If teams name more than 10 players it will be a forfeit.**
- Match cards will be available from the canteen. There will be a pile for each team with each round marked on it please collect on the first round.
- Spare match cards will be available if required from the canteen each week.
- For each round of the competition, each team that is competing must properly fill out a match card prior to commencement of their game and provide to the referee, clearly showing players names and strip numbers.
- Each match card must be filled in by the official referee (or club ref. if official not allocated) to show the goals scored for each team, the winning team and any cautions and incidents. The completed match card must be signed by both managers and handed in at the canteen at the completion of the game by the referee.

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 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 substitutions from halfway with referee's permission.
- No offsidess.
- **NO TACKLING FROM BEHIND.** This will result in an **automatic yellow card** to the offending player.
- **SLIDE TACKLING** – If the player makes an effort to keep the ball in play or stop it going into the goal, block a pass or shot where an opposition player was at NO RISK OF CONTACT, then NO sanction will occur.
- If a player does make contact with an opposition player, while performing a sliding tackle, then the player will be sanctioned. Sanction: Player sent for a 5-minute temporary Dismissal (TD) with a player replacement.
- **LUNGES** – If the player lunges at an opposition player to affect a tackle, if he misses the player and the ball – NO sanction is made but the player is WARNED.
- If a player makes contact with an opposition player, while performing a lunging tackle. This will be deemed a **STUDS-UP** tackle then the player will be sanctioned. Sanction: Player will receive an **automatic yellow card** to the offending player.
- Goalkeeper can only handle the ball inside the box.
- In senior games players inside the box can score a goal.
- In junior games players inside the box can score a goal.
- Junior grades play two periods of 20 minutes each with a 5-minute break for half time.
- Senior grades play two periods of 20 minutes each with a 5-minute break for half time.
- Minirooms grades play two periods of 15 minutes each with a 5-minute break for half time.
- If a game is stopped before the allocated full-time (except for failure to field the minimum numbers 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 percent of allocated full-time will result in a nil-all score for both teams and be considered completed.
- **MIXED COMPETITION** teams must always have a minimum of two female players on the pitch.
- **1 Goal scored by a FEMALE player will count as 2 goals for the match score in Mixed Competition only.**

BAD WEATHER:

- Scheduled competition games will be cancelled in the event of an ACT Government enforced field closure.
- The Competition Coordinator will notify team managers ASAP of field closures on TUFC 360player app.
- Cancelled games due to field closures will not automatically be rescheduled. The Competition Coordinator will determine if games can be rescheduled within two weeks and team managers will be notified only if games are re-scheduled.

REFEREES:

- If an official referee is not available to start a game, a stand-in referee will be supplied where possible. Otherwise, teams must nominate a referee-who officiates the whole match.
- The stand-in referee will have the same authority on the field of play as an official referee and must be given the same respect by players due to an official referee.

PENALTIES AND PLAYER SUSPENSIONS FOR INFRINGING THE RULES OF THE GAME:

- A player will be suspended for a specified number of games after the game in which the infringement occurred.
- A player dismissed from the field of play for two (2) yellow cards 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 further games on the night until the one (1) or more match suspension is served in the division the dismissal occurred. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.**
- Additional games suspension related to the nature of the offence may be given to the player based on Capital Football *'Disputes and Disciplinary regulations 2014*.
- The Disciplinary Committee will decide any additional suspension of games based on the infringement committed by the player and the report presented by the referee.
- The Disciplinary Committee's 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.
- Three (3) yellow cards accumulated by a player: automatic one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
- Six (6) yellow cards accumulated by a player: 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 team's 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 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.
- 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 the 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 suspended by the Disciplinary Committee for an offence against a referee will be banned from all Divisions - not just the Division in which he / she was playing when dismissed from the pitch.
- 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.

CAPITAL FOOTBALL SANCTION:

- Capital Football has sanctioned the Summer Sixes competitions conducted by Tuggeranong United Football Club Inc.
- Any suspensions given exceeding one week will be notified by the Competition Coordinator to Capital Football.
- The suspension of a player during the Summer Sixes competition may be carried over to the next winter competition.

- **Carry over Suspensions:** a suspension issued in one season will be carried over to the following Summer Sixes Competition season, for example a three-week ban issued in a semi-final will be carried over into the next season and the player will be required to serve the full suspension before he / she is allowed back onto the pitch. A list of suspended players will be displayed at the canteen on match night.

Kind Regards,

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