







Touch Football:

This Competition is conducted in accordance with the rules of <u>Touch football Australia (TFA)</u> except where these differ from Arc Sports rules; in which case the latter shall take precedence.

1. Uniform requirements:

- 1. Teams must wear matching coloured shirts.
- 2. Comfortable sporting attire
- 3. Sports shoes. NO Cleats/ football boots.

2. Team size:

- 1. Minimum number of players required is 6.
- 2. A maximum of 6 are allowed on the field at any one time.
- 3. A minimum of 4 players are required for the match to be played, minimum 2 females on the field at any time.

3. Substitutions:

- 1. Teams may interchange players at any time. The player must enter the substitution box before the replacement player leaves. (It is recommended to only make a substitute during attack.)
- 2. Substitutions are unlimited.

4. Game Play:

- 1. Scoring: A player (not the Half) scores by placing the ball on or over the score line without being touched. A touch down is worth 1 point.
- 2. Possession of the Ball: At a change of possession play is restarted with a roll ball. A change of possession shall occur when:
 - 1. The ball goes to ground.
 - 2. The Half is touched while in possession.
 - 3. The Half places the ball in the Touchdown zone.
 - 4. The 6th Touch occurs.
 - 5. The player in possession steps on or over the boundary of the field of play.
 - 6. A roll ball is performed incorrectly.
 - 7. A tap is performed incorrectly.
- 3. The touch: each team has 6 touches to attempt to score. A touch is made with minimal force and can be on any part of the body, ball or clothing.
- 4. Roll ball: Once a touch has been made players must roll the ball backwards between their legs to their team.
- 5. The pass: all passes must be made backwards to a player who is behind the current player with the ball.
- 6. Onside: for a defending player to be on side they must retreat ten (10) metres behind the referee after a touch is made.
- 7. The Penalty: When a player/team is penalised, the non-offending team shall restart play with a tap. The tap is taken at the mark and the defending team must retire ten (10) metres from the mark until the ball has been tapped.
- 8. Play restarts with a tap when the following infringements occur:
 - 1. Forward Pass
 - 2. Touch and Pass ("late pass")
 - 3. Roll ball performed off the mark ("overstepping")
 - 4. Performing a roll ball prior to a touch being made ("voluntary rollball")
 - 5. Defenders offside at the roll ball (5 metres)
 - 6. Defenders offside at the tap (10 metres)
 - 7. Deliberately delaying play
 - 8. More than six players on the field
 - 9. Incorrect substitution
 - 10. Falsely claiming a touch ("phantom touch")
 - 11. Using more than the minimum force to make a touch ("heavy touch")











12. Misconduct

5. Match duration

- 1. Each match will be in 40 min timeslots consisting of 35 min playing time and 5 min change over time between matches.
- 2. Halves will be approximately 17 min with no half time break. Teams will swap sides at the first stoppage after 17min.
- 3. There will be no time stoppages during the game.