



NORTHERN
NSW FOOTBALL

SPECIAL COMPETITION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Definition

By definition, a Special Competition is a competition, or other form of organised football, that is conducted for a period between one and twenty weeks outside of the recognised 'regular' football season, by a member club of NNSWF, which is not a Summer 6's, Quick Kicks or Futsal competition.

2. Application for Sanction

A Special Competition conducted by a member club of Northern NSW Football (NNSWF) must be sanctioned by NNSWF and is bound by the National Registration Regulations.

Any member club of NNSWF conducting an unsanctioned Special Competition will be considered to be in breach of the National Registration Regulations and as such, NNSWF must impose disciplinary sanctions.

For a Special Competition to be considered for approval by NNSWF, a club must first submit a Special Competition Sanction Application for Approval form, available for download from the NNSWF website www.northernnswfootball.com.au/index.php?id=725.

In order for a Special Competition sanction to be issued by NNSWF, a club must agree to abide by the NNSWF Special Competition Terms and Conditions.

The application for approval must be submitted to NNSWF, prior to any arrangements for a Special Competition being made.

NNSWF, at its absolute discretion and in accordance with Football Federation Australia (FFA) Statutes, reserves the right not to approve a club's Special Competition sanction application and will consider such things as a club's proximity to already sanctioned Summer 6's providers, a club's previous compliance with terms and conditions and regulations and any extenuating circumstances that may exist.

3. Duration

A Special Competition may only be conducted on one day/night per week, for up to a maximum of 20 weeks.

4. Player Registration

The registration of players is mandatory and must be undertaken prior to a player being considered eligible to participate in a Special Competition. By the act of registration a player agrees to abide by the Club's and NNSWF's Regulations, as well as FFA Statutes, and if applicable, FIFA Statutes and AFC Statutes.

As per FFA requirements, all players participating in a Special Competition must be registered to that Special Competition online through MyFootballClub (MFC) at www.myfootballclub.com.au.

A club conducting a Special Competition is encouraged to promote online self-registration to their players; however the club registration of players will be accepted. If a Club chooses to register players online through MFC on their behalf, an NRR03 Amateur Player Registration Form must be completed by the player, in lieu of them making a self-registration online.

An MFC 'Registered Player – Full Details' report, detailing all registered players within a Special Competition, must be generated through MFC and submitted to NNSWF no later than three weeks subsequent to the commencement of the Special Competition.

5. Registration Fees

All players participating in a Special Competition are required to pay an upfront registration fee to Northern NSW Football (NNSWF), as per below.

Registered Junior*	\$16.50
Unregistered Junior**	\$22.00
Registered Senior*	\$24.20
Unregistered Senior**	\$60.50

* This fee includes the FFA National Registration Fee (NRF) and GST.

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A Registered Junior/Senior is considered to be any player that has registered to play winter football in the same registration period, in NNSWF. An Unregistered Junior/Senior is considered to be any player that has not registered to play football in the same registration period, in NNSWF.

Players registered to play winter football in the same registration period from another Member Federation of FFA, eg. Football NSW, will be considered an Unregistered Junior/Senior, unless written consent is received by NNSWF from the player's Member Federation, approving the interstate travel of the player.

A player's registration fee must be paid prior to the player being considered eligible to compete in a Special Competition.

A refund of a registration fee will only be issued for a player that has not taken the park in a Special Competition, and for requests received prior to the conclusion of the Special Competition.

6. Reconciliation

A Special Competition Reconciliation Form must be completed and submitted to NNSWF, in conjunction with owing fees, no later than four weeks subsequent to the commencement of the Special Competition.

7. Team Registration

A maximum of 40 teams are permitted to be registered to, and participate in, any Special Competition.

8. Team Fees

Any club conducting a Special Competition has the right to charge participating teams, a weekly team fee. This fee will be retained by the club and will be used solely to contribute to the associated costs of running the Special Competition, and the development of the club and its members. The utilisation of a private provider is not permitted.

9. Regulations

A club conducting a Special Competition must have competition regulations in place, to govern the administration and management of the Special Competition under its control.

10. Disciplinary

All disciplinary matters must be dealt with in accordance with the National Disciplinary Regulations. An infringement incurred attracting a suspension that will exceed four weeks, must be referred to Northern NSW Football to deal with in the first instance, through its Disciplinary Chairman.

11. NNSWF Promotions

NNSWF reserves the right to conduct promotions relating to events, initiatives or similar activity deemed to be of interest of members and registered players at sanctioned competitions and/or tournaments. The host club will be required to provide power to NNSWF on such occasions.

12. Failure to Comply

Any club that fails to comply with the Special Competition Terms and Conditions will VOID the sanction of their Special Competition.

A Special Competition not sanctioned by NNSWF will render club administrator(s) liable in the event of player injury or public liability claims and will be considered to be in breach of the National Registration Regulations. In this event NNSWF has an obligation to also cancel a clubs Certificate of Currency and inform the local government authority of the unsanctioned Special Competition.