

MOUNT ANNAN SUMMER COMPETITION RULES



INTRODUCTION:

The Summer Competition is sanctioned by Macarthur Football Association (MFAS) and in accordance with FNSW Summer Football Constitution.

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Abbreviations:

CLUB	Mt Annan (Mustangs) Football Club Inc
FNSW.	Football New South Wales Limited
FFA	Football Federation Australia
MFA	Macarthur Football Association
MG	Management Group



PART 1: PLAYER REGISTRATION

1. Please note that ALL players must be registered with FFA (have an 8-digit FFA #) in order to play.
2. If you have never been registered, instructions for completing registration and obtaining an FFA number are available on our website or follow the instructions on the Play Football website.
3. Record your number somewhere e.g. phone & inform your team manager as well.

DUAL REGISTRATION

4. Dual registration of (junior players only) may be permitted and only on the following conditions:
 - Cannot register in a lower age group.
 - Can register within the same age group within another team.
 - Can register in a higher age group.
 - Registration is limited to one (1) additional age group
 - Additional fee will be required to be paid (at the discretion of Management Group) to an amount no greater than 10 percent of the initial registration fee.

PART 2: TEAM NOMINATION FEE

5. Team nomination fee is a set fee and separate from player registration and is required to be paid in full prior to the commencement of the competition. Any team that has not paid their team fee will forfeit their first competition game and any consecutive games until payment has been received. The Team Nomination fee is set by the MG and includes all match fees.
6. For those wishing to pay by direct debit the following information is provided, ensure you provide a reference ie age group and team name:
7. The Senior competition will play for a prize pool and must comprise of a minimum of an 8-team competition. Competition comprising of less than 8 team the prize pool will be reduced. Terms and Conditions and Protecting your Privacy can be obtained through the Mount Annan Football Club Website.

PART 3: TEAM MANAGERS

8. Each team must nominate a team manager who will be responsible for:
 - a. Certifying players on match cards,
 - b. Regulatory and disciplinary matters for their team
 - c. Team nomination fee to be paid on the designated registration days or into the club account as provided above:
9. Further details and/or enquiries can be obtained from Club Secretary Mobile number **0408844059**

PART 4: MATCH BALLS

10. All match balls for the competition will be supplied by the Mt Annan Football Club and during game time will be the responsibility of the referees.
- Senior teams – No.5 match ball.
 - Junior teams U14 - No.5 match ball.
 - Junior teams U10-U12 – No.4 match ball.
 - Junior teams U8-U9 – No.4 match ball
 - Mini Teams U6– U7 – No. 3 match ball

PART 5: SHIN PADS

11. Each player **must wear shin pads**. Failure to comply will result in exclusion from the game.

PART 6: PLAYER STRIPS

12. Each team is responsible for playing strips for its players, including shirts, shorts and socks.
13. Each strip must be matching (or at least the same colour) to ensure identification of team members.
14. If playing strips of opposing teams are considered too similar in colour, a set of bibs can be used to distinguish teams which must be supplied by the team.
15. Teams are reminded that they must have a strip prior to the first match of the Summer Six competition – **no exemptions will be allowed**. Failure to have matching strips will see teams suspended from the competition until they comply

TEAM DUTIES

PART 7: SET UP AND TAKE DOWN

16. For each round of the competition, if you are a team that is playing in the **first game of the evening**, you must organise to collect the green bin from the storage area.
17. For each round of the competition, if you are a team playing the **last match of the evening**, you must organise to take down nets and place in the green bins provided and return to the storage area.

PART 8: MATCH CARDS

18. The home team for each round is the team that appears as the first team on each of the draw ie 8 v 3 – 8 is deemed the home team.
19. It is the responsibility of home team to confer with the away team to ensure that the names and FFA numbers are complete **prior** to the commencement of their game. Any player that does not have an FFA number or is not listed on the card is deemed an ineligible to play.

PART 9: GAME RULES

20. FIFA rules apply, except for the following Six-A-Side variations. Each player agrees to abide by the FFA Code of Conduct. Each team can list up to ten (10) players on the match card – all players must be registered in the team they play for. Teams using players that are not registered as a member of their team will forfeit the game and a result of 5 – 0 win will be awarded to the opposing team.

FORFEITS

21. Teams must start play at the nominated time for their division with a **minimum of four (4)** players. Teams unable to field at least four (4) players at the commencement of the game (indicated by the referee's whistle) will forfeit the game. At the discretion of the opposing team a "friendly" game will be allowed to enable those that have turned up to participate. The result of any friendly game will not be recorded. A result of a 3-0 win will be awarded to the non-forfeiting team.
22. If at any time during the game a team is unable to continue to field the minimum number of four (4) players, the game will be abandoned and a 3 – 0 win will be recorded to the opposing team.
23. No more than six (6) players on the field of play at any one time.
24. Unlimited substitution from halfway.
25. No offside.

NO SLIDE TACKLES OR TACKLING FROM BEHIND.

26. This will result in an **automatic** yellow card to the offending player. Players must always stay on their feet and cannot tackle or play at the ball whilst on the ground. Failure to comply will result in an indirect free kick awarded to the opposing team. Continued infringement of the rule, by a repeated player, will result in a 2-minute sin bin.

INFRINGEMENT OF THE GOAL KEEPERS BOX

27. Goalkeeper can only handle ball inside the 'D' and cannot step outside the 'D' stepping outside the 'D' will result in a direct free kick being awarded to the opposing team.
28. Goalkeeper can either throw or kick the ball into play' however; the keeper cannot throw or kick the ball in full over the halfway line, otherwise an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team from the halfway line.
29. Goalkeeper may receive a pass back in accordance with FIFA rules, however; cannot kick the ball in full over the halfway line, an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team from the halfway line.
30. Goals can only be scored whilst in the oppositions halve, a goal will be disallowed if the attacking team scores from within their own half, an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team from where the original kick was taken.
31. If a defending player enters the "D" area of the goals a direct free kick will be awarded to the attacking team.

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32. If an attacking player enters the "D" area of the goals than an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team.
33. The attacking team, once in the oppositions half, cannot pass the ball back into their own half otherwise an indirect free kick will be awarded.

DEAD BALL

34. The opposing players must be a minimum of 3m from all dead ball indirect kicks, an opposing player who encroaches the 3m rule may be sinned bin for 2 minutes and the kick to be retaken.

PENALTY KICKS

35. If a penalty kick is awarded (direct) than the kick is taken from the centre top of the 'D'. The kicker can only take 2 steps from the ball and can take 2 steps to strike the ball. No running to strike the ball is allowed. If this occurs the direct kick is to be retaken. If the kicker fails to comply to the 2-step rule than the second attempt will be deemed a missed goal and no goal awarded, even if the goal is scored.

STOPPAGE OF GAME

36. If a game is stopped before the allocated full-time (except for failure to field the minimum number of players): Scores will be considered valid and the game considered completed if 50 percent or more of the allocated match time is played; a game stopped before 50 per cent of allocated full-time will result in a nil-all score for both teams and be considered completed.

DIVISIONAL WINNERS

37. Junior winners of the summer competition will be first across the post, however, if teams are on equal points than winner will be decided on goals for and against. If goals for and against are equal than both teams will playoff to decide the winner for that age group at a time and date as determined by the organisers.
38. If there are 2 groups divisions of the same age than the winners of each division group will playoff to determine the winners of that age group.

SEND OFFS

39. If a player is sent off during normal time in a finals series is not to take any further part in the game. If the game is to play extra time another player can be identified to replace the send-off player to ensure equal number of players, at the commencement of extra time, due to the format of reducing players during extra time. The player sent off cannot take any further part in the game.

EXTRA TIME.

40. Extra time will be 5-minute halves and during that time 1 player from each side in each half is to be removed from the field. If at the end of full time of extra time and the result is

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still drawn a penalty shootout will occur in accordance with FIFA rules. The players that were dropped off during extra time may participate in the penalty shootout.

EXTRA TIME FINALS SERIES (SENIORS ONLY)

41. If, at the conclusion of a Final series (Seniors only), a clear winner is not decided on goals 5-minutes each way will be played. No golden goal rule will apply. If the match is still drawn after extra time a penalty shoot-out will apply. A penalty shoot-out will be conducted as per the normal FIFA laws of the game. The kick will be taken from the top of the "D" of the penalty area. The person kicking the ball can only have a two-step approach. If the player takes more than 2 steps or runs at the ball the kick is to be retaken. If the player still does not comply to the 2-step rule when taking a kick, for the second attempt, then the kick will be deemed a missed kick and no goal awarded.

MIXED COMPETITION

42. teams must always have a minimum of two female players on the pitch.
43. If there is a female goalkeeper and a penalty is awarded, only a female can take the direct kick.
44. All dead ball is taken from the point of exit and are indirect kicks
45. The opposing players must be a minimum of 3m from all dead ball indirect kicks, an opposing player who encroaches the 3m rule may be sinned bin for 2 minutes and the kick to be retaken.
46. A goal can only be scored whilst in the opposing teams half. If a goal is scored whilst in the attacking teams half the goal will be disallowed, and an indirect kick is awarded from the point where the kick was taken.
47. Each match card must be filled in by the official referee (or club ref. if official not allocated) to show the goals scored for each team, the winning team, any cautions and incidents. The completed match card must be **SIGNED BY BOTH MANAGERS AFTER THE GAME** and handed in at the canteen at the completion of the game by the referee.

PART 10: ALCOHOL

48. There is to be no consumption of alcohol on the playing ground area by any player or spectator. Those who are identified as consuming alcohol will be asked to leave the facility.
49. The sale of alcohol will be under the strict control of Mt Annan Football Club and only during Senior competitions. The club has an approved licence in accordance with the NSW Office of Liquor and Gaming (OLGR).
50. Any alcohol sold will be from the canteen area and only by a fully qualified Responsible Servicing of Alcohol (RSA) member. All consumption of alcohol will be within a designated area (that being the Amphitheatre of Wandarrah Reserve) and there will be no acceptance to the Rule.
51. Any player or spectator to be found in breach of the Mt Annan Football Club alcohol policy will be asked to leave the facility. Failure to comply with the direction will result in the local police to attend the facility.

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52. Cancelled games due to field closures will **not** automatically be rescheduled. The Competition Coordinator will determine if games can be rescheduled within two weeks and team managers will be notified **only** if games are re-scheduled.

PART 11: REFEREES

53. If an official referee is not available to start a game, a stand-in referee will be supplied where possible. Otherwise, teams must nominate a referee-who officiates the whole match.
54. The stand-in referee will have the same authority on the field of play as an official referee and must be given the same respect by players due to an official referee.

PART 12: PENALTIES AND PLAYER SUSPENSIONS FOR INFRINGING THE RULES OF THE GAME:

55. A player will be suspended for a specified amount of games after the game in which the infringement occurred.
56. A player dismissed from the field of play for two (2) yellow card offences in the same game: one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division of the competition will be given and the player is prohibited from participating in any other match until the one (1) match suspension is served in the division the dismissal occurred. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
57. A player dismissed for a straight red card offence: minimum of one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division of the competition will be given and the player is **PROHIBITED FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY OTHER MATCH** until the one (1) or more match suspension is served in the division the dismissal occurred. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
58. If a player is registered with 2 teams and is sent from the field of player, due to an infringe of the game, will be suspended from playing with the other team until the suspension has been completed. That suspended player cannot use the other team match as a means of servicing his/or her suspension.
59. Additional games suspension related to the nature of the offence may be given pending the severity of the offence.
60. Three (3) yellow cards accumulated: automatic one (1) scheduled game suspension in that division. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
61. Six (6) yellow cards accumulated: automatic two (2) scheduled games suspension in that division. Suspensions under this category are not appealable.
62. Any teams accumulating SIX (6) or more yellow cards will have **3 POINTS** deducted from the team cumulative score.
63. Any team's accumulation THREE (3) or more red cards will have **3 POINTS** deducted from the cumulative team score.
64. Any further red cards for the team will result in another **3 POINTS** being deducted for each red card.

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65. The competition coordinators have the right to dismiss from the competition, any individual player or team that consistently flouts the rules and accumulates cards or endangers other players.

PART 13: FIGHTING

66. Any player or person deemed to be fighting by the referee shall incur a red card.
67. The Mount Football Club will request information from the referee in relation to the incident and determine an appropriate sanction.
68. The decision will be advised either orally or in writing to the team manager by the Mount Annan Football Club COB on the Monday immediately following the game in which the offence occurred. The team manager may submit a response to the Mount Annan Football Club for consideration within one business day of being notified of the suspension. The Mount Annan Football Club will advise the team manager of their final decision within one business day of receiving the team manager's submission.
69. Where multiple players are determined to be involved in the fighting, the Mount Annan Football Club may suspend or expel offending players, persons or teams from the current season, or for the life of the competition.

PART 14: RESPECTING REFEREES

70. Offences against referees, including stand-in referees, **WILL NOT BE TOLERATED**.
71. Any Players dismissed on either second yellow or straight red caution for disrespecting a referee's decision or for any other action, word or behaviour to attempt to intimidate or bully a referee or to show contempt for role of a referee will receive a **minimum four (4) games suspension** in that division of the competition. The suspended player is prohibited from participating in any other match in any other division on the day of dismissal and until the suspension has been completed.
72. A player suspended by Mount Football Club for an offence against a referee will be banned from all Divisions – not just the Division in which he / she was playing when dismissed from the facilities.
73. A player who receives a suspension for an offence against a referee will, if convicted of a second offence, receive a **minimum two-year ban from Summer Sixes competition**. If the same player returns after two years and receives a third ban for an offence against a referee, the Mount Annan Football Club may ban the player from participation in the Summer Sixes competition for life.

PART 15: FOOTBALL NSW SANCTIONS

74. Football NSW has sanctioned the Summer Sixes competitions conducted by Mount Annan Football Club Inc.
75. Any suspensions given may result in the carry over to the next winter competition. All serious offences will be notified to Football NSW for further determination