

# SENIOR WOMEN AND JUNIOR OPERATING REGULATIONS

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES FOR SEASON 2022

CURRENT RULE	RECOMMENDED CHANGE	RATIONALE
Throughout the document	Grammatical changes.	Grammatical changes have been made throughout the document. Substance of the rule unchanged.
Throughout the document	Clauses renumbered.	Addition and deletion of clauses require renumbering to occur.
Throughout the document	Change W-League to A-League W	Reflect competition name change.
MINIMUM COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS		
CURRENT RULE	RECOMMENDED CHANGE	RATIONALE
Field Dimensions	Minimum requirement recommended to be 100m by 60m.	In line with Football SA Venue Requirements.
Media Area	Included preference for scaffolding.	All WNPL matches are now livestreamed.
Technical Area	Inclusion of requirement to wear accreditation passes in technical area for WSL.	WSL Clubs will be provided technical passes for the 2022 Season.
Senior Teams	Added to WSL minimum requirements "Exceptional circumstances may be provided".	To provide some flexibility to WSL Club for exceptional circumstances.
COMPETITION OPERATING REGULATION RULE CHANGES		
CURRENT RULE	RECOMMENDED CHANGE	RATIONALE
3. Registration of Players	Clause (6) amended to 30 June from 31 July.	Reflect change to season calendar dates.
7. Number of Players	Clause (1) and (4) amendment to reflect format change of Under 13 to 9v9.	Reflects change in competition format.
14. Number of Teams to be Promoted and Relegated	Remove (1) (b).  Clause (3) amended to the team that finishes 9 <sup>th</sup> in the WNPL and 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the WSL to play-off for a position in the WNPL.	Not relevant since the inclusion of WSL competition.  Reflect the increase size of competition from 8 teams, to 10.

<b>15. Match Officials</b>	<p>Clause (2) remove WSL.</p> <p>Add Clause (3) to allow WSL matches to continue with at least one (1) Football SA referee in attendance.</p>	<p>Due to match official availability, to provide flexibility for WSL matches to be played where a full compliment of match officials is not available.</p> <p>To provide flexibility for WSL matches to be played where a full compliment of match officials is not available.</p>
<b>16. Non-Attendance of a Match Official</b>	Clause (7) amended to 24 hours to reflect change to Football SA Rules and Regulations.	To bring consistency with amendment to Football SA Rules and Regulations.
<b>17. Online Team Squads</b>	Addition of requiring to submit team sheets online at least 24 hours prior to any mid-week match.	Due to an increase in the amount of mid-week matches.
<b>19. Notification of Results</b>	<p>Clause (1) inclusion of WSL.</p> <p>Clause (5) change 'Sports TG' to 'GameDay'</p>	<p>To include WSL to reporting requirements for Match Officials.</p> <p>Reflect the name change of the competition management system.</p>
<b>Penalties and Fines</b>	Inclusion of WSL with WNPL.	Fines for Senior WSL to reflect Senior WNPL.
<b>Finals Series</b>	Updated finals series structure.	Restructured to accommodate larger competition.