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| Item 1 | **Competition Rules** |
|  | The 2020 Sunshine Coast Fraser & Burnett Districts’ Touch Association Super Series is for the enjoyment of all players.  TFA Rules can be found on the TFA website at [www.touchfootballaustralia.com.au](http://www.touchfootballaustralia.com.au).  The 7th Edition Rules will be applied. Subsequent sub-sections specify supplementary competition rules and procedures to be applied by the SCFBDTA. Teams Participating in competitions conducted by SCFBDTA agree to be bound by TFA and SCFDBTA Super Series North conditions of entry. |
| Item 2 | **Venue** |
|  | The venue for the SCFBDTA Super Series will be held at a Northern affiliate. |
| Item 3 | **Age Eligibility for SCFBDTA Super Series** |
|  | a.) The minimum age a player can be is 15 to participate in the Super Series event.  b.) Every player is required to prove their age by providing their Affiliate for sighting and record purposes any of the following documentation:  i) Birth Certificate  ii) Current Passport  ii) Student ID  No other evidence is permissible without the consent of the local Affiliate.  **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AFFILIATE TO SIGHT THE DOCUMENTATION AND RECORD THE DETAILS FOR EACH PLAYER.**  c.) **SCFBDTA** reserves the right to request the record details from the Team Manager at any time throughout the duration of the Championship. If the Team Manager is unable to produce the record of details during the Championship, the player in question will be banned from taking the field.  d.) If an ineligible player is found to have played in the round games, the team will be disqualified from the Championship.  e.) Where an Affiliate may have extenuating circumstances in terms of the Age Criteria, the affiliate must **notify in writing to SCFBDTA** to allow proper and due consideration by the SCFBDTA Board. |
| Item 4 | **Player Eligibility for SCFBDTA Super Series** |
|  | Nominating players must meet the following criteria:  i.) All players must be fully financial, registered members of an affiliated Association within SCFBDTA.  ii.) **Player Indemnity & Medical Information** – Affiliates are fully responsible to ensure that all players, coaches and officials complete the necessary indemnity and medical forms for their Associations, Team Managers must have this information available at the Team Manager’s Meeting.  iii.) Players cannot compete in more than one (1) team.  v.) Requests for dispensation must be within the time frame outlined in these rules. SCFBDTA reserves the right to invoke disqualification rules where an affiliate has failed to comply.  vi.) The use of un-registered/ineligible players will result in Championship points being forfeited and the team disqualified. |
| Item 5 | **Team Criteria** |
|  | Teams must comply with the following:   1. Maximum of **14** players per team may register with **6** players on the field at any one time. Should there be only one team nominated in a division, SCFBDTA have the right to play this team in another division. 2. Teams will be drafted by use of play ability or eligibility. |
| Item 6 | **Super Series Nomination** |
|  | The Competition Nomination Form must be COMPLETED ONLINE VIA THE REGISTRATION TAB once the team code is received.  **Payment for players MUST BE AT THE SCFBDTA REGIONAL OFFICE. Made payable to Sunshine Coast Touch Association - P. O. Box 485, Bribie Island, QLD 4507. Electronic payments are preferred** |
| Item 7 | **Competition Format** |
|  | a.)  The competition will be based on the following:  i.)  Where pools are required, cross-over semi-finals will be played to determine Grand Finalists.  ii.)  Position for the Final Series will be determined as follows:   1. Teams will be ranked at the completion of the Round Games. 2. If equal – For & Against 3. If equal – Percentages 4. If equal - Drop off   vi.)  Drawn Quarter Finals, Semi Finals & Finals determined by Drop Off.  b.)  Players will be required to have played a minimum of 2 round games to be eligible for the final series. |
| Item 8 | **Competition Points** |
|  | a) For all Round Games competition points will be awarded on the results obtained:  Win = 3 Points  Draw = 2 Points  Loss = 1 Point  Forfeit = 0 points (Refer to Clause 22 for score detail) |
| Item 9 | **Rules** |
|  | a.)  All games to be played under the current TFA (7th Edition).  b.)  **Interchange Boxes** will be used for this tournament. Substitute players must remain in their interchange area for the duration of the match.  >All interchanges must occur at or within the team’s Interchange Area, and only after the substituted player has crossed the boundaries and entered the interchange area.  >All interchanges must be made on the one side of the field and without delay.  >Physical contact does not have to be made between interchanging players and players leaving or entering the field of play shall not hinder or obstruct play and must enter from an outside position.  >Following the scoring of a touchdown, players may interchange at will without having to wait for the substituted player to enter the interchange area.  >A penalty will be awarded to the non-offending team five (5) metres infield from where the substituted players left the field or where the substituting player entered the field, whichever the greater advantage.  c.)  All Divisions are to comprise **six (6) to a side**, mixed teams will have a minimum of 3 girls on the field and boys a maximum of 3 players on the field.  d.)  **No Modified rules apply – Team Composition – 6** players must be on the field at all times - Maximum of 8 substitute players is permitted.  e.)  **Drop Off** – For this tournament the Drop off Procedure has been amended. **A 1-minute break at the conclusion of the game will occur**. This will allow referees to determine the final score and indicate to the tournament control or a tournament official that the game is drawn. The point will now read “When the match is drawn at the expiration of full time, the referee will signal to the Tournament Timekeeper and/or the control area that the game is drawn. At the conclusion of the game a one-minute break will occur. The team that originally won the toss at the commencement of play is to take the ball to the centre of the halfway to tap off. Each time will reduce their playing strength by one (1) player (i.e. drop off to start with 5 players). The teams will continue to play in the same direction as the game finished”. |
| Item 10 | **Uniforms** |
|  | a.)  All playing uniforms must include **numbered** shirt, shorts socks **(socks must be visible)** and regulation footwear (refer TFA Rules).  b.)  Teams are permitted to wear their team uniform that will be provided upon selection and payment. |
| Item 11 | **Officials** |
|  | a.) **Referees –** under the control of the SCFBDTA Director of Referees. Level 6, 5, 4 current and active referees may officiate at this tournament, with the opportunity to irregularly utilise a developing referee on a lady’s game, this referee will be an active level 3. Active referees will be expected to represent the region at Nationals, State and Regional events as a referee within the 12-month period.  b.) **Tournament Control** - under the control of the SCFBDTA Board and Regional Administrator.  c.) **Judiciary / Disputes Committee** – appointed by the SCFDTA Board |
| Item 12 | **Draw** |
|  | a.)  The Draw will be issued **a week before the game.**  b.)  SCFBDTA reserves the right to amend the draw. |
| Item 13 | **Code of Behaviour** |
|  | a.) It is the responsibility of each Affiliate to ensure team officials and players act in an appropriate manner and in the spirit of the game. SCFBDTA Tournament Committee will have the power to control behaviour at the tournament and penalize players/teams for misconduct.  b.) SCFBTA Tournament Committee has the power to impose penalties should behaviour on and off field not be deemed appropriate. This applies to spectators and parents alike. |
| Item 14 | **Medical** |
|  | SCFBDTA will provide qualified Medical Staff (St Johns and/or qualified Sports Trainer and/or physiotherapist) to attend to injuries sustained at the tournament. A comprehensive first aid kit and tent facilities will be available for players requiring treatment.  In the event of a serious injury where Ambulance is required to transport the player, the organization and control of same shall be under the control of the Tournament Medical Officer. |
| Item 15 | **Blood Bin** |
|  | a.)  Any player with a bleeding cut or abrasion is to leave the field immediately and have the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered. At this time, any blood-stained clothing must also be either cleaned or replaced.  b.)  If the player does not leave the field immediately, the Referee will stop the game and ask the player to leave the field (normal substitution rules apply)  c.)  Once the flow of blood has been stemmed, the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered and any blood-stained clothing and equipment cleaned or replaced, the player may return to the field and continue play.  d.)  If bleeding cannot be controlled and the wound securely covered, the player must not continue in the game.  TFA Blood Bin Policy guidelines apply at all time. |
| Item 16 | **Injuries** |
|  | a.) Any injuries incurred during the Tournament will not be the responsibility of SCFBDTA or Its Tournament Committee. Players eligible to participate are required to be financial under the rules of this tournament (which includes insurance cover).  b.) The following Injury Time Policy will apply: In the event that a player is seriously injured during a game, there is to be NO attempt to remove the injured player until it has been ascertained – by a suitably qualified injury assessment person – that it is appropriate to move that player  In the event of a game being stopped, due to a player being so seriously injured that they cannot be moved from the field of play, the following is to apply:  **i.) If the game is stopped during**  **ii.) ...the first half: the game is to be replayed entirely**  **iii.) ...the second half: where possible, the game will be moved to another field immediately. Otherwise scores will stand as they were at half time and the second half only will be replayed.**  **iv.) ...the last 10 minutes of the second half: the scores will stand as they were when the stoppage occurred.** |
| Item 17 | **Forfeits** |
|  | a.) Teams must be in attendance at their designated playing field five (5) minutes before the commencement of their match. It is the responsibility of each Team Captain to report to the referees **two (2) minutes** before the commencement of the game so that toss of the game can be affected without loss of time.  **It is the responsibility of the Referees appointed for the game to adhere to the time frames set down in this clause.**  b.)  If a team is not at the field at the advertised starting time of the game, the attending team can be awarded the winning of the toss. The offending team will receive a maximum of 5 minutes from the commencement of the game (hooter/whistle) to position the team on field and be ready to commence play.  c.)  If the offending team is not in attendance after the 5 minutes has expired, the game will be deemed a forfeit and the non-offending team will be awarded a 5-0 win and three (3) competition points. The offending team will receive a 0-5 score and no competition points.  d.)  The appointed representative of an offending team may be required to meet with the SCFBDTA Tournament Committee to determine the team’s further participation.  e.)  Forfeits for any reason in the final series, negates the forfeiting team’s right to participate further in the tournament. |
| Item 18 | **Insurance** |
|  | The TFA Accident Insurance Scheme covers all players, referees and officials who have met the insurance criteria. For this tournament the player must have completed the provided team sheet he/she is representing. The School must have met the financial payment required to cover the players for insurance during the tournament. |
| Item 19 | **Right to Amend** |
|  | SCFBDTA reserves the right to amend any of the above conditions of entry. Should there be an amendment, the nominated team contact, and the school contact will be advised. |