

Football SA 2024 Competition Regulations

Summary of Changes – *Rules and Regulations*

Clause	Amendment	Purpose
Definitions	Add: Competition Management System (Dribl) 'Team sheet' amended to 'Match Sheet' Add: Senior Women's Competition	
Throughout Document	Amend 'Team Sheets' to 'match sheets'.	Amended in accordance with Dribl terminology.
46	Additional sub-clause: Any prizemoney received will be allocated against any debts of a Club in the first instance.	Formalise what occurs in practice.
4 (9)	New sub-clause: Football SA may provide guidelines prior to the commencement of the Season which are required to be adhered to.	Playing kit guidelines are provided ahead of each season. This amendment formalises the process.

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Throughout document	Amend 'his' to 'their'.	Gender neutral references throughout the document.
15	If a Club uses portable goals for training or competition, it must ensure that these goals conform to the mandatory requirement of Australian Standard AS4866.1-2007.	Updated Australian Standard code.
23. (1)	Add sentence: Football SA may direct Clubs to provide more than the minimum required ground stewards.	Provide ability for Football SA to direct Clubs to have more than the minimum number of Ground Stewards when required.
32. (4)	Remove 'inconvenience fee only payable if match official is present at the ground'.	To cover some expenses of match officials which may have missed out on shift/casual work otherwise.
34. (2)	Remove sub-clause.	Football SA provides direction prior to each pre-season stipulating time required to submit request for match officials. This may vary from year to year.

36 (1)	In each season, Football SA shall conduct competitions. Final composition...	Football SA administers more than Senior Men, Women and Juniors. Purpose of change is to not limit to just those competitions.
37 (1) (2)	<p>If a team is withdrawn before all teams have played each other once, all matches will be recorded as a no played game. All goal scorer statistics and referee votes gained in Competition Fixtures played involving the withdrawn Team will be removed. All other statistical information will be retained, i.e. disciplinary.</p> <p>Add additional subclause: All disciplinary records will be retained</p>	Provide further clarity on what occurs to statistical information should a team withdraw during the season.
38 (8)	<p>New clause: If a Match Official/s attends and the game is forfeited, the club is required to pay 50% of the prescribed match official fee.</p>	Provide clarity on match official payment in the event the match is forfeited on match day.

39 (2) (3) (5) (6) (7)	<p>Remove initials.</p> <p>The match sheet is to be submitted as specified within the relevant competition operating regulations.</p> <p>Remove “to the match official”.</p> <p>Amend (b) to:</p> <p>If a Player who is registered in accordance with the Regulations is not listed on the digital team sheet prior to the Match and participates in the Match, the following will apply:</p> <p>At the completion of each match, an official from each competing Club shall attend the match officials rooms and:</p>	Amended to reflect process on dribl.
(8)	The Match Official shall record and submit all match information on the Competition Management System as directed by Football SA.	No longer relevant as referenced in other rules throughout the document.
40.	Added to clause “unless otherwise stipulated in the relevant competition operating regulations”	Allows Operating Regulations to stipulate a higher number of match balls.
45.	Removal of Men’s and Women’s competitions and amend to competition matches conducted by Football SA.	Allows other competitions other than Senior Men’s and Women’s to be captured within these rules.
60 (3)	<p>New clause</p> <p>(3) If a player is registering for the first time with a Club, the player must provide the Club with evidence of the Player’s name and age, by producing an original birth certificate, passport, driver’s licence or any other appropriate official identification. It is the responsibility of the Club to ensure the information provided in the players registration are true and correct.</p>	Alignment with FA National Registration Regulations.

75. (1)	If a team official is also a player, yellow cards will be accumulated together within the same competition.	Clarify that a player and/or coach can accumulate yellow cards throughout the season.
Appendix 1	Update to Football Australia National Table	
Match Official Fees	Updated for 2024.	