

Queensland School Sport

10-12 Years Football Competition Procedures

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This document <u>must</u> be read in conjunction with the QSSMG Competition Procedures.

1 Queensland School Sport Internal Structures

1.1 Sport Specific Committees and Advisory Groups

The Queensland School Sport (QSS) 10-12 Years Football sports specific committee follows:

- Queensland School Sport Management Group (QSSMG) Competition Procedures.
- Queensland School Sport 10-12 Years Football Competition Procedures

QSS 10-12 Years Football Competition Procedures and QSSMG Competition Procedures must be read in conjunction with one another.

1.2 Registration of New Sports

1.3 Alternative Procedures Enabling Participation at a School Sport Australia Competition

- **1.4** De-registration of Sports
- **1.5** Sport Specific Committee Reports
- **1.6** State Sport Committee Finances

2 Approval of Competitions

3 Competition Programs

3.1 State Championships (Inter-regional Competition)

3.1.1 Regions will host the state championships on a basis as determined by QSS.

3.1.2 The state championship should be held at least four weeks prior to the School Sport Australia 12 years and under Championship.

3.1.3 The length of the state championships shall be four days, with at least two of these being school days.

3.1.4 The championship shall be conducted as two pools with no team playing more than three games per day, unless weather causes one day's cancellation.

3.1.5 Team lists are to be forwarded to the host centre no later than the last Friday of Term 2.

QSS 10-12 Years Football will:

3.1.6 Distribute to the host region the competition guidelines (including championship conditions) which will be used at the state championships.

3.1.7 Provide a competition draw. A new draw is to be presented each year.

3.1.8 Playing Conditions and Competition Draw

3.1.9 QSS 10-12 Years Football executive (or nominee) will inspect the playing fields to determine their suitability for playing championship Football.

3.1.10 Advise host regions of anticipated financial assistance for the conduct of the championship.

3.1.11 Forward to the host centre a grant derived from sponsorship money attained by QSS, if any such grant is forthcoming.

3.1.12 Provide the host region with an 'Eligibility to Play for Queensland' Form which will detail the approximate levy to be charged to attend the School Sport Australia Football Championship.

The Host Region will:

3.1.13 Have responsibility for organising the state championships.

3.1.14 Prepare a budget and include a competition draw (provided by QSS 10-12 Years Football) for the championships and convey them to QSS 10-12 Years Football for approval at least three months prior to the championships

3.1.15 Not later than two months prior to the championships, advise competing regions of the competition venues, playing schedule, eligibility to play for Queensland form, accommodation available for officials, cost of same, team levy, and any other costs.

3.1.16 Produce a quality-printed program, which contains championship rules, team lists, codes of behaviour and acknowledges the contributions of sponsors.

3.1.17 Observe usual protocols relating to the invitation of sponsors and EQ personnel to the opening and closing ceremonies and the official dinner.

3.1.18 Service sponsors according to QSS policy.

3.1.19 Organise Pre and Post Championship Conferences.

- 3.1.20 Attempt to secure media coverage.
- 3.1.21 Ensure that the code of behaviour is adhered to at all times.
- 3.1.22 Ensure that first aid and medical facilities are available
- 3.1.23 Provide qualified referees.

3.1.24 Immediately notify QSS 10-12 Years Football of any dispute or concern, which needs resolving.

3.1.25 Provide medallions for the first, second and third placed team/s, including coach and manager, in the overall competition.

3.1.26 Within one month after completion of the championship provide QSS 10-12 Years Football with a written report on the state championships and an acquittal of the championship's budget.

3.2 State Championship Competition Rules

3.2.1 10-12 Years State Championships

FIFA rules will apply to the competition except wherein stated:

3.2.1.1 Team squads shall be:

Boys - 14 students who are 12 years and under

Girls - 14 students who are 12 years and under

3.2.1.2 The championship shall be conducted as a two pool competition.

3.2.1.3 The duration of matches shall be 20 minutes each half, with five a minute break at half time.

3.2.1.4 All games are to be officially timed by the referee. No timeout for injury will be allowed unless there is an extended delay due to serious injury.

3.2.1.5 Abandoned games - If conditions are applicable, where a stoppage extends a game past the scheduled completion time, the game will be completed on that field. The competition times for that day will be adjusted in order that the next round of games following will all begin simultaneously. If conditions cannot be met to extend the completion time of the game, the game will be abandoned and the score at the time of abandonment will stand as the result of that game.

Conditions that may prevent the day's completion time being extended would include such conditions (but not restricted too) as;

The fields required by a club for their games or training

Regional Teams required to be at an airport for check in

Fading light, no provision for flood lights

Personnel (eg sport medicine) having other appointments for that day

Weather

3.2.1.6 The treatment of injuries shall be left to the discretion of the referee. Any such treatment should be carried out by the manager, coach or appointed first aid/ medical official.

3.2.1.7 Official score cards for each game are to be filled out by the referee and countersigned by team coaches or managers.

3.2.1.8 Team officials and interchange players of both teams shall be seated in their respective 'coaches' boxes (technical area) on the same side of the field.

3.2.1.9 An unlimited return substitution (interchange) system shall be utilised. The incoming player is to enter the field at the half way line after the replaced player has left the field. There will be no return substitutions in the last five minutes of the second half of normal playing time. The exception will be where a player is injured in that period and has to be replaced for treatment.

3.2.1.10 Managers and coaches (or approved team officials) will be responsible for managing the return substitution (interchange) policy.

3.2.1.11 Size 4 football is to be used.

3.2.1.12 Corner kicks shall be taken eight metres from the penalty area or from the actual corner post when this is less than eight metres from the penalty area. The mark for corner kicks shall be defined.

3.2.1.13 Points will be awarded on the basis of four points for a win, two points for a draw and one point for a loss.

3.2.1.14 In the event of a tie on points at the conclusion of the championship, joint winners will be declared. Medallions will be presented to members of the winning team, the runners-up and third place in the overall competition. The winning team of students, their coach and manager will receive gold medallions; the runner's up will receive silver medallions and the third place team bronze medallions.

3.2.1.15 Undershorts ('Skins')

Team members will be allowed to wear undershorts/undershirts that are not similar in colour to the playing short/undershirt with the proviso that:

Full leg undershorts of dissimilar colour to the playing short (even if partially) covered by the playing sock will not be allowed unless they are black or flesh coloured.

Undershirts with a long sleeve dissimilar to the short sleeve colour of the playing shirt will not be allowed unless they are black or flesh coloured.

3.2.1.16 Sock tape

A team, for uniformity will wear the same colour sock tape.

The tape colour will be the same colour as the sock or the team all use the same colour tape if the colour is different from the sock colour.

3.2.2 Disciplinary Committee

The disciplinary committee will be the:

- i) Convenor or nominee
- ii) Executive member or nominee
- iii) A team manager/coach nominated at the pre-championship meeting

Please note: the executive member or nominated manager/coach will not adjudicate if the player is from their team of which they are a team official.

For send-off offences the disciplinary committee will meet with the referee, the referee coordinator (or nominee) and the player's team manager or team coach.

3.2.2.1 A player will be disqualified from participating in the next game their team is involved in if:

- i) he/she is sent off
- ii) he/she has been given three yellow cards throughout the championship
- iii) a player who is sent off after being shown two yellow cards in the one game does not receive a further suspension on receiving a yellow card in a subsequent game.
- iv) A player who is shown a red card for an offence unrelated to any cautions already received in a game is subject to missing another game if they receive a third yellow card.

3.2.2.2 A team official (manager or coach or other) reported by the referee for misconduct during a game will:

- i) Receive a verbal warning from the disciplinary committee or
- ii) Half match suspension

3.2.2.3 A team official (manager or coach or other) sent from the technical area for misconduct:

- i) will receive a one match suspension
- ii) will not be allowed to communicate with their team during the warm up, during the game, halftime and during the warm down.
- 3.2.3 On field Blood/Open Wound Guidelines

The referees enforce the blood rule which is:

3.2.3.1 Player leaves the field to be treated and will not be allowed back on until the referee or assistant referee can see that the bleeding has stopped, the wound has been cleaned, and if required, the wound has been covered.

3.2.3.2 Any clothing with blood on it has to be removed ie the player will change into a clean kit or partial kit (ie shirt, shorts or socks). Please note, that where any clothing apparel of a player has been contaminated by blood, the apparel must be washed clean of blood before the player can play any further football using that apparel

3.2.3.3 If there is a sufficient amount of blood on the field to cause concern, then the field has to be cleaned as well.

Coaches and /or managers will also be responsible for removing a player from the field if they see the player bleeding and before that player has been observed by the on field officials. This will be done by notifying the referee or assistant referee that you wish the player to leave the field for treatment. This can be done before a stoppage in play occurs.

3.3 School Based Competitions

3.4 Sponsorship

4 Access to State Championships

4.1 Eligibility

4.1.1 Students aged 12 or under during the calendar year are eligible to participate. They must attend a primary school/secondary school/college, which is affiliated with QSS.

4.2 Centres of Athletic Development

4.3 Guidelines for Gender Equity in Sport

5 Conduct of State Championships

5.1 Championship Host

5.2 Participation

5.2.1 Playing Conditions and Competition Draw

The competition will be a first round of two pools with a second pool round to finalise championship positions. The top three teams from the first round being placed in a new pool and the bottom three teams from being placed in a new pool.

Points:	win 4	draw 2	loss 1
Match time:	games	will be 2 X 2	20 minute halves with a 5 minute break
Ball:	size 4		

5.2.1.1 Championship rules

The Teams are drawn into two pools using the final place results from the previous year.

Pool A	Pool B
1	2
4	3
5	6
8	7
9	10
12	11

5.2.1.2 First round

In the event of two or more teams finishing in equal places, the method for determining the order will be as follows:

- If two teams are tied, the result of the game between the teams will determine the placing. e.g. If Team A and Team B have equal placing, but Team A beat Team B in their fixture the higher place will go to Team A.
- ii) In the event of the tied teams having a draw in their fixture, goal difference from all games played, will determine the winner. E.g. If Team A has a greater goal difference then Team B it will be declared the higher placegetter.
- iii) In the event of the equal goal difference then the team that has scored most goals will be declared the higher placegetter. In the event of three or more teams having equal placing, the higher place getters will be determined on goal difference (Part i) and ii)
- iv) In the event that everything is equal, a die will be rolled or a coin tossed to determine the higher place getters.

Goal difference in pool A and pool B rounds – Goals FOR

The maximum goals allowed 'FOR' will be five FOR all teams

E.g. if team A scores six goals or more the first five will only be counted for goal difference.

5.2.1.3 Second round

- i) After the completion of the pool matches, the top three teams from each pool go into Group 1 which will determine the final places from 1–6.
- ii) The bottom three teams from each pool go into Group 2 which will determine the final places from 7–12.

iii) Points from round one which, will be carried over to round two, shall be the points earned from playing round one teams going into the same round two pool.

Teams from pool A will only play teams from pool B.

Final placing will be determined by the total (round 1 and round 2) points accumulated.

Teams finishing on equal first will be declared joint champions.

In the event of two or more teams finishing in equal places for second or third, the method for determining the final placing order will be as in 5.2.1.2 using results at the end of the second round. The toss of the coin or a roll of the dice WILL NOT be used. If teams cannot be separated the tie will remain.

Second Round Pool						
	Day 3					
	Group 1			Group 2		
A1	V	B3		*A3	V	*B1
*A4	V	*B6		A6	V	B4
A2	V	B2		A5	V	B5
			Day 4			
A3	V	B3		A6	V	B6
A1	V	B2		A4	V	B5
A2	V	B1		A5	V	B4
A3	V	B2		A6	V	B5
A2	V	B3		A5	V	B6
A1	V	B1		A4	V	B4

A1 means the top team (1st place) of Pool A

B1 means the top team (1st place) of Pool B

5.3 Finance

5.4 Accommodation Framework

5.5 Event Officials

5.6 Complaints Management

Protests must be lodged with the championship convenor before 6:00 pm on the date of the match and shall be dealt with by a conference chaired by the championship convenor and consisting of one representative from each competing region.

5.7 Meetings

5.7.1 Pre-Championship Meeting – to be the held day preceding the championship. Championship convenor (or nominee) to chair the meeting. Choosing of selectors

5.7.2 Official Dinner – preferably second day of championship

5.7.3 Post Championship Meeting – to be held day before final day. A Member of Executive (or nominee) to chair the meeting.

Minutes/Report of the "Post Championship Meeting' are to be forwarded to the QSS 10-12 Years Football Committee secretary.

Motions and recommendations (if applicable) will be incorporated into the following state championship, competition rules or management procedures.

5.8 Health and Safety

- 5.9 Excursions and Functions
- 5.10 State Team Selections
- 5.11 Host Report
- 5.12 Travel Subsidy
- 5.13 Requests for Access to Students
- 5.14 Loss or Damage of Equipment at State Championships
- 5.15 Photography

5.16 Trophies and Presentations

- 5.16.1 Boys' State Championship
 - Vic Leggatt Shield for the boys overall winners
 - Runner's Up Trophy for the second placed team.
- 5.16.2 Girls' State Championship
 - Barry Lot Shield for the girls overall winners
 - Runner's Up Trophy for the second placed team.
- 5.16.3 Combined State Championship Trophies
 - Macgregor Cup awarded to the best 'city' team from combined boys and girls results.

City teams: Met East, Met North, Met West, South Coast, Sunshine Coast

 Leschke Cup — awarded to the best 'country' team from combined boys and girls results. Country teams: Capricornia, Darling Downs, North West, Northern, Peninsular, South West, Wide Bay

5.17 Areas of Responsibility

5.18 Minimum Venue Standards

5.18.1 Field sizes and markings

Field markings should comply with FIFA rules in relation to

- Line Width (no more than 12 cm/5 inches wide and same width as goal posts)
- Goal Size (posts and cross bar no more than 12 cm/5 inches wide)
- Goal Area
- Penalty Area, Penalty Arc and Penalty Spot
- Centre Mark and Centre Circle
- Corner Arcs and Corner Flags

The dimensions of these (above) markings are fixed and are shown in the diagrams that follow.

QSS 10-12 Years Football rules indicate that if a corner arc is greater than eight metres from the penalty area, corners will be taken eight metres from the penalty area and a mark be placed on the goal line.

Field sizes as per FIFA rules

Length —	minimum	90 m – 100 yds	maximum 120 m – 130 yds
Width —	minimum	45 m – 50 yds	maximum 90 m – 100 yds

If the organizing committee is marking new fields, then QSS 10-12 Years Football recommends that fields should be:

- at least 90 m and no more than 100m long; and
- a minimum width of 56 m. (a field 56 m wide will put corner arcs eight metres from the penalty area)

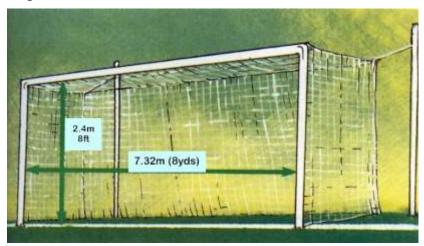


Diagram 1 : Goals

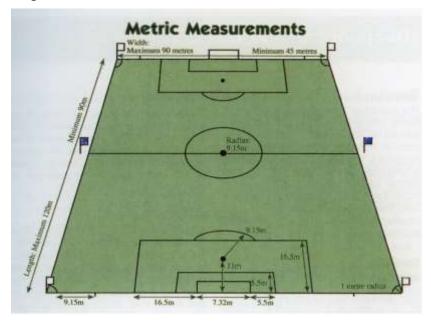
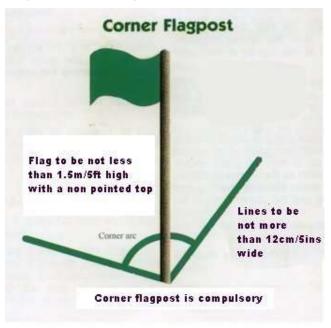


Diagram 2 : Field dimensions – metric

Diagram 3 : Corner flag post



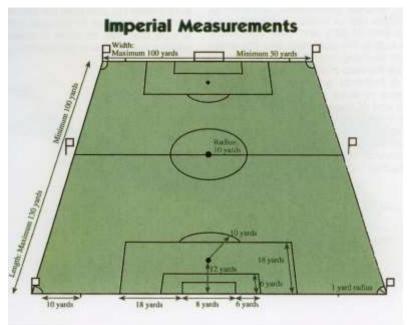


Diagram 4 : Field dimensions - imperial

5.19 Regional Delegates Role

6 Queensland Teams

6.1 State Team Selection Policies

6.2 Selection Policy Guidelines

- 6.2.1 Criteria
- 6.2.2 Exemption
- 6.2.3 Team Size
 - 6.2.3.1 The State Teams will consist of 13 players each.
- 6.2.4 Selection Panel
 - 6.2.4.1 There will be five selectors for each state team.
 - 6.2.4.2 Three of the five selectors will be
 - The Queensland Coach
 - The Queensland Manager (if present in a role at the championships)
 - An Independent selector The independent selector will not have a role with the regional team.

6.2.4.3 Nominations for selectors will be called no later than two months prior to the State Championship. The chair (or nominee) of the QSS 10-12 Years Football Committee and the Queensland coach will recommend selectors from the nominations received. If less than the required number of selector nominations are received, selectors will be elected at the prechampionship meeting.

- 6.2.4.4 The position of independent selector will be offered to
 - 1. The Queensland Coach
 - 2. The Queensland Manager
 - 3. Appointed by the sport specific executive and the Queensland coach. Criteria for the independent selector will mirror the selection criteria to select the Queensland Coach and/ or Queensland Manager.
- 6.2.5 Selection Process
- 6.2.6 Announcement of Queensland Team

6.2.6.1 Three shadow players will be selected; one of whom is to be a goalkeeper. Names of these players will be not announced.

6.2.7 Notification

6.3 Participation at National Events

6.4 Appointment of Team Officials

6.4.1 Officials to accompany Queensland teams will be a maximum of one coach and one manager per team. Applicants for the position of Qld Coach and Qld Manager 10-12 Years Football will hold the position for two consecutive years, without having to go to ballot in the second year. They will complete an application in their second year to confirm their personal details and have the agreement of the principal.

6.4.2 Any DoE employee is eligible for the position of State Coach or State Manager. The appointed officials will attend the state titles.

6.4.2.1 Applicants for the Qld Football 10-12yrs coach position have had a minimum two years of coaching or managing a regional team at the Qld Primary School Football / Qld Football 10-12yrs State Championships.

6.4.2.2 Applicants for the Qld Football 10-12yrs manager's position have had a minimum two years of coaching or managing a regional team at the Qld Primary School Football / Qld Football 10-12yrs State Championships

- 6.4.3 The coach must hold at least a current Football Federation Australia
 - Advanced coaching Youth 'C' Licence (or higher) or
 - Community Coaching Senior Coaching Certificate or
 - Community Coaching Game Training Certificate

6.5 Uniforms

- 6.6 Travel Policy
- 6.7 Queensland Team Preparation
- 6.8 Risk Management

6.9 Guidelines for Interstate Exchanges / Non School Sport Australia Events

6.10 International Tours

6.11 Costs

QSS10-12 Years Football will be responsible for teacher relief (TRS) incurred by the State Coach during the team training period over the allocated QSSMG TRS subsidy.

- 6.11.1 Students:
 - Students selected in the Queensland Team will be expected to cover the cost of travel and accommodation to attend the training camp prior to departure to the School Sport Australia Championship.

7 Accommodation framework

8 Codes of Conduct

9 Team Officials – Duty of Supervision

10 Procedures for the Investigation and Recording of Misconduct