



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

October 2023 - March 2024



Season 2

13 October 2023 – 31 March 2024

South Tweed Community Touch Association Incorporated

Corner of Fraser Drive and Leisure Drive, Tweed Heads South NSW 2486

Referee contact number 0400 605 555

For any enquiries or any questions regarding the 2023-2024 Season please contact southtweedtouch_president@outlook.com

IMPORTANT DATES

August 2023

Registrations open. Registrations will automatically close when the nominations limit has been reached on each age group.

13 October 2023

Season commences

8 March 2024

Semi Finals 1 v 4 and 2 v 3

15 March 2024

Grand Finals Winner v Winner

22 & 29 March 2024

Potential Semi Finals and Grand Finals dates depending on wet weather

MINI STINGERS

- Our program is for 3-4 year olds (we are happy for 5 year old to join who are not ready to join the Friday Night comp) who are wanting to learn the basic skill of touch football whilst having fun before they join a Friday night competition team
- 3:45pm till 4:30pm Friday Night commencing 20 October 2023
- 8 week program finishing in December 2023
- \$10 per session to be paid on the night
- Fill out an EOI before 20 October 2023 <https://forms.gle/wAd7r3i7Ewwt2YRU7>
- Any questions please text Rieley 0400 605 555



FEES

\$22.00 Annual Touch Football Australia Membership Fee – this fee is included in the below individual registration fee total.

Under 6's aged 5-6 years

\$120.00 individual registration fee
or **\$1,000.00** Team fee (email Club)

Juniors aged 7-17 years & Opens aged 18-25 years

\$140.00 individual registration fee
or **\$1,400.00** Team fee (email Club)

If you would like to use an Active Kids Voucher, you will need to do the individual registration process.

All Teams must wear the South Tweed Touch singlets (green and purple only).

\$40.00 singlet fee. Singlets are separate to the registration fee and can be purchased at the Clubhouse anytime except for Round 1.

GAME TIMES

Our games are 5:00pm, 5:50pm, 6:40pm, 7:30pm and 8:20pm scheduled to be 20 minutes each half with a full game being 40 minutes of played Touch Football.

However, this is also subject to change without notice, subject to ground maintenance and general conditions.

Under 6's will play at 5:00pm

Under 8's will play at 5:00pm, 5:50pm and 6:40pm

All other age groups will randomly play at any of the above five time slots.



TEAM DELEGATE

- Must be **eighteen (18) years** of age or older
- Must have a current NSW Working With Children Check (WWCC) and provide these details to <https://forms.gle/vsktYGPTx1V5QggR9>
- Register a Team Juniors || South Tweed Junior Touch Football (southtweedtouch.com)
- Must be with the Team during their games and is **responsible for the behaviour of Team members and Team spectators**
- Ensure all players are familiar with the Conditions of Entry, Zero Tolerance Policy and the 8th Edition Rules
- Ensure no Team member take the field who are not on the Team sheet
- Make sure all Team members are in correct uniform
- U6 – U10 - Ensure Team Delegate sign off on the scorecard
- U12 – Opens - Ensure the Team Captain sign off on the scorecard
- Register as a Volunteer on MySideline with STT Club Finder – MySideline
- Report any concerns to the Club President

DO NOT REGISTER A TEAM UNLESS YOU HAVE THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS AS WE CANNOT GUARANTEE PLACEMENT OF ANY PLAYERS INTO OTHER TEAMS AND NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED IF THE TEAM FOLDS.

Team Delegate must have the players email addresses to add at the end of Team Registration for the player to join the Team.

- Once email has been sent to the player the player will need to complete registration this includes a \$22.00 TFA Membership fee which is to be paid by each player, no exceptions
- Active Kids Vouchers can be redeemed towards payment of the registration fee
- The singlet fee of \$40.00 can be paid at the Clubhouse anytime except for Round 1
- There is no discount for additional children per family
- Fees cover the following costs but not limited to just these costs, for example: Affiliate Fees, Referees, First Aid, Line Marking, Council Rates and Website

MINIMUM AGE

A player must be 5 years or older at the time of registration. All players must not be over the age of the division nominated as of 1 April 2024.

Competition Age Group	Player's Age After 13/10/2023	Player's Age Before 01/04/2024
Mixed 6 (Under 6's)	5	6
Under 8	7	8
Under 10	9	10
Under 12	11	12
Under 14	13	14
Under 16	15	16
Opens Mixed (17-25 years old)	17	25

Younger children can play up in an age group if they wish, so long as there is no obvious safety issue/s due to the physical differences in size, strength and/or coordination.

* If you are unsure, please email the Club for clarification before entering the players registration online

** Please be aware players WILL be moved out of Teams if they are in incorrect age group.



TEAMS

Under 6's Nominated Teams are required to have a minimum of eight (8) registered players and a maximum of ten (10) registered players.

8 to Opens Nominated Teams are required to have a minimum of ten (10) registered players and a maximum of fourteen (14) registered players.

If a Team cannot acquire the minimum players prior to the competition deadline, Team Delegates will be issued an invoice for the remainder of the Team fee.

Where the number of players on the Field of Play from one Team falls below four (4) players, the match is to be abandoned and the non-offending Team is to be declared the Winner.

If one Team on the Field of Play has four (4) players the opposing Team can have six (6) players.

The Team with all six (6) players is not to be disadvantaged by dropping any team players and can continue playing with all six (6) players on the field.

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

A Representative Player is a player who has played Representative Level Touch Football with the QLD or NSW School System or has participated in the SQBD Representative fixture during the previous two (2) years, representing South Tweed Touch or any other Affiliated Touch Association of SQBD in the previous two (2) years.

If your Team has more than four (4) Representative Players, the Team will automatically move up an age group.

Please speak to the President for clarification if you are unsure where to place your team.

Not all Teams have representative players and remember to nominate in the best interest of all players.

*Representative Coaches must nominate for this position via email to rep@southtweedtouch.com and must include their coaching accreditation, previous coaching history along with their Working With Children Check details

UNDER 6'S

The maximum number of players on the Field of Play is five (5) and the minimum female requirement is one (1). If at any time, there is no female on the field the game is abandoned and the opposing Team is declared the Winner.

For example, if a Team has:

- four (4) males and one (1) female, the game is played
- three (3) males and two (2) females the game is played
- two (2) males and three (3) females the game is played
- one (1) male and four (4) females the game is played

OPENS (MIXED TEAMS)

In Mixed Teams the maximum number of males allowed on the Field of Play is four (4) and the minimum female requirement is one (1). If at any time five (5) males take the field, then the match is to be abandoned and the opposing Team is declared the Winner.

For example, if a Team has:

- four (4) males and two (2) females, the game is played
- three (3) males and three (3) females, the game is played
- three (3) males and two (2) females the game is played
- three (3) males and one (1) female the game is played
- two (2) males and four (4) females the game is played
- one (1) male and five (5) females the game is played

PLAYING IN MORE THAN ONE (1) TEAM

- Players can play in more than one Team however the player must get the Committees approval and full fees will need to be paid for both Teams
 - A player who plays in two Teams will have to choose which Team they play if both make Finals
 - **A player cannot play as a fill-in player on another Team. If this happens both games will be made a Forfeit (the player's original Team and the Team they are illegally filling in for)**
 - Only players registered to a Team can play for that Team
 - All Teams must have an individual name that is appropriate for a Junior Community Sport.
- If a Team name is inappropriate the Team will be asked to submit an appropriate Team name.
If two (2) Teams submit the same name, the Team who submits their nomination first will keep the Team name and the second Team will be asked to submit an alternative Team name.

UNIFORMS

There will be no singlet collection on Round 1. Singlets can be collected on 22 September 2023 and 29 September 2023 at the Club. All information will be published on the South Tweed Touch website www.southtweedtouch.com and the STT Facebook page.

The whole Team must wear the South Tweed Touch green and purple singlets, or they cannot take the field. NO pink and blue singlets.

HOME TEAM (left side of draw)



AWAY TEAM (right side of draw)



Wearing substitute shirts or the swapping of shirts on the sideline with other players is not permitted and will result in the loss of points.

RULES

The 8th Edition of the Touch Football Australia Playing Rules (six (6) a side on the Field of Play at any one-time during matches) will apply unless otherwise stated.

COMPETITION POINTS

Competition Points towards the premiership ladder will be awarded as follows:

- Three (3) points for a win, bye and a wash out
- Three (3) points for a forfeit win and Zero (0) points for a forfeit loss
- Two (2) points for a draw
- One (1) point for a loss
- Zero (0) points for a forfeit

FORFEITS

If a Team needs to forfeit for any reason, the **Team Delegate** must send a text message to the contact number 0400 605 555 one (1) hour prior to game time. Failure to do this may result in loss of points.

It is the responsibility of each Captain to report to the Match Referee or Referees, two (2) minutes before the commencement of the game or advertised time for Grand Finals so that the toss of the coin can be affected without loss of time. If a Team is not at the field the offending team will receive a maximum of five (5) minutes from the commencement of the game. If the offending Team is not in attendance after the five (5) minutes has expired, the game will be deemed a forfeit and the non-offending Team will be awarded the win with a 5-0 score. The offending Team will receive a 0-5 score.



FINAL QUALIFICATIONS

A player must sign on for a minimum of five (5) competition rounds to be considered eligible to play in the Finals. If a Team receives a forfeit victory at any stage throughout the competition round game period, and players registered at the time of the forfeit receive a game credited to their tally.

If it is found that a player has participated in a Finals game and is not recorded as having played five (5) competition round games, the Team they played for will forfeit the game and will no longer be eligible to play in Finals series.

FINAL FORMAT

- Top Four Teams (Top 4) – to compete in Semi Finals
- One v Four and Two v Three (1 v 4 and 2 v 3) – Semi Final format
- Winner v Winner – Grand Final

DROP OFF

[Drop Off Procedures - Touch Football Australia](#)

POLICIES AND CONDITIONS

All Policies and Conditions are those stated by Touch Football Australia (TFA), Queensland Touch Football (QTFA), South Tweed Community Touch Association Incorporated (STT).

All relevant policies are displayed on respective websites. Please pay particular attention to TFA policies on <http://touchfootball.com.au/policies/sport-policies/>

PLAYER INJURY AND INSURANCE

If a player is injured, they must see South Tweed Touch First Aid at the Fields and fill in an Injury form. The TFA Accident Insurance Scheme covers all players and officials who have met the insurance criteria of a TFA affiliated competition. The contact number for an injured player to obtain a claim form is 1300 134 956

BEHAVIOUR / CODE OF CONDUCT

All players and spectators are required to abide by the Standard TFA Code of Conduct. This document can be downloaded from Touch Football Australia's website (<https://touchfootball.com.au/media/4772/code-of-conduct-mpp-2017-v2.pdf>)

ZERO TOLERANCE

We have a zero tolerance on any type of abuse towards our Referees, Club Members, Committee and Executive Committee Members. If you cannot abide by this, you will incur an automatic two (2) week suspension.

No official or player other than the Team Captain is permitted to have any verbal communication with the Match Referee or Referees. Back chat or questioning the Referees decisions for any reason is prohibited.

Designated Team Captain and/or Team Coach may consult Competition Referee Coordinator only at the completion of the game.

Referees have been instructed to enforce the STT Zero Tolerance Policy regarding referee abuse from players, coaching staff and spectators

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PARENT/GUARDIANS AND SPECTATORS

- must remain five (5) meters back from all field lines
- nominates player online and agrees and abides by TFA, QTF and STT Policies
- of players under sixteen (16) years of age must be present at the venue
- cannot drink alcohol at the venue including the carpark
- cannot smoke or vape at the venue including the carpark

PROTESTS / JUDICIARY / SUSPENSIONS

STT Protests, Judiciary and Suspension Policy can be downloaded from STT website or click the link [ef86d0_456f0bdb258f4dd39b1c6c415357b3b5.pdf \(southtweedtouch.com\)](https://southtweedtouch.com/ef86d0_456f0bdb258f4dd39b1c6c415357b3b5.pdf)

TFA Disciplinary Regulations Manual can be downloaded from TFA website or click the link [ef86d0_031a5f5a1f924ad19969d8d03e17857f.pdf \(southtweedtouch.com\)](https://southtweedtouch.com/ef86d0_031a5f5a1f924ad19969d8d03e17857f.pdf)

WET WEATHER

If fields are closed and/or all games are cancelled due to Wet Weather this will be notified on the STT website, Facebook page and a text message will be sent out to Team Delegates.

Referee and all enquiries contact number 0400 605 555

Wet weather games will be classed as a bye (each team will be awarded two (2) points).

CONCUSSION POLICY

STT have adopted the TFA approved Concussion in Sport Policy for this event.

BLOOD BIN

Any player with a bleeding cut or abrasion is to leave the field immediately and have the cut or abrasion cleaned and covered.

At this time, 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 of Play (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 may return to the Field of Play and continue play.

If bleeding cannot be controlled and the wound securely covered, the player must not continue in the game.

JEWELLERY

To prevent any jewellery related injuries players are to remove or tape all earrings.

Watches, Fitbits and hairbands around wrists are also to be removed.

It is the responsibility of players, Team Delegate and Referees to ensure that all players adhere to this policy.

FOOTWEAR

A referee, player and coach MUST wear enclosed shoes on the Field of Play.

Only Touch Football approved footwear can be worn. No metal studs or screw in studs permitted.

MATCH BALLS

Official South Tweed Touch Assoc Stingers balls will be supplied as match balls.

Balls are provided at each game by the Referee and must be returned at the end of the game to the Referee.

TROPHIES AND PRESENTATIONS

Trophies will be determined by STT. All presentations will be available on Grand Final day or night only.