

KEY EMPLOYMENT (COFFS HARBOUR CITY UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB)  
SUMMER SIX-A-SIDE COMPETITION RULES 2010/2011

The normal FIFA rules of soccer shall apply except in the following situations:

TEAM SHEETS

Each team must sign the team sheet prior to commencement of their game. Players who have not signed the team sheet prior to their game may not be covered by insurance if they are injured.

UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

Any team playing an unregistered player will have their team excluded from the competition for 4 weeks. It is the team's responsibility to ensure all players are registered as these players are not covered for insurance. If unsure ask at the canteen before playing. No refund of registration fees paid or nomination fees will occur.

FORFEITS

Teams must notify of a forfeit by no later than 1.00pm on the Tuesday of their game to Noel Goodworth on phone 0423 749 052 or emailing [mrgrommett@hotmail.com](mailto:mrgrommett@hotmail.com)

Where sufficient notification is given, an attempt will be made to replay the game at a later date, and at a time that is suitable to both teams. Where a suitable time can't be found, 3 match points will be awarded against the team forfeiting but no goals will be awarded to either team.

However, Failure to notify by 1.00pm of a forfeit will result in the team having 5 goals against recorded against them as well as being excluded from the competition until they pay a \$100 bond. If the team do not forfeit any more games, the \$100 bond will be refunded at the end of the competition. A second forfeit will result in the \$100 bond being forfeited and a bond of \$200 will be required before that team will be readmitted to the competition. A third forfeit will result in the team being excluded from the competition and the \$200 bond being forfeited.

PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

Each player in a team must wear a strip with the colours and markings the same, however the goal keeper can wear a different coloured shirt. In the event of a clash of colours bibs will be available from the canteen.

FOOTWEAR/SHIN PADS

All players must wear approved footwear and shin pads – Referees may order players from the field if they are not wearing shin pads. Football boots are permitted. Not wearing approved footwear and shin pads can void any insurance claim if a player suffers injury.

#### DURATION OF GAME

Games will be played in 14-minute halves, with no half time break. No injury time will be played except in finals, at the discretion of the referee. Teams not ready to start at the designated time will forfeit the match and the opposing team (if they were ready to play), will receive full match points with a 5-goal tally.

#### MIXED COMPETITION

There must be a minimum of 3 women players on the field of play at all times. Contravention of this rule BY PLAYING 4 MEN will result in the team forfeiting the match.

#### OVER 35'S

On the field of play, only 1 player may be younger than 35 years old but must be at least 30 years old. Contravention of this rule will result in team forfeiting the match.

#### SUBSTITUTIONS

Substitutions may be made at any time during a game and as often as required. Substitutes do not have to wait for a stoppage in play or notify the referee of the change, except in the case of the goalkeeper, who must notify the referee and wait for a stoppage in play before making the change. Breach of this rule will result in a direct free kick being awarded against the offending side. Substitutes may only enter the field of play from half way, only when the player being substituted has left the field of play from half way. Breach of this rule will result in a direct free kick being awarded against the offending side at the point the ball was at the time of the offence, unless in the opinions of the referee the offending side will benefit from the resulting stoppage of play. If the offending side will benefit, the player concerned may be sinbinned by the referee. In this case the referee may wait until the offending side is in possession of the ball and then award a direct free kick. Contravention of this rule can also result in players being sin binned.

#### FREE KICKS

All free kicks will be direct free kicks. Direct free kicks will be taken in accordance with FIFA rules except the offending side will be no nearer the ball than 3 metres at the time of the kick and the player taking the free kick can only take 3 steps.

Where a free kick is awarded to the defending side, and where the offence occurs within the penalty area, the free kick will be taken from the corner of the penalty area nearest where the offence occurred.

#### GOAL KICKS

Goal kicks will be taken as per FIFA rules except that the ball will be placed on the back line of play.

## CORNER KICKS

Corner kicks will be taken. A goal can be scored direct from a corner kick (FIFA ruling).

## THROW INS

A kick in will take place with the ball placed on the ground where the ball exited play.

## GOAL KEEPERS

In addition to the rule regarding substitution of goalkeepers, teams must nominate a goalkeeper prior to the commencement of play and this player must wear a strip to distinguish him from all other players on the field of play. The goalkeeper must wear this strip at all times, as well as any substitute goalkeeper. A goalkeeper can throw punt or drop kick from within the penalty area once they have held the ball. FIFA rules in regard to back passes and time holding the ball will apply.

## SLIDE TACKLES

There will be no slide tackles. A free kick will be immediately awarded with the referee having the option of sinbanning the player for an amount of time they consider necessary for the tackle. Time sinbanned could range from 30 seconds to the remainder of the match. A player can be substituted whilst sinbanned but the sinbanned player can't return to the field of play till the referee allows.

If a sin binned player enters the field of play before the referee has allowed them to return, the team will forfeit the match and may be excluded from the competition for a time determined by the Disciplinary Committee.

## TACKLES FROM BEHIND AND DANGEROUS TACKLES

There will be no tackling from behind. A free kick will be immediately awarded with the referee having the option of sinbanning the player for an amount of time they consider necessary for the tackle. Time sinbanned could range from 30 seconds to the remainder of the match. A player can be substituted whilst sinbanned but the sinbanned player can't return to the field of play till the referee allows.

A dangerous tackle is one that in the referee's opinion could cause injury to an opposing player. A free kick will be immediately awarded with the referee having the option of sinbanning the player for an amount of time they consider necessary for the tackle. Time sinbanned could range from 30 seconds to the remainder of the match. A player can be substituted whilst sinbanned but the sinbanned player can't return to the field of play till the referee allows.

If a sin binned player enters the field of play before the referee has allowed them to return, the team will forfeit the match and may be excluded from the competition for a time determined by the Disciplinary Committee.

#### PLAYER FOULS, CAUTIONS AND SEND OFFS.

A player who is sent from the field of play for serious foul play, violent conduct, foul or abusive language or persistent misconduct after having received a caution (i.e. offences that warrant a referee issuing a red card), shall immediately leave the field of play and take no further action in the match. Another player cannot substitute a player sent from the field of play. Players receiving the red card will automatically receive a one-match suspension, that suspension being the next game drawn to play. In addition, if directed to appear before the Disciplinary Committee, the said player will incur any further penalty as determined by the committee. The referee may use the sin bin at his discretion. The referee will nominate the period of time the offending player will spend off the field of play and will call the player back onto the field when a period of time has elapsed. A player in the sin bin can be substituted. A player can be sin binned a number of times during a game.

If a sin binned player enters the field of play before the referee has allowed them to return, the team will forfeit the match and may be excluded from the competition for a time determined by the Disciplinary Committee.

#### TEAMS SHORT PLAYERS

A team must have a minimum of 4 players from their team available to play. They can borrow players from other teams to take their playing numbers up to 6 players with any players utilised from other teams required to play in goals. I.e. if a team utilises two players from other teams, these are the only players allowed to play in goals. Contravention of this rule will result in team forfeiting the match.

A team utilising players from other teams are not allowed to have substitutes. Contravention of this rule will result in team forfeiting the match.

#### DETERMINING SEMI FINAL PLACES

Pool Games: Three points are awarded for a win, one for a draw. The team with the most points will determine finishing order.

Tie Breaks: If teams have equal points at the finish of the round: -

1. The team with the better goal difference will take the top position. If equal then:
2. The team with the most goals for will take top position. If equal then:
3. The team with the best results against the team on equal points.

#### TEAMS SHORT PLAYERS DURING FINALS

A team must have a minimum of 5 players from their team available to play. Any team short players during the finals must advise the committee of this prior to the commencement of their game. The committee must approve the participation of A NEW player and this player must be goalkeeper. Contravention of this rule will result in team forfeiting the match.

#### SIGN ON DURING FINALS

Any team whose players are not signed on prior to the commencement of their game will forfeit the game. Any team utilising players not fully financial will have team disqualified from competition.

Semi Finals and Finals: All games must have a result.

If at the completion of a semi final or final the scores are still level:

- \* There will be extra time with the first goal scorer being declared the winner.
- \* If after two minutes there is no score, each team will have two players removed from their team, leaving four players on each side, with the first goal scorer being declared the winner.
- \* If after the fourth minute there is no score, two more players from each side will be removed from each side, with the first goal scorer being declared the winner.

The game will continue with the first scorer being declared the winner.

No substitutions will be allowed during the drop off except where an injury occurs and this will only be at the referee's discretion. A substitute can only come from the players who were last replaced. A hooter will sound at each relevant minute mark where the referee will stop play and the players must leave the field immediately. Breach of this rule will result in a direct free kick being awarded against the offending side at the point the ball was at the time of the offence.