

# 2019 JUNIOR REGIONALS CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

To be read in conjunction with the 2019-20 NSWTA General Conditions of Entry

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1	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Α	Dates
	The tournament is held on <b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> &amp; Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2019</b> at the Waratah Sports Ground, Orange NSW – Home of City of Orange Touch Association.
В	Closing Date
	<b>Closing date</b> for team nominations is <b>Wednesday 29</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>May 2019</b> . Late nominations will only be accepted by the Events Coordinator at the convenience of the competition.
С	Communication
	Each Region <b>must</b> appoint a Regional Manager/Coordinator. All correspondence and dealings must be made through the Regional Manager/Coordinator. Please provide an <b>email address</b> and <b>mobile phone number</b> for the Regional Manager/Coordinator.
D	Referee Nomination
	NSWTA have selected a squad of referees from the 2019 Junior State Cup Event Series.
	Prior to the 2019 Junior State Cup Event Series, each Region is to nominate Nine (9) Referees, of which at least four (4) must be Level 4 or higher. All referees nominated by the Regions are to be as a minimum Level 3.
	All cost and accommodation associated with the regional referees are the responsibility of the Regions.
E	Teams & Team Management Nomination
	Each Regional coordinator <b>must</b> enter all team contacts by the Nomination Closing date, then e-mail all required forms to Events Coordinator Keith Lee via <a href="mailto:keith.lee@nswtouch.com.au">keith.lee@nswtouch.com.au</a>
F	Scoring System
	Each touchdown will be awarded 1 point during all matches.
	The NSWTA drop off procedure will be utilised to determine winners in Finals Series matches if scores are drawn at fulltime.
G	Uniforms
	All Regions must submit Designs for approval no later than <b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019</b> including full playing uniforms and full team management uniforms.
Н	Referee Communication
	Please refer to the Mutual Respect Policy within <b>Section 12.4 of the General Conditions of Entry</b> . Coaches and managers are to observe the mutual respect policy.
I	Finals Series
	The Top Four (4) teams in each division will progress to the Finals Series. Teams finishing in 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> places will have a play-off match.
	In determining positions for the Finals Series, please refer to the process detailed in <b>Section</b> 11.21 of the General Conditions of Entry.

j	Working with Children Check
	Each Region MUST supply to NSW Touch by <b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2019</b> , the prescribed NSWTA format the Working with Children database for all officials involved with their Regional teams at the event, it is a requirement under the law that each Region undertake the required checks and verifications of personal to provide a safe environment for children to enjoy their Touch Football.
	SUMMARY NOTE
	This is only a summary of the tournament conditions. All coaches and managers should be fully conversant with the <u>General Conditions</u> for all NSWTA Events and the <u>Junior</u> <u>Regionals Conditions of Entry</u> .
	Please inform your coaches of their requirements for Junior Regionals.
	Specific Junior Regionals Conditions of Entry and the General Conditions for all NSWTA Events can be downloaded from Junior Regionals Website.

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### Wednesday 29th May, 2019

- Team Nominations submitted
- Team Management Details submitted

# Friday 31st May, 2019

- Open Referees Online Registration
- Open Online Player Registration

# Wednesday 5th June, 2019

- Regional Team Uniform Design sent to NSWTA for approval (Design Proof Required)
- Tent requests due

# Friday 7th June, 2019

- WWCC Verification Spreadsheet
- Team and referee fees due

# Wednesday 12th June, 2019

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- Draft Draw on Event Website
- Online Referees Registration Closed

#### Wednesday 19th June, 2019

• Online Player Registration Closed

#### Monday 24th June, 2019

• Team Registration Sheets sent to Regional Coordinators & Team Management

#### Wednesday 26th June 2019,

- Final Draw released on Event Website
- Field Map and Participant Briefing Video Released

#### Saturday 13th July, 2019

Day 1 of competition

# Sunday 14th July, 2019

• Day 2 of competition – Final Series

2	ENTRY INFORMATION
2.1	Date
2.1.1	The NSWTA Junior Regionals will be conducted on Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July, 2019.
2.2	Venue
2.2.1	The NSWTA Junior Regionals will be conducted at the Waratah Sports Ground, Orange NSW – The home of City of Orange Touch Association.
2.3	Fees
2.3.1	The entry fee for this year's event will be \$975.00 incl. GST per team entered.  All team nomination & payments are to be sent in by Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June, 2019.
2.3.2	The fees for referees attending the Junior Regionals is either:  \$300 for Referee requiring NSWTA Accommodation OR \$100 for a Referee not requiring Accommodation
2.4	Team Nomination
2.4.1	To enter your Regional teams please complete the online Team Nomination Form, which includes Officials via web link - <b>Junior Regional Team Nomination</b> .  For further information contact either Keith Lee via email below: <a href="mailto:keith.lee@nswtouch.com.au">keith.lee@nswtouch.com.au</a>
2.4.2	Please complete the online nomination with all details by <b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.</b> Nominations with missing information will not accepted into the Junior Regionals.
2.5	Referee Nomination
2.5.1	Each Region is to nominate Nine (9) Referees, of which at least four (4) must be Level 4 or higher. All referees nominated by the Regions are to be as a minimum Level 3.  All cost and accommodation associated with the regional referees, are the responsibility of the
	regions
2.5.2	Procedures will be undertaken to verify Regional nominees to ensure they meet this criteria.
2.5.3	A penalty of <b>\$800.00 per referee</b> will be placed on Regions who do not supply the sufficient quota of referees or if a referee fails to officiate at the tournament.
2.5.4	Each Region's Referees Nomination should be forwarded via Email to the Events Coordinator by no later than 5pm <b>Thursday 1</b> st <b>February, 2019</b> .

2.6	Divisions Categories
2.6.1	Girls & Boys under 12s Girls & Boys under 14s Girls & Boys under 14s Girls & Boys under 16s Girls & Boys under 16s Girls & Boys under 18s Born 2003 to 2007 Girls & Boys under 18s
2.6.2	There must be a minimum of four (4) teams to make a division.
2.6.3	Should divisions be joined, they will be separated for the Final Series providing they have two (2) teams in the division.
3	REQUIREMENTS
3.1	Player Eligibility
3.1.1	All players must be a registered, actively participating financial member with an Affiliate within the Region they wish to represent in Season 2 2018 or Season 1 2019.  The onus to prove that a player is registered and participating in their competition is on the region. Upon a protest or report a Region found to be using a player that they cannot verify complies with this condition, to the satisfaction of the NSWTA, is liable to have the team and or the player disqualified from the tournament.
3.1.2	Must be a registered, participating and financial member within their Region of representation NSWTA Affiliate/s having participated in a minimum, of five (5) domestic competition games in one (1) division in Season 2 2018 or Season 1 2019.
3.1.3	The staging of qualification knockouts, tournaments or competitions over a three day weekend or successive weekends does not qualify the player to meet the 5 game criteria set out in Clause 3.1.1 and Clause 3.1.2. The minimum standard for the NSWTA is that of a weekly competition running no less than ten (10) weeks based on one (1) round per week.
3.2	Team Management Eligibility
3.2.1	Coaches must hold a current <b>Talent or Level Two (2)</b> accreditation as a minimum.  Assistant Coaches must hold a current <b>Foundation or Level One (1)</b> accreditation as a minimum.  They MUST also complete the "Play by the Rules" - <a href="http://www.playbytherules.net.au/">http://www.playbytherules.net.au/</a> .  Managers MUST complete the Play by the Rules.

# 3.2.2 Players, Team Management and Referees Registration

The Individual Players, Team Management and Referees Registrations will be completed online for the 2019 Junior Regionals.

Individual players and Team Management registration closes **Wednesday 19**th **June 2019**.

Referee registrations closes Wednesday 12th June, 2019.

To complete the team and team management nominations, the Regional Coordinator will need the following details;

There are a number of important details that are necessary for this process to be completed;

- The Regional Coordinator will need to know exactly which teams your Region will be entering into the Junior Regionals.
- Also will need to have at a minimum the Coaches details (Name, Mobile & Email) of which they must be Level 2 Accredited depending on Positions (Refer to Section -3.2.1)

The individual registration process will be open by the **Friday 31st May, 2019** on the Junior Regionals website once the nominations have been confirmed by the NSWTA Events Coordinator.

#### 4 UNIFORMS

All colour/design changes to uniforms being considered by the Region are to be submitted to NSWTA for approval prior to ordering to ensure no clashes with registered Regional uniforms. The NSWTA reserves the right to reject designs.

All new or changed designs must be registered by Wednesday 5th June, 2019.

If a design was rejected by NSWTA, the Region will need to submit a new design.

All playing uniforms must include

- Identification numbers: All players are to wear an identifying number on the back of their shirt/singlet, not less than 16cm in height and clearly displayed.
- No temporary measures such as tape will be permitted to replace numbers.
- A one or two digit number which meets the requirements set out above.
- No three digit numbers will be permitted.
- Zero (0) can only be used in the following sequence 0 (not 01, 02 etc.) 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90. The only playing numbers permissible between 0-99.

#### Males

The male Region uniform must be manufactured in a material that is acceptable by NSWTA. That includes playing shirts/singlet, shorts, socks and hat (hat is an optional wear item). Males may only wear one type of uniform and cannot be mismatched in type. Special dispensation can be sought through the Event Coordinator.

#### Females:

The female Region uniform must be manufactured in a material that is acceptable to NSWTA. Teams uniforms may be bodysuits, two-piece body suits, two-piece uniform of playing shirts/singlet and bike pants or shorts- all with socks and hat (hat is an optional wear item). Females may only wear one type of uniform and cannot be mismatched in type. Special dispensation can be sought through the Event Coordinator.

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# Team Management:

The Region Team Management uniform must be manufactured in a material that is acceptable by NSWTA. That includes Jacket/Hoodie or similar, Polo Shirt, track pants, shorts, socks, hat (hat is an optional wear item) and must wear closed in footwear. Team Management may only wear one type of uniform and cannot be mismatched in type. Special dispensation can be sought through the Event Coordinator.

# **Non-Compliance**

Any participant that is non-compliant for uniform will be asked to wear the correct item(s) of uniform or be forced to remove themselves from the match.

### **Compression Garments**:

The wearing of compression garments is permitted however these must be worn under the approved Region uniform. In all cases compression garments are not to be worn in place of the Region uniform.

5	WORKING WITH CHILDREN	
5.1	Working with Children checks	
5.1.1	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 Centre's, community groups, Churches and other organisations.  Once you clear a WWCC you are issued with a WWCC Clearance Number that proves you are	
	work with children.  Each Region 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 2019 Junior Regionals.	
	Each Region MUST supply to NSW Touch by <b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2019</b> , the prescribed format the working with Children database for all officials involved with their Regional teams at the event, it is a requirement of the law that each Region undertake the required checks and verifications of personal to provide a safe environment for children to enjoy their Touch Football.	
5.2	Guardianship	
5.2.1	In some instances, persons under the age of 18 will be in attendance at NSWTA events. In understanding our expectations around your role and responsibilities we provide Affiliates some additional information related to legal guardianship.  This communication contains general advice only and does not take into account 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.  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? 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 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. 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_quard.htm	

5.3	Supervision of Under Age Participants
	Regions 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 the Region to protect these persons from all forms of harassment.
5.3.1	<ul> <li>This includes ensuring that:</li> <li>These minors must be made fully aware of the NSWTA Code of Conduct.</li> <li>All Officials comply with the Relevant Child Protection laws.</li> <li>That when travelling to, during and from the Tournament all care is taken to supervise minors.</li> </ul>
6	EVENT OPERATIONS
6.1	Teams Numbers
6.1.1	Teams may register a maximum number of 14 players and use a <b>maximum of 14 players</b> in a game. Upon protest any team found guilty of either using more than <b>14 players</b> or using an unregistered player may be liable to be disqualified from the Tournament.  N.B A player may only register in one (1) team.
6.2	Team Manager & Participants Briefing
6.2.1	The participant briefing video will be released <b>Wednesday 19</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>June 2019</b> on the NSWTA Events Website.  This briefing is to outline the structure of the event and all matters pertaining to the same. It will also provide any final information regarding the tournament structure.  Team Balls will be available to be collected at 8:00am <b>Saturday 13</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>July, 2019</b> .  All <b>team number sheets are to be submitted by the Monday 1</b> <sup>st</sup> <b>July 2019</b> or at the time of ball collection. Teams will not be permitted to participate if their team number sheet is not submitted.
6.2.2	No responsibility will be taken for any actions undertaken by Team Management and Participants who do not watch the <b>COMPULSORY TEAM MANAGERS BRIEFING VIDEO.</b> All questions should be emailed through to the Events Coordinator.
6.3	Insurance
6.3.1	For players to be covered by the TFA Insurance Scheme they must be registered in a Financial Affiliate within their Current Competition.
6.4	Control of the Event
6.4.1	The Event Coordinator in conjunction with the Sport Manager, General Manager and the NSWTA Board will be in charge of all matters relating to the event.  Any matters not covered in the General Conditions or Event Conditions will be determined by the above Officials and their decision will be final.

6.5	Match Balls
6.5.1	All teams must use the official Match Ball provided by NSWTA in all games throughout the tournament. Each team shall receive a ball from the NSWTA at the Ball Collection on Saturday morning. Extra balls may be purchased from the NSWTA.
6.6	Competition Points
6.6.1	For the Junior Regionals the following will apply.  Win 4 points Draw 2 points Loss 0 point Forfeit -2 points Bye 4 points  N.B. Team managers are to sign the scorecards at the completion of each game.
6.7	Junior Regionals Championship Points
6.7.1	Winners 15 Points Runners up 10 Points Semi Finalists 7 Points Quarter Finalists 5 Points
6.8	Duration of Games
6.8.1	Round games will be 25-minute touchdown turnaround.  Semi Finals and Grand Finals will again consist of 25-minute touchdown turnaround.  In all Divisions, if there is a draw in the Final Series, the NSWTA drop off procedure will be used to decide the winner of the match.
6.9	Trophies
6.9.1	Awards will be presented to:  • Team Trophies  • Winners & Runner up Medallions  • Player of the Finals Medallions  • Regional Champions (See Clause 6.7.1)  • Grand Final Referees Medallions  • State Merit Team Medallions  N.B. Any Region that fails to supply the correct quota of referees will be ineligible for the Regional Championship.
6.10	Presentation
6.10.1	All Presentations will be held on <b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> of July, 2019</b> at the Waratah Sports Ground, Orange NSW – The Home of Orange Touch Association.  Teams must assemble at the presentation area 10 minutes prior to the commencement of the
	presentation.

6.11	Tents
6.11.1	Any Region that wishes to erect a tent at the venue must request this in writing to the Events Coordinator seeking approval. These tents are for the use of players during the competition only. NO CAMPING overnight will be allowed at The Junior Regionals.  Tent spaces must be confirmed through NSWTA, no later than <b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2019</b> .
	Any tent placed by an unauthorised person in a prohibited area will be asked to remove the tent.
6.11.2	Any tent/shade structure placed in an area that is deemed to be dangerous without the consent of the NSWTA Tournament staff will be asked to remove the tent. This will be done by those who are responsible for the structure.
	Before erecting any tents or shade structures, all participants <b>MUST</b> report to tournament control to seek permission and location.
6.11.3	No Gas or naked flame BBQ's (Hot Coals) are permitted on the event precinct.
6.12	Draw
6.12.1	The final format will not be decided until all team nominations are received.
0.12.1	The Draft Draw will be released on <b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2019</b> .
7	RULES
	The NSWTA conduct events under the auspices of the Touch Football Australia 7 <sup>th</sup> Edition rule book.
	All other rule changes and variations can be found in the NSWTA General Conditions for All NSWTA Events Document.
7.1.1	<ul> <li>Drop Off Procedure</li> <li>Coach and Referee communication</li> <li>Period of Time – Minimum Length of Time</li> <li>Mexican Stand Off</li> <li>Intercept the First Touch will be Zero.</li> </ul>
	It is the responsibility of the of all Affiliate coordinators, Coaches and Officials to ensure that they are fully conversant with this the above documents.