

## TAFE NSW Summer Football – Tamworth Competition – Local Rules



### The Number of Players:

- 7 v 7 – including goalkeeper;
- Teams may have up to fourteen (14) players listed on the match card;
- Teams must field a minimum of five (5) players for the game to commence;
- For mixed competitions there must be three (3) female players on the field at any given time.

### Interchange:

- There is no limit on the number of interchanges during a game;
- Players may interchange on and off while the ball is in play;
- Interchanges must be made at halfway;
- The player coming on must wait until their teammate is off the field of play.

### The Goalkeeper:

- The goalkeeper can handle the ball anywhere in the penalty area;
- To restart play after a save or gathering the ball with their hands, the goalkeeper is **not** allowed to kick or drop kick the ball directly from their hands;
- The ball must be thrown or rolled from the hands or played from the ground with their feet, within 6 seconds;
- Opponents must be at least 5m outside the penalty area and cannot move inside the penalty area until the ball is in play;
- The ball is in play once it moves outside of the penalty area.

### Offside:

- There shall be no offside rule applied in TAFE NSW Summer Football competitions;
- Players are encouraged not to stand right on the goalkeeper.

### Free Kicks:

- All free kicks are direct unless otherwise stated by the referee.

### Throw Ins:

- As per FIFA Laws of the Game.

### Slide Tackles:

- Slide tackles are not permitted in TAFE NSW Summer Football.

### Fouls:

- Law 12 of the [FIFA Laws of the Game](#) applies.

### Discipline:

- If a player receives two (2) yellow cards or a red card during a fixture they will be sent from the field of play with no replacement.

### Duration Of The Game:

- All fixtures are 2x 25-minute halves (5-minute half time break);



### **Start Of Play And Restart After A Goal:**

- Kick off from the middle of the half-way line;
- The ball may move in any direction;
- All players must be in their own half of the field of play;
- Opponents must be at least 5m away from the ball until it is in play;
- The ball must touch a teammate before a goal can be scored;
- The ball is in play once it moves.

### **Ball Crossing The Goal Line:**

#### **1. After Touching the Defending Team Last:**

- Corner kick: A player from the attacking team places the ball on the corner nearest to the point where the ball crossed the line;
- Opponents must be at least 5m away from the ball until it is in play;
- The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves;
- A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.

#### **2. After Touching the Attacking Team Last:**

- Goal kick: Placed on the ground from anywhere within the penalty area;
- Opponents remain at least 5m outside the penalty area until the ball is in play. The ball is in play once it is kicked directly out of the penalty area.