



**FOOTBALL
TASMANIA**

2021

**Summer Cup
COMPETITION RULES**



1.1 Participants

Men's NPL Summer Cup is open to teams from the National Premier Leagues (NPL). No club may have two teams competing in Men's NPL Summer Cup simultaneously. There is no age restriction with Men's NPL Summer Cup aside from those stipulated in the Player Advancement Policy.

Women's Summer Cup is open to teams from the Women's competitions. No club may have two teams competing in Women's Summer Cup simultaneously.

Southern Championship Summer Cup is open to teams from the Southern Championship. There is no age restriction with Southern Championship Summer Cup aside from those stipulated in the Player Advancement Policy.

Social Summer Cups are open to all teams from Social competitions.

1.2 Laws of the Game

All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as decided by the International Football Association Board and distributed by FIFA, and the Rules of FT.

1.3 Team Fees

All clubs will be required to pay nomination fees to participate in the Summer Cup Competitions. Clubs will be required to pay a nomination fee per game for the round robin matches their teams play in. Additionally, both clubs will be charged 50/50 the cost of referees fees in round robin matches.

FT will be responsible for the cost of referee fees in the Grand Finals of all competitions.

The fee per match in the Summer Cup is;

a)	NPL Summer Cup	\$ 90 per game (\$270 per team)
b)	Women's Summer Cup	\$ 90 per game (\$270 per team)
c)	Southern Championship Summer Cup	\$70 per game (\$350 per team)
d)	Social Summer Cup	\$70 per game (\$210 per team)

1.4 Groupings

Each competition will be split between pool A and pool B.

The first placed teams of each pool after the round robin matches have been finalised will be eligible to play in the grand final Summer Cup.



1.5 Nomination Principles

- There will be a 14-day cooling off period after nominating for a competition
- If a team withdraws after the cooling off period a financial penalty will apply
- If a team wishes to withdraw their nomination the following penalties will apply;
 - 15% of the Nomination Fee after the cooling off period
 - 50% of the nomination fee within four (4) weeks of the competition starting
 - 100% of the nomination fee if competition has commenced
- If a team wishes to nominate after the closing date the following administration fees will apply;
 - 5% of the Nomination Fee after the cooling off period
 - 15% of the nomination fee within four (4) weeks of the competition starting
 - No nominations will be accepted after the competition has commenced

1.6 Duration of matches

All round robin matches will consist of two halves as follows

Competition	Each half	½ time break
Men's NPL Summer Cup, Women's Summer Cup & Southern Championship Summer Cup	45 minutes	10 minutes
Social Summer Cups	30 minutes	10 minutes

If, at the end of full time in round robin phase matches, the scores are equal, the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark, in accordance with FIFA Rules.

The Grand Finals of the Men's NPL Summer Cup, Women's Summer Cup and Southern Championship Summer Cup shall consist of two halves of 45 minutes each. Half time interval will be a maximum of 15 minutes.

If scores are equal at the end of normal time in a Grand Final, extra time of two periods of 10 minutes will be played. If, at the end of full time in the extra time period for the Grand Finals, the scores are equal, the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark, in accordance with FIFA Rules.

The Grand Finals of the Social Summer Cups will consist of two halves of 30 minutes each. If scores are level at the end of normal time, extra time of 2 periods of 10 minutes will be played. If, at the end of full time in the Social Summer Cup, the scores are equal,



the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark, in accordance with FIFA Rules.

1.7 Kicks from the penalty mark

If at the end of full time in round robin phase matches the score is drawn kicks from the penalty mark shall take place in accordance with FIFA Rules.

The goals scored or conceded in the kicks from the penalty mark are not recorded in the table of results. The tables will use the end of normal time scores for goals for and against.

1.8 Points

In all Round Robin Matches points shall be awarded as follows:

3 points for a win, in normal time

2 point for a draw at full time and a win in kicks from the penalty mark

1 point for a draw at full time and a loss in kicks from the penalty mark

0 points for a loss, in normal time

1.9 Final Positions

In the event of two teams having an equal number of points at the completion of the round robin phase the team with the better goal difference shall be placed higher in the group.

If goal difference is also equal the team who has scored the highest number of goals shall be deemed the higher placed finisher.

If the number of goals scored is also equal, the highest placed finisher shall be decided on the result of the match when the two tied teams met.

If it is not possible to determine the order of finishing by the above method, the finalists will be determined by the drawing of lots, conducted by the FT Competitions Manager at FT Offices on the Monday following the last round robin match prior to the Grand Final.

1.91 Substitutes

In all matches of the Summer Cup (including finals), a maximum of sixteen (16) players are permitted to be named on the team sheet per game.

Five (5) players: four (4) outfield and one (1) designated goalkeeper, may be named as substitutes however this is not compulsory. All five players can be outfield players and this decision is at the discretion of the club. All five substitutes may be used.



All players must be listed on the team sheet. The team sheet is to be presented to the referee thirty (30) minutes prior to the advertised kick off time.

2.0 Player Eligibility

All players must be registered in accordance with Football Tasmania Rules and Regulations.

A player may play with only one club during the Summer Cup Competitions in the same season.

There is no age restriction for NPL Summer Cup, Women's Summer Cup or Southern Championship Summer Cup, other than the requirements of the Player Age Policy written by FT.

No player will be permitted to play both for their club's NPL Men, Women's Summer Cup and Southern Championship teams AND compete in the Social Summer Cups as well. *A player can play in either a Division A competition or a Social competition but cannot participate in both.*

Players are Cup tied to the highest Cup Competition for their club that they play in. A Southern Championship player may play up in the NPL Summer cup but will be ineligible to play back down in the Southern Championship Summer Cup. This includes Youth Cup eligible players who may play in the club's Under 20s team.

Players are only cup tied once they take to the pitch, if a player is named on a team sheet but does not take to the pitch, they are not cup tied to that competition.

Players are eligible to participate in any competition matches provided all the following are met;

- a) they are currently registered with the Company and
- b) the Company has received the prescribed registration fee and
- c) they are not under suspension and
- d) they meet all the age requirement qualifications and
- e) they have no outstanding debt greater than 60 days with the Company and
- f) they are listed on the team sheet prior to the commencement of the match
- g) All players must be registered in accordance with Football Tasmania Limited Rules and Regulations.

2.0.1 Penalty for Breach of Player Restriction Rules

Where a Club is found to be in breach of the Player Eligibility Rules the offending team will be deemed to have lost the match by forfeit and will be fined \$300 per offence.

2.1 Managers



2.1.1 Match Managers

- The match manager must be aged at a minimum of 18 years.
- The match manager must not consume alcohol whilst performing the duties of match manager.

2.1.2 Match day requirements

- A match manager will be provided by the home club and identified to the referee 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the match.
- The match manager must at all times wear an identifying jacket. These can be purchased at the FT office.
- The match manager must be identifiable and visible to the match officials and spectators at matches.

2.1.3 The Duties of the Match Manager

The match manager shall:

- Ensure that the team manager is provided with balls that meet the standard and requirements as laid down in the duties of the team manager.
- Ensure that an appropriate stretcher is readily available and within proximity of the playing field. The venue host shall provide the match manager with access to the stretcher prior to the match.
- Have available to them a means of summoning the police or ambulance or other such civic personnel as may be required in the event of an emergency. (eg burst water main, loss of electricity supply, loss of keys).
- Be responsible for the good order and behaviour of spectators.
- Assist match officials where required and assist with the security of the match officials whilst at the venue.
- The match manager shall be responsible for the texting of the ½ time and full time scores to Michelle Mizzen on 0468 964994.

2.1.4 Team Managers

All Clubs shall nominate a team manager for each team who shall perform such duties as listed below and as shall be directed from time to time by the Company. This requirement applies to all Club teams in all Company competitions.

2.1.5 The Duties of the Team Manager

The team manager shall:

- Ensure that match balls, which comply with the requirements of the Laws of the Game and Rules, are provided to the referee at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled kick-off time at matches at which the team is the designated home team
- Ensure that the fully completed team sheet is provided to the referee at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled kick-off time.



2.1.6 Breaches of Rule 2.1

Failure of a match manager to fulfil the requirements of Rule 2.1.3 will result in a fine of \$300 being imposed on the match manager's Club.

Failure of a team manager to fulfil the requirements of Rule 2.1.5 will result in a fine of \$100 being imposed on the team manager's Club.

2.2 Disciplinary

All players in this competition are subject to Football Tasmania Limited Disciplinary Rules and Regulations.

Any player who receives two (2) yellow cards in the Summer Cup competition, shall receive an automatic one (1) match suspension.

Any player who receives four (4) yellow cards in the Summer Cup competition, shall receive an automatic two (2) match suspension.

All yellow cards that are received in the Summer Cup do not carry over into the home and away roster competitions; players will start the roster season with a "clean slate."

All players who receive red cards during the Summer Cup competition must serve the allotted suspension before being able to play again. For the avoidance of doubt, if the suspension exceeds the number of games remaining in the Summer Cup the player is required to serve the remainder of the suspension in the roster season before being allowed to play again.

2.3 Admission to Grounds

The following admission charges have been set for the NPL Summer Cup matches in 2021- Adults \$8 – Concession \$4 - Children under 12 free.

Grand Final admission charges TBA.

All NPL Summer Cup, Women's Summer Cup and Southern Championship Summer Cup players/officials named on the team sheet list forwarded to Football Tasmania Limited by 12.00 pm on the Friday prior to the weekend's games (maximum 20 players, plus 2 coaches, manager and sports trainer 24 in total), will be admitted to the ground for free on the day of their round robin match.

If a club fails to provide a team sheet prior to the weekend their club's players may be required to pay entry into the ground.



2.4 Trophies and Medallions

Men's NPL Summer Cup

Winners receive \$1,000, trophy and medallions

Runners Up receive \$375

Women's Summer Cup

Winners receive \$1000, trophy and medallions

Runners Up receive \$375

Southern Championship Summer Cup

Trophy and medallions

Social Summer Cups

Trophy and medallions