



NATIONAL FUTSAL TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

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INTRODUCTION

The regulations that govern participation in the Australian Futsal Association National tournaments are outlined in this document.

All rules, contained herein are based on Futsal laws of the game and the regulations may only be varied with the consent of Australian Futsal Association.

JURISDICTION

The regulations outlined in this document are compulsory and unless otherwise stated are applicable to all Australian Futsal National Tournaments.

All National tournament games will be played in accordance with Australian Futsal Association Laws of the Game 2020 Edition. In the event that a law as set out in this edition conflict with the “National Tournament Regulations” as specified here in, the “National Tournament Regulations” will overrule the “Australian Futsal Association Laws of the Game 2020 Edition”.

AGE CATEGORIES

Age categories offered for some Australian Futsal Association National tournaments will vary at the discretion of Australian Futsal Association. Age Categories for Australian Futsal Association National Futsal Championships are detailed below:

National Futsal Championships includes National Schools and Club Events	
Male	Female
8 Boys	
9 Boys	
10 Boys	10 Girls
11 Boys	11 Girls
12 Boys	12 Girls
13 Boys	13 Girls
14 Boys	14 Girls
15 Boys	15 Girls
16 Boys	16 Girls
19 Boys (National Schools Only)	19 Girls (National Schools Only)
Youth Men (U20) (National Club Only)	Youth Women (U20) (National Club Only)
Open Men (National Club Only)	Open Women (National Club Only)
AWD – (National Club Only)	

AGE REQUIREMENTS

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A participant’s age is determined by their age as of 31st December. Players **may not** be any **older** than the age category they are participating in as of 31st December, although players are permitted to be younger than this determinant as of 31st December. Because National Club Championships are held in January each year age eligibility is determined by the previous year.

For example: John turns 14 on 12th March – John is eligible for the U13 Boys Competition at Nationals or an older age category but not a younger age category.

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ELIGIBILITY

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Players must:

- Meet age requirements for the age category
- Be recognised with their respective state association
- Hold a current registration with Australian Futsal Association or and AFA Affiliate
- Where more than one region or state cannot field a full team in an age group, teams can be combined between states on the approval of the AFA
- Players can only play for one region/state during the tournament unless written approval by AFA prior to the event starting.
- A player cannot play in 2 games that are being played at the same time even if they overlap.
- A player can play in a game even if they are not present for the start of the game, as long as they are on the Nomination form prior to their first game and the official Game Card prior to the game starting.
- Play in their gender specific category. Females may participate within male teams up until and including U13s only if the region they are representing cannot field a female team in their eligible age division.
- A player can play in more than one age category, however you cannot compete in 2 teams entered into the same age category. This includes age categories that are combined. For example if the 15 girls and 16 girls age categories are combined a player cannot play in a 15 years team and 16 years team, even if they are in separate pools. They must only nominate for one team either the 15 or 16 years team only.
- No photo's are to be taken by anyone of Game Cards. If found to the taken a photo of the Game Card, the team involved may be removed from the event.
- Be full-time students attending a recognised primary or secondary educational institution within the region of their state association for National School Championships Only. When selected.
- To be eligible for elimination, quarter, semi or grand final rounds, players must have played a minimum of round games previous to the first finals. Players will be marked with a DNP or P on the official game card by the scorers. If a player does not have a DNP or P marked down it shall be recorded that they player did NOT play in that game. The onus is on the 2 Scorers, 2 Team Officials and referee that signs the game card, that they are marked it correctly. If a team official to not sign the game card, admin will contact State Co-ordinator to find out why they refused.
- Please see below for details:
 - 9-10 round games = 5 games played
 - 7-8 round games = 4 games played
 - 5-6 round games = 3 games played
 - 4 round games = 2 games played
- The only exception to this rule is if the state co-ordinator of the team can show due cause, as to why the player was not able to compete in the number of games required. The Tournament Convenor which is Nicola Zammit is the only official that can adjudicate on this matter.

INSURANCE COVER

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- Public Liability: Will be provided by: Australian Futsal Association
- Personal Injury***
- Individuals should only rely on Private Health Insurance for comprehensive cover.
 - Australian Futsal Association Personal Injury – ATC Insurance Solutions.
 - International teams must show proof of travel insurance per player to be eligible.
 - **All injuries must be reported to the sports trainer at the centre injury occurred.**

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TEAM NOMINATIONS

<i>National Futsal Championships</i>	
Maximum Number of nominations per state	Four (4) Teams Per Region are eligible to be nomination from all states per category - <i>Additional teams may be entered if their inclusion benefits a specific age-category and/or the overall competition.</i> <i>Inclusion of additional teams is at discretion of Australian Futsal Association.</i>
Maximum number on nomination form per team	<i>Up to 12 players can be nominated per team (Juniors) and 14 Players per team (Seniors)</i>
Nominations will be accepted from:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Competitors - Australian Futsal Affiliated Associations

TOURNAMENT DRAWS – DRAW FORMAT

Australian Futsal Association will comply with the following format when generating draws for confirmed team nominations in all age categories.

Elimination matches are included in the “Maximum number of games”. Teams not qualifying for elimination matches will play only the “minimum number of games” as stipulated below unless the draw for the tournament that the team participating in makes provision for play-off matches to determine lower placements such as 5/6 7/8 etc.

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No. Teams	Draw format- All National Tournaments	Min of Games	Max of Games
3 or Less Teams	Age Group not viable & to be amalgamated with the most suitable adjacent age category or scrapped		
4 Teams	Teams play every other team twice. Top two teams on points advance to Final	6	7
5 Teams	Teams play every other team twice. Unless there are groups in that age category. Top four teams advance to semi finals. Winners advance to final. Or 1 st Place team advancing to final. 2 nd and 3 rd Place team Play off for position in final.	4	6
6 Teams	Teams play every other team once. Top four teams advance to semi finals. Winners advance to final.	5	7
7 Teams	Teams play every other team once. Top four teams advance to semi finals. Winners advance to final.	6	8
8 Teams	Teams play every other team once. Top four teams advance to semi finals. Winners advance to final.	7	9
9 Teams	Teams play 8 games with every other team once. Top four teams advance to semi finals. Winners advance to final.	8	10
10 Teams	Teams to be split into two pools with top 4 advancing to quarter finals and 5 th place teams playing off for 9 th and 10 th position OR one group, play everyone once. Top 4 teams in each pool advance to finals	4	11
11 Teams (up to 17)	Teams to be split into two pools with each team playing every other team in their respective pool once. Top Four teams advancing to finals Quarter finals, or semi finals. Winners advance to final	4 (11 teams) 7 (16 teams)	6 (11 teams) 10 (16 teams)
18 Teams (or more)	Teams to be split into 3 pools with each team playing every other team in their respective pool once. Top 8 teams advancing to Quarter Finals via Ratio. Ratios Positions are ranked via the following. 1. Average points. 2. Average Goal Difference. 3. Average Goals For. 4. Average Goals Against.	5	8

AFA reserve the right to alter any of the above formatting for the benefit of the teams in the draw

COMBINED AGE GROUPS

- When an age group has been combined with another, teams will only be eligible for their age groups final. i.e 14 and 15 girls are combined age group, a 14 girls team can not play in the 15's final, unless there is only one 14's team.
- A player can play in more than one age category, however you cannot compete in 2 teams entered into the same age category. This includes age categories that are combined. For example if the 15 girls and 16 girls age categories are combined a player cannot play in a 15 years team and 16 years team, even if they are in separate pools. They must only nominate for one team either the 15 or 16 years team only.

GAME DURATION

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The following applies to all round and pool games, elimination matches and finals.

- Games of 2 x 20 minute halves duration run off the clock will be played for all age categories.
- Games played on an International court National Club only (16 Boys & Girls, Youth and Open Categories) are 2 x 25 minute halves duration run of the clock.
- The clock may stop for serious injuries or incidents that occur during a game. The Tournament Convenor will have final say on this matter.
- **Half Time Intervals** will be a minimum of three (3) minutes and a maximum of five (5) minutes Duration
- **Time Outs** will only be permitted in **Elimination** matches
- Each team competing in an elimination match will be permitted one (1) time-out only for the entire match.
- Time outs are **not permitted** during **extra time** periods

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POINTS ALLOCATION (RESULTS)

The following table details the number of points to be allocated to teams competing at National events for round pool games.

Any team forfeiting a match will be asked to show due cause why they should remain in the tournament.

Match Result	Points Awarded
Win	Three (3) Points
Draw	One (1) Point
Loss	Zero (0) Points
Forfeit for	Three (3) points plus the average of the goals against the team that caused the forfeit result.
Forfeit against If a team forfeits at any stage of event	Zero (0) Points – (0) Goals & lose all points received All points and goals will be deducted from all games that the team has played.
Tournament Convenor abandons game	See below in abandoned games section

DETERMINATION OF FINAL PLACINGS

- At the completion of round/pool games, teams will be ranked for placement in elimination matches.
- Teams not placed in elimination matches will take no further part in the tournament unless play-off games for 3/4/5/6 7/8 etc. form part of the tournament.
- In a one or two pool division the team with the highest number of points will be placed first and the next highest number of points will be placed second and so on in their pool. If a Team qualifies for the next round however they cannot play the next game, the next highest team will be promoted. i.e. If a team that was 3rd has to withdraw, then the original 4th placed team will go into 3rd, and the 5th placed team will go into 4th.

In a three pool division the Top 8 teams will advance to Quarter Finals. These positions will be based on Ratio. Ratios Positions are ranked via the following. (1. Average points. 2. Average Goal Difference. 3. Average Goals For. 4. Average Goals Against). The best ratio becomes first placed and second best becomes second etc.

In the event that two teams are equal on points then following will apply.

- The team with the highest **goal difference** will be deemed the higher place getter.
- Should teams still remain equal the team with the highest number of **goals for** will be deemed the higher place getter.
- Should teams still remain equal the team with the least number of **goals against** will be deemed the higher place getter.
- Should teams still remain equal the team with the most **games won** will be deemed the higher place getter.
- Should teams still remain equal the team that **won the round games** between the two teams will be deemed the higher place getter.
- Should teams still remain equal the team with the **least number of disciplinary cards** will be deemed the higher place getter. Card Index – Yellow = 10, Red = 25, Yellow/Yellow/Red = 35points.
- If teams are still equal then a **penalty shoot-out** will determine the higher placing.

ELIMINATION MATCHES

Elimination matches include all Play offs, Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals.

- At the completion of regulation time the team with the highest amount of goals moves to the next round. (If the game was a Quarter Final or Semi Final) or in the case of a final is declared the National Champions
- The team on lesser number of goals is eliminated from the tournament
- In the event that an elimination game results in a draw at the completion of regulation time, the following shall apply.

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- i. Golden goal extra time of one ten (10) minute period will be played. The team scoring first during this period will be declared the winner and progress to the next round if the game was a Quarter Final or Semi Final. In the case of a grand final the winner is declared the National Champions. If however the teams are still equal at the completion of Golden Goal extra time then the following shall occur.
- ii. A penalty shoot-out will take place in accordance with the Laws of the game (Best of 5 Kicks each), with the team completing the most successful penalties progressing to the next round (If the game was a Quarter Final or Semi Final) or in the case of a final is declared the National Champions.
- iii.

If a Team wins a Quarter or Semi Final, however can not play the next game for whatever reason the team that lost to this team will go through and play the next round. Must be reported with 1 hours of game competition to admin desk.

IDENTIFICATION

National Club/Team Futsal Championships

Australian Futsal Identification cards are not required by players participating at this event. All registrations will be checked prior to the event with cross-checks and spot checks occurring during the event.

CODES OF CONDUCT/ETHICS

Individual State Associations are required to issue and enforce their respective codes of Conduct/Ethics.

The conduct of all players, team officials, referees, tournament officials and spectators who participate in National Futsal Championships is governed by Codes of Conduct/Ethics generally accepted as endorsing the values of fair play, respect and tolerance including but not limited to:

1. Co-operation with tournament, venue and game officials, or their delegates
 2. Compliance with venue rules and guidelines
 3. Behaving in a professional, responsible and courteous manner towards participants, team officials, referees, tournament officials and spectators
 4. Adherence to the laws of the game
 5. Participation in the spirit of the game
 6. Refraining from the use of offensive, abusive or insulting language and/or gestures
 7. Refraining from behaviour that is violent or offensive
 8. Refraining from engaging behaviour that aims to harass or discriminate against another person on the grounds of race, sex, religion or for any other reason
 9. Abstaining from the use, possession or promotion of any banned substance or drugs of dependence
- Failure to comply with the Codes of Conduct as set out in this document or as endorsed by State Futsal Associations may result in the offender/s being dismissed from venues or suspended from play or officiating for a fixed period of time and/or indefinitely.

TEAM MANAGEMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The coach and/or manager of each state team is responsible for all matters relating to the team including the conduct of the team members and supporters, disciplinary matters, adherence to local regulations and appropriate use of venues.

COMPLETION OF GAME CARDS & NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination Forms are to be submitted to AFA prior to the commencement of the Championships. A maximum of 12 players for National Schools & Junior National Club with a Max 14 players for Seniors (U16-open) must be on the submitted Nomination form PRIOR to the first game played by that team. Team Officials are required to confirm that nomination forms have all listed players on them and sign the bottom of the nomination form prior to their teams first game and hand into the Administration desk. Generally this is done when the official collects the info pack and ball on the first day. If a player has been found to

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have played and isn't listed on the nomination form the team will lose the points from the games the eligible player played in. The only exception is if the state co-ordinator of the team can show due cause, as to why the player was not on the official nomination form prior to the teams first game. The Tournament Convenor which is Nicola Zammit is the only official that can adjudicate on this matter.

Official Game cards (match sheet) will be provided and will have player names and information printed on the sheet. This will depend on the state providing the information prior to the tournament. The team official (coach or manager) will need to check the game card to ensure they have all your players listed on it. Including any player that you have playing up an age group. For teams that do not have their names printed onto the game card the game card will be located at the administration desk.

Team officials are required to complete the game card prior to the start of the first game and include all relevant details such as full name, date of birth and jersey number. **For clarity, a MAXIMUM of 12 players are permitted to be listed on a game card for any one match, even the seniors.**

1. First Name and Surname of players
2. Shirt Numbers
3. Year of Birth

Players must be listed on the game card prior to commencement of the game. Teams have up until half time to make any corrections to the official game card. Players not entered on game card after the half time period, will be deemed ineligible to participate in that game. If a player has been found to play and isn't listed on the game card the team will lose the points from the games the ineligible player played in.

- Note game card is different to nomination form

The name of any suspended player will appear on the game card with the word "Suspended" appearing beside the player's name for that game. The onus is on the team NOT to play any player that is suspended. If you are unsure please ask centre admin to check for you.

Players are only permitted to nominate and play in one team only as detailed in the eligibility guidelines. Any player found guilty of breaching the eligibility guidelines will be expelled from the tournament.

At the completion of each game an official from both teams must sign the game card to confirm the final result.

SCORERS

Each Team is to provide a scorer for each match played. The game will not commence until each team has a scorer present on the bench. Failure to provide a scorer will incur a penalty from the tournament convenor.

Photo's of Game Cards - No photo's are to be taken by anyone of Game Cards, if found to have taken a photo of the Game Card the team involved may be removed from the event and asked to show why they shouldn't.

If a player does not have a DNP or P marked down it shall be recorded that the player did NOT play in that game. The onus is on the 2 Scorers and referee that signs the game card that they are marked it correctly.

UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

Uniforms

It is **compulsory** for all team members who are not the nominated Goalkeeper to participate in a colour co-ordinated uniform comprised of:

- A numbered shirt (must have sleeves, with number contrast and clearly distinguishable)
- Shorts (may be numbered)
- Long Socks
- Suitable non marking shoes

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- Shin pads that provide a reasonable degree of protection

Goalkeepers must wear:

- A numbered shirt of a colour that distinguishes him/her from the other team members and opposition. (The number must clearly contrast with the shirt colour)
- Shorts (may be numbered) or Pants with no pockets
- Long Socks
- Suitable non marking shoes
- **Shin pads that provide a reasonable degree of protection**

Goalkeepers may also wear:

- Knee and/or Elbow Pads
- Goal Keeping Gloves
- Provided they are of a material that does not constitute a danger to the player or opposition player

Where two opposing teams uniform are similar, the team listed second on the draw, being the away team, will be required to wear an alternate uniform or bibs.

A player must not use equipment or wear anything, which is dangerous to himself or herself or another player, including any kind of jewellery.

The referee's decision to exclude players using or wearing dangerous equipment is final, however common sense should prevail with the Centre Administrator having final say.

MATCH BALLS

The Host State or Tournament organisers will provide official Match balls for all games. All games will be played with the same match ball provided by AFA.

Size 3 Futsal balls will be used for all age categories up to and including 11 Years

Size 4 Futsal balls will be used for all age categories 12 Years and up.

Note: Where a game is played between age categories, whose specific Match ball size differs, the larger ball (size 4) will be used for the full duration of the match.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS REQUIRED TO COMMENCE PLAY

In accordance with the Laws of the Game, each team must have at least three (3) legal players to commence the game of which one (1) player must be the designated goalkeeper and one (1) the team captain.

DELAYED STARTS/FORFEITS

A 5 minute extension MAY be given to a team by the tournament convenor, that is unable to take the court at their allocated time slot in the draw. At the completion of that 5 minute period the game will be deemed a forfeit, with a forfeit score calculated as per table at **Points allocation**. At the discretion of the Tournament Convenor.

(If a team forfeits a game during the competition they will be expelled from the competition, and not be allowed to play any further games). The team that was forfeited against will have there that game counted towards their individual players "Played" status, and count as a game played for any suspensions.

DISCIPLINARY CARDS and TEAM OFFICIAL REMOVAL

The 'Australian Futsal Association Laws of the Game 2020 Edition' – ***The Referee' state ' The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with play are final'***. Whilst a team official may exercise the right of appeal, that right of appeal is restricted to grounds set out in **Section 23- Appeals**.

General information in relation to disciplinary cards

- Yellow cards accumulated in preliminary matches do not carry over to finals, however if

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accumulates a suspension, then player must serve the suspension.

- Red cards carry an automatic one (1) match suspension (in addition to any further suspension imposed by the tournament judiciary panel) for the next scheduled game/s. If the red card is issued in the last preliminary match then the suspension is served in the first game of the finals series.
- A substitute player may enter the pitch two (2) complete minutes after the team-mate has been sent off, unless a goal is scored against their team before the two minutes have elapsed "under referee's discretion".
- Any team that plays a suspended player will automatically forfeit that match, with that game not counting towards the player's suspension.
- Any player who is sent off (shown a red card) is prohibited from
 - taking any further part in that match; or
 - sitting on the team bench for the remainder of the match or for the period of their suspension; or
 - Remaining in the vicinity of the playing arena as designated by the referee or administration.

Multiple Age Groups:

- Accumulated Cards: Cards are recorded across both categories

If a player is competing in two age groups at the same competition (eg U13s *and* U14s) and he/she gets suspended for whatever reason (per above rules), he/she must serve out their suspension in the next game for the age group in which they were initially suspended. And cannot play in any game before serving that suspension. For example: Joe gets sent off or receives a suspension in an U13 game, Joe isn't permitted to play in the U14 game/until they have served their suspension in the U13s.

If there are no games left in the tournament for the age group he/she was initially suspended from then he/she will serve that suspension in the other age group he/she was playing in.

Disciplinary Cards; Specific circumstances

Where a player receives 2 yellow cards in a single match the following applies:

- The player is shown a **red card** after receiving the second yellow card and must vacate the court and leave the playing arena.
- The player receives an automatic 1 match suspension that must be served in the team's next game
- The player's name will appear on the game card for the next game as 'suspended'

Note: These two yellow cards will not count in the player's accumulated yellow card tally as they are regarded as a Red Card for the purpose of suspension).

Where a player receives a single red card in a match the following applies:

- The player must vacate the court and leave the playing arena.
- The player receives an automatic 1 match suspension in addition to any further penalty awarded by the tournament judiciary panel if a report by either of the match officials warrants a judiciary hearing. The suspension must be served in the team's next game. Any additional suspension period must be served in subsequent game/s.
- The player's name will appear on the game card for the next game as 'suspended'

Where a player accumulates three (3) yellow cards through the course of the tournament the following applies:

- The player shall receive an automatic suspension of one (1) game
- The suspension is served in the next game immediately following the issue of the third yellow card
- The player's name will appear on the game card for the next game as 'suspended'

Where a player has previously received a suspension for the accumulation of two (2) yellow cards following a suspension for three (3) yellow cards the following will apply:

The accumulation of a further two (2) yellow cards will result in:

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- The player receiving an automatic suspension of two (2) matches that is to be served for the next scheduled game/s.

Where a player has previously served a suspension for accumulated of five (5) yellow cards the following will apply:

A receipt of further single (1) yellow card will result in:

- The player receiving an automatic suspension of three (3) matches that is to be served for the next scheduled game/s.

Note: The yellow card tally for that player is reset to nil following the suspension.

If a player is found to have played in a match he/she was suspended in, the Team will lose the points the eligible player played in. The Suspended players will also miss the next match the team plays in.

Team Official Exclusion: *If a team official is removed from the technical area during a match by the referee/s, an automatic 1 match suspension will be imposed. (In addition to any further suspension imposed by the tournament judiciary panel). Team Official will be ineligible to coach again until they have served their suspension, or once Tournament Convenor has cleared the team official.*

ABANDONED MATCHES

Matches may be abandoned when it is deemed by the Referee and or the Centre Administrator that the game cannot continue due to any of the following:

- For disciplinary reasons – where violent conduct by players, team official or spectators creates an untenable situation for others.
- Where the playing surface or court area is deemed dangerous or unusable.

Where a match is abandoned for disciplinary reasons, the match officials are required to ascertain the team at fault and award the following:

- *To the team deemed at fault* – a 0-3 forfeit loss or the average of goals against or the match result at the time the game was abandoned (whichever provides the most advantageous result for their opponents)
- *To the team deemed not at fault* – a 3-0 forfeit win or the match result at the time the game was abandoned (whichever provides the most advantageous result for them)

The team deemed at fault will be asked to show cause why they should remain in the competition.

Where a match is abandoned for non-disciplinary reasons, the Tournament Officials are required to take all possible steps to either:

- Reschedule the game (reset to 0-0) when the tournament schedule allows; or
- Recommence the game (score line carries over) in due course to allow for a full time result.
- If 75% of the match has been played the score at that time will be recorded as the official score.

JUDICIARY PANEL AND PROCEDURE

Where possible, the Tournament Judiciary Panel will comprise:

- A minimum of 3 Representatives from different participating State and/or National Associations not involved in the incident. With 1 person being named the chairperson.

*Where this is not possible the Tournament Judiciary Panel will be comprised of suitable representatives from the event.

The state appealing the decision can attend the hearing, to give reason for appeal, however this is restricted to 1 representative only. The Referee report will be read out during the Judiciary only. The Chairperson will state the outcome of the appeal at the conclusion of the judiciary proceeding.

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The Tournament Judiciary Panel will convene when:

- A report by either of the match officials warrants a hearing
- An appeal is lodged by the State Association representative only. **Not individual Coaches or Managers.**

GROUNDINGS FOR APPEAL:

The 'Futsal Laws of the Game LAW 5 – The Referee' state *"The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with play are final"*!

Whilst a state representative may exercise the right of an appeal, that right of appeal is restricted to one or more of the following grounds:

- **Severity of the Sentence Imposed**
 - *If a suspension is received, the person in question must serve an automatic one (1) game suspension. If the sentence is deemed more than one (1) game, the length of that additional suspension may be appealed.*
- **Mistaken Identity**
 - *In the event the accused has been mistakenly identified as someone else by those implementing the suspension.*
- **New Evidence**
 - *If, once a judiciary decision has been made upon an appeal, new evidence is presented. Please note AFA will not accept video evidence in this matter.*
- **Inconsistency in the Judiciary Process of Sentence Imposed**
- **Inconsistency in the Judiciary Process of Sentencing**
 - *Eg, where two players are suspended for a single incident, but one player receives a longer suspension than the other.*

LODGING AN APPEAL:

STEP 1: Appeal Lodged with Centre Administration: If an appeal is required, the appeal must be lodged in writing by a state representative (not a coach, manager or parent). This appeal must be lodged on an official Australian Futsal Tournament Appeal Form within one (1) hour of the incident occurring.

STEP 2: Lodgement Requirements: The appeal form must be accompanied by a fee of \$60 (refundable only if the appeal is upheld.)

STEP 3: Appeals Judiciary Process: Upon receipt of an appeal, the tournament Judiciary Panel will convene in accordance with the requirements of the Judiciary Procedure as set out in **Item 23 – Judiciary Panel and Procedure** in the Tournament By-Laws.

STEP 4: Judiciary Hearing: Notice of the Judiciary hearing times will be given to the state representative. *It is the responsibility of the team/state official lodging the appeal to ensure representation appears on time.*

Step 5: Appeals Committee Decision: In the event that the appeal is successful, the full amount of \$60 will be refunded. However, if the appeal is unsuccessful, the \$60 will be forfeited to the Australian Futsal Association.

FIRST AID

Report all injuries to the sports trainer on site at your venue so they can be recorded for future reference as necessary

Level 1 sports Trainers will be provided at all National Tournament venues by the host State. These

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personnel will provide treatment to all participants as needed.

Ice will also be available for the treatment of minor sprains and injuries.

Additional First Aid and/or Medical staff from individual State Associations may also be in attendance to treat their own respective participant's injuries.

Emergency services and other medical services information will be provided to all team officials.

See Item 5 – Insurance Cover for information on injury cover and liability.