



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY: JUNIOR STATE CUP

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

2021 NSWTA Junior State Cup Conditions of Entry

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SECTION 1: IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 10th January, 2022

- Team, Referee, Team Management Nomination Forms submitted

Wednesday 12th January, 2022

- New & Imported Players Form due
- Statutory Declaration Form due
- Un-financial and Suspended Players List due
- Working with Children Documentation due
- Player Pool Applications and Requests open
- Team Uniform Design (Players and Team Management) emailed to the NSWTA Event Manager (Design artwork-preferred or photo)

Monday 17th January, 2022

- Referees Online Registration open
- Affiliate Coordinators and Team Management Online Registration Open
- Player Online Registration open

Thursday 20th January, 2022

- Player Pool Nominations closed

Tuesday 25th January, 2022

- Player Pool Confirmation

Wednesday 2nd February, 2022

- Field Map sent to Team Coordinators
- Draft Draw released on the Event Website
- Online Player and Team Management Registration closing date
- Referee Online Registration closed

Friday 4th February, 2022

- Affiliate Coordinators submit Parent Code of Conduct Compliance Form to NSWTA

Monday 7th February, 2022

- Final Draw on Website

Friday 18th February, 2022

- Day One of the Southern Conference Competition

Saturday 19th February, 2022

- Day Two of the Southern Conference Competition

Sunday 20th February, 2022

- Day Three of the Southern Conference Competition & Final Series

Friday 25th February, 2022

- Day One of the Northern Conference Competition

Saturday 26th February, 2022

- Day Two of the Northern Conference Competition

Sunday 27th February, 2022

- Day Three of the Northern Conference Competition & Final Series

Sunday 6th March, 2022

- One Day State Final Competition

SECTION 2: JUNIOR STATE CUP ENTRY INFORMATION

2.1	Nomination Closing Date
	<p>Closing date for Team, Referee and Team Management nominations is Monday 10th January, 2022.</p> <p>Late nominations will only be taken at the convenience of the competition.</p> <p>Incomplete Team, Coach & Referee Nominations will be advised to Affiliates and only accepted when properly completed in accordance to the requirements.</p>
2.2	Nominations & Entry Fees
	<p>There are a number of important details that are necessary for this process to be completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teams the Affiliate are entering into the competition.• Qualified Referees for each team and details (Name, Mobile and Email), plus one additional referee from your Affiliate (For Example 2 teams/3 Referees)• If you are attending the event as a referee coach and are also nominated as a referee, this nomination will not be accepted• If you are attending the event as part of the referees panel and are also nominated as a referee, this nomination will not be accepted. <p>Individual Registration process will be via MySideline, team registration links will be sent to all affiliate coordinators.</p> <p>The fees for the 2022 Junior State Cup are as follows: Individual Players Registration: \$115.00 inc. GST per player.</p> <p>This event is held over three (3) full days and all the associated event infrastructure and logistical costs determine player levies.</p> <p>The fees for referees (without a team attending from their affiliate) are either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$295.00 for an interstate Referee NOT requiring accommodation.• \$420.00 for an interstate Referee requiring accommodation.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ must have an endorsed email from the State Body they represent
2.3	Dates of Competition
	<p>The start date of the Southern Conference tournament is Friday 18th February 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday 18th February – Day One of the Competition• Saturday 19th February – Day Two of the Competition.• Sunday 20th February – Day Three & Final Series of Competition. <p>The start date of the Northern Conference tournament is Friday 25th February 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday 25th February – Day One of the Competition• Saturday 26th February – Day Two of the Competition.• Sunday 27th February – Day Three & Final Series of Competition. <p>For details in regards to the State Final will be held on Sunday 6th March 2022</p>
2.4	Divisional Categories

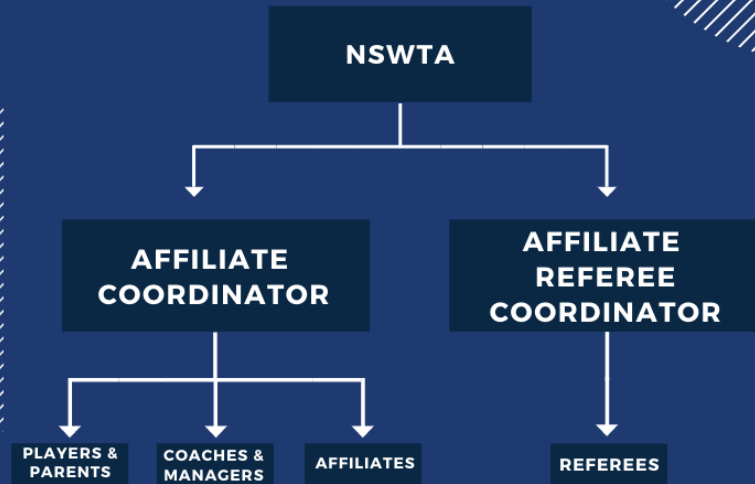
	<p>Players <u>MUST</u> be born between the below dates to be eligible for their age division.</p> <p>U10 McCall Cup/Tirado Cup DOB 1/1/2012 – 31/12/2016 U12 Zabiello Cup/Vassallo Cup DOB 1/1/2010 – 31/12/2014 U14 Yiangou Cup/Taylor Cup DOB 1/1/2008 – 31/12/2012 U16 Wall Cup/Toohey Cup DOB 1/1/2006 – 31/12/2010 U18 Galea Cup/Rose Cup DOB 1/1/2004 – 31/12/2008</p> <p>There <u>MUST</u> be at least five (5) teams to make a category.</p> <p>If there are less than five (5) teams nominated, then those teams will join with the next closest category, for example:- Boy's 16's - Boy's 18 Girl's 14's - Girl's 16</p> <p>All nominations and documents can be found on the Junior State Cup Event Website</p>
2.5	Venues
	<p>The Venue for the 2022 Junior State Cup (Southern Conference) will be Jubilee Park & Conolly Park Precinct, Bourke Street, Wagga Wagga.</p> <p>The Venue for the 2022 Junior State Cup (Northern Conference) will be The Port Macquarie Regional Sporting Complex, Boundary Street & Tuffins Lane Playing Fields, Tuffins Lane, Port Macquarie.</p> <p>The Venue for the 2022 Junior State Cup Final will be at Tempe, Waterworth Park.</p>
2.6	State Final
	<p>The State Final will be held on Sunday 6th March, 2022 at Tempe, Waterworth Park.</p> <p>The structure of the State Final will consist of the top two winners from each Conference playing in a best of three series.</p>
2.7	Affiliate Coordinator & Team Management Requirements
	<p>Affiliate Coordinators and Team Management personnel must be registered members within the NSWTA Affiliate they represent (in the current or previous park competition).</p> <p>Minimum accreditation required is as follows:</p> <p>Head Coaches 10's, 12's & 14's Divisions: TFA Coaching Foundation (Level 1) Accreditation and Play by the Rules 16's & 18's Divisions: TFA Coaching Talent (Level 2) Accreditation & Play by the Rules.</p> <p>Assistant Coaches All Divisions: TFA Coaching Foundation (Level 1) Accreditation and Play by the Rules.</p> <p>Manager Play by the Rules Online Training - http://www.playbytherules.net.au/ (Click on - Child protection & Harassment and Discrimination)</p> <p>It is a requirement that each Affiliate keeps adequate records of Team Management Accreditations including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaching Accreditation • Play by the Rules Certification • Working with Children Check

	<p>Affiliate Personnel are required to complete the following components from the learning portal at: http://www.playbytherules.net.au</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Protection: All Team's Management & Affiliate Coordinator • Harassment and Discrimination: All Team's Management & Affiliate Coordinator • Complaint's handling: Affiliate Coordinator <p>If your Affiliate has unqualified Coaches, please do not hesitate to contact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSWTA Technical Administrator technical@nswtouch.com.au <p>Affiliate Coordinators are reminded to advise all Team Management/Player/Officials that all NSWTA tournaments are governed by the Unaffiliated Rule below:</p> <p><i>"IF A PLAYER, REFEREE, OFFICIAL ETC. PARTICIPATES IN AN UNAFFILIATED COMPETITION, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY ALSO PLAY IN AN AFFILIATE COMPETITION, THEY WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A NSWTA OR TFA TOURNAMENT FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS".</i></p>
2.8	Referee Nomination
	<p>The referee nomination must be completed as part of the team nomination process which is due on Monday 10th January, 2022.</p> <p>Affiliate Responsibilities of Referee Nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliates are required to nominate as a minimum of one (1) referee per team nominated PLUS one (1) Extra Referee. This equates to one additional referee compared to that of teams the Affiliate has entered. i.e.: 3 teams = 4 Referees • Nominated referees must be officiating at the Affiliate they wish to represent • Nominated referees must be of the standard of the State Cup competition • Nominated referees must have at least 12 months of practical refereeing experience before attending the Junior State Cup <p>Referee Responsibilities of Nomination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 14 years or older • Must have a minimum of Level 2 Referees accreditation. • Be available all three days of the competition • Referees already attending as Panel and will not be officiating will not be included in a clubs numbers • Complete the individual referee's registration • Referees cannot be Playing, Coaching, Managing, Selecting or involved in any other capacity. All Referees first priority must be refereeing games they are appointed to. <p>If the referee's nomination is not completed team nominations will be rejected. During the verification process, if a referee is unaware that they have been nominated by the Affiliate, the Affiliates team nominations will not be accepted.</p> <p>Referee eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominated Referees must be participating in the Affiliate they wish to represent. If no evidence is shown that the nominated Referee participates at the nominated club the Affiliate will be required to find a replacement. If no replacement is found the nominated team linked to the Referee will be withdrawn. NSWTA are willing to work with affiliates whereby they may be able to access referees from within their region via the Regional Referee Director. In support of this the affiliate will provide to NSWTA a referee development program.

2.9	Individual On-Line Registration
	<p>The individual registration process will be open and available via Mysideline once the nominations have been confirmed.</p> <p>Refunds: Any player that withdraws will be in consideration for a full refund of registration. This must be via written correspondence to the Events Coordinator by Friday 18th March, 2022 (No applications will be accepted after this time).</p>
2.10	Team Numbers
	<p>In the Under 10's Division teams are required to register 12 players. All affiliates will be invoiced for missing players up to and including the 12th player in each team.</p> <p>The only personnel allowed in the Sub Box will be the twelve (12) players participating in the game, the Coach, Assistant Coach and Manager that are nominated on the Registration Sheet. That is a maximum of fifteen (15) people (This includes those players partaking on the field). Authorisation from NSWTA tournament control must be gained prior to the event for any other person(s) to be in the sub box area (includes extra officials such as a certified medical professional).</p> <p>In the Under 12's, 14's, 16's & 18's Divisions, teams are required to register 14 players. All affiliates will be invoiced for missing players up to and including the 14th player in each team. NSW Touch Football will conduct an audit of players after the Junior State Cup is completed.</p> <p>The only personnel allowed in the Sub Box will be the fourteen (14) players participating in the game, the Coach, Assistant Coach, Manager etc that are nominated on the Registration Sheet. That is a maximum of eighteen (18) people (This includes those players partaking on the field).</p> <p>Affiliate Managers/Coordinators please refer to and read carefully Clause 11.13.1 of the General Conditions.</p> <p>Under 10 division will be playing (5) five-a-side. Under 12 – 18 divisions will be playing (6) six-a-side.</p>
2.11	Communication
	<p><u>Enquiries for all teams must be made by the Affiliate Coordinator.</u></p> <p>Each Affiliate must appoint an Affiliate Coordinator. All correspondence and dealings must be made through the Affiliate Coordinator. All communication with Affiliates and Teams will be through the email address provided.</p> <p>To further enhance the communication links, it is recommended that all Affiliate Coordinators, Team Management, Players and Referees utilise the NSW Touch smart phone free app. This is available via the Google Play Store & Apple App Store.</p> <p><i>It is the responsibility of the Affiliate Coordinator to ensure Coaches and Managers are informed of any changes when notified by NSWTA and that they are conversant with these Conditions of Entry and the General Conditions of Entry for all NSWTA Events.</i></p>

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2.12 Affiliate Coordinators and Team Management Briefing

The briefing will be available from **Wednesday 9th February, 2022**. The link for the briefing will be sent directly to all Affiliate Coordinators and Team Managements once it is available. It will also be uploaded to the NSW Touch State Cup Page, Social Media and YouTube.

It is imperative that all Affiliate Coordinators and Team Management view the information as it is expected that all information within the briefing is understood.

No responsibility will be taken for any actions undertaken by Team Managers who do not view the Briefing.

All questions in regards to the briefing should be sent to: events@nswtouch.com.au

2.13 Interstate Players

Any team is allowed a maximum of 5 interstate players. These are players who reside outside of NSW that qualify as interstate players for the Affiliate under clause 3.1.1, 3.1.2 & 3.1.3 of the General Conditions of Entry, however choose to represent another State or Territory other than NSW.

The exemption to this clause is where a former NSWTA State representative has now moved interstate. **N.B** These players must still meet all the eligibility clauses in 3.1.1, 3.1.2 & 3.1.3 of the General Conditions of Entry.

2.14 Technical Assistance

Any Affiliate that wishes to obtain information about referee courses, please contact your Regional Referee Director or NSWTA Technical Administrator.

Please check www.nswtouch.com.au for the latest dates & venues for technical courses.

SECTION 3: EVENT OPERATIONS

3.1	Control of the Event										
	The Event Manager in conjunction with the General Manager & NSWTA Board will be in charge of all matters relating to the Tournament. Any matters not covered in the General Conditions or Tournament Conditions will be determined by the above NSWTA Officials and their decision will be final.										
3.2	Weather										
	In the case of weather impacting this event NSWTA will utilise the powers set out in Clause 11.26 of the NSWTA General Conditions of Entry. If any change shall occur each team will be emailed and will receive a notification via the NSW Touch Smartphone App. Information will also be placed on the NSWTA website, NSW Touch Football (Facebook), Twitter and Instagram.										
3.3	Match Results										
	Match results will be updated on the NSW Touch Association Website at the completion of each competition round - Junior State Cup Website they can also be viewed from the "NSW Touch" FREE smart phone application.										
3.4	Competition Points										
	<p>For all divisions the following applies:</p> <table><tr><td>Win</td><td>4 points</td></tr><tr><td>Draw</td><td>2 points</td></tr><tr><td>Loss</td><td>0 point</td></tr><tr><td>Forfeit</td><td>-2 points</td></tr><tr><td>Bye</td><td>0 points</td></tr></table> <p>Forfeited games 5-0 (4 Points for the win no bonus points allocated to forfeited games).</p> <p>Scoring – Round Matches During the round matches, 1 point per touchdown will be scored.</p> <p>Scoring – Finals Series Matches Due to the sudden death nature of finals and the wish to avoid drop-offs causing lengthy delays from junior players' lack of experience with the game, a 3-2 touchdown system will be used in the final series. That is, the first team scoring a touchdown will be awarded 3 points. Any touchdown scored after that will be awarded 2 points each.</p> <p>Referees will <u>circle</u> the first Touchdown scored on the card (3 points). N.B. Team managers are to sign the scorecards at the completion of each game.</p>	Win	4 points	Draw	2 points	Loss	0 point	Forfeit	-2 points	Bye	0 points
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3.5	Affiliate Championship Points										
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3.6	Game Duration										

	<p>Round Matches Round matches will be 25-minute touchdown turnaround format.</p> <p>Finals Series Matches Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Grand Final games will again consist of 25-minute touchdown turnaround format.</p> <p>Drop Offs – U14 to U18 Divisions In the U14, U16 and U18 Age Divisions, a 0 - 0 draw in any Final Series match will result in the drop off system being used to decide the winner of that match.</p> <p>No Drop Offs – U10 to U12 Divisions There will be no Drop-offs in the, U10 and U12 Final Series matches. If the game is a nil-all draw 0 – 0, the higher ranked team on the ladder will be declared the winner. If equal, the team with the most points from the round games will progress, if again teams are equal the touchdown difference and then percentage will be used. In the case where teams are still equal but pools are not of an equal number than an average of Points per game, Score Difference per game & Percentage per game will be used to assist determination.</p> <p>Grand Finals – U10 to U12 Divisions If the Grand Final is drawn for U10-U12, both teams will be declared joint champions.</p>
3.7	Trophies
	<p>Awards will be presented to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medallions for the winners and runners up. • Affiliate Championship. • Finals Referees (Medallions only) • Player of the Final <p>N.B. Any affiliate who does not supply the correct referee quota of referees will be ineligible for the Affiliate championship</p>
3.8	Presentations
	<p>Southern Conference Presentations will be held on Sunday 20th of February, 2022.</p> <p>Northern Conference Presentations will be held on Sunday 27th of February, 2022.</p>
3.9	Draw Format
	<p>The final format will not be decided until all team nominations are received.</p>
3.10	Medical
	<p>The Medical Team will comprise of: Doctor, Physiotherapists & Sports Trainers Medical assistance is able to provide preventive strapping at a cost.</p> <p>Due to COVID-19, and controlling public gatherings the Medical team will NOT provide preventive strapping. They are only provided for the treatment of in game injuries in 2022.</p> <p>All preventative strapping is to take place prior to arrival at the venue.</p>

	For insurance requirements, please report all injuries to the NSWTA Medical team and takeaway a copy of the incident report.
3.11	Movement of Players Between Divisions
	In this competition, players are <u>unable</u> to move between divisions nor change teams within any Affiliate at any stage throughout the competition.
3.12	Finals Eligibility
	A player must have played a minimum of one (1) round game to be eligible for the final series. Any players not fulfilling the criteria due to extenuating circumstances must make written application to the Event Coordinator and Sport Manager for consideration.
3.14	Rules
	The NSWTA conduct events under the auspices of the Touch Football Australia 8th Edition rule book. Please refer to NSWTA Rules, Variations & Adjustments outlined as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mutual Respect Policy – All participating members of the 2022 Junior State Cup (including Players, Coaches, Referees, Selectors, Officials and spectators), have an obligation to be conversant with this protocol and both the NSWTA and TFA Member Protection Policy. This is explained in full detail under clause 12.4 in the General Conditions of Entry. <p>N.B. These can also be found under Section 12: Rules within the General Conditions of Entry.</p>
3.14.1	Please refer to Section 12 of the General Conditions of Entry for the rules of NSWTA Events.
3.15	Send Offs
	Any player sent from the field for the remainder of the game will receive an automatic two (2) match suspension unless the Disciplinary Committee considers further action. Any player who receives two “periods of time” throughout the tournament (not in the same game), will also receive an Automatic one (1) match suspension. Every subsequent period of time will receive an automatic one (1) match suspension For more information, please view the “General Conditions of Entry” and specifically sections 12.3.2, 12.4, 12.5, 12.6 & 12.7
	Tents
	A decision on Affilaites tents will be made once the outcome of exemption requests and event struture is known.

SECTION 4: WORKING WITH CHILDREN

4.1	Working With Children Check (WWCC)

	<p>In June 2013 significant changes were introduced to the Child Protection and Working with Children requirements which apply to all touch football club, affiliate or regions, and their members.</p> <p>The purpose of these changes by the NSW State Government is to improve the safeguards and child protection processes that help to keep touch football safe and enjoyable for all participants. All club, affiliate or regions must now comply with the new legislation and implement these requirements within their membership.</p> <p>The Working With Children Check (WWCC) is a legal requirement that applies to persons who work or volunteer with children (U18). It checks the background of persons who work or volunteer with children in sport clubs, schools, child care centres, community groups, Churches and other organisations. Once you clear a WWCC you are issued with a WWCC Clearance Number that proves you are cleared to work with children.</p> <p>Each Affiliate must register as an employee, have all Coach/Management teams undergo the prescribed check and verify all and report to the NSWTA prior to the 2022 Junior State Cup.</p>
4.2	Guardianship
	<p>In some instances, persons under the age of 18 will attend NSWTA events. In understanding our expectations around your role and responsibilities we provide Affiliates with some additional information related to legal guardianship. This communication contains general advice only and does not consider individual objectives, circumstances and or a legal view. The information contained in this communication is only to offer some additional information on this particular area and individual research and advice should be sort for your personal circumstance.</p> <p>Guardians - A guardianship is a legal right given to a person to be responsible for the food, health care, housing, and other necessities of a person deemed fully or partially incapable of providing these necessities for himself or herself. What Are a Guardian's Duties?</p> <p>The guardian makes decisions about how the person lives, including their residence, health care, food, and social activity. The guardian is intended to monitor the person, to make sure that the person lives in the most appropriate, least restrictive environment possible, with appropriate food, clothing, social opportunities, and medical care. Communication with the Parents</p> <p>Ensure you are informed of any medical concerns, including food allergies. In addition, you'll need to agree on things like sleeping arrangements, the administration of over-the-counter medications, and procedures for contacting the parents in an emergency.</p> <p>Information provided and acknowledged from the following websites: http://www.expertlaw.com/library/estate_planning/guardianship.html http://singleparents.about.com/od/legalissues/ht/temporary_guard.htm</p>
4.3	Supervision of Under Age Participants
	<p>Affiliates are responsible for the direct supervision of any player or official who is under the age of 18 years. All steps should be under taken by an Affiliate to protect these person's from all forms of harassment. This includes ensuring that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These minors must be made fully aware of the NSWTA Code of Conduct.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Officials comply with the Relevant Child Protection laws. • That when travelling to, during and from the Tournament all care is taken to supervise minors.
4.4	NSWTA Representative Player Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct
	<p>The New South Wales Touch Association (NSWTA) along with the national body, Touch Football Australia (TFA) are committed to upholding our core values and create a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone associated with our sport. Our commitment is to ensure that every person involved in our sport is treated with respect and dignity and protected from discrimination, harassment and abuse.</p> <p>All players will be required to have a parent/guardian sign the code of conduct form that outlines the expectations of players, coaches, parents and supporters. By signing this document, you acknowledge that you will comply with its content and submit to the NSWTA's jurisdiction.</p> <p>No athlete will be allowed to participate until such time as the document is signed by the Parent/Guardians.</p> <p>Affiliate Coordinators are to have received all Representative Player Parent/Guardians Code of Conduct forms. Once received the affiliate coordinator will need to complete the code of conduct compliance form to NSWTA by Friday 4th February, 2022</p>

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	<p>This is only a summary of the 2022 Junior State Cup – Northern & Southern Conference Conditions of Entry.</p> <p>It is important to be familiar with Attachment A in relation to the State Final tournament should team(s) from your affiliate qualify for that event.</p> <p>All Coaches and Managers should also be fully conversant with the <u>2021-22 General Conditions of Entry</u> for all NSWTA Events, and Official Notifications from the NSWTA in relation to conduct of these events.</p> <p>Please inform your coaches of their requirements for the 2022 Junior State Cup.</p> <p>Specific Conditions of Entry can be downloaded from: Junior State Cup Website</p>