



# 2021 Tursa Employment & Training ANZAC Day Cup Regulations and Procedures



## OVERVIEW

- Each competition will be known as the ANZAC Day Cup (referred to as ADC or ADC Competition).
- The competitions are specific male gender competitions that do not allow female players to participate, except for the Grade 16 (mixed gender) competition, where female players are allowed to participate. Note that the Callan McMillan Memorial Shield competitions exists as a gender-based competition for female players only.
- FFNC will determine the number of teams and subsequent format of each competition that will exist. This will typically be in response to the number of team nominations submitted for each competition, but also consistent with the logistics of constructing and running each competition.
- The ANZAC Day Cup competitions will exist as follows (\*) (\*subject to team nominations and any relevant factors)
  1. Men's Premier League
  2. Open A
  3. Open B
  4. Open C
  5. Grade 16 (mixed gender)
- Players who did not participate in a FFNC winter pointscore competition in 2020 are eligible to be nominated in any open age squad/competition, unless FFNC deems that there is a legitimate reason that they should be considered as being ineligible for any specific competition/grading.
- With the exception of the Men's Premier League, a competition will not exist if there are less than four (4) eligible teams.

## TEAM/SQUAD NOMINATIONS

### **Men's Premier League**

- The competition will consist of clubs/teams that contested the 2020 Men's Premier League Winter competition, contingent however upon an invitation that may be extended (or otherwise) by FFNC to any club where appropriate to construct this competition.

### **Open A**

- The competition will be constructed of clubs/teams that consist of players who were graded in either Men's Championship, League 1 and/or League 2 in the 2020 Winter competitions\*.

\* Should a club/team be relegated from Men's Premier League to the Championship League the previous season, that club/team can register ALL players who were graded as Premier League last season for that specific club.

- There will be no further concession/exemption given for players who change club for the purpose of wanting to participate in Open A.



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## Open B

- The competition will be constructed of clubs/teams that consist of players who were graded in either Men's League 3, 4 or 5 for the 2020 Winter competitions\*\*.

\*\*also refer to player eligibility for this competition

## Open C

- The competition will be constructed of clubs/teams that consist of players who were graded in either Men's League 6 or 7 for the 2020 Winter competitions\*\*.

\*\*also refer to player eligibility for this competition

## Grade 16 Mixed

- The competition will be constructed of clubs/teams that consist of players (male or female) who are (or will be) aged 14, 15 or 16 in the 2021 calendar year.

## **PLAYER NOMINATION and ELIGIBILITY**

### Men's Premier League

- Any male player aged 14 or older (before Round 1 of the ADC competition) and who is registered, can be nominated as a player within the Premier League squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season.

### Open A

- Any male player aged 14 or older (before Round 1 of the ADC competition) and who is registered and was not graded in the Men's Premier League in 2020, can be nominated as a player within the Open A squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season.

### Open B

- Any male player aged 14 or older (before Round 1 of the ADC competition) and who is registered and was not graded above League 3 in season 2020, can be nominated as a player within the Open B squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season.

### Open C

- Any male player aged 14 or older (before Round 1 of the ADC competition) and who is registered and was not graded above League 6 in season 2020, can be nominated as a player within the Open C squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season.

### Grade 16 (mixed gender)

- Any male or female player aged 14, 15 or 16 (based on the age applicable to the 2021 calendar year) who is registered can be nominated as a player within the Grade 16 (mixed gender) squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season.



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## **TEAM OFFICIAL ELIGIBILITY**

- An individual must be aged at least 14 years.
- An individual must be registered online in Play Football specifically as a Coach or Team Official.
- An individual who is a registered Coach or Team Official, is permitted to act in that role for multiple teams for the same club to which they are registered with.
- Unlike the conditions of registration and eligibility that apply to a player, an individual is permitted to be registered as a Coach or Team Official for more than one club.
- An individual is eligible to enter and have a role in a teams' Technical Area (or immediate proximity of the playing area), subject to satisfying the terms of the conditions of registration and eligibility that are outlined above and any other relevant regulations.

## **GENERAL TERMS**

- Players may only be registered (notwithstanding whether they subsequently play) in ONE team and ONE Club in any one year of an ADC Competition.
- Players are not permitted to transfer from one team to another team within the same club after being nominated in any given squad.
- A player who is registered for this competition but who subsequently registers for another club in the pointscore (winter) competition is NOT eligible to participate in any further matches in the ANZAC Day Cup competition (for any team/club).
- Any male player aged 14 or older who is registered can be nominated as a player within any one Open C, Open B, Open A or Premier League squad for the club that the player is registered with for the current season, but subject to grading and participation criteria otherwise applicable.
- Eligibility should not be assumed simply on the basis that a player changes club.
- Each Club may opt to nominate more than one team in each competition, however, acceptance by FFNC is subject to the number of nominations in each respective competition.
- Premier League players from 2020 are only eligible to register in the Premier League ANZAC Day Cup competition (unless where relevant to the club relegated from the previous season and subject to the terms outlined in these regulations).
- Applications for the participation of over-age players in a Grade 16 (mixed gender) team will not be considered unless such individual application is considered to satisfy very exceptional circumstances.
- Applications contrary to any competition conditions will be considered at the absolute discretion of FFNC.
- The Zone reserves the right to determine participant and team eligibility in instances of dispute.
- FFNC will consider any matters not specifically outlined in the Regulations. A decision made by FFNC will be binding.



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## REGISTRATION of PARTICIPANTS and SQUAD RECORDS

- Participants eligibility is contingent upon all registration criteria being completed.
- Participants must be registered (and approved) **ONLINE in PlayFootball** for the club they wish to participate, consistent with registration regulations.
- Players details must be submitted on a Squad List as specified.
- The initial Squad List must be submitted to the zone office not later than 1pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Electronic copies submitted will be accepted in the first instance (if legible) however the original document **MUST** be submitted not later than 1pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021.
- Updated Squad Lists (where additional players are registered) must be submitted in each case and not later than 1pm on the Thursday prior to participation (up to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021).
- Additional player registrations can be made (maximum of 20 player registrations permitted per squad) no later than 1pm on the Thursday prior to the player's first game, subject to;
- LAST date for additional participant registrations is 1pm Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021 (i.e. prior to Round 3).
- Clubs must register a minimum of 11 players and may register a maximum of 20 players per squad.
- Players **cannot be removed** from any Squad List or replaced by another player after the Squad List has been submitted.
- Eligibility to participate in a specific competition is determined by the grading of each individual player who participated in the 2020 FFNC Winter Competition.
- 1pm each Thursday should be considered as the deadline for submitting any information (e.g. adding more players to a squad) relevant to the next scheduled weekend of fixtures.
- Results are to be recorded online (i.e. SportsTG) by the HOME club (not later than 11pm each Sunday).
- Match Sheets (Home and Opposition match sheets) are to be lodged to FFNC by the HOME club, not later than 1pm each Wednesday. Legible electronic versions are acceptable in the first instance, but originals are required within 7 working days.

## FORMAT

- The competitions will ordinarily be played in a Pool format (unless the number of nominations mean that a round robin competition should be played).
- Pools will fundamentally be based on the final points standing from the 2020 FFNC Winter Pointscore Competition, ranking teams from highest leagues and pointscore standings down to lowest leagues and pointscore standings across all relevant competitions.
- FFNC will give consideration to relevant geographical issues where necessary when constructing pools.
- Pools consisting of "3 teams" will play at least one "cross-pool" game.



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## FIXTURES and PLAYING CONDITIONS

- Registered participants for respective teams in any one match are permitted to occupy the technical area. Match Officials for each respective fixture and FFNC representatives (on behalf of the competition administrator) are also permitted from occupying the technical area. Other persons are prohibited from occupying the technical area.
- A maximum of 16 players per match shall apply (including Men's Premier League), with unlimited interchange of those players (at the discretion of the referee).
- This competition is NOT a guaranteed "home and away" format, however the team that is named first in the published draw is considered the "home" team for such purposes.
- Fixtures are allocated by FFNC and may only be re-scheduled with specific authority of FFNC.
- Extra time and kicks from the penalty mark will only apply in Semi-Finals or Finals fixtures (when required to determine the winner of the match).
- Time "added on" is NOT applicable in POOL fixtures, except for Men's Premier League that shall be at the absolute discretion of the individual centre referee.

## POINTS

WIN	Three (3) points
DRAW	One (1) point
DEFEAT	NIL points
FORFEIT	Three (3) points plus three (3) goals awarded to the team receiving the forfeit**

\*\*A FINE (refer to appendix "A") will be imposed against the club/team that forfeits the match.

## SEMI-FINALS and FINALS

- Semi-Finals will only apply where there are more than two pools.
- The team with the most points in each pool at the end of all pool games will progress to the Semi-Finals (except for competitions that consist of only two pools).
- For competitions with only two pools, the team with the most points in each pool at the end of all pool games will progress to the Final.
- If two or more teams are on equal points, the better goal difference will decide the higher placing.
- In the event of those teams on equal points also finishing equal on goal difference, the most goals "for" will decide the higher placing.
- In the event of those teams on equal points also having the same number of goals "for", the team that has accumulated the least total number of caution/send-off points (1 point for each yellow card issued) and 2 points for each match sanction imposed for red cards) will decide the higher placing.

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- In the event of those teams on equal points not being able to be separated using the above criteria, the higher placing will be decided by entering those teams' names into a hat and then randomly drawing a name out of the hat. The first name drawn out of the hat will be determined the highest placed team.
- In the event of there being four pools in a competition, Semi-finals will be: Winner Pool A v Winner Pool C and Winner B v Winner Pool D.
- In the event of there being three pools in a division, the fourth team to progress to the semi-finals shall be the next team over all pools with the most points (refer above criteria).
- Time "added on" is only applicable where required in Men's Premier League, unless FFNC authorises a response to exceptional circumstances (e.g. weather conditions or serious injury).
- The Referee has absolute discretion to determine "if any or how much" time is added on (Men's Premier League only) and must do so ONLY in accordance with "injury, interruption to the game or undue time wasting" that is deemed to substantiate an allowance being made so that "normal game time" is reasonably applied.
- Any time added on will be applied relevant to EACH half and is not simply added on to the second half.
- Extra time (10 minutes each way) will be played if the scores are level at the end of normal time (plus any time added on).
- Kicks from the penalty mark will determine the winner if scores are level after the conclusion of extra time.

## **FINES and PENALTIES**

- Refer to Appendix "A" of the FFNC Regulations (disclosed on the FFNC website)

## **Team Withdrawal**

- Prior to (or on) 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021 NIL penalty
- After 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021 but before 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 \$200 (GST exempt)
- After competition has commenced \$500 (GST exempt)

## **CAUTIONS (Yellow Cards), SEND-OFFS (Red Cards) and SUSPENSIONS:**

Refer FFNC Disciplinary Regulations and Penalties (disclosed on the FFNC website)

## **DISCLAIMER**

Any aspect of these regulations that may require further scrutiny or interpretation will be assessed at the absolute discretion of Football Far North Coast. We make it known that the Regulations and Procedures will apply, unless FFNC has reasonable cause to determine otherwise.

## 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.**

<b><u>Team Withdrawal (per team)</u></b>			
After Grading Finalised Junior OR Senior	\$55.00	Failure to register a new strip	\$220.00
		<b><u>Player equipment contrary to Law 4</u></b>	
After Draw completed MiniRoos Junior Senior	\$75.00 \$165.00 \$165.00	Failure to comply; Contrary to referee directions	\$100.00
		Visiting club Failure to supply alternate strip	\$75.00
After Competition has commenced MiniRoos Junior Senior	\$165.00 \$380.00 \$380.00	Home club Declines to wear alternate strip	\$50.00
		Plus any penalties as determined by FFNC	
ANZAC Day Cup/Callan McMillian SYL	\$165.00 \$165.00	<b><u>Forfeits</u></b> (3 pts, 3 goals awarded to opposition)	
		More than 72 hours notification Junior OR Senior	\$ NIL
Late lodgement of Squad Lists or Online team data entry	\$60.00	Day of fixture or no notification Junior Senior	\$110.00 \$220.00
<b><u>Participation of Ineligible Participants</u></b>			
<b>Pointscore competition;</b>			
Junior Player –		Forfeit of a Finals Series match Junior OR Senior	\$550.00
Win or draw – loss of pts/fine	\$50.00	ANZAC Day Cup/Callan McMillian	\$165.00
Loss - fine	\$60.00	SYL	\$165.00
Senior Player –		<b><u>Match Sheet Infringements</u></b>	
Win or draw – loss of pts/fine	\$75.00	Forged signature	\$90.00
Loss - fine	\$90.00	Incorrect details	\$100.00
Team Official (not registered)	\$50.00	Insufficient information noted	\$50.00
<b>ANZAC Day Cup/Callan McMillian / SYL</b>		Late lodgement of match sheets	\$50.00 (per incident)
Win or draw – loss of pts/fine	\$90.00	Failure to lodge original match sheets	\$75.00
Loss - fine	\$110.00	<b><u>Results Not Entered</u></b> (per result)	\$30.00
Semi Final -forfeit & fine	\$210.00	<b><u>Annual General Meeting</u></b>	
Grand Final – forfeit & fine	\$320.00	Non-attendance (without a proxy)	\$100.00
<b><u>Club Responsibilities</u></b>		<b><u>Trophies</u></b>	
Failure to Provide Duty Officer	\$50.00	Not returned prior to due date (even when trophy is subsequently returned)	\$200.00
Ineligible occupation in a technical area (e.g. spectator)	\$100.00	Not returned (trophy lost), Damage to trophies	Cost of replacement + \$200.00
		<b><u>Disciplinary Appeals</u></b>	
		First Appeal	\$400.00
		Second Appeal	\$800.00
		<b><u>Lodgement of Grievance</u></b>	
		To NNSWF (Non-refundable)	\$1000.00