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Futsal Toowoomba

Welcome

Welcome and thank you for registering to be part of another exciting season of the FFA/FQ affiliated Futsal Toowoomba competition. The Futsal Toowoomba staff and sub-committee are pleased to inform you with of some new and exciting developments below:

- Summer Premier League Futsal: Futsal Toowoomba will select representative teams to play in this league. Teams to play in Brisbane from ages 10 up to Open each fortnight.
- Another exciting concept is that the winning teams in our Futsal Toowoomba league will have the opportunity to play in the State Teams Championships in February.
- FQ has also successfully negotiated to have Futsal become a State School Sport and should be rolled out in 2012.

South West Queensland Football

Our thanks are extended to South West Queensland Football who are supporting the formation and development of Futsal in Toowoomba. South West Queensland Football intends to coordinate FUTSAL centres across the whole South West Region over the coming years. This will provide the region with tremendous opportunities for inter CA and club carnivals and competitions and the development of our players

Goals

- To provide a safe and enjoyable futsal experience.
- To be the leading force of futsal in Toowoomba and surrounding areas.
- To provide superior refereeing and coaching via FFA approved courses and mentoring programs.
- Provide a defined player/coach pathway to representative levels of futsal.



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Definitions

FT. Inc. Football Toowoomba Inc.

FQF Football Queensland Futsal

FQ Football Queensland

FFA Football Federation Australia

FIFA Federation International Football Association

QFL Queensland Futsal League

Regular Competition Local weekly FQF competition run by a Club

Participants Includes the Teams, Players, Match Officials, Team Officials and any person conducting a duty on their behalf

Futsal Toowoomba Responsibilities

Futsal Toowoomba will provide all the aspects of running and promoting the futsal season.

Futsal Toowoomba responsibilities are, but not limited to the following.

- Provide all match balls to each competition
- Provide a full season schedule of the regular competition, including finals to all participants registered with Futsal Toowoomba
- Update and maintain website and any other forms of notification for the weekly competition.
- Notify team officials of any changes to schedule with as much notice as given to Futsal Association.
- Provide all necessary paperwork for the weekly running of the competition.
- Provide FFA accredited Officials to all games.
- All Officials will officiate to the 2010 FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game
- Futsal Toowoomba will provide an appropriate First Aid Kits to each venue and the respective Centre Manager will be a FA qualified. Medications are not permitted to be in First Aid Kits. Players who require medications (e.g. asthma medication) should ensure that they have it prior to participating in the Futsal Toowoomba Competition and only administer the medication on and by themselves as prescribed by their physician. Please note that medications including asthma puffers and pain killers (e.g. panadol) cannot be provided to players by the First Aid Officer supplied by Futsal Toowoomba.
- Futsal Toowoomba has a Zero Tolerance Policy. Any player, parent, visitor or team that is involved in any fighting, either inside the facility or its car park will be ejected from the venue and banned from playing or attending in Futsal Toowoomba competitions.



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Participants Responsibilities

The Participants shall be responsible throughout the competition for and agree to the following:

- Comply with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game
- To respect the principals of Fair Play and Code of Behaviour and Code of Ethics
- To participate throughout the entire season, including finals
- Be responsible for the Conduct of the team, players, match officials, team officials, and spectators and of any person carrying out duties on its behalf throughout the competition from the arrival at the venue until their departure.
- Ensure that all paperwork is completed and returned during the required time frames.
- Paying for incidental expenses incurred by the participants which may include attending any meetings, disciplinary hearings, appeals or other of which presence is required
- By participating in the Competition, participants agree to comply with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game, Statutes, Regulations, Disciplinary Codes, Doping Control Regulations, Code of Ethics, Licensed Marketing Agreement, and the Operations Manual of FQF, FFA and FIFA as well as the Rules of Competition for Futsal Toowoomba.
- By participating in the Competition, participants agree to comply fully with decisions and directives given by the Match Officials, Competition Administrators and FQF.
- To observe all safety instructions as provided by FQF, Futsal Toowoomba and its participants
- Grant FQF and the Futsal Toowoomba the right to use and authorise others use photographic, audio-visual and visual material of participants, including names, statistics, club name, logo, emblems and sponsors, free of charge for its use. The use may include use on the website, media usage, advertising, promotional materials and in documentation produced by FQF and Futsal Toowoomba.
- Complete all paperwork regarding registration into Futsal Toowoomba.
- Ensure the team arrives 15 min prior to the commencement of the teams match. All matches will commence as scheduled with a minimum of 3 players.
- Ensure all players are wearing and supply the appropriate team uniform. In the event that a team has a colour clash, then the first named team on the draw will wear a bib for the duration of the game. The decision to wear a bib will be at the discretion of the match referee. Bibs are available from the Centre Manager.
- Downlands College as a condition of hire has requested that we only allow players on the courts with non-marking shoes.



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Representative **Futsal**

Futsal Toowoomba is also part of the Queensland Futsal League. The QFL organises the representative Competitions and Tournaments in Queensland. Futsal Toowoomba players will go on and trial to represent the Toowoomba area against teams from all over South East Queensland. Players selected will compete in both the Queensland Summer Futsal League and the Craig Foster Cup.

To Qualify for The Johnny Warren Champions of Champions, teams leading or Minor Premiers of the Futsal Toowoomba League will be invited to compete against club teams from all over SE Queensland.

Queensland State Team

State Team trials are open to Futsal players who are registered to a local Football Queensland Futsal competition. Players are then expected to be regularly playing for their local club competition or in the local QSFL team. Players selected will represent Queensland at the FFA Futsal Nationals in Canberra in January 2012, in the following age groups for Males & Females: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, Youth and Open
Trial Dates: Oct 2nd and 9th, Beenleigh Arena

Queensland Summer Futsal League

The Queensland Summer Futsal League is a premiere league competition where players will represent their area in the following age groups;

Male: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, Youth (16-19) and Open Men

Female: 12, 14, and Open Women

The zones are:


Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Far North Coast NSW, Toowoomba, North Brisbane

The season will commence on Saturday 12 November 2011 and conclude on Saturday 11th February 2012.

The venues are Cornubia, Once at Caloundra and Toowoomba. The Queensland Futsal League is affiliated to Football Queensland, FFA and FIFA.

Craig Foster Cup

The Craig Foster Challenge is the marquee event in the Queensland Futsal Calendar. The Tournament is a representative regional challenge with representative teams from South East Queensland and Far North Coast NSW competing to see which Region will be crowned as the "Craig Foster Cup" Champions.

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The tournament is aimed at the best futsal players from each FFA Futsal Association in the following age groups: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, Open Men and Open Women.

NOTE FROM CRAIG FOSTER

"It is a great pleasure to have this event named after me. I have been a long-time fan of futsal. Its speed and the technical aspects of the game are beneficial to our players both in futsal and the outdoor game. It's no secret the success of the South American countries at FIFA World Cup events is based on the player's development through Futsal.

As patron of the Queensland Futsal League, I am both excited and proud to be part of this organisation. Improving the development of players is a significant aspect of our strategy and with continuous expansion of this event each year, I, together with Andrew Parkes, Joe Di Meglio and Armando Cacace, look forward to Queensland's continuous Futsal growth."

Johnny Warren Futsal Championship

In a first for Futsal in Australia, a State wide Futsal Cup will be launched in Queensland this summer presenting Futsal clubs the opportunity to be crowned state Champions of Champions.

The Johnny Warren Futsal Cup will be organised by Queensland Futsal League, under the jurisdiction of Football Queensland and will kick off in Dec each year.

2011 JOHNNY WARREN FUTSAL CHAMPIONS CUP

10th Dec

Cornubia Indoor Sports Stadium.

146 Bryants Road, Shailer Park.


The tournament is aimed at the best club teams from each FFA Futsal Club to compete in this prestigious annual event for the title of "Champion of Champions". This annual event is by invitation only and is not open to all teams.

To qualify for an invitation your team must meet the following criteria;

- Be registered and competing in a FFA Futsal Club League.
- Be either currently at the top of your League or have won the grand final in your local club competition.

(In the event that this team is unavailable, the next highest ranked team will be permitted to enter.

If in a combined age group the highest genuine aged team in that League e.g. U/14s league the highest U/13 aged team will be eligible to compete in the U/13 age group for the JW Cup).

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- Only one team per age group per club is permitted to enter.
- To satisfy and comply with the competition "rules of the game" will be provided.
- Age groups to be competing are 10s,11s,12s,13s & 14s

Jamie Warren, nephew of our former Socceroo Captain, and deputy Chairman of the Johnny Warren Foundation is delighted with the tournament and its structure; "Johnny Warren 'discovered' Futsal on his first trip to Brazil in 1984 and was convinced it was the 'secret' behind Brazil's seemingly never-ending production line of world class and technically adroit players, he has been championing the Futsal cause in Australia ever since. "The Warren Family are extremely honoured and proud to have John's name associated with this exciting new initiative for Futsal in Australia and we wish the Queensland Futsal League and Football Queensland every success with the competition," Warren said.

Former Socceroo and Chief Executive Officer of the Johnny Warren Foundation, Francis Awaritefe is pleased with the event; "Personally I think an event like this is long overdue and I congratulate Joe Di Meglio and QFL for their foresight and vision in staging such an event".

Queensland Winter Futsal League

The Queensland Winter Futsal League is a premiere league club competition where senior male players will represent their club.

2011 / 12 Age Groups

Age Division	Year of Birth
Under 9	2002
Under 10	2001
Under 11	2000
Under 12	1999
Under 13	1998
Under 14	1997
Under 15	1996
Youth	1992-1995
Open	1992



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Competition Dates and Trials

Futsal Toowoomba League

Sign On Days:	Aug 22, 25, 29, Sep 1 & 8 from 1-5pm
Sign up Location:	Football Toowoomba Office
Competition Commences:	Oct 4 th
Competition Duration:	10 Weeks
Cost:	\$110 Match Fees and registration
Proposed Playing Days:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Venues:	Downlands College – Sport Centre Juniors Harristown State High School Seniors & Men

Queensland Summer League

Trial Dates:	Oct 16 th
Trial Venue:	Downlands College – Sport Centre
Team to be selected:	9 players (including a goalkeeper) + 2 shadow players
Comp Location:	Cornubia Leisure Centre (Brisbane), Caloundra, Toowoomba
Comp Break:	December 23 - January 20
Competition Commences:	November 12
Competition Concludes:	February 11 2012
Cost:	\$138 / player (Futsal Registered) (Includes: Training, Match Fees, Coach)

Johnny Warren Champion of Champions

Qualification:	Leader of Age Division as of December 3
Age Group:	10, 11, 12, 13, 14
Comp Location:	Cornubia Leisure Centre
Competition Commences:	December 10
Competition Concludes:	December 10



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Cost: T.B.A.

Craig Foster Cup

Qualification: Players Selected to play Queensland Summer League

Comp Location: Cornubia Leisure Centre

Competition Commences: January 21

Competition Concludes: January 22

Cost: T.B.A.

Futsal Registration & Match Fees

Registration Forms

- Registration Forms can be obtained from Football Toowoomba Office- Futsal Administrators
- Registration Forms must be completed and returned prior to the commencement of the League

Entry Fee


- All players will be affiliated and registered under the FQ Registration process which will bring full insurance and allow players to partake in the full representative program. Registration is for 1 year (valid from 04/10/11 - 05/10/12) and costs \$50. (Note: Please refer to page 8 Qld State Teams)
- Your match fees will cover the costs of the court hire, referees and the centre manager for the 10 game competitions. We are a not for profit organization and are keeping fees as low as possible which is \$60. All prices are inclusive of GST

All ages - \$110 per person (Minimum 6 players per team)

**NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN WHATSOEVER ONCE THE LEAGUE HAS COMMENCED
REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF GAMES PLAYED.**

Sign On Days

- Please bring a copy of identification. i.e. Birth Certificate, Passport, Drivers Licence, if you have not played indoor or outdoor football.
- Cheque (made out to Futsal Toowoomba), EFTPOS, and cash will all be accepted.
- If you are entering a team please have the Team Nomination Form filled out.
- Please remember your team name if you are on a team.
- Single players will be placed in a team or made up from a whole team of single players

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- Grand Final winners will receive individual winner medals and the chance to nominate for the State team championships, with runners up receiving individual medals.

Discipline, Disputes and Protests

In the unlikely event that an incident occurs that calls into question any by-law or infringement, then the matter is to be brought to the attention of the Centre Manager on the night of the incident. The decision of the Centre Manager will be determined by due consideration and in accordance with the Rules of the Competition or By-Laws. Should any further action be necessary then teams may utilize the South West Queensland Zone informal complaints procedure. This form may be downloaded from www.footballswq.com.au and submitted to the FUTSAL Toowoomba Secretary.

Futsal Toowoomba has a Zero Tolerance Policy. Any player, parent, spectator or team that is involved in fighting, either inside the facility or its car park will be thrown out of the competition or banned from playing in Futsal Toowoomba competitions.


Player or parent infringements such as yellow and red cards or poor behaviour may involve being called to appear in front of the Football Toowoomba judiciary.

Refunds

Refunds will only be given to players withdrawing prior to commencement of the competition. Once competition schedule has been announced NO REFUNDS will be given under any circumstances.

Insurance

Player injury insurance is covered by the Football Queensland Insurance Program underwritten by JLT Sport. Should you be injured during a game, please ensure the Centre Manager is notified. Details of the insurance cover can be viewed on the Football Queensland Website. If you wish to make a claim, please register your claim with JLT Sport . Contact Number- 1300 655 684

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List of Players

- Each team must have 6 registered players per team as a minimum
- To delete a player from the registration list and replace that player with another player, will require the approval of Futsal Toowoomba. The request must be made one (1) day prior to the match taking place. The new player MUST PAY all registration fees as registrations are NOT transferable.
- Players are only permitted to play in the team in which they have nominated to play for.
- There will be NO switching of players between teams unless they have nominated and are registered for the second team and have paid the match fees for the second nominated team IN FULL
- Players must be from the List of Players provided by the Team at the start of the competition.
- There are unlimited substitutions.
- A Match may not start if either team consists of fewer than three (3) players.
- A team will be able to use fill in players on an irregular regular basis only if the fill in player:
 - Will bring the team number up to a team of five (5) players
 - Is not currently playing in the same team's pool.
 - Is not older than the age group of the pool.
- Finals Series matches: ONLY registered players of the team can play in the finals series.

Team Officials

- There may be up to Three (3) Team Officials for the Team for every match and can include the Coach, Manager and Medical Person.
- Only one person at a time is authorised to convey tactical instructions.
- The Team Officials must behave in a responsible manner.
- Team Officials are responsible for but not limited to the following:
 - Complete all paperwork regarding registration into the Futsal Toowoomba
 - Act as the centralised point of communication between Futsal Toowoomba and the Team
 - Notifying the team of the playing times and venues
 - Inform the team of any changes to the Futsal Toowoomba League
 - Ensure the team arrives 15 min prior to the commencement of the teams match.



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- Ensure that fair play is upheld and safety of the team is maintained
- Ensure Match Sheets are completed, true and accurate
- Handle all issues, disputes, complaints, protests on behalf of the team.
- All complaints must be in writing, completed ONLY by a team official (not parent or player) in the prescribed form.

Final Series

The top four (4) teams at the conclusion of the Regular Season will progress to the Final Series. The Final Series format will be as follows:

Major Semi Final – 1st place versus 4th place

Minor Semi Final – 2nd place versus 3rd place

The winner from these Semi Finals will play off in the Grand Final Match.

Procedure to Determine Placing

The FUTSAL Toowoomba competition will operate for 10 year olds to open players over the 10 game competition commencing in October and culminating with a final series ending **November 2011**.

The format of competition will depend on the number of nominations for each age group. Based on feedback from last season it will be our goal to make a more even competition.

The competition will operate using a weekly draw. This draw will be made available via the Football Toowoomba and the Futsal Toowoomba website. Any amendments to the draw will be notified by email to the team managers.

The following points will be awarded for matches during the Regular Season:

Win = 3 Points

Draw = 1 Point

Loss = 0 Points

If two (2) or more teams are level on points accumulated, the following criteria shall be applied, in order, until one (1) of the teams can be determined as the higher ranked:

- Highest goal difference
- Highest number of goals scored over the Regular Season
- Highest number of points accumulated in matches between the teams concerned
- Highest goal difference in matches between the teams concerned
- Lowest number of Red Cards accumulated
- Toss of a coin



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The Team who ranks the highest with the most points at the end of the Regular Season will be crowned the Futsal Toowoomba Minor Champions in their Age Division.

For semi-finals and grand finals a 10 minute sudden death period will commence, with the first team that scores being declared the winner. If there is still no winner penalties shoot will be conducted.

Penalty Shootout

- Penalty Kicks shall consist of each team alternatively taking five (5) penalty kicks. At the completion of the five (5) kicks the team having scored the most goals shall be declared the winner.
- Only the five (5) players from each team on the field at the conclusion of extra time are eligible to take part in the penalty shoot-out.
- If teams are still equal they shall continue to take alternate kicks until one misses. Both teams must complete the same number of kicks.
- No player is to take more than (1) kick until all players on the field have taken part.
- No member of either team is permitted to leave the field of play until a decision has been achieved.
- Substitutes & Officials are not allowed onto the field until a decision has been achieved.

Variations to FIFA Laws of the Game

- Under 10s will play with a size 3 match ball. Under 12 and above will play with a size 4 match ball. In the event that size 3 match balls are unavailable – All age groups will play with size 4 match balls.
- There will be no time outs. (FIFA Law #7).
- The clock will run for its entire duration of each half. (FIFA Law #7).
- The FIFA Laws of the Game can be found at www.futsaltoowoomba.org.au. One referee will officiate each game
- Minimum numbers of players needed to commence a game will be 3. Less than 3 will constitute a forfeit by this team and the opposing side will be granted 6 – 0 win.
- There will be NO slide tackling permitted what so ever. Players may slide to intercept the ball and to score a goal as long as there is no opposition player close by or involved in a tackle.



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Players Equipment

- The basic compulsory equipment shall consist of an identical jersey or shirt, shorts, socks, shin pads and footwear.
- Each team strip (shirts, shorts and socks) shall be identical in colour, design and style.
- Players shall not wear anything that is considered dangerous to another player.
- Shin pads shall be entirely covered by socks, and shall be made of a suitable material to afford reasonable protection to the user.
- Teams are to provide their own GK jerseys which must be different colours to the rest of the team.
- The player's shirts shall be numbered with each player in the same team having a different number. The colour of the number shall contrast with the colour of the shirt.
- Only Futsal shoes and sneakers can be worn – no soccer boots.
- Futsal Toowoomba shall reserve the right to reject any uniform if considered inappropriate or undesirable. No appeal will be considered.
- Where there is a clash of colours, the home team shall change to an alternate strip or are to wear bibs. The home team is the first team mentioned on the team sheet and fixture list.
- Players in teams that do not comply with the above mentioned requirements concerning player's equipment will not be eligible to play in games.
- A Player shall not use equipment or wear anything (including any kind of jewellery) that could be dangerous to him or another player (including wedding bands). Jewellery cannot be taped.
- Players who are not compliant with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game in terms of Players Equipment (including Jewellery, uniform and undergarments) will not be able to participate in the match until they are compliant.
- Any Player who has been asked to leave the pitch to correct their Players Equipment by a Match Official must report to the Match Official and show that they are now compliant before they are permitted to re-enter the match.
- A player may be cautioned by the Referee for incorrect Playing Equipment FUTSAL TOOWOOMBA shall reserve the right to reject any uniform if considered inappropriate or undesirable. No appeal will be considered



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Match Team Sheets

- The match team sheets shall be provided by Futsal Toowoomba with pre-printed player's name for every game to play in the season.
- Centre Managers shall collect every Friday from Football Toowoomba during the season, the respective Team Sheets for the games on the following week. The same day Centre Managers shall return the filled team sheets from the week that finish.
- The match team sheet shall be completed and signed by each player for each game and submitted to the Centre Manager five (5) minutes prior to the kick off time.
- The match team sheet will be used for insurance reasons and therefore it is important for the team manager to ensure its accuracy.
- Players must be on court ready to start at the scheduled kick off time.
- If there is not Three (3) players in a team to start a game after five (5) minutes of the scheduled kick off time, the match will be deemed a forfeit and the result will be a 6-0 win to the opponent.
- Only players nominated on the registration forms can appear on match team sheets. If a team wishes to nominate a player not listed on the original registration form then approval must be obtained from Futsal Toowoomba one day prior to a match being played.

The Duration of the Match

- The match shall last two (2) equal periods of twenty (20) minutes.
- The clock will not be stopped when the ball is out of play
- The length of time may be extended by the Referee in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the game
- The match may also be prolonged by the Referee to ensure that the Integrity and Fair Play of the match is upheld.
- There will be no stoppage time unless deemed so by the Match Officials due to serious injury which requires an ambulance, or other extenuating circumstance (such as no replacement match ball).
- The decision regarding the Duration of the Match by the Match Officials is final.
- The half-time interval shall be two (2) minutes.
- There is no extra time for matches played during the Regular Season
- There will be no time-outs permitted during the Regular Season



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The Start and Restart of Play

- The match will start on time from a kick off and the ball must be played forward.
- The Referees whistle will still signal the start and end of the match.
- If a hooter or electronic scoreboard is used for the match, the Referees whistle will still indicate the start and end of the match.
- If there is a discrepancy between the electronic scoreboard and the Referees time of the match, the referee's time of the match shall be final.
- If teams are not ready to play at the scheduled kick off time, the match will be deemed a forfeit and the result will be on 6-0 win to the opponent.
- The start times of each scheduled match will be governed by the venues clock and not by an individual's time piece regardless of accuracy.

The Ball in and Out of Play

- For a ball to be out of play or a goal scored, ALL of the ball must be over the line.
- The Ball in and Out of Play shall be in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- There is no height restrictions on the ball in play provided it meets the other requirements as defined in the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- However, if the ball touches the ceiling, play shall be restarted with a kick-in to the opponents of the team which last touched the ball in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- Where multiple line markings are present on the Pitch, it is the responsibilities of the Teams to ensure they are aware of which lines make up Futsal Pitch markings prior to the start of the Match

The Method of Scoring

- A goal is scored in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game
- The Decisions of the Referee regarding facts connected with play including whether or not a goal is scored and the result of the match, are final.



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- During the Regular Season:
 - The team that scores the greater number of goals during a match shall be the winner.
 - If both teams score an equal number of goals during the match then match will be declared a Score Draw.
 - If no goals are scored during a match then the match will be declared a Draw.
- During the Final Series:
 - The team that scores the greater number of goals during a match shall be the winner.
 - If both teams score an equal number of goals during the match or if no goals are scored during a match then a 10 minute sudden death period will commence, with the first team that scores being declared the winner. If there is still no winner penalties shoot will be conducted.

Venue Conditions

- Downlands College as a condition of hire has requested that we only allow players on the courts with non-marking shoes.
- No eating or drinking inside venues
- No smoking inside venues
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted inside venues
- No animals are permitted inside venues
- Persons causing any damage to the venue and or its fittings and fixtures will be held responsible for all costs and the matter will be referred to the Disciplinary Committee
- All facilities, i.e. Change rooms etc shall be left in a clean and tidy condition
- No spectators are permitted onto the playing field. Only players, coaching staff and officials permitted
- Should any team player be involved in any fighting within the facility, whether inside the venue or car park, will be thrown out of their club and its competitions and will face a 3 year ban from Futsal Toowoomba and all its competitions and events.



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Disciplinary Sanctions for Teams

- If teams are not ready to play at the scheduled kick off time (minimum of three (3) players who are ready with correct Players Equipment), the match will be deemed a forfeit and the result will be on 6-0 win to the opponent. .
- Should any team be involved in any fighting within the facility, whether during a match, inside the venue or on the venue grounds including the carpark, could face de-registration from Futsal Toowoomba, may no longer be permitted to participate in the Futsal Toowoomba League and may be subject to further action which may include police involvement where charges may be laid, as well as additional sanctions imposed by Football Queensland Futsal which may include a life ban.
- Teams that field unregistered or suspended players or Players who were not on the List of Players submitted by the team upon registration will forfeit the matches the players participated in. The result will be recorded as a 6-0 win to the opposing team. The team will also be required to appear before a disciplinary Committee to state why they should not be removed from the competition.
- Any forfeit by a Team will incur a 6-0 loss.
- Upon the fourth (4th) forfeit the team will be removed from the competition and the team and its players may be banned from competitions run by the Futsal Toowoomba for 12 months.

Disciplinary Sanctions for Players

- Disciplinary Sanctions from other FQF Competitions may affect a player's eligibility to compete in Futsal Toowoomba match. All suspensions from other FQF Competitions which affect Players in the Futsal Toowoomba League will be enforced. The FQF Decision regarding suspensions is final
- Yellow and Red Cards may only be shown to Players or Substitutes only on the pitch and once the match has started
- Yellow and Red Cards may be issued verbally to players and substitutes before the match, when the player or substitute is off the pitch or after the match. Where they player cannot be directly informed (e.g if removed from the Field of Play due to Injury), The Referee may verbally inform the Players and Team Officials of the disciplinary sanction taken.



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Yellow Cards

- Any yellow card issued will be recorded by the Futsal Toowoomba Centre Manager.
- Any player who accumulates three (3) yellow cards will be suspended for their next competition match. This is a cumulative total over the 12 month FQ season.
- Should a player accumulate a further three (3) yellow cards in a season, the player will incur an automatic suspension of two (2) matches.
- If a player receives two (2) yellow cards in one (1) match, these two yellow cards are added to the cumulative yellow card total, plus the Player will receive an automatic one (1) match suspension for being shown a red card. The player must leave the playing area and must not remain on the substitute bench.
- Disciplinary cards issued throughout the competition will continue into the finals series.
- A player cannot appeal a yellow card decision by the Referee.
- A player may be cautioned by the Referee for incorrect Equipment through dissent by action

Red Cards

- A player that receives a red card during a match must leave the playing area and not remain on the substitute's bench.
- A player receiving a red card can be replaced by a substitute in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- A player receiving a red card as a result of two (2) cautions in one match will receive an automatic one (1) match suspension.
- Please be aware, a player receiving a straight red card for Denying an Obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity will receive an automatic one (1) match suspension.
- A player receiving a straight red card will receive an automatic one (1) match suspension and may be asked to face the Disciplinary Committee.
- All sanctions are in accordance with the FQF Disciplinary Policy.
- Disciplinary cards issued throughout the competition will continue into the finals series.
- Futsal Toowoomba reserve the right to ask a player sent from the field of play for any reason to face a Disciplinary Committee.
- A player has the right to appeal a decision made by the Disciplinary Committee. The appeal must be made in writing and addressed to the Appeals Committee c/- The President Football Toowoomba together with a fee of fifty (\$50) dollars.



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Disciplinary Sanctions for Team Officials / Spectators

- Team Officials and Spectators are to act in a responsible manner
- Team Officials and Spectators are subject to the FFA Code of Behaviour and Code of Ethics.
- If they are deemed to be in breach of these codes, they may be asked to leave the Field of Play (for Team Officials) and / or the Venue (for both Team Officials and Spectators) by either the
- Match Official or Centre Manager.
- If a Team Official has been asked to leave the Field of Play then an automatic one (1) match suspension will occur for the first incident. If it is the second incident, then a two (2) match suspension will occur. Any further incidents or cases in which the Match Official deems that the Team Official requires further sanctions (such as threatening of participants including the Match Officials) will be subject to appear before a Disciplinary Committee. Sanctions may include no further participation in the Futsal Toowoomba League, suspensions or de-registrations by the Representative Club and / or Football Queensland and in some cases, Police involvement.
- If a Team Official or Spectator has been asked to leave the Venue, then they must appear before a Disciplinary Committee before being allowed to re-enter the venue for the remainder of the Futsal season. Sanctions may include no further participation in the Futsal Toowoomba League, suspensions or de-registrations by the Representative Club and / or Football Queensland and in some cases, Police involvement.
- Matches will not continue until the Team Official or Spectator has left the Field of Play and / or Venue

Forfeits

Forfeits relate to the following;

- Teams that can't produce Three (3) registered players on the field of play in full strip ready to play at the scheduled kick off time.
- Teams that play unregistered or suspended players.
- Teams forfeiting a match will lose the game 6-0.

Special Circumstances



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- Futsal Toowoomba in conjunction with FQF, issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances that may arise during the League. These instructions shall form an integral part of these Rules of Competitions
- Matters not provided for in these Rules and cases of force majeure shall be decided by Futsal Toowoomba, these decisions shall be final.

Substitutes (FIFA Law #3)

- Goalkeepers – All Substitutes must be made via his/her own team's substitution zone.
- The players entering the pitch does so via his/her own teams substitution zone BUT NOT until the player leaving the pitch has completely crossed the line.
- There will be NO on field goalkeeper changeovers.
- There will be NO stopping of play or time for the substitutions to take place.
- In the event that a substitute enters the field of play prior to the player leaving the game crossing the line, then the substitute will be ordered off the field to re-enter the field as per FIFA Law #3 and be issued with a yellow card.

Futsal Volunteer & Supporters

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Futsal Toowoomba is seeking enthusiastic parents to establish a supporters club in order to develop the brand and support players.

The aims of the supporters club are:

- Develop Fundraising activities to generate income and reduce costs for all players.
- Provide support to Coaches, Managers and administrators in developing the game.
- Managing Volunteers
- Seeking Grants that will enhance the operational viability of FUTSAL Toowoomba.
- Develop a Sponsorship package and find sponsors for FUTSAL Toowoomba.
- Provide manpower for high profile events such as carnivals, presentation nights or fundraising nights.
- Provide input into uniforms and merchandise.
- Assist the management committee in running the game in Toowoomba.

The supporters club is looking to fill the following positions:

Chair, Secretary, Volunteer Manager, Grants Officer, Sponsorship Officer, Fundraising Officer, Event Manager.

Please speak to Paul Mason – Futsal Chair, if you are able to assist in any way.

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Working with Children - Blue Card

Under the guidelines issued by the Commission for Child Protection, all Centre Managers and Referees (Over the age of 16) are required to possess a Blue Card. Possession of Blue cards is also mandatory for each Team Manager (Unless the team manager has a child in the team) All team managers are required to register their application for a Blue Card immediately. Further information can be found at www.bluecard.qld.gov.au

All applications are to be handed to your centre manager by the second week of the competition



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Players Code of Behaviour



- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with a referee or official. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the official during a break or after the competition. Remember the rule book states the referee is always right.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviour in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit, and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays, whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your coach, team-mates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Parents Code of Behaviour

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than whether they win or lose.
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performance and skilful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.



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- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.



Spectator Code of Behaviour

A spectator present at a Match or otherwise involved in any activity staged or sanctioned by FFA or an affiliated Member Federation, District Association or Club must:

- Respect the decisions of Match Officials and teach children to do the same and never ridicule or unduly scold a child for making a mistake.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, race, colour, religion, language, and politics, national or ethnic origin.
- Not use violence in any form, whether it is against other spectators, Team Officials (including coaches), Match Officials or Players.
- Not engage in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form, including the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence or Part taking in indecent or racist chanting.
- Comply with any terms of entry of a venue, including bag inspections, prohibited and restricted items such as flares, missiles, dangerous articles and items that have the potential to cause injury or public nuisance.

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- Do not attempt to, bring into a venue national or political flags or emblems (except for the recognized national flags of any of the competing teams) or offensive or inappropriate banners, whether written in English or a foreign language.
- Do not throw items onto the field or enter the field of play without permission of referee.
- Always conduct yourself in a manner that enhances the reputation and goodwill of Futsal.

Any person who does not comply with this Spectator Code of Behaviour or who otherwise causes a disturbance may be evicted from a venue and banned from attending future Matches.

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