

IPSWICH FUTSAL COMPETITION BY-LAWS & REGULATIONS

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Preamble

Ipswich Futsal social competitions aim to be open and accessible for all players, regardless of skill level, gender, or otherwise. Ipswich Futsal operates under the governance of Football Queensland, Football Australia and FIFA. The Football Australia Code of Conduct is applicable to all members, in conjunction with relevant Ipswich Futsal by-laws and regulations. All matches are played under the latest applicable FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game, in conjunction with relevant Ipswich Futsal by-laws and regulations.

These by-laws apply to all Ipswich Futsal social competitions; however any competition specific by-laws override these by-laws in their entirety.

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Definitions

Age group: A grouping of players and teams whose eligibility is restricted by their age on December 31 in the year the competition started. The current age groups are stipulated in Appendix B.

Competition: A group of teams who verse each other throughout the season, which may be based on age group, division, gender composition or venue.

Competitive competition: A competition where the results of each game are published, and finals games are played.

Divisional competition: A competition which is one of many divisions in its age group and/or gender (e.g. Senior C is a divisional competition as it is one of at least three divisions in the senior age group).

Borrowed player: A player who plays for a team they are not a member of.

Forfeit: A 6-0 loss for the team which either did not turn up or got disqualified for a breach of rules.

Fully financial: A player or team who has paid all their owed fees.

IFPL: Ipswich Futsal Premier League.

Non-competitive competition: A competition where the results of each game are not published, and where there are no finals matches.

Registered player: A player who has registered on Squadi.

Semi-final: Any finals match prior to the grand final.

Social Competitions Director: The position appointed to oversee the day-to-day functions of Ipswich Futsal's social competitions and enforce their by-laws. The Social Competitions Director shall be appointed by the executive committee on an annual basis. The executive committee has the authority to override any decisions made by the Social Competitions Director.

Team member: A player nominated to a team. Printed on their team's match sheets.

Trialist: A player who has not yet played a game in the current registration period at Ipswich Futsal.

1. Player & Team Eligibility

1.1 Player Registration

- 1) Pursuant to Football Australia rules and regulations, all players who take the court must be registered on Squadi, and either
 - a) Fully financial; or
 - b) On an agreed upon payment plan.
- 2) Any player who has not yet played a match in any Ipswich Futsal competition during the current registration period may play their first game as a trialist. A trialist does not need to be compliant with by-law 1.1.1. After the trialist's first game, they must be compliant with 1.1.1.
- 3) An exception to 1.1.1 may be granted by the Social Competitions Director when
 - a) A player can demonstrate that they have attempted to register but have encountered technical difficulties.
 - i. Players may demonstrate technical difficulties by emailing info@ipswichfutsal.com.au with relevant evidence of technical difficulties (such as screenshots); or
 - ii. By showing Ipswich Futsal staff relevant evidence of technical difficulties.
 - b) A player has a lack of access to technology required to successfully complete their Squadi registration. In this circumstance, the player should seek assistance from Ipswich Futsal staff to register.
 - c) A request for an exception to 1.1.1 does not need to be in writing.
- 4) If a player is found to be in breach of 1.1.1, their team will incur an automatic forfeit.
- 5) The Social Competitions Director may eject players or teams who repeatedly breach 1.1.1 from the current season's social competitions.

1.2 Team Nominations

- 1) All teams must complete the current season's <u>team nomination form</u> on the Ipswich Futsal website before taking the court. Only teams who submit their team nomination will be included in the draw.
- 2) In the event of demonstrated technical difficulties, a team manager may instead submit their team nomination via manually written email to info@ipswichfutsal.com.au.
- 3) If a team nomination lists less than three (3) players, it will be considered invalid.
- 4) The following team details must be provided for a team nomination to be considered valid:
 - a) Team name
 - b) Team shirt colour
 - c) Nominated competition
 - d) Designated team manager's name
 - e) Team manager's email address
 - f) Team manager's phone number
 - g) Each player's first name and surname.
 - h) Each player's DOB
 - i) The number of spots available for individual players to join the team
 - i) Any other details not mentioned from (a) to (i) are considered optional.

- 5) Players may be added to a team nomination over the course of the season either by:
 - a) Emailing the team member's name and DOB to <u>info@ipswichfutsal.com.au</u> or registrar@ipswichfutsal.com.au.
 - b) Giving the player's name and DOB to Ipswich Futsal canteen staff.
- 6) Any players deemed to be overage and without an exemption to play down (as per Subsection 1.6) may be removed from their nominated team by the Social Competitions Director.
- 7) The Social Competitions Director may choose to reject a team from playing in a particular division at their discretion.
- 8) Players may only be nominated into one (1) team per division.
- 9) All team members will be printed on their team's match sheet.

1.3 Match Sheet Requirements

- 1) Each player on a team must place a clear mark or signature next to their name.
- 2) Each player's shirt number should be marked on the match sheet if they are wearing numbered shirts or bibs.
- 3) If less than three (3) team members are marked as playing on their match sheet, the team will incur a forfeit.
- 4) If less than three (3) team members from both teams are marked as playing on their match sheet, both teams will incur a forfeit.
- 5) If a player deliberately impersonates a different player on the match sheet, their team will incur a forfeit. Repeated violations may result in further disciplinary action.
- 6) All players marked on the match sheet as playing must pay their match fee unless alternative payment arrangements are made with canteen staff.
- 7) Borrowed players who have already paid a match fee in a different game on the same day do not have to pay another match fee.

1.4 Borrowed Players

- 1) All restrictions on borrowed players except 1.4.7 only apply to competitive competitions. By-law 1.4.7 also applies to non-competitive competitions.
- 2) A team may borrow any eligible players when they have less than six (6) team members available to play a regular season game.
- 3) A team must not play with more than six (6) players when they have borrowed players.
- 4) Borrowed players cannot play as a goalkeeper, unless an administrator provides an exemption. An administrator may provide an exemption to this rule if they deem the borrowed player will not provide the team an advantage playing as a goalkeeper as opposed to not playing goalkeeper.
- 5) A team may not borrow any players for finals matches unless given written approval in the event of exceptional circumstances. Ipswich Futsal reserves the right to decline any proposed borrowed player based on the following:
 - a) Registration status
 - b) Financial status
 - c) Skill level
 - d) Or anything else that is deemed relevant
- 6) Borrowed players who play at least seven (7) games for a team will automatically become a member of that team.

- 7) Borrowed players must write & sign their names on the match sheet in which they are participating.
- 8) Any team found to have played a game with ineligible borrowed players will incur a forfeit.
- 9) In line with <u>1.1.2</u>, borrowed players who have not played a game at Ipswich Futsal in the current registration period and are not registered on Squadi may play one game as a trialist.

1.5 Divisional Overlap

- 1) In any given competitive game, a team must not field more than two players nominated to a team from a higher division, inclusive of borrowed players.
- 2) Any requests for exemptions to 1.5.1 must be emailed to <u>info@ipswichfutsal.com.au</u> at least 24 hours prior to the relevant game(s) an exemption is being applied for.

1.6 Age Groups

- 1) A team must not field any overage players, unless they have an exemption as outlined in 1.6.4
- 2) A team must not field any players from more than one (1) age group below, unless they have an exemption as outlined in 1.6.4
- 3) A team in the Masters age group must not field any underage players, unless they have an exemption as outlined in 1.6.4
- 4) An overage or underage player may apply for an exemption to play in the requested age group. The application must be submitted in writing to info@ipswichfutsal.com.au. The exemption may be decided by the Social Competitions Director based on any combination of the following:
 - a. Skill level
 - b. Physical fitness
 - c. Any other factors deemed relevant

1.7 Gender

- 1) In an open gender competition, there are no restrictions on the gender of each team's players.
- 2) In a mixed competition, each team must have at least one (1) female team member.
- 3) In any mixed match, at least one (1) female must always be on the court for each team.
- 4) In a women's or girl's competition, only female players may partake.
- 5) Any violations of the above in a mixed or women's competition will result in a forfeit.

1.8 Finals Eligibility

- 1) All players who partake in a finals match must
 - a. Be registered on Squadi
 - b. Be fully financial
 - c. Be a member of the team
 - d. Have played at least four (4) of their team's matches prior to finals
- 2) Team managers may apply for a player to be exempt from 1.8.1c or 1.8.1d for a given finals match if and only if they have less than five (5) team members available to play. All applications must be submitted in writing to info@ipswichfutsal.com.au, and must include the names of all players an exemption is being requested for.

- 3) Any player given an exemption to 1.8.1 must
 - a. Be registered on Squadi
 - b. Be fully financial
 - c. Have played in at least one (1) of the nominated team's matches prior to finals
 - d. Not be nominated to a team from a higher division
 - e. Not play finals for any other team in the same division.
- 4) Any breach of 1.8.3, or any breach of 1.8.1 without an exemption will result in the offending team automatically forfeiting their match and the opposing team advancing to the next round.
- 5) If both teams in a semi final breach 1.8.1 or 1.8.3, neither team will advance to the next round, and the replacement team will be determined in the following order
 - a. The highest ranked team (by league or group standings) not in breach of 1.8 1.8.1 or 1.8.3 eliminated in the current round
 - b. If no such team from (a) exists, the highest ranked team not in breach of 1.8.1 or 1.8.3 (by league or group standings) eliminated in the previous round of finals.
 - c. If no such team from (a) or (b) exists, and there is no previous round of finals, the highest ranked team who did not qualify for finals will advance to the next week.
 - d. For (a) and (b), if there are two or more teams of equal ranking to select from in a cup competition, the teams may be ranked by the following order
 - i. Highest number of points
 - ii. Highest goal difference
 - iii. Highest goals for
 - iv. Lowest goals against
 - v. Lowest red cards
 - vi. Lowest yellow cards
 - vii. Random selection

unless stated otherwise in that competition's rules

2. Competition Structure

2.1 Competition Definition

1) A competition is defined as a group of teams who verse each other throughout the season, which may be based on age group, division, gender composition or venue.

2.2 Age Groups

- 1) Each competition has an age group, which are defined in Appendix B.
- 2) The available age groups will be decided by the Ipswich Futsal Committee before every season.

2.3 Gender

- 1) Most competitions will be open gender, however mixed or women's competitions may also be offered.
- 2) Goals scored by females in mixed competitions will count as two (2) goals.

2.4 Division

1) If there is more than one competition with the same age group, gender composition and venue, the competitions will be split by divisions primarily based on skill level.

2.5 Grading Games

- 1) Age or gender groups with more than one division, or more than one division's worth of teams may have grading games before normal fixtures begin.
- 2) When grading games are played, the Social Competitions Director reserves the right to move a team out of their nominated division.

2.6 Match Rules

- 1) All Ipswich Futsal matches will be played under applicable FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game, with the following exceptions:
 - a. There will be no timekeeper, and the match clock will not be paused for any stoppages in play.
 - b. A match lasts for two equal eighteen (18) minute periods with a two (2) minute half time interval (plus extra time for finals matches if required).
 - c. Slide tackles and sliding blocks are not permitted. A sliding tackle or block is punishable by a direct free kick or penalty.
 - d. Matches may be officiated by at least one match official.
 - e. Players may only substitute on and off the court from their own half.
 - i. Incorrect substitution may result in a warning, or an indirect free kick against the offending team, at a match official's discretion
 - ii. Repeated and deliberate incorrect substitutions may result in a yellow card against the offending player(s).
 - f. Players must stand behind the yellow line in their own half from kick off.

2.7 Normal Season

- 1) A normal season will consist of at least enough games so that all teams at the beginning of the season will verse each other at least once (i.e. a round robin).
- 2) Points will be allocated in each match based on the following
 - a. Win: 3 points
 - b. Draw: 1 point
 - c. Loss: 0 points
 - d. Bye: 0 points
- 3) Teams throughout the normal season (except for the final round) will be ranked by (in order):
 - a. Highest number of points
 - b. Highest goal difference
 - c. Highest goals for
 - d. Lowest goals against
 - e. Alphabetical order of team names
- 4) At the conclusion of the normal season, team rankings will be determined by
 - a. Highest number of points
 - b. Highest goal difference
 - c. Highest goals for
 - d. Lowest goals against

- e. Lowest red cards
- f. Lowest yellow cards
- g. Random selection

2.8 Finals Matches

- 1) Teams and players are subject to eligibility conditions for finals matches, as set out in Subsection 1.8.
- 2) Finals matches will be conducted under the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game and Ipswich Futsal rules, as set out in Subsection 2.6.
- 3) The structure of a competition's finals series will be decided at the Social Competitions Director's discretion.

2.9 Matches Forfeited, Cancelled, Abandoned or Suspended

- 1) During the normal season, if a match is forfeited, the result will be a 6-0 loss against the forfeiting team.
- 2) The Social Competitions Director, the Ipswich Futsal Committee, or canteen staff, may cancel a match when for whatever reason it becomes unplayable. For example, a match may be cancelled if the playing surface becomes unsafe.
- 3) The referee may choose to abandon or suspend a game at their discretion, but usually for reasons in line with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.
- 4) If at least two thirds of an abandoned or suspended match has been played, and the abandonment/suspension is not caused by the misconduct of one of the teams, the scoreline at the time of abandonment/suspension will stand.
- 5) If less than two thirds of an abandoned or suspended match has been played, and the abandonment/suspension is not caused by the misconduct of one of the teams, the Social Competitions Director may choose to either:
 - a. Replay the match at a later date,
 - b. Remove the match from the season's fixtures,
 - c. Record the result as the scoreline at the time of abandonment/suspension, or
 - d. Take any other action deemed appropriate for the situation.
- 6) Bylaws pertaining to fees and penalties for matches forfeited, cancelled, abandoned or suspended are stipulated in <u>Subsection 4.2</u>.

3. Clothing & Equipment

3.1 Team Uniform

- 1) Every team must have a designated shirt colour, where all players on the team are to wear shirts of that colour where possible.
- 2) Teams may use an alternate colour when they verse a team with the same shirt colour.
- 3) In a match where a match official determines two team's shirt colours clash, a match official may ask a team of their choice to wear numbered bibs provided by Ipswich Futsal.
- 4) Teams may have custom strips, so long as all content (including sponsorships) on each strip is deemed appropriate by the Social Competitions Director. For example, a strip may be considered inappropriate if it contains offensive language.
- 5) Teams are encouraged to wear numbered shirts. Only goals scored by team members (i.e. not borrowed players) with a shirt number will count towards each division's golden boot award.

3.2 Player Clothing & Equipment

- 1) At all times, every player must wear shinpads while playing.
- 2) Shinpads are to be made of a suitable material (e.g. rubber, plastic, polyurethane) and must afford a reasonable degree of protection.
- 3) At all times, every player must wear shoes which are
 - a. Closed in; and
 - b. Non-marking (that is, they do not have studs and do not leave streaks or other marks on the floor).
- 4) Players may not wear any watches, bracelets or other jewellery while playing, unless they have an exemption from the Social Competitions Director.
- 5) A match official may force a player to substitute off the court until they are in compliance with Subsection 3.2.

4. Fees & Penalties

4.1 Fees & Penalties

- 1) The registration fee, match fee and team nomination fee (if applicable) are set by the Ipswich Futsal Committee before the beginning of each season.
- 2) Any financial penalties (if applicable) are set by the Ipswich Futsal Committee before the beginning of each season.
- 3) All fees and penalties for the current season are available in Appendix C.
- 4) All matters regarding fees and penalties by default shall be overseen by the Social Competitions Director.

4.2 Matches Forfeited, Abandoned or Suspended

- 1) If players pay their match fee for a match that is not played by way of forfeit or cancellation, the payment can be used for future games.
- 2) If a team fields less than two (2) players that have paid the match fee (including no show forfeits), the team will be penalised under the current penalties framework in Appendix C.
- 3) If a team's misconduct is deemed to be the cause of an abandoned or suspended match, the Social Competitions Director may:
 - a. Record the match result as a forfeit against the offending team(s)
 - b. Penalise or take disciplinary action against the offending team(s) or players
- 4) If a pattern of repeated forfeits emerges from a team, they will be given a formal warning. If such a pattern of forfeits continue, the team may be disqualified from the competition.

5. Discipline & Misconduct

5.1 Responsibility for Disciplinary Matters

- 1) All disciplinary matters by default shall be carried out by the Social Competitions Director or their delegate.
 - a. The Social Competitions Director, at their discretion, may appoint a delegate to oversee any number of disciplinary matters.
- 2) For all disciplinary matters where the penalty is more severe than a five (5) match suspension, the Ipswich Futsal Committee may choose to deliberate on the matter in place of the Social Competitions Director or their delegate.

3) All appeals will first be heard by the Social Competitions Director or their delegate. Further appeals may be heard by the Ipswich Futsal Committee at their discretion.

5.2 Laws of the Game

All players and match officials shall abide by all applicable parts of the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game, which shall form the basis for Ipswich Futsal's disciplinary code.

5.3 Yellow Card Offences

- 1) Any player shown a yellow card by a match official is assumed to have committed the offence.
- 2) In competitions with compulsory shirt numbers, the shirt number of the offending player will be recorded by a match official. The yellow card will then be recorded in a list maintained by Ipswich Futsal.
- 3) In competitions without shirt numbers, the name of the offending player will be recorded by a match official, then kept in a list maintained by Ipswich Futsal.
 - a. Any player who refuses to disclose their name can be given a second yellow card. Players will then be suspended indefinitely until they disclose their name.
 - b. Any player found to deliberately misidentify themselves to a match official will be suspended retroactively under the discipline guidelines in Appendix A.
- 4) The accumulation of yellow cards across all Ipswich Futsal competitions during the season will incur the following penalties:
 - a. Any player who receives four (4) yellow cards in any one season will incur a one match suspension.
 - b. Any player who receives six (6) yellow cards in any one season will incur a two match suspension.
 - c. Any player who receives eight (8) yellow cards in any one season will incur a three match suspension and may be called to show cause why they should be allowed to continue playing in the current registration period.
 - d. For every second yellow card beyond eight (8) yellow cards (i.e. ten, twelve, and so on), the player will incur a three match suspension and may be called to show cause why they should be allowed to continue playing in the current registration period.
- 5) If a player receives two (2) yellow cards in a match, it is treated as a red card and the two (2) yellow cards will not count towards the player's accumulated yellow cards for the season.

5.4 Red Card Offences

- 1) A player shown a red card cannot return to the field of play or their team's bench.
- 2) In competitions with compulsory shirt numbers, the shirt number of the offending player will be recorded by a match official, then kept in a list maintained by Ipswich Futsal.
- 3) In competitions without shirt numbers, the name of the offending player will be recorded by a match official, then kept in a list maintained by Ipswich Futsal.
 - a. Any player found to deliberately misidentify themselves to a match official will be suspended retroactively under the discipline guidelines in Appendix A.
- 4) A red carded player cannot be replaced by a substitute until two (2) minutes has passed or the opposing team scores within two (2) minutes of the red card.

- 5) A player shown a red card will be automatically suspended for one match.
- 6) Suspensions shall apply across all Ipswich Futsal competitions from the time of the red card until the suspension has been served in the competition which it was incurred.
- 7) The length of suspension for a red card is at the Social Competitions Director's discretion, so long as it's within the minimum and maximum lengths stipulated in the Table of Offences (Appendix A).

5.5 Player Suspensions & Retroactive Suspensions

- 1) Suspensions shall apply across all Ipswich Futsal competitions from the time of suspension until the suspension has been served in the competition which it was incurred.
- 2) The length of suspension is at the Social Competitions Director's discretion, so long as it's within the minimum and maximum lengths stipulated in the Table of Offences (Appendix A).
- 3) The Social Competitions Director may choose to retroactively suspend a player if they determine there is probable cause the player, during a game, committed an offence contained in the Table of Offences (<u>Appendix A</u>) but was not punished for it by a match official.

5.6 Offences by Non-Players

- 1) A non-player is any person not playing in a match at the time of the offence.
- 2) The Social Competitions Director may choose to carry out disciplinary action against a non-player who has breached the Ipswich Futsal Social Competition By-laws or any other applicable statutes, such as the Football Australia Code of Conduct.
- 3) The type and severity of disciplinary action is at the discretion of the Social Competitions Director.

5.7 Appeals Process

- 1) Yellow cards, sin bins and suspensions resulting from yellow card accumulation cannot be appealed under any circumstances. Any other form of discipline such as red cards or suspensions may be appealed.
- 2) All appeals must be submitted in writing to <u>info@ipswichfutsal.com.au</u>.
- 3) The appeal will first be heard by the Social Competitions Director, or their delegate, for a fee as stipulated in <u>Appendix C</u>.
- 4) If the Social Competitions Director or their delegate denies an appeal, a request for further appeal can be made to the Ipswich Futsal Committee, who will choose whether to hear the appeal, for a fee as stipulated in Appendix C.
- 5) If the appeal is denied, the deciding party may uphold the current suspension or increase its length. Appeal fees will not be refunded.
- 6) If the appeal is approved, the red card may be overturned or the length of suspension may be reduced. The reduction of suspension from an approved appeal will be at the discretion of the deciding party. For instance, if a player appeals to rescind a red card with a two match suspension, the deciding party may choose to uphold the red card but reduce the suspension to one match. Any appeal fees will be refunded.

Appendix A: Table of Offences

Explanatory Notes

- 1) Table 1 contains suspension guidelines for offences committed by players against anyone except match officials
- 2) Table 2 contains suspension guidelines for offences committed by anyone against match officials
- 3) The minimum suspension lengths in Tables 1 and 2 are inclusive of the 1 week red card automatic suspension.

Table 1: Offences by players

Send off	Ofference	Suspension	
code	Offence	Minimum	Maximum
R1	Serious Foul Play	1 match	2 years
R2	Violent conduct	1 match	Life
R3	Intentionally spitting without injury	2 matches	2 years
R3 (expanded)	Spitting at an opponent or any other person (other than a match official)	8 matches	10 years
R4	Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (this does not apply to a goal-keeper within his own penalty area)	1 match	1 match
R5	Denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick	1 match	2 matches
R6	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures	1 match	Life
R7	Receive a second yellow card in the same match	1 match	1 match
Z0	Any other offence committed by a player which does not fall into any other category	1 match	Life

Table 2: Offences against match officials

Offence	Offence	Suspension	
number	Offence	Minimum	Maximum
1 (R6 for	Using offensive, insulting or abusive	2 matches	2 years
players)	language and/or gestures		
2 (R6 for Indecent gestures		8 matches	2 years
players)			
3 (R6 for	Incitement to violence, or repeated use	10 matches	Life
players) of offensive, insulting or abusive			
	words or gestures		
4 (R6 for	Use of discriminatory, homophobic,	10 matches	Life
players)	racist, religious, ethnic or sexist		
	language and/or gestures		

5 (R6 for	Threatening or intimidating language	11 matches	Life
players)	or conduct towards a match official		
6 (R6 for	6 (R6 for Threat of physical violence toward a		Life
players)	match official or their family or		
	property		
7 (R2 for	Tripping a match official	1 year	Life
players)			
8 (R2 for	Pushing a match official	1 year	Life
players)			
9 (R2 for	Striking a match official with a ball or	2 years	Life
players)	other object		
10 (R2	Punching, kicking, elbowing or	2 years	Life
for	striking a match official		
players)			
11 (R3	Spitting at or on a match official	2 years	Life
for			
players)			
12 (Z0	Any other offence committed against a	2 matches	Life
for	match official which does not fall into		
players)	any other category		

Appendix B: Age Groups

Age Group	Player Age (on Dec. 31 in year competition starts)
U6/7	6, 7
U8/9	8,9
U10/11	10, 11
U12/13	12, 13
U14/15	14, 15
Youth	16 - 20
Senior	16 and over

Appendix C: Current Fees and Penalties

Table 3: Current Fees for Teams and Players

	Fee amount		
Fee type	Winter season only	Winter & summer season	Summer season only
Player registration fee (junior)	\$37.50	\$37.50 (winter) + \$52.50 (summer) = \$90.00	\$90.00
Player registration fee (senior)	\$42.50	\$42.50 (winter) + \$47.50 (summer) = \$90.00	\$90.00
Player match fee	\$12.00		
Red card/suspension appeal fee		\$50.00	

Table 4: Current Penalties for Teams and Players

Offence	Penalty
Intentional or negligent property damage	The full amount of repair
Team low attendance penalty (as in Section 4)	\$60.00