

Memo

Date: Saturday, October 20 2018
To: 2018 Vawdon Cup Participants

From: Keith Lee – NSWTA Events Coordinator

Subject: 2018 Country Championships – Sunday Draw Update

The NSW Touch Association (NSWTA) wishes to advise all 2018 Country Championships participants of the following amendments to the scheduled Sunday draw.

The Saturday 5:10pm timeslot of matches were called off at 5:18pm due to dangerous lightning strikes occurring near the fields.

In making any decision to adjusting the remaining round matches and Finals Series, the NSWTA utilised the following three (3) clauses:

a) The operations of the 2018 Country Championships event as per Clause 3.1 – Control of the Event on Page 8 of the 2018 Country Championships Conditions of Entry

The Event Coordinator in conjunction with the Sport Manager and General Manager and the 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 Officials and their decision will be final.

b) In accordance with **Clause 11.26.1 – Force Majeure** on Page 34 of the **2018-19 NSWTA General Conditions of Entry:**

A) If NSWTA is unable to perform, in whole or part in any obligation under these regulations of a Force Majeure Event, NSWTA is relieved of that obligation under these regulations to the extent, and the period it is unable to perform.

B) In addition to NSWTA has no obligation to refund to any individual or team any fees paid if it is unable to perform by reason of a Force Majeure Event.

FORCE MAJEURE EVENT: for the purposes of these regulations a force majeure event includes but is not limited to any or all of the following:

- Acts of God including flood, drought, earthquake, storm, cyclone, fire, explosion, epidemic; or
- War or Act of Terrorism; or
- Riot or civil disturbances; or
- Permanent injunction of any duly constituted court of competent jurisdiction; or
- Any fact, circumstance, matter or thing beyond the reasonable control of NSWTA.





c) In accordance with Clause 11.27.1 – Weather Affected Matched & Rescheduling of Matches on Page 35 of the 2018-19 NSWTA General Conditions of Entry:

Rescheduling of Rounds or Matches affected by weather will be moved to the next available timeslots, fields or rounds (where practical). NSWTA reserves the right to organise the affected games in whatever format which will assist the games to occur in as equal conditions as possible.

If due to any other extraordinary circumstances that a game cannot be completed to full time, the game may be rescheduled as soon as possible at a time and on a ground arranged by Tournament Management in consultation with both Teams. If the game has commenced, and cannot continue to 50% completion, the following will apply:

1) The game will start from the beginning and must be completed up to the regulation full time.

2) The score will commence at 0-0.

Note: NSWTA reserves the right to judge and adjust to suit the conditions as required. For events that play in a non-break touchdown turnaround format, half time will be deemed as 50% of the time left in the match.

The five (5) matches that commenced at Saturday 5:10pm will be replayed at Sunday 8:00am on exactly the same fields. These matches will be replayed in full with the scores commencing at 0-0.

Other notable changes:

- M30 Round 5 scheduled for 8:00am moved to 9:45am
- GYL Round 5 scheduled for 8:35am moved to 9:10am
- W30 Round 5 scheduled for 8:35am moved to 9:45am
- M50 Round 5 scheduled for 8:35am moved to 9:45am

The full amended draw can be viewed via: **Revised 2018 Country Championships Draw** and on the NSW Touch mobile app.

Should there be be any questions, please contact:

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