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|  <p>FOOTBALL SOUTH AUSTRALIA</p> | | <p>FOOTBALL SOUTH AUSTRALIA</p> <p>Procedures and Policies</p> | |
| Subject: | Policy of Sanctioning Games between Affiliated Clubs and Non-Affiliated Clubs | Date Implemented | Nov 2014 |
| Review: | Biennially | Date Amended | Aug 2023 |

1. Rationale

Football South Australia acknowledges that there are a number of clubs that are not currently affiliated to Football South Australia. Football South Australia is continually working with all non-affiliated associations to bring all clubs under the body of Football South Australia.

Football South Australia also acknowledges that the community-based clubs have formed relationships with Football South Australia affiliated clubs and associations and have developed strong links to promote football in their local area. To enhance these relationships there has been a request from a number of Football South Australia Affiliated Clubs and Associations to participate in pre-season games and/or charity events with clubs that are not affiliated to Football South Australia.

To address these requests this policy outlines the process that is to be undertaken if an Affiliated Club/Association seeks to play in a game against a Non-Affiliated Club or Association.

2. Sanctioning of Games between Affiliated and Non-Affiliated Clubs/Association.

- 2.1. The club/association affiliated to Football South Australia is responsible for providing this policy to the non-affiliated club/association.
- 2.2. The Non-Affiliated Club/Association must confirm in writing to the Affiliated Club/Association that they have read the requirements for the sanctioning of the game and that they agree to the terms and conditions.
 - 2.2.1. It is the responsibility of the Affiliated Club to ensure each of its players, team officials and spectators are aware of and abide by these terms and conditions.
- 2.3. The Affiliated Club/Association must provide to Football South Australia a Sanctioning of Trial Match Form within the stipulated timeframe including written confirmation that the Non-Affiliated Club/Association has agreed to the terms and conditions outlined in this policy including an acknowledgment of their responsibility referred to at paragraph 2.2.1 herein.
- 2.4. When sanctioning a game between an Affiliated Club/Association and Non-Affiliated Club/Association, both parties agree to abide by the following terms and conditions.
 - 2.4.1. Football South Australia will be responsible for the appointment of all match officials. Only match officials that are registered with Football South Australia will be appointed.

2.4.2. The Non-Affiliated Club/Association is not covered under the National Insurance Policy. Consequently, no claim can be made under this policy by the Non-Affiliated Club/Association. The Non-Affiliated Club/Association is responsible for organising any insurance requirements that they may have.

2.4.3. Both teams participating in the game must complete a team sheet and provide the team sheet to the appointed match official prior to the commencement of the game.

2.4.4. All players, team officials and spectators involved with the game are required to comply with all Football Australia and Football South Australia polices and competition rules and regulations including:


- i. National Disciplinary Regulations
- ii. National Code of Conduct
- iii. Football South Australia Competition Rules and Regulations
- iv. Football South Australia Code of Conduct.

2.5. Football South Australia will confirm in writing if the game is sanctioned. If sanctioning is not provided by Football South Australia, the Football South Australia Affiliated Club/Association is not permitted to participate in the game as per Clause 25: Unauthorised Matches and Tours of the Football South Australia Competition Rules and Regulations.

Signatures:

Signed:  _____

Football South Australia President

Signed:  _____

Football South Australia CEO

*Next policy review date is:
July 2025*