



## MEMO 33-2023

**DATE:** 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
**TO:** NNSWF Premier Competition Clubs  
**FROM:** Senior Officer Premier Competitions  
**SUBJECT:** Postponed Fixtures & Rescheduling

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Over the past few seasons Northern NSW Football has attempted to be as flexible as possible in relation to when premier competition fixtures are being played, specifically any fixture that has been postponed due to wet weather / heat etc. However, in season 2023, there has been a level of frustration between clubs in being unable to agree on times and dates to play these fixtures, as well as an increase in teams and postponed matches.

As such, any matches postponed from this weekend forward will be rescheduled by the Football Operations team in line with the appropriate Rules and Regulations, which are detailed below. Going forward any matches that are postponed on a weekend, will be rescheduled in accordance with these regulations by the Tuesday close of business, following the match.

### NPL (Mens & Womens) & Northern League One

1. All matches allocated to the next available catch-up round
  - a. Please note this may include the catch-up round in the next scheduled week if applicable.
2. Played the second week after the postponed fixture as follows:
  - a. Reserves: Wednesday 6pm
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Wednesday 8pm
3. If both of the above are unavailable, the next available Wednesday will be utilised.
4. Should both teams be involved in Friday and Sunday matches which make Wednesday matches impractical, the following midweek will be used.

### Premier Youth League Girls

1. All matches allocated to the next available catch-up round.
  - a. Please note this may include the catch-up round in the next scheduled week if applicable.
  - b. Matches involving regionally based teams will be given preference to use catch-up rounds, which may result in a previously allocated match being moved to midweek.
2. Played on the second week after the postponement as follows:



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- a. 13 Years: Tuesday 6:00pm
- b. 15 Years: Tuesday 7:40pm
- c. 17 Years: Thursday 6:00pm
3. If both of the above are unavailable, the next available midweek will be utilised.

## Premier Youth League Boys

1. All matches allocated to the next available catch-up round.
  - a. Please note this may include the catch-up round in the next scheduled week if applicable.
  - b. Matches involving regionally based teams will be given preference to use catch-up rounds, which may result in a previously allocated match being moved to midweek.
2. Played on the second week after the postponement as follows:
  - a. 13 Years: Tuesday 6:00pm
  - b. 14 Years: Tuesday 7:40pm
  - c. 15 Years: Thursday 6:00pm
  - d. 16 Years: Thursday 7:40pm
  - e. 18 Years: Wednesday 6pm
3. If both of the above are unavailable, the next available midweek will be utilised.

Should both clubs look to agree on an alternate date and time, outside the above, this must be submitted by 5pm on the next business day following the fixture. Final discretion on fixture date and times remains with NNSWF.

If there are any outstanding matches, these will also now be allocated in line with the regulations.

Please note that NNSWF will also be allocating the fixture dates and times for Australia Cup, Premier Youth League Cup, PYL League Cup fixtures shortly after each draw based on each team's current schedule and ground availability. Should you have specific requests for any cup matches, agreement from both clubs must be submitted within 48 hours of the draw taking place.

As mentioned, the previous flexibility was introduced to allow clubs more ownership over their matchdays and fixtures, however, given the increase in teams and matches, we believe the above will reduce some of the burden on club volunteers whilst providing more certainty.

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