



2024 QUEENSLAND ALL NATIONS CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

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QUEENSLAND ALL NATIONS

Saturday 7 December – Sunday 8 December 2024

The QLD All Nations Tournament allows participants to represent their heritage and their nation at a fun, social and cultural touch football tournament that celebrates our many and diverse cultures that make up Australia.

South Queensland & Border Districts Touch Association in conjunction with Queensland Touch Football delivers an event that allows participants to experience multiple cultures through food, dance and connection.

Cultural identity is a focal point of the event with all teams representing their community under their traditional nation, with uniforms adorned with symbols of their nation, supported by a cultural performance during the event. This provides an opportunity for members of the community to come together, play some touch football and learn about their local culture and foster relationships and understanding between other cultures.

FRIENDSHIP – CULTURE – EXPERIENCE



OPENING CEREMONY: - **COMPULSORY**

Date: Saturday, December 2, 2023

Time: 8am

Format: March Past / Welcome to Country

CULTURAL PERFORMANCE: - **COMPULSORY**

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 3:00pm

Format: All Nations Cultural Performances

Important Dates

Date	Item	Outcome
Wednesday 14 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Team Nominations Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Online Team Nomination found at https://festivaloftouch.qldtouch.com.au/all-nations and direct link here.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Uniform Compliance Test – send all current playing uniform designs before ordering to the Event Manager so we can ensure that no obvious clashes will occur.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nations that do not provide uniform designs may be forced to change uniform on game day should there be a clash with complying nations.

Monday 7 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team Nominations Close at 5pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Late nominations will only be accepted, subject to draw allowance
Tuesday 8 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Player Registrations Open Referee Registrations Open (Name, Badge, Phone, Email) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All players, coaches and volunteers must be registered online via MySideline. Online registration will be \$50 per player. There is no charge for other team and nation roles. All Referees must be at least a Level 1 and register online via MySideline (every team entered must have a qualified referee nominated to represent them).
Friday 8 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team / Player Withdrawal Deadline Player online registration closed Referee online registration closed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any withdrawal of teams or players after this date will NOT receive any refund. If payment is not complete (minimum 10 players per team), teams will not be allowed to play at the QLD All Nations.
Friday 15 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Draw uploaded to event website Tent Map sent to Nation Champions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation Champions to peruse and bring any issues to Tuesday meeting.
Tuesday 19 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation Champions Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online meeting commencing at 6pm
Friday 22 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Draw uploaded to event website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No changes will occur following this release.
Friday 6 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nation Meeting at Coomera Sports Park at 5pm Check-In & ball pick-up Team Registration Sheet handed in & Signed by Nation Champion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A representative from each nation must attend who has knowledge of which players are registered to which teams, as well as providing a copy of any music required for the Nation Cultural Performance (if not already provided).
Saturday 7 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Ceremony Cultural Presentation Day 1 of Tournament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team will not be permitted to play until the team registration sheet has been submitted.
Sunday 8 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day 2 of Tournament Presentation 	

Divisions

- Under 12 Girls
- Under 12 Boys
- Under 14 Girls
- Under 14 Boys
- Under 16 Girls
- Under 16 Boys
- Under 18 Girls
- Under 18 Boys
- Under 18 Mixed
- Open Women
- Open Men
- Open Mixed
- Senior 30s Mixed
- Masters 40s Mixed

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Tournament Conditions

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A – ADMINISTRATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

ITEM A.1 – TOURNAMENT VENUE AND DATES

The dates and venue of the 2024 Queensland All Nations (QAN) will be as follows:

Dates: Friday 6 December 2024 - (Compulsory Manager Meeting, Tournament Check-in and Ball Collection)

Dates: Saturday 7 December 2024 - (Opening Ceremony, Cultural Ceremony, Day 1 Competition)

Sunday 8 December 2024 - (Day 2 Competition, Presentations)

Venue: Northern Gold Coast Touch Association, Coomera Sports Complex, 53 Beattie Road, Coomera, Queensland

ITEM A.2 – TEAM ELIGIBILITY

All Nations teams must be approved to compete in the competition:

Teams eligible to participate in the 2024 QAN competitive divisions are:

- Any Nation that has a structured Committee, Coaching Staff and team members that have a direct link to their nominated Nation. Please see Player Eligibility information.
- Participating Nations must provide a Nation Leader to be recognized as the Champion of the nominated Nation.
- Teams must have one referee per team as per the referee requirements.
- All teams must have a minimum of 10 players with a maximum of 16 but only 14 players are eligible for any one game.

Any team is eligible to participate in the 2024 QAN social division, so long as they are willing to march in the Opening Ceremony behind a Nation Flag to enter the event.

Item A.3 – Player Eligibility

QAN works by an honesty system and relies on individual's honesty regarding heritage or status. The onus is on the individual and your Nation Champion if you are required to provide evidence. Player eligibility applies to all ages and divisions. No player (or coach) can participate whilst under suspension.

1) HERITAGE CONNECTION TO NATION

All participants must have a direct link with their Nation via Family Heritage and Ancestry bloodlines: Parent, Grandparents, Great Grandparents etc. E.g. My Great-Great Grandparents are Danish therefore I can represent Denmark.

2) CONNECTION TO NATION

Immediate family heritage (husband, wife, partner, adopted).

	<p>3) NON-NATIONALS</p> <p>Nations may choose to invite three players per team that do not have connection to their Nation to participate. Non-national players must not have played at FIT international level in the past five years. If you choose to have non-nationals playing in a team you activate a points system that applies to non-national players only. The maximum amount of points per team is 50 points as per this scoring system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022/2023 Junior or Opens State Representative (State of Origin, QSST or equivalent): 40 points • 2023/2024 NYC or TFA Championships and Masters/Seniors State Representative: 30 points • 2023/2024 QLD State Cup or JSC: 10 points <p>4) LONG TERM STATUS (from 2015-2017 QAN)</p> <p>Players that have been playing for the same nation since the 2015-2017 of QAN.</p> <p>5) PLAYER DISPENSATION</p> <p>No dispensation players will be accepted after the completion of Nation Leader online Zoom Meeting on Tuesday 19 November 2024.</p>
Item A.4 – Coach Eligibility	
	<p>Coaching Accreditation: QTF can provide accreditation courses.</p> <p>All Divisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queensland Blue Cards are mandatory if any players are under the age of 18 • A minimum current Foundation Coach accreditation is desirable. <p>Note: it is the Nation Champions responsibility to ensure all blue card requirements are met by their coaches and officials. SQBD can request this information to be provided at any point in time and if the relevant information is not provided the individuals will not be allowed to coach at the event. Please contact the tournament director for any Blue Card enquiries.</p>
Item A.5 – Divisions	
	<p>Open Men, Women, Mixed – Minimum 16 yrs. of age. Born in 2008 or before.</p> <p>12 Years and Under Boys & Girls - Minimum age 8yrs. Born between 2012 and 2016.</p> <p>14 Years and Under Boys & Girls – Minimum age 10 yrs. Born between 2010 and 2014.</p> <p>16 Years and Under Boys & Girls - Minimum age 12 yrs. Born between 2008 and 2012.</p> <p>18 Years and Under Boys, Girls & Mixed – Minimum age 15 yrs. Born between 2006 and 2009.</p> <p>Seniors (30’s) Mixed Divisions - Born before 1994.</p> <p>Masters (40’s) Mixed Divisions - Born before 1984.</p> <p>Acceptable proof of age documentation includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • birth certificate



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • current passport • current photo driver's license <p>These are required if requested. Any player who does not provide proof of age if requested will be deemed ineligible.</p> <p>Players can NOT participate in more than one division. Should players be nominated in more than one division, they will be removed from all divisions other than the initial nominated division.</p> <p>Division Viability</p> <p>› A minimum of four (4) teams are required to deem a division viable. If there are three (3) or less teams nominated, then those teams will be invited to join with the next closest category as determined by SQBD.</p> <p>For example; If there are sufficient numbers nominated for the division to go ahead at the close of nominations but teams pull out after this time (meaning less than four (4) teams are scheduled to participate), the division will continue in a modified version or combined with the next closest category, as determined by SQBD.</p>
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Item A.6 – Team Nomination Process

	<p>Team Nomination Fee:</p> <p>Team Nomination Fee for the QLD All Nations is \$0.00 (GST inclusive) per team. Individual Player Registration Fee is \$50.00 (GST Inclusive) per player;</p> <p>Teams must register at least 10 players and may register up to 16 players, including coaches/manager. No cost for coaches/manager.</p> <p>All participating nations will be required to complete the team nominations online form, which will be available on the Event Website from Monday 12 August until Monday 7 October 2024.</p> <p>Nation Champions will then be provided access into the back end of the MySideline System where they can manage their Nations teams and players.</p> <p>All teams will inform all members to register to their respective team. All teams must meet the requirement of at least ten (10) players registered to their team no later than 5pm Friday 8 November 2024. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the removal of the team from the competition.</p> <p>Player Withdrawal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Player withdrawals prior to 5pm Friday 8 November 2024 will be considered for a refund. A written request for a refund of the registration fee must be sent to the Event Manager. A \$10.00 administration fee will apply to any refund. • Registration fees are non-refundable once player registrations close on Friday 8 November 2024. No refunds are available after this date. • Late registration requests may be accepted. However, a \$10 administration fee will be applied. <p>Nomination must contain the contact details for the NATION Contact (Tour Leader) including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact Name • Mobile Number • Email • Address • Suburb, State and Postcode
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nationality <p>Nation Champions have the implied delegated authority of their representing Nation.</p> <p>The Team Nomination is available from the Event website –https://festivaloftouch.qldtouch.com.au/all-nations/</p> <p>Late teams will only be accepted subject to SQBD event officials and the draw.</p> <p>EVERY team nominated MUST have a designated qualified referee. It is the Nation Leader’s responsibility to ensure they have registered properly via MySideline by 5pm Monday 8 November 2024.</p>
<p>Item A.7 –Individual Nomination Process (Coaches, Accredited Volunteers and Players)</p>	
	<p>All individuals will be required to enter online through the MySideline system, this included Referees, Coaches and Players.</p> <p>PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION</p> <p>Individuals Player and Coach Registrations will open on Tuesday 8 October 2024.</p> <p>All teams require at least ten (10) players registered for the team to be accepted into the draw by Friday 8 November 2024.</p> <p>Individual Player Registration Fee is \$50.00 (GST Inclusive) per player, and the final date for registering is Friday 8 November 2024.</p> <p>All individuals MUST be registered online prior to the event, those who are not registered in the system will not be allowed to take the field at the QLD All Nations.</p> <p>Individuals will be able to find their team via the MySideline platform, a link to all teams will be accessible via the event website and via e-mails sent to Nation Champions.</p>
<p>Item A.8 -Referee online Registration</p>	
	<p>REFEREE REGISTRATION</p> <p>All referees will be required to register online via the MySideline System. This link will be made available on the event website. Teams will only be entered into the draw following the registration of an acceptable referee alongside that team.</p> <p>Referee registrations will open on Tuesday 8 October 2024 and will close by Friday 8 November 2024.</p>
<p>Item A.7 – Medical Assistance</p>	
	<p>Teams are required to supply their own medical staff. It is the Nations’ responsibility to ensure that their medical staff possesses adequate qualifications insurances and blue card requirements.</p> <p>QAN will ensure suitably trained medical staff are available for the diagnoses of all serious injuries.</p> <p>Basic strapping services will be available. Rolls of tape will be available for purchase. Strapping fee applies.</p>



	Contact details of the Nominated Medical Delegate are to be lodged on the Officials Team Sheet and Tournament Management will contact this individual during the event for medical issues involving the respective Nation.
Item A.8 – Healthy Eating & No Smoking Zone	
	<p>The QAN will be a healthy eating precinct.</p> <p>Our Tournament not only supports all cultures but focusing on the youth and their engagement to physical activity and what they are exposed to.</p> <p>For young people regular physical activity is also associated with healthy behaviors such as avoiding smoking, alcohol, and drug abuse.</p> <p>All Junior Sport in Queensland has a No-Smoking Policy</p> <p>QLD All Nations is an alcohol-free event, anyone found to be consuming alcohol within the event precinct will be asked to leave.</p>

B – EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION	
Item B.1 – Rules	
	The 8th edition of the TFA Playing Rules will apply unless otherwise stated. Rules can be viewed from the TFA website here .
Item B.2 – Tournament Management	
	The Event Manager in conjunction with the Tournament Director (or delegate) will be in charge of all matters relating to the Tournament. Any matters not covered in the Tournament Conditions will be determined by SQBD and their decision will be final.
Item B.3 – Draw Formula	
	<p>After the close of nominations, an indicative draw will be distributed.</p> <p>The draft draw will only be distributed after team lists have been submitted and all nomination fees have been paid.</p> <p>An updated draw will be distributed to Nations with any additional draw changes advised as soon as possible. The final draw will be distributed at the Managers Meeting.</p> <p>Where divisions are large enough, divisions may be divided after Day One of competition into A and B Grades (Plate, Bowl, Cup style) to play-off in a more even arena to increase competitiveness, enjoyment and engagement for all participants.</p>



Item B.4 – Playing Times	
	<p>All games in the tournament will be 20 minutes straight through. TBC, subject to draw.</p> <p>*2min warning before each game for on-field cultural performance</p> <p>Tournament Management reserves the right to alter duration of games based on any specific requirements and in the best interests of completing the event with maximum participation.</p> <p>All finals games must result in an outright winner. In the event of a drawn match at the end of full-time, a drop-off will determine the match winner.</p> <p>There is no ‘time off’ during any matches.</p> <p>This would be a determination of tournament management, should an emergency decision be required.</p>
Item B.5 – Match Balls	
	<p>All teams must use the official Match Ball in all games throughout the tournament.</p> <p>Nation leaders will receive one ball for each team at tournament check-in. Extra balls can be purchased from the Tournament Information area at the event.</p>
Item B. 6 – Competition Points	
	<p>For all round robin games, competition points will be awarded on the results obtained. The following points will be awarded:</p> <p>Win = Three (3) points</p> <p>Draw = Two (2) points</p> <p>Loss = One (1) point</p> <p>Forfeit = Zero (0) points for the offending team</p> <p>Bye = Zero (0) points – so long as there are equal number of byes within the pool</p> <p>Bye = Three (3) points – if there are an unequal number of byes within the pool.</p>
Item B.7 – Forfeits	
	<p>Teams must be in attendance at their playing fields at least five minutes before the commencement of their match.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of each captain to report to the referees before the two-minute siren so that the toss of the coin can be affected without loss of time.</p> <p>If a team is not at the field at the advertised starting time of the toss, the attending team can be awarded the winning of the toss.</p>



The offending team will receive a maximum of five minutes from the commencement of the game (siren/whistle) to position the team on the field and be ready to commence play.

If the offending team is not in attendance after the five minutes has expired, the game may be deemed a forfeit and the non-offending team may be awarded the win with a 5–0 score at the discretion of Tournament management. The offending team will receive a 0–5 score and receive negative points as indicated above at the discretion of Tournament management.

The offending team will be penalised one touchdown after the first minute and one touchdown for every minute thereafter up to five minutes (e.g. three minutes late equals 0–3 score).

Upon conceding a forfeit, the Nation Champion of an offending team will be required to show cause to Tournament Management by the end of the match in question why their team should not be excluded from participating in any further matches. The team will potentially then be ruled ineligible to participate in the respective final series.

Forfeits in the Final Series

If a team is forced to forfeit in the final series, the team’s Nation Champion must submit to Tournament Control, in writing, the reasons for their forfeiture.

NOTE: Forfeits for any reason in the final series negates the forfeiting team’s rights to participate further in the final series.

ITEM B.8 – DETERMINING POSITIONS FOR FINALS/OTHER

Finals/Other

Positions for the Final Series/Other will be determined as follows:

1. Highest on table – if equal
2. Differential (for and against) – if equal
3. Percentages – if equal
4. Result of preliminary game (count back) – if draw
5. Coin Toss

Differential

The differential is determined by subtracting the total of touchdowns scored ‘against’ from the number of touchdowns scored ‘for’. The team with the best differential will obtain the higher position. For example:

Team A scores 50 for and 10 against

Team B scores 40 for and 10 against

By subtracting the ‘against’ from the ‘for’, Team A would be ‘plus 40’, whilst Team B would be ‘plus 30’. Team A would therefore obtain the higher position.

If teams have the same ‘difference’ the percentage system would then apply.

Percentages

If this system is used, it is easily explained that if the ‘difference’ is in the ‘plus’ situation (see above), the team with the least amount of touchdowns scored against them, would obtain the higher position. However,



if the 'difference' is in the 'minus' situation, the team that has scored the most touchdowns would obtain the higher position.

The percentage system is calculated by placing touchdowns 'for' over touchdowns 'against' and multiplying by 100 over 1.

Using the above example:

$$\text{Team A} = \frac{50}{10} \times \frac{100}{1} = 500\% \qquad \text{Team B} = \frac{60}{20} \times \frac{100}{1} = 300\%$$

Team A would obtain the higher position.

Result of Preliminary Game (Count Back)

If all is equal than the result of the preliminary game between the two shall determine the higher position.

Drop-Off

If the result of the preliminary game was a draw, a drop-off will occur with details to be communicated by Tournament Management.

Item B.9 – Complaints and Protests

QAN recognise that all parties wish to have the opportunity, should a situation arise, to have their position heard and/or considered.

A 'complaint' may be dealt with informally. Should an Official Protest be lodged, a 'complaint' will be dealt with formally. The initial process, unless extreme, will involve Nation Leaders or their chosen representative, in an effort to resolve issues in a culturally appropriate manner (see Item B.10 below for more details).

Tournament Management aims to provide a simple dispute resolution process for complaints based on the principles of procedural fairness. Any person (a complainant) may report a complaint about a person/s, and/or organisation.

Tournament Management will ensure a fair hearing/consideration occurs at various levels in a fair and reasonable manner. However, QAN also requires that as the primary purpose is to seek an outcome/resolve an issue, all in attendance at a Disciplinary Tribunal is to work on that basis and the primary purpose of all in attendance is to work within the framework stipulated.

The aim to deal with the complaint or incident at the lowest level at which a matter can be dealt with shall always be preferred.

QAN reminds all parties that the following issues will not be open to protest and therefore formally advises all teams that they must be aware of, and comply with these requirements, prior to the commencement of games:

The Referee is the sole judge on matters of fact and is required to adjudicate on the rules of the game during play. The referee may impose any sanction necessary to control the match and in particular award penalties for infringements against the rules, at his/her discretion and interpretation



Authority of the Referee – Players, coaches and officials of both teams are under the control of the officiating referee, during the conduct of a game/match.

Any protest put to Tournament Management on the above issues will be dismissed without the right of appeal.

Tournament Management does request that any matter associated with the above may be brought to the attention of Tournament Management so that direct discussions can occur with the QAN Referee Director or relevant Referee Coach and subsequently the referee, as required.

All other complaints will be dealt with promptly, seriously, sensitively and confidentially, as per above.

Procedural fairness means that Tournament Management is required to provide the person/people you have complained about with full disclosure of details pertinent to the complaint and the complainant, so they have a fair opportunity to respond.

Item B.10 – Informal Complaint/Resolution Process

Step 1: Talk with the other person (where this is reasonable, safe and appropriate)

In the first instance, you (the Complainant) should try to sort out and resolve the problem with the person or people involved (respondent), if you feel able to do so.

Step 2: Ask Tournament Management to commence Nation Head Committee intervention

The Nation Head Committee will:

- Review statements/incident reports (if any are available)
- Bring all members accused of causing harm/breaching rules/not operating in the spirit of the event together with their Nation Leader (or selected representative) to problem solve (if possible) for a clear and culturally just outcome

If this option does not resolve the issue, Step 3 will be automatically invoked by the Nation Head Committee. Where acts are deemed to be in accordance with a suspension, Tournament Management may also need to follow through with further action (e.g. legal matters – assault or similar).

Step 3: Ask Tournament Management to become involved

The Tournament Management will:

- take confidential notes about your complaint;
- try to establish the facts of the problem;
- ask what outcome/how you want the problem resolved and if you need support;
- provide possible options for you to resolve the problem;
- refer you to an appropriate person to help you resolve the problem, if necessary;
- inform the relevant government authorities and/or police if required by law to do so;

Step 4: Outcomes from initial contact with Tournament Management

After talking with Tournament Management, you may decide:

- there is no problem;
- the problem is minor and you do not wish to progress the matter;
- to try and work out your own resolution; or



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to seek a mediated resolution with the help of a third person (such as a mediator); or • to seek a formal process.
<p>Item B.11 – Formal Protest Process or Tournament Management Investigation of a Breach</p>	
	<p>Step 1: Making a Formal complaint through lodging a Protest</p> <p>If your complaint is not resolved or informal approaches are not appropriate or possible, you may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lodge a formal protest; • to ensure protests are seriously lodged a \$200 bond must be provided; • protests are to be lodged (by Nation Leader) within 30 minutes of the conclusion of game or an appropriate Tournament Management determination. <p>Upon receiving a formal complaint via the protest form, or if a potential breach of the rules or Conditions of Entry of the event has occurred Tournament Management will decide whether:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • they are the most appropriate person to receive and handle the protest or breach; • to investigate the matter and resolve if possible using the existing parameters such as the Conditions of the event or precedent; • undertake avenues to mediate a desirable outcome; • the nature and seriousness of the complaint warrants a formal member protection procedure; • to refer the complaint to a disciplinary regulations process and hearings tribunal; • to refer the matter to the police or other appropriate authority; <p>In making the decision(s) outlined above, Tournament Management will take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether they have had any personal involvement in the circumstances which means that someone else should handle the protest or breach; • whether the facts of the protest or breach are in dispute; and • the urgency of the protest or breach, including the possibility considerable disadvantage while the investigation and resolution process is underway. <p>If Tournament Management is the appropriate person to handle the protest or breach they will, to the extent that these steps are necessary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • put the information they have received from you to the person/people you are protesting about and ask them to provide their side of the story; • decide if there is established information on the balance of probabilities to determine whether the matter alleged in your protest or breach did or did not happen; and/or determine what, if any, further action to take to reach a resolution or outcome. <p>Step 2: Investigation of the Protest or Breach/Scorecard Dispute</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a person appointed by Tournament Management will conduct an investigation to determine what further action to take; • if the protest is referred to mediation, to resolve; • if the protest or breach is referred to a hearings tribunal, the hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Disciplinary Regulations;



	<p>Step 3: Resolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tournament Management will document the complaint or protest, the process and the outcome. The Tour Leader or their nominated representative will be notified of the decision. • Any notice to be served on any person to attend a hearing will be served on the Tour Leader or their nominated representative. • Any such service is deemed to be served on all parties or persons within that QAN Nation. <p>The documents will be stored in an event based folder that will allow for future reference if required. If the protest is upheld then the bond will be returned. If the protest is dismissed, the bond may not be returned and would be retained by the event.</p> <p>Step 4: Reconsideration of initial outcome or subsequent appeal</p> <p>If, under this process you are not satisfied, you may request that Tournament Management reconsider the complaint or protest through the appeal process. The grounds and process for appeals then moves to the First Level Appeal Process, explained within the QAN Disciplinary Regulations.</p>
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Item B.12 – Disciplinary Regulations

	<p>SQBD is authorised by Queensland Touch Football and Touch Football Australia, and is the ‘TFA Authority’ and when using the Disciplinary Regulations commences at the Disciplinary Tribunal level and allows for a first level appeal to occur in an event environment. This is therefore the final level of an appeal that will be used within the event environment.</p> <p>A second level appeal process is available, however cannot be implemented inside an event environment. Second level appeals will be undertaken separately to an event under normal Disciplinary Regulations timelines and processes (see Points 7-18 below).</p> <p>In all cases the Disciplinary Regulations apply to this event, with amendments to the timelines (annotated in Bold) to ensure the urgency in dealing with situations that arise in an event context as outlined below:</p> <p>7. CONVENING DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL HEARINGS</p> <p>Notification of persons charged under these Disciplinary Regulations must include details of the day, time and place of the Disciplinary Tribunal hearing at which the charge will be heard in accordance with these Disciplinary Regulations, and must be provided at least one hour’s notice to such hearing.</p> <p>8. REPORTS BY OFFICIALS</p> <p>8.2 Two match suspension under TFA Playing Rules</p> <p>Where a player has been dismissed for the remainder of the match by a referee under rule 17.3(b) of the TFA Playing Rules and Referee Signals (Playing Rules) (as amended from time to time), the referee must report the dismissal to the relevant TFA Authority. Under the Playing Rules a player dismissed for the remainder of the match will receive an automatic two match suspension from all matches conducted by any affiliated Touch Association. Any such automatic two match suspension must be reported verbally by the referee or competition organiser within 30 minutes, with two hours allowed to provide the written report.</p>
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	<p>11. DUTIES OF TFA AUTHORITY UPON RECEIVING A REPORT</p> <p>(b)(x) Provide the charged person, team or club with a copy of the Incident Report form. In carrying out this function the Hearings Officer shall:</p> <p>provide a copy of the Incident Report form to the charged person (or a representative of a charged team or club) a minimum of one hour’s notice prior to the hearing; or</p> <p>if the TFA Authority does not have contact details for the charged person, team or club, make a copy of the Incident Report form available for collection by the charged person, team or club and notify the team manager of the requirement to collect the form.</p> <p>18. NOTICE OF APPEAL</p> <p>The Appellant must:</p> <p>(i) lodge a notice stating full details of charges and results thereof and stating in full the grounds of appeal with the Appeals Officer within 30 minutes of the notification of a determination of a Disciplinary Tribunal hearing using the Notice of Appeal form at Appendix D or other form issued by the TFA Authority (“Notice of Appeal”); and</p> <p>(ii) pay the appeal fee to the Appeals Officer when lodging the Notice of Appeal, which shall be:</p> <p>\$200 for an Appeal Tribunal conducted by a TFA Authority (first level of appeal); and \$400 for a TFA Appeal Tribunal conducted by Touch Football Australia (second level of appeal).</p> <p>The appeal fees do not apply in the case of appeals by minors and may be waived (in any other case) in the discretion of the Appeals Officer.</p> <p>An Appellant shall be notified by the Appeals Officer within 12 hours of receipt of the first level Notice of Appeal as to whether an appeal hearing is to be granted (under regulation 17) and the time, date and place of the appeal hearing, in the event that it is granted.</p>
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Item B.13 – Suspensions

	<p>In the event of a player being sent from the field for the remainder of the game, an automatic two match suspension will apply unless the Disciplinary Tribunal considers further action is warranted.</p> <p>The suspension applies to the next two matches the team participates in the event or future events. It does not include byes, or if the player belongs to a team that forfeits in a match. Games forfeited to the suspended player’s team will count.</p> <p>Any player who receives three separate periods of time will be required to appear before Tournament Management to show cause as to why he/she should not be given an automatic two match suspension (or more if the Disciplinary Tribunal considers further action is warranted).</p> <p>Any player who receives a third period of time during the finals series will automatically receive a two-game suspension at the following TFA event they participate in. Entities are responsible for enforcing and informing TFA of any application.</p> <p>Nation Champions will be responsible for suspended players, officials and spectators.</p>
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Item B.14 – Eligibility Issues

In the event of a protest being lodged regarding a player’s eligibility, (should QAN feel the protest has foundation), the Entity will be required to provide proof of eligibility.

Documentation of an individual required to prove eligibility would include:

- Statutory Declaration that they have meet eligibility criteria
- Copy of individual(s) registration form
- Copy of typed sign-on sheets of which the individual participated in to be eligible.
- Endorsement in person by Nation Champion.

Should a Nation be unable to prove eligibility of a player, they will be unable to participate in the tournament.

A team found playing an unregistered or ineligible player may be disqualified.

Eligibility Review

After the Initial Team Lists are sent to QAN, player names will be distributed to Champion Leaders. If there are any issues with the eligibility of individuals, they are to lodge a protest with QAN with accompanying evidence.

Issues sometimes can be raised without lodging an official protest in the first-round review.

QAN may seek advice, evidence and relevant documentation, which will have an individualised timeframe for response. In the case of no response, determinations may be made on the available information.

After the Final Team Lists are lodged at the Managers Meeting, player names will be available to Tour Leaders who request it. This information will be provided to all Nations to assist in this process. If there are any issues with the eligibility of individuals, they are to lodge a protest with Tournament Management with accompanying evidence.

QAN will not apply any exemption on age or eligibility.

Item B.15 – Score Cards

It is the responsibility of each team to allocate the appropriate person to sign the score card at the end of each game. The appropriate person can be the Coach, Team Manager or Team Captain ONLY. In signing the score card, the nominated person on behalf of their team has acknowledged and accepted the information on the score sheet to be true and correct. This information includes:

- Full time and half time scores
- Send Offs or Period of Times’ sanctions.

QAN encourages all referees, players and officials to communicate throughout the game to make sure that all parties have responsibility in ensuring that the score sheet is correct.

If you do not agree with the information on the score card, do not sign the score card and lodge a protest via the Nation Champion as indicated above. Protests will be reviewed by Tournament Management.



	<p>If the score card has not been signed and the time has passed for a protest to be lodged, the information on the score card will be recorded. In the specific instances of a score dispute, the time to lodge a protest is 60 minutes, as this is an appropriate amount of time for video review to occur prior to progressing with a formal process if required.</p> <p>If the information on the score card is unclear, the relevant parties may be contacted to confirm.</p>
<p>Item B.16 – Score Disputes</p>	
	<p>If a team does not agree with the score on the score sheet, they are to lodge a protest via the Nation Champion ONLY as indicated above.</p> <p>The following information is to be provided with the protest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The team that tapped off first and direction of play • The order the scoring occurred (including player numbers of both teams) • The half time and full time scores. <p>The opposing team will be called to verify the score. If they do not agree or in the event of inconclusive evidence the score will be recorded as the score that the referees have recorded.</p> <p>Note: A score protest will not be review unless a completed score sheet is provided by the team with scorers (both teams) and time/sequence, half- and full-time scores. QTF score sheet can be located on the Event Website.</p>
<p>Item B.17 – Additional Players</p>	
	<p>All teams must have a minimum of 10 players with a maximum of 16 but only 14 players are eligible for any one game.</p> <p>No players can be added to team sheets immediately after team sheets have been submitted to tournament control prior to the first game.</p>
<p>Item B.18 – Interchange Area Rules</p>	
	<p>The interchange areas (20m x 3m) will be positioned at halfway on both sides, unless field layouts do not support two sub boxes.</p> <p>If teams are to share a sub box, both teams will have full use of the area allocated. The sub box area will not be split.</p> <p>Each individual must wear closed footwear in the sub box at all times.</p> <p>If a team believes that the opposition had more than 14 registered participants on the playing surface or unregistered participants in their interchange area they may lodge a protest. For the protest to be upheld, the opposition must agree that they broke this rule or conclusive video evidence must be provided.</p> <p>If the protest is upheld, it cannot change the result of the round game. However, it may attract expulsion from remaining games.</p>

Item B.19 – Coaching Positions

A coach may position themselves at the end of a field. If they are at the end of the field they must remain at least five meters behind the dead ball line. Where a fence, spectator line or advertising signage prevents this they must remain behind the fence or advertising signage.

Any coaching/management staff at the end of a playing field cannot issue any verbal or physical commands directly to the team they are observing and can only communicate to the team or other coaching/management staff in the interchange area by returning to the interchange area or by use of electronic communication equipment.

Any person found to be disregarding this tournament rule will be asked to return to the interchange area. Coaches are reminded that they are under the jurisdiction of the Tournament Conditions and the referee regardless of being either in the interchange area or at the end of the field.

Failure to comply with this will result in individuals being asked to leave the venue for the duration of the game and may result in further action.

Item B.20 – Spectators

Spectators are not permitted within 5 meters. All spectators are the responsibility of the designated team Coach or highest official.

All spectators must be behind the designated spectator line. This is for the safety of participants as well to maximise the spectator experience.

C – POLICIES

Item C.1 – TFA Policies

It is the responsibility of each Entities to ensure that their respective touring parties behave in the manner as detailed in the:

- TFA Constitution
- TFA Disciplinary Regulations
- TFA Code of Conduct
- TFA National Integrity Framework
- TFA Anti-Doping Policy
- TFA Responsibility Code
- QTF Social Media Policy

All of this documentation is available on the QTF website – <https://qldtouch.com.au/qtf-documents-policies/>

Or the TFA Website: <https://touchfootball.com.au/policies/sport-policies/>

	<p>In addition to the Membership and Participant Declaration which is to be signed by all players and officials, the following rules of conduct must be followed:</p> <p>Players/Officials will at all times comply with the reasonable and lawful directions, requests and instructions of SQBD Staff, Nation Leaders and Team Management.</p> <p>Players/Officials will exhibit exemplary conduct at all times including whilst travelling to and from the tournament.</p> <p>Players/Officials causing willful damage to property will be required to take responsibility for that damage and make appropriate restitution. Such players may also expect to be suspended or dismissed from participating further in the tournament and any future tournaments or teams.</p> <p>Players/Officials are required to demonstrate respect for fellow players, administrators and officials at all times. Ill-discipline, poor behaviour or lack of respect for other persons or property may result in the suspension and/or dismissal of the player from the tournament and any future tournaments or teams. Further action may also be taken.</p> <p>You are reminded that by law a player under 18 years of age is not permitted under any circumstances to enter a licensed premise or to partake in the consumption of alcohol while at the event, or while travelling to or from the event.</p> <p>Any player/official found to have participated in group dares/scavenger hunt that includes the theft or damage to property may result in that player(s) suspension and/or dismissal of the player from the tournament. Further action may also be taken.</p> <p>Any player/official caught participating in a 'nude/streak' run during the time the tournament is being conducted will be suspended from all Touch Football for a period of six months from the date of the offence or be fined etc. as determined in a review process.</p> <p>The taking or supplying of any illegal drug will not be tolerated. Any Player/Official found to be breaking the law by using or supplying illegal drugs will be handed over to the Police for due process.</p> <p>Any Player/Official who uses offensive language towards other players, officials or administrators may result in that person receiving a suspension and/or dismissal of the person from the tournament. Further action may also be taken.</p> <p>Any practice that involves any form of victimisation, financial fines, abuse or physical or sexual harassment will not be tolerated.</p> <p>SQBD will coordinate the investigation of any reports of a breach of these codes and policies. If proven, strong and swift action will be taken by SQBD.</p> <p>Actions and incidents will be recorded and may be used in future events or incidents if necessary. Tournament Management in protecting the integrity and framework of the event may record and warn people if necessary to them of their obligations under the Conditions of Entry in addition to the disciplinary processes outlined.</p>
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Item C.2 – Member Protection

TFA, QTF and SQBD encourage participation in our sport, in any capacity, by all members of the community – without reference to age, ability, income, education, sexual preference, race or religion.

We are committed to providing a safe environment, that is free from harassment, discrimination and abuse for everyone, and promotes inclusion, respectful and positive behaviour and values.

The TFA National Integrity Framework aims to assist our sport in upholding its core values and create a safe, fair and inclusive environment for everyone. It sets out our commitment to ensure that every person involved in our sport is treated with respect and dignity and is protected from discrimination, harassment, child abuse and other forms of inappropriate behaviour and outlines procedure for resolving complaints based on the principles of procedural fairness.

Play by the Rules

Play by the Rules is a partnership between the Australian Sports Commission, Australian Human Rights Commission, all State/Territory departments of sport and recreation and anti-discrimination and human rights agencies.

The www.playbytherules.net.au website has several interactive courses that coaches and officials can undertake to learn more about Member Protection. It provides information, resources, tools and free online training to increase the capacity and capability of administrators, coaches, officials, players, parents and spectators to assist them in preventing and dealing with discrimination, harassment, child safety, inclusion and integrity issues in sport.

QTF encourages Nations Champions, coaches and team officials attending QTF events to complete the online course. The course is relatively easy, informative and takes limited time to complete.

Item C.3 – Legal Guardianship Issues

Legal Guardianship is the responsibility of the Nations.

In some instances, persons under the age of 18 will be in attendance at the event. In understanding our expectations around your role and responsibilities we provide Entities 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.

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.

	<p>Communication with the Parents</p> <p>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:</p> <p>http://www.expertlaw.com/library/estate_planning/guardianship.html</p> <p>http://singleparents.about.com/od/legalissues/ht/temporary_guard.htm</p>
<p>Item C.4 – Supervision of Underage Players</p>	
	<p>Nations are responsible for the direct supervision of any player, official or referee who is under the age of 18 years (“Minor”). Nations must take all reasonable steps to protect Minors under their supervision from all forms of harassment. This includes but is not limited to ensuring that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Officials comply with all applicable Child Protection laws; and • Each Minor and their legal guardian is provided with a copy of the TFA National Integrity Framework; • When travelling to, during and from the Tournament, all reasonable steps are taken to supervise Minors. <p>The Nation must appoint a guardian for each Minor whose parents and/or legal guardian are not in attendance. The appointment of such guardian must be approved in writing by the parents and/or legal guardians of the Minor prior, to the Tournament.</p>
<p>Item C.5 – Child Safeguarding</p>	
	<p>QTF & SQBD are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people who participate in our sport and access our services. We support the rights of the child and will act at all times ensure a child safe environment is maintained.</p> <p>QTF & SQBD acknowledge the valuable contribution made by staff, members and volunteers and we acknowledge their active participation in providing a safe, fair and inclusive environment for all participants.</p> <p>Nation Champions are responsible for making sure all staff and volunteers involved with children who are under the age of 18, have a valid Working with Children Checks (WWCC) in their relevant State.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the Nations to collect evidence of valid Blue Card (WWCC) for all staff or volunteers, keep on record and check that the card is valid, before they enter Event.</p>
<p>Item C.6 Images and Video Footage</p>	
	<p>All persons accept that, by participating in QTF events, they may be photographed/filmed and these images/ may be used by QTF for promotion of the sport. QTF will not pass any images/film onto a third party unless prior approval is sought. If you do not wish QTF to be able to use your image/s or be filmed, you must notify QTF in writing.</p> <p>Due to the ease of access to QTF events, unfortunately QTF cannot ensure everyone who enters the precinct and who may photograph/film players and games at events. If you notice any suspicious behaviour of an</p>

	<p>individual/s in relation to photography/filming of individuals, please make QTF Event staff aware immediately to enable investigation and or correspondence with appropriate authorities.</p> <p>With the use of social media, it is now important QTF has regulations around the photographing or filming of players and games at events.</p> <p>To protect the privacy and images anyone photographing or filming games or players will be required to be registered with QTF and have permission to film.</p> <p>Requests should be directed to the QTF Event Manger. QTF reserves the right to take immediate possession of any video footage taken at a QTF event that may assist QTF in investigating any matter of judiciary, discipline or protest.</p> <p>All care of equipment, tape and data cards will be taken and returned to the owner upon determination of the judiciary, disciplinary hearing or protest.</p>
<p>Item C.7 – Food Handling</p>	
	<p>Some Nations and teams arrange lunches or snacks for participants during their touring levies and or pooling groceries and food. It is important to note that handling food for groups can be a major risk factor with food poisoning or spoiling. QAN reminds Nations that they need to have processes and policy around the individuals that are responsible for these aspects. Please visit www.foodstandards.gov.au for more information.</p> <p>Gas and Naked Flame (Hot Coals) BBQs or similar heating device for Affiliates, Regions, Participants and Spectators are not allowed at any venue where QTF conducts Events.</p> <p>It is recommended that Nations only provide pre-packaged food for participants and do not allow sharing of food.</p>
<p>Item C.8 – Water Safety</p>	
	<p>Ice baths/wading pools are not permitted at QAN. Any Nation that is found to be in breach of this will be asked to remove the structure immediately and if they do not, they may be asked to leave the venue and competition.</p>
<p>Item C.10 – Weather</p>	
	<p>Extreme Weather</p> <p>In the event of extreme weather conditions, QTF will follow the TFA Extreme Heat Guidelines, Electrical Storm and Wet Weather Guidelines and Air Quality Guidelines available at https://touchfootball.com.au/policies/. QAN reserves the right to organise any affected games in whatever format which will assist the games to occur in as equal conditions as possible.</p> <p>Match Reschedule</p> <p>If, due to any other extraordinary circumstances, 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.</p> <p>If the game has commenced, and cannot continue prior to half time the following will apply:</p>

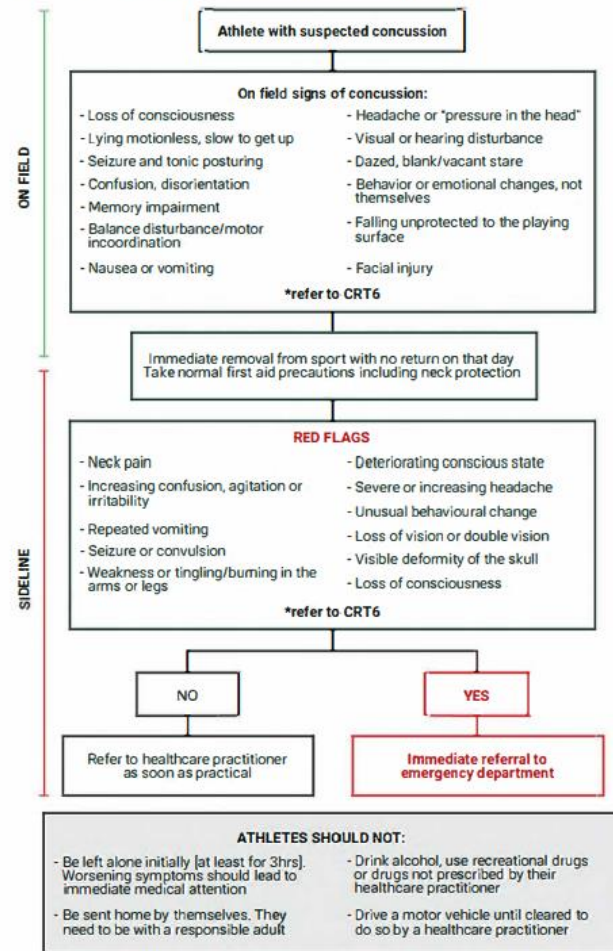
	<p>1) The game will start from the beginning and must be completed up to the regulation full time.</p> <p>2) The score will commence at 0–0.</p> <p>If half time has occurred and the game cannot continue, the following will apply:</p> <p>1) The game will start from the beginning of the second half and must be completed up to the regulation full time.</p> <p>2) The score will commence at the score that was recorded at half time.</p> <p>If a team refuses to complete the game when it has been resumed, that team shall forfeit the game.</p> <p>If, due to time constraints or any other reason, a game cannot be rescheduled the following will occur:</p> <p>1) Games that did not continue prior to half-time will be abandoned and a 0–0 score will result.</p> <p>2) The result of games that did not continue after and including half time will be the score at that point in time.</p> <p>NOTE: Tournament Management reserves the right to judge and adjust to suit the conditions as required.</p>
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Item C.11 – Concussion Policy

	<p>The Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) and Australian Medical Association (AMA) have established a joint Position Statement on Concussion in Sport and have launched concussioninsport.gov.au – an Australian Government funded website providing simple but specific advisory tools for athletes, parents, teachers, coaches and medical practitioners. QTF adhere to the TFA Concussion Policy.</p> <p>Recognising concussion</p> <p>Recognising concussion is critical to ensure appropriate management and prevention of further injury. Any athlete suspected of having concussion should be removed from the sport and not allowed to return for the day. The athlete should be reviewed by a medical practitioner. <i>If in doubt, sit them out.</i></p> <p>How to recognise concussion and what are the symptoms / signs of concussion and further information can be found here https://concussioninsport.gov.au/.</p>
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Figure 1: Non-healthcare practitioner at sporting event where there is a suspicion of concussion (for parents, coaches, referees, teachers, team-mates and support staff)



Reference: Australian Concussion Guidelines, 2024

Item C.12 – Blood Bin

Any Player and/or Referee with a bleeding cut or abrasion is to leave the field immediately and have the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered. Any blood stained clothing must also be either cleaned or replaced.

If the player does not leave the field immediately, the Referee will stop the game and ask the player to leave the field (normal substitution rules apply).

Once the flow of blood has been stemmed, the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered and any blood-stained clothing and equipment cleaned or replaced, the Player and/or Referee may return to the field and continue play.

If bleeding can't be controlled and/or the wound securely covered, the player must not continue to participate in the game.

Item C.13 – Insurance	
	<p>Due to the style of event where not individuals are affiliated members, all insurance fees are covered within the Team Nomination Fee. This insurance provide coverage during the event only.</p> <p>All players MUST BE registered for the event via the MySideline Touch Football database and all associated fees paid in full for the insurance to be valid for the individual.</p> <p>If an Injury is sustained whilst at the QAN, the injured participant must be assessed by event medical staff and details of the injury noted via the Injury Report Form and/or appropriate medical register.</p> <p>It is the participants responsibility to lodge a Claim Form request via the Insurer within 120 days of the injury occurring.</p> <p>Travel is to be arranged by the Nation and their members. Depending on the arrangement between participants and the Nation, you may or may not be responsible for arranging your own travel to and from an event. SQBD recommends you clearly understand and confirm what your Nation is providing/arranging for you if anything</p> <p>Travel Insurance for the event is the responsibility of the individual. While you are covered at the event for any injuries that occur in relation to Touch Football activities, SQBD accepts no responsibility and makes no assurances that theft, damage or accident won't occur.</p> <p>Ensure you have adequate travel insurance and/or home and contents insurance that will cover you in the event that something occurs. Furthermore, SQBD encourages individuals not to bring unnecessary valuables to an event, in particular the fields, as we cannot guarantee security.</p>
Item C.14 – Glass and Alcohol	
	<p>All participants are to refrain from bringing glass containers of any type into the venue.</p> <p>The QLD All Nations is an alcohol free event and no alcohol will be sold or brought onto site.</p> <p>Under no circumstances are any persons permitted to bring alcohol to the event for consumption, sale or gift.</p> <p>Teams may be withdrawn from competition if proven to be in breach of this requirement.</p>
Item C.14 – Parking Areas and Traffic Management	
	<p>SQBD will communicate all traffic management information in the online Tournament Briefing. Any individual parking in an incorrect spot will be towed.</p>
Item C.15 – Injury Clearances	
	<p>In instances where a participant is examined by SQBD Medical and it is indicated that they should not participate for a certain amount of time, the participant will be deemed to be ineligible to do so.</p> <p>Therefore, if the participant does participate, the team may be disqualified.</p> <p>In addition, there also may be some insurance issues due to the participant being deemed as ineligible.</p>



Item C.16 – Tents

All Nations must provide size requirements for placement of tents. No tents or shades are to be erected outside the allotted area designated to a Nation.

- › If a Nation wishes to source/setup their own Tent or Shade Area, **or make arrangement for hire Tent to be installed onsite, prior approval from the Event Manager** is required.
- › **Nations must ensure placement of this structure will need to be confirmed with Event Manager, before setup.**
- › Nations must ensure structures are secured appropriately and as to manufactures guidelines.
- › **Any Tent/Shade Area erected in an area deemed unsafe or in the way, or not appropriately secured will be asked to remove the structure.**
- › **No spectators will be allowed within the Nation tent, ONLY players, coaches and team managers will be allowed to be within the tent.**

Tents are to be kept in a tidy manner during the event. At the end of the day the tent area MUST be left in a tidy manner. Excessive cleaning requirements may incur a \$100 cleaning fee for the Nation.

Item C.17 – Vendors

Only approved and licensed Food vendors will be permitted to attend the event.

All vendors must provide copies of permits and relevant insurance and food handling certificates along with full list of products for approval. No electricity power or any other resource are available. All vendors must be self-sufficient.

All Food Vendors must have their statement of compliance on their stall for the entirety of the event. Food Vendors will be required to supply all hygiene supplies and will be responsible for cleaning their area.

Item D – SOCIAL MEDIA

The social media hashtag for all channels over the 2024 event will be **#QAN24**

Facebook: @qldallnations

YouTube: SharksTV

Instagram: @sqbdsharks

Event Website:

<https://festivaloftouch.qldtouch.com.au/all-nations/>

Item E – NATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

For all final positioning of teams, Nation Championship points will be awarded on the results obtained.

The following points will be awarded:

Winner = 10 Runner-up = 7 Semi Finalist = 5 Participation = 3
More than one team = Participation = 0

N.B.: A Nation can only be awarded the points for the team ranked first in that division.

Example: If QLD Maori gains 10 points for winning a division and their 2nd team makes a Semi Final, the 2nd team receives no nation championship points.

Item F – FORCE MAJEURE

- A. If SQBD is unable to perform, in whole or part in any obligation under these regulations of a Force Majeure Event, SQBD is relieved of that obligation under these regulations to the extent, and the period it is unable to perform.
- B. In addition to, SBQD 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 QTF.

