

Southern Mixed Summer 9s Competition Information 2020-21

The Southern Mixed Summer 9s Competition is a mixed 9-a-side football competition held on Tuesday nights. Games will be played from 6pm at the Calwell Playing Fields.

All teams must fill in a registration form and pay the team fee to register. Individuals must have an FFA number and be active on www.playfootball.com.au. Individuals that were not actively registered in this year's regular winter season under a Capital Football Affiliation will be required to pay an additional \$12 insurance levy.

Each team is also required to have a Team manager as a point of contact and will be required to pay a once off registration fee of \$720 prior to the competition starting, bank details will be provided on receipt of registration form. When submitting your registration form and making payment, please use your team name as a reference.

Nominations will close on Thursday the 22nd of October. The competition will run from Tuesday the 27th of October 2020 through until February 2021. Team payments must be made prior to kick off.

The Rules:

1. Games are 20 minutes each way with a five-minute half time break. Nine players a side (including one goalkeeper).
2. The competition manager will supply the match balls (size 5).
3. There must be at least four female players on the field at all times, none may play in goal.
4. Six players from each team must be on the field or the game will be forfeited.
5. Each team must nominate a strip colour and all wear this. In the case of a clash, the second team on the draw will be provided with bibs. Goal Keepers must wear a different coloured shirt to both teams.
6. It is recommended teams nominate at least 12 players and are not permitted to have more than 16.
7. Regular football rules apply, refer to <http://www.fifa.com/mm/Document/FootballDevelopment/Refereeing/02/36/01/11/La> except for the following:
 - a. no offside
 - b. no slide tackles! Slide tackles will result in an indirect free kick for the opposition. The referee's decision is final. There are some minor changes to other laws and sanctions outlined in the refereeing section.
 - c. Goals scored by female players are worth 2 points. This includes deflections off female teammates. Own goals and penalties are worth 1 point, regardless of who scores.
 - d. Male players may be penalised at the referee's discretion for kicking it too hard in the direction of a female player.
 - e. Any player receiving a Red card will be banned from the entire competition.
 - f. Disciplinary actions will be decided by the Competition Sub Committee.
 - g. Interchange rule applies – it does not require a stoppage in play.

8. Shin guards are compulsory. Players will not be permitted on the field without shin guards. If you are injured without shin guards you are not covered by the insurance.
9. Team Managers should make sure the scores are recorded correctly on the match card after each game.
10. The Competition Sub Committee reserve the right to amend the rules at any time or make a ruling on any matter that has not been covered herein.
11. A competition ladder will be recorded – 3 points for a win/1 point for a draw/0 points for a loss.

Please play this game in the right spirit. Any teams, or players, refusing to do so will be removed from the competition and will not receive their money back.

Duties: Teams will be responsible for arranging the placement of goals and the setting up of nets (if you are the first team to play) or packing up the net and removing the goals from the field (if you are the last team to play). Teams will also be allocated refereeing duty during the time slot they are not playing. This will not happen every week, but teams not doing this will receive 2 points deductions every time. Refer to Sporting Pulse for more information on nets/refereeing duty/ etc. The competition organisers will be present each week to record scores.

If games have to be cancelled, please check your nominated email address in the event of wet weather as the organisers will advise of cancellations this way. In the event of cancellation games will be rescheduled at organiser's discretion where possible and subject to field availability.

Nomination Process: To nominate a team, team managers should:

1. Return a completed nomination for to **mens@bbfc.org.au**.
2. The competition organisers will email you to accept your nomination. Once you have received a confirmation email please get each player to register on www.playfootball.com.au to be active and available to play.
3. Teams need to pay the registration fee prior to the first game otherwise a 0-3 forfeit score will issued as a result.

Late registrations for your team may be accepted, provided your manager has emailed the organiser at least 24 hours prior to them playing, and they are 'actively' registered on www.playfootball.com.au and have satisfied the necessary insurance requirements.

Thank you for showing interest in the Southern Mixed Summer 9s Competition and we hope to see you running around.