



2009 HOBART CARNIVAL

CARNIVAL RULES

1. Team and Player Eligibility

- a. Players must all be currently registered players with Football Federation Australia either directly to Football Federation Tasmania or through their Junior Association.
- b. No team will be permitted to field any over age players.
- c. The maximum number of players that can be named in each team is as follows

Under 10	15 players (9-a-side)
Under 11	15 players (9-a-side)
Under 12 and above	18 players (11-a-side)
- d. Prior to the tournament commencing, all teams are to provide a completed Team Registration form.
 - i. No team will be permitted to play players other than those indicated on their Team Registration form.
 - ii. Each player must play in the shirt number as indicated on the Team Registration form.

2. Rules

- a. U10's and U11's will play by the rules for Optus Small Sided Football as issued by FFA.
- b. Under 12's and above will play by the FIFA Laws of the Game.
- c. All players will compete under the guidelines of the National Disciplinary Policy.
- d. A player sent from the field of play will not play the remainder of that or the following game. The Tournament Disciplinary Committee will review all send-offs and players will be notified of any further suspension.

3. Matches

- a. Each game will consist of two equal halves with a five-minute break at half time. The length of each half shall be

20 minute halves for the Under 11 and lower age groups
25 minute halves for the Under 12 and 13 age groups
30 minute halves for the Under 14 age groups and above
- b. Due to the tight nature of the scheduling no time added on will be played in any match
- c. The maximum number of players that can be named on the team sheet for each match is as follows

Under 11 and below	13 players
Under 12 and above	15 players

4. Match Balls

- a. Size 3 balls are to be used for the U10 age group.
- b. Size 4 balls are to be used for all age groups from U11 up to and including Under 13
- c. Size 5 balls are to be used for all age groups Under 14 and above.

5. Referees

- a. Referees will be provided for each match. However each team may be required to provide an assistant each from time to time.

6. Interchange of players

- a. Please refer to the Optus SSF Rules for Under 10's and Under 11's.
- b. For all other teams
 - i. Each team is allowed a maximum of six (6) interchanges of players during any game.
 - ii. Interchanges can only be made with the Referee's permission.
 - iii. The ball must be out of play for an interchange to take place.
 - iv. Players must be at the half way line before the Referee is asked to allow the interchange.
 - v. The interchange player cannot enter the field until the player being replaced has crossed over the touchline
 - vi. Further interchanges may only be made during the half time break.
 - vii. This rule will be waived in the event of a player being injured after all six (6) interchanges have been made. An injured player may be interchanged in order to receive treatment.

7. Winner

- a. Teams will be awarded points for each game played as follows

WIN	=	3 POINTS
SCORE DRAW	=	2 POINTS
NIL DRAW	=	1 POINT
LOSS	=	0 POINTS
- b. Teams breaching the Tournament Rules may be penalised by loss of points or forfeiture of matches.
- c. If any game(s) is called off for any reason by the Referee or Competition Manager then the Competition Manager and Football Federation Tasmania CEO will decide whether to award points or replay the game(s).
- d. The team finishing with the most points will be declared the winner.
 - i. If teams finish on equal points, the winner will be determined firstly by goal difference then by the number of goals scored by each team.
 - ii. If a draw still remains then the team winning the game between the drawn teams will be declared the winner.
 - iii. If this game was drawn the teams shall be declared joint winners.

8. Officials

- a. All team officials and players are to be identified by their region's colours on the field, unless permission is given by the Tournament Management Committee to do otherwise
- b. Only Coaches, Managers, Trainers, and substitutes are permitted in the technical area.
- c. Team officials are to advise their parents and supporters of this rule

9. Presentation

- a. All participants will receive a participation certificate/pennant
- b. At the conclusion of the Final for each age group, medallions will be presented to the players of the winning team.

****Football Federation Tasmania shall have the power to alter or add to these rules, from time to time as seen fit.**