

2024 QSC CONDITIONS OF ENTRY - V1 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY (2024)

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IMPORTANT DATES

**Detailed breakdown with outcomes/sanctions can be found in [Appendix 1](#)*

DATE	ITEM
Friday 16, August 2024	> Conditions of Entry released
	> Team Nominations Open
	> Referee Nominations Open
	> Affiliate Tent Request Open
Monday 16, September 2024	> Team Nominations Close
	> Referee Nominations Close
	> Affiliate Tent Request Due
Friday 20, September 2024	> Individual Registrations Open - Referee
	> Individual Registrations Open - Player, Coach, Team Manager
	> Referee Information Pack Available
Monday 14, October 2024	> oses for Team Validation
	> Affiliate Team Declaration Form Due
	> Team Nomination Refund Deadline
Monday 11, November 2024	> Individual Registrations Close – Player, Coach Team Manager
	> Individual Refund Deadline
	> Draw Structure Released
	> Play by the Rules – Online Training Completion Due
Friday 15, November 2024	> Affiliate Information Pack sent out
Tuesday 19, November 2024	> Final Draw Released
	> Information Booklet Released
	> Affiliate Briefing
Friday 22, November 2024	> Final playing shirt numbers to be entered in MySideline
Thursday 28, November 2024	> Tournament Check-In
Saturday 30, November 2024	> Inclusive Division Tournament Check-In



INTRODUCTION: EVENT OBJECTIVES

The **Queensland State Cup (QSC)** purpose is to **celebrate all things Touch Football has to offer.**

QSC is designed to showcase our elite Opens athletes across Queensland while celebrating the diversity of our sport across Opens and Senior pathways. In doing so QTF look to support and foster the growth of the Affiliate pathways and senior participation.

It is important for all Affiliates and their members to have an opportunity to compete at QSC and therefore the event has been created to provide the following outcomes and deliverables. These will be the guiding principles for decisions made by Queensland Touch Football (QTF) and the events team in delivery of the event.

- › Provide a safe and enjoyable event for all involved including players, coaches, team officials, referees, spectators.
- › Provide an occasion for all Queensland Affiliates to come together to celebrate the sport of touch, &
- › Provide an opportunity to identify talent for further representative opportunities, including regional, state and permit opportunities.



SECTION 1: ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

ITEM 1.1 – VENUE & DATES

1.1.1	The venue for the 2024 Queensland State Cup will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Coomera Sports Park 35 Beattie Road, Coomera, QLD
1.1.2	The 2024 Queensland State Cup will be held over the following days: <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Friday 29 November 2024 – Day 1› Saturday 30 November 2024 – Day 2› Sunday 1 December 2024 – Day 3 (Finals) <p>It is the intention of QTF for the event to run on the dates planned. Should extreme weather impact the event, the event will be postponed, and an alternate date will be sought as soon as it has been finalised.</p>
1.1.3	The following meetings will be conducted prior to the competition. AFFILIATE BRIEFING – Tuesday 19 November 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Where: Microsoft Teams (link sent to Affiliate Coordinators closer to the date)› When: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM› Who: Affiliate Coordinators TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN – Thursday 28 November 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Where: Coomera Crushers Rugby Union Clubhouse› When: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM› Who: Team Managers INCLUSIVE DIVISION CHECK-IN – Saturday 30 November 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Where: Tournament Office, Coomera Sports Park› When: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM› Who: A representative for each Inclusive Division team.
ITEM 1.2 – DIVISIONS & AGE RESTRICTIONS	
1.2.1	To appropriately manage the diversity of the QSC competition from our elite Opens to our more participation focused Senior/Master teams, QTF will be implementing a tiered management structure.

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	Veterans Mens 50s Womens 50s Mens 55s Mens 60	Born in or before 1974 Born in or before 1969 Born in of before 1964
	Inclusive Division Mixed <i>(no minimum number of males or females)</i>	Born in or before 2009 <i>(minimum age 15)</i>
1.2.3	Divisional Rules/Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Players are only permitted to participate in one division/team at the event, excluding the Inclusive Division on approval from QTF (additional competition fees apply). › Players are NOT permitted to move between divisions or change teams within any Affiliate during the competition. › The minimum age is sixteen (16) years (born in 2008) for all Open Divisions. › The minimum age is fifteen (15) years (born in 2009) for U20 & Inclusion Divisions only. › All divisions will follow the Team Competition rules outlined in the Touch Football Rules - 8th Edition (Appendix 5) and will compete in traditional six (6) a side. 	
1.2.4	Division Viability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › 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 QTF. › 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 will be combined with the next closest category, as determined by QTF. 	
1.2.5	Team Numbers Teams may register must register a minimum of 10 players and a maximum of 16 players , however, a total of 14 players are eligible to participate in any one game.	



ITEM 1.3 – QTF APPAREL LICENCING REQUIREMENTS

1.3.1 All Affiliate uniforms **must comply** with QTF Apparel Licencing requirements and QTF Uniform Guidelines that are in place for the event that Affiliates have entered.

The QTF logo will be required on all Affiliate uniforms participating at the Queensland State Cup.

Only licenced QTF Apparel Suppliers are authorised to utilise the QTF Logo. A list of authorised QTF Apparel Suppliers, Apparel Licencing Regulations and Uniform Guidelines can be found in [Appendix 4](#).

To assist, QTF has created a Member Brand & Uniform ([Appendix 4](#)) form which Affiliates will need to submit. This will allow QTF to work proactively with Affiliates to ensure regulations can be met.

Affiliate team uniforms that do not comply with the requirements outline above, may be stripped competition points, or disqualified and removed from the competition. Participation in future QTF events may also be considered for any Affiliate in breach.

QTF Apparel Licencing requirements apply to **QTF Affiliates only**. International/Invitational teams may apply for exemption.



SECTION 2: AFFILATE COORDINATOR INFORMATION

ITEM 2.1 – AFFILIATE COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1.1	<p>Each Affiliate must appoint an Affiliate Coordinator. All correspondence and dealings must be made through the Affiliate Coordinator. All communication with Affiliates and Teams will be done with the email address provided.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the Affiliate Coordinator to ensure ALL teams and referees are informed of any updates and changes when notified by QTF.</p>
2.1.2	<p>Affiliates who are unable to fulfil the requirements outlined in these conditions of entry will be unable to participate in the event.</p> <p>All Affiliate Coordinators will upon nominating a team(s) accept and agree to abide by,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› QSC Conditions of Entry› QTF General Conditions of Entry› TFA National Integrity Framework› TFA Code of Conduct› TFA Social Media Community Code› QTF Social Media Policy› QTF Child & Youth Risk Management Strategy› QTF Uniform Guidelines <p>Copies of the documents are available in Appendix 4 and Appendix 5.</p> <p>Failure to comply with the documentation listed above will incur an appropriate penalty determined by QTF.</p>
2.1.3	<p>Affiliate Online Briefing – Tuesday 19 November 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› All Affiliate Coordinators MUST be in attendance.› Any Affiliate Coordinator not in attendance will incur a loss of 3 competition points to start the competition for each team registered.› A meeting link will be sent to Affiliate Coordinators once nominations are confirmed.



ITEM 2.2 – TEAM NOMINATIONS

2.2.1 Nomination Eligibility

- › To be eligible to enter team(s) in any QTF event, the Affiliate must; be financial and compliant with QTF affiliation.
- › Nominations will only be accepted from the Affiliate Coordinator.

Team Nomination Requirements

- › Authorised Affiliate Coordinator contact and details
- › An Affiliate’s team may **only** comprise players in line with **Section 3.2.1** and competing in an eligible competition outlined in **Section 3.2.2**.
- › Teams the Affiliate is entering into the event
- › Team Fee deposit paid to QTF
- › A 1.5 qualified Referee registered for each nominated team
- › Team Manager and Coach details
- › Complete **Affiliate Team Declaration Form** outlined in **Section 2.2.2**.

Team nominations will not be accepted if the above requirements are not met within the designated timeframes.

2.2.2 Affiliate Team Declaration Form

Affiliate Coordinators are required to submit an Affiliate Team Declaration Form for each participating Team to ensure that all players meet the eligibility requirements for QSC. This will include detailing each Player’s Name, NRL ID, DOB, eligible Affiliate entity, and eligible Season(s) within a signed Entity Declaration.

The Affiliate Team Declaration Form must be completed and submitted to QTF by **Monday 14 October 2024**.

A copy of the document is available in **Appendix 6**.

2.2.3 Team Nomination Fees

Team Nomination Fee is **\$150.00 (GST inclusive)** per team.

This fee will be non-refundable after **Monday 14 October 2024**.

2.2.4 Maximum number of Teams

Tier	Principles
Performance (Mens, Womens, Mixed)	- One (1) team per division
Performance (20s - Mens, Womens, Mixed)	- One (1) team per division*
Competitive & Participation	-Two (2) teams per division*

**Eligible to request an additional team per division – prior to close of Team Nominations*



› QTF reserves the right to close team nominations prior to the nominations deadline, when team nominations are in excess of draw availability and venue capacity.
 › QTF will endeavor to ensure all complete Affiliate team nominations received by the deadline receive entry into the Queensland State Cup.

Where an Affiliate nominates more than one team per division, the stronger of the teams must be nominated as Affiliate Team (1), next strongest team known as Affiliate Team (2), and so on. This will be used for the purpose of Draw creation and will not be included in the official Affiliate Team. For example, nominated teams will be "Affiliate Name XYX (1), and Affiliate Name ABC (2).

QTF reserves the right to create tiered divisions (for example, a Division 1 and Division 2), depending on the number of team entries received per division.

2.2.5 Team and Referee Nominations Open – Friday 16 August 2024

- › Affiliates can nominate teams and Referees through the link provided in [Appendix 2](#).
- › Affiliates are required to nominate **one and a half (1.5)** Referees per nominated team.
- › Nominated Referees must be officiating at the Affiliate they wish to represent.
- › Nominated Referees must be of the required standard and qualification (**Items 3.1.2 & 3.1.3**)
- › Nominated Referees must be able to be in attendance for **all 3 days** of competition and attend all required Referee meetings.

Team and Referee Nominations Close – Monday 16 September 2024

Team nominations will be deemed indicative and not confirmed until the required Referees are registered, and all team nomination requirements outlined in **Item 2.2.1** are met.

- › The number of team nominations confirmed for an Affiliate will only be equal to the number of registered referees as outlined below.

No. of Teams	Referees Required
1	1
2	3
3	5
4	6
5	7
6	9
7	10
8	12
9	13
10	15
Inclusive Division	1 per team

- › If an Affiliate has less referees registered than teams nominated, QTF will prioritise team nominations starting from the Participation Tier through to the Performance Tier.

Priority	Age/Division
1 st	Inclusive Division
2 nd	Veterans (Oldest to Youngest)
3 rd	Mens/Womens 45s
4 th	Mixed 40s
5 th	Mens/Womens 40s
6 th	Mixed 30s
7 th	Mens/Womens 30s
8 th	Mixed – Opens
9 th	Mens/Womens – Opens
10 th	Mixed U20s
11 th	Mens/Womens U20s
12 th	Mixed – Premier
13 th	Mens/Womens - Premier

Example: *If an affiliate nominated 10 teams in across division in the table yet only registered 6 Referees, then only 4 teams across the 1st four priorities nominated in would be accepted into the competition.*

- › No team nominations will be accepted after this date.

Individual Referee Registration Close and Team Validation – Monday 14 October 2024

- › Teams who have completed the team nomination requirements will be accepted and confirmed with successful entry to the competition.
- › Nominated Referees must be of the required standard and qualification (**Items 3.1.2 & 3.1.3**)
- › Nominated Referees must be able to be in attendance for **all 3 days** of competition and attend all required Referee meetings.

2.2.6 Once Team Nominations have been confirmed by QTF, the Affiliate Coordinator will be provided access into the back of end the QSC MySideline System to manage the affiliate teams.

This access will allow Affiliate Coordinators to manage teams, shirt number entry and check individual registrations.

2.2.7 International/Interstate/Invitational Teams

International/Interstate/Invitational teams may upon written request and approval of QTF be invited to participate in a QTF event. Additional Team Nomination and/or Player Registration fees may apply.

International teams must be endorsed by their respective National Body and must provide evidence of their own insurance coverage as TFA insurance does not provide coverage.



	<p>Invitational/International teams are unable to accrue points, but teams must defeat them to earn maximum points and/or points for a draw.</p> <p>QTF will endeavour to ensure International/Interstate/Invitational teams have matches across all three (3) days of competition.</p> <p>Queensland-based Australian Defence Force teams will be invited to participate and compete for division championship titles at Queensland State Cup.</p>
2.2.8	<p>An Affiliate conducting a competition not affiliated and financial with QTF is not eligible to enter a QTF event.</p>
2.2.9	<p>TFA National Membership & Queensland Membership</p> <p>For all individuals registering for QSC, if this is their first registration since July 1 2024, they will incur the annual TFA & QTF Membership fee of \$52.00 (GST Inclusive). This will be in addition to any other fee associated with their individual registration to QSC.</p> <p>For International teams, QTF will update you on how this process will occur.</p>

SECTION 3: INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

ITEM 3.1 – REFEREE ELIGIBILITY & REGISTRATION	
3.1.1	Nominated Referees must be registered and participating with the Affiliate they are nominated for, for eligibility and insurance purposes, having regularly officiated in the current and/or previous season.
3.1.2	<p>Referee Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Must be 16 years or older (born in 2008). › Must have a <u>minimum</u> of a Level 2 Accreditation in 'The Nest'. › Be available for ALL 3 days of the event and attend all required meetings. › Complete the individual online Referee registration by Monday 14 October 2024. › Referee/s are not permitted to play, coach, manage, select or be involved in any other capacity. The Referee's first priority must be refereeing games they are appointed to.
3.1.3	<p>Badge Accreditation</p> <p>To conduct a quality State Event, all attending Referees must hold a TFA Referee Accreditation of Level 2 – 6 in "The Nest".</p> <p>The following qualifications are applied for Divisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Premier, U20s, and Division A Divisions – Must be a Level 3 + (or Level 2 endorsed and accepted for a Level 3 upgrade) › Senior, Master, Veterans, and Inclusive Divisions – Must be a level 2 + <p>All Referees must be endorsed by their Affiliate Referee Coordinator and/or Regional Referee Coordinator.</p>
3.1.4	<p>Uniform</p> <p>All referees must wear the Official TFA referee on-field uniform, which includes the TFA pink shirt, choice of TFA black shorts or skirt and black socks (knee length, crew, or ankle socks).</p> <p>Referees can purchase the TFA Uniform shop https://touchfootballshop.com.au/</p>
3.1.5	<p>Underage Referee</p> <p>If any Association nominates a Referee that is under the age of 18 years, they must nominate a guardian (who also holds a current Blue Card and is linked to the Affiliate) to accompany the referee.</p> <p>Under no circumstances will QTF appoint a guardian to an underage referee.</p>



3.1.6	Referee Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Individual Referee Registration Fee: \$0.00› Individual Referee registration link will be made available on the Qld State Cup website (Appendix 2).› Individual Referee Registration Open – Friday 20 September 2024› Individual Referee Registration Close – Monday 14 October 2024› Once a Referee has completed their online registration, they cannot change Affiliates after Monday 14 October 2024
3.1.7	Upgrade Information <p>The 2024 Qld State Cup is a TFA Level 3 & Level 4 Referee Badge upgrade event.</p> <p>Referees seeking a TFA L3 or L4 Upgrade MUST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Indicate, during online registration, if you wish to be considered for an upgrade.› Be endorsed by their Regional Referee Director and accompanied by a TFA Badge Level Endorsement Form (can be found in The TFA Nest).› Accredited in the TFA NEST (if in doubt ask your Regional Referee Director).› Completed the relevant TFA Referee Badge Course by the close of the individual online Referee Registration – Monday 14 October 2024
3.1.8	<p>Whilst it is preferred that all Referees who attend the QSC represent the affiliate they officiate at, QTF understands that sometimes Affiliates may need to borrow Referees to achieve the required quota.</p> <p>Where an Affiliate needs to borrow a referee(s) from another Affiliate to meet quota, written approval must be sought from the referee's original Affiliate.</p>
3.1.9	QTF must be notified immediately of all changes/updates to an Affiliates nominated Referee list.
3.1.10	<p>All Referees will upon registration agree to and accept to abide by -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› QSC Conditions of Entry› QTF General Conditions of Entry› TFA Member and Participant Declaration› TFA National Integrity Framework & Code of Conduct› TFA Social Media Community Code› QTF Social Media Policy <p>A copy of the documents is available in Appendix 4 and Appendix 5.</p>

ITEM 3.2 – PLAYER & COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY

3.2.1 Player Eligibility

- › **ALL Players MUST** be a participating, financial member of the Affiliate they wish to represent, actively registered player (in the MySideline database), in an **eligible competition** in the **Current or Previous Season**, as outlined in Item 3.2.2.
- › All players must have played a minimum of five (5) games:
 - In the one team
 - In the one division
 - In the one competition
 - In the same season; and
 - Within the Affiliate the player wishes to play for
- › QTF will only consider a player's registration as valid from the date that is shown online within the Affiliate's competition database (via MySideline).
- › To be deemed 'financial', the player must have no outstanding competition/registration fees within the Affiliated Association, Region and/or QTF.

Inclusive Player Eligibility

- › **MUST** be an active registered player (in the MySideline database), participating and financial member with an Affiliate.

Consequences:

- › The onus is on the Affiliate to ensure all players nominated and registered for Affiliate team meet the Player Eligibility criteria, as outlined in 3.2.1 and 3.2.2.
- › Any Player and/or Affiliate found to be ineligible will,
 - **Prior to the Competition** – Be removed from the team and unable to compete
 - **During the Competition** – Be removed from the competition and their team may have competition points removed or disqualified from the competition.
 - **Post Competition** – Affiliate, Team Officials, and Players may incur penalties including financial penalty, individual/team/affiliate suspension from future QTF events, individual suspension from representative selection.

<p>3.2.2</p>	<p>Competition Eligibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › An eligible competition is defined as an Affiliate competition comprising of a minimum of four (4) teams within a structured division, playing a competition no less than ten (10) weeks in eligible Season; finals are additional to this. › Eligibility can only be gained based on one (1) round per week, before finals. › The staging of knockouts, tournaments or competitions that do not meet QTF competition eligibility do not qualify the player to meet the 5 game criteria outlined in clauses 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 › Players participating for an Affiliate team in another Affiliate's competition (for example, an Affiliate team participating in BMTA Metro Cup) does not qualify the player to be selected for Host Affiliate (e.g. BMTA Mustangs). <p>Season Eligibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Current or Previous Season is defined by the following: <table border="1" data-bbox="357 786 1302 860"> <thead> <tr> <th>QTF Event</th> <th>Current Season</th> <th>Previous Season</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Queensland State Cup</td> <td>Season 2, 2024</td> <td>Season 1, 2024</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Team nominations for Queensland State Cup must be supported by an adult/senior competition which meets the eligible competition definition. 	QTF Event	Current Season	Previous Season	Queensland State Cup	Season 2, 2024	Season 1, 2024
QTF Event	Current Season	Previous Season					
Queensland State Cup	Season 2, 2024	Season 1, 2024					
<p>3.2.3</p>	<p>Dual Eligibility</p> <p>If a player is dual qualified and meets the player eligibility criteria for more than one (1) Affiliate, they are eligible to apply for selection in the Affiliate of their choosing. The player may not nominate for selection at the same time within two Affiliates and can only nominate for selection in the second Affiliate if they have been unsuccessful in the original Affiliate.</p> <p>Where the player has trialed for the first Affiliate, the player must receive a release in writing from the first Affiliate to the new Affiliate.</p> <p>An Affiliate can only deny a player release for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › The player has been found to be unfinancial within the Affiliate. › The player has unresolved issues relating to misconduct. › QTF has concerns regarding the release. 						
<p>3.2.4</p>	<p>Home-Grown Affiliate Rule</p> <p>An Affiliate, on application to QTF, may request to have a player represent them as their Home-Grown Affiliate instead of their current Affiliate, if they meet the below criteria,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › The Home-Grown Affiliate is where they first registered and player junior representative touch, or › Where they played their first Queensland representative touch, if the player did not play junior representative touch. <p>The player cannot nominate for selection at the same time with two (2) Affiliates and can only nominate for selection in the second Affiliate if they have been unsuccessful in the original Affiliate.</p> <p>Approval of Home-Grown Affiliate requests will be at the sole discretion of QTF.</p>						

<p>3.2.5</p>	<p>Player Loan</p> <p>The Player Loan process exists to give individuals the opportunity to participate at QSC where no opportunity exists through their registered Affiliate, however with some safeguards. The following guidelines will be utilised.</p> <p>To be eligible a player must,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Meet all eligibility requirements in Item 3.2.1 › Have made themselves available for selection for the Affiliate(s) they are registered with and been unsuccessful in gaining selection; or › their registered Affiliate(s) have not nominated a team in the division they are eligible for <p>For an Affiliate to loan a player they must,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Using the Player Loan form (Appendix 2), request a release from all the Affiliates the Player is registered and eligible for › The request must be approved PRIOR to the close of individual Player registrations (Monday 11 November 2024) › The Player may not register until the release is approved › The Affiliate must provide ALL approved releases for Player Loans to QTF by Monday 11 November 2024 <p>Any Player Loan that doesn't fulfil the requirements listed above will be removed from the Affiliate that wished to loan them without refund.</p> <p>An Affiliate releasing a Player can only deny a Player release if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › The Player didn't make themselves available for selection › The Player turned down a position offered to them › The Player has been found to be unfinancial within the Affiliate › The Player has unresolved issues relating to misconduct › QTF has concerns regarding the release. <p>QTF, in its sole discretion, may approve or deny a request for a player loan.</p>
<p>3.2.6</p>	<p>Player Registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Individual Player Registration Fee: \$110.00 (GST Inclusive) › Inclusive Division Player Registration Fee: \$55.00 (GST Inclusive) › Individual Player registration link made available on the QSC website (Appendix 2). › Individual Player Registration Open – Friday 20 September 2024* › Individual Player Registration Close – Monday 11 November 2024 <p>Individual Player Fees must be paid (in full) at the point of registration.</p> <p><i>*Player will only be able to register into their team if the appropriate number of referees have registered in relation to team nominations priority outlines in Item 2.2.</i></p>

<p>3.2.7</p>	<p>Late Registration</p> <p>If a Player doesn't register before the individual Player registration close date, the Affiliate Coordinator may request the opportunity for the Player to register late. Requests will only be accepted from the Affiliate Coordinator.</p> <p>If the request is approved by QTF, the late registrations will incur a <u>\$20.00 late fee</u>. The approval of any late registration request will be at the discretion of QTF and there is <u>no guarantee</u> that a request will be approved.</p>
<p>3.2.8</p>	<p>Player Withdrawal</p> <p>It is understood that circumstances may arise resulting in a Player/s having to withdraw from a QSC team.</p> <p>The Affiliate Coordinator must submit a written request for a refund of the registration fee to the Event Lead. <u>A \$10.00 administration fee will apply to any refund.</u></p> <p>Any player who withdraws after Monday 11 November 2024 may <u>not be eligible for a refund.</u></p>
<p>3.2.9</p>	<p>Additional Players</p> <p>No Players can be added or deleted from team sheets once Affiliate Coordinators and/or Team Managers submit their final Team Sheets at Tournament Check-in.</p>
<p>3.2.10</p>	<p>Suspended Player/Participant</p> <p>A Player (or any other participant) who is serving a current sanction and/or suspension is <u>NOT ELIGIBLE</u> to enter a QTF event.</p>
<p>3.2.11</p>	<p>Interstate/International Players</p> <p>Interstate Players who do not meet the above eligibility criteria are <u>NOT ELIGIBLE</u> to participate in a QTF event without prior written consent from QTF and/or are part of an invited team.</p> <p>International Players are not subject to QSC eligibility rules, however must adhere all other Items within Item 3.2 (3.2.6 – 3.2.13)</p>
<p>3.2.12</p>	<p>Exemption Request</p> <p>An Affiliate may seek exemption from QTF, in writing, for a Player who has not met the above eligibility criteria, through injury, illness or other exceptional circumstance. QTF will consider each request on a case-by-case basis and there is <u>no guarantee</u> that a request will be approved.</p>

<p>3.2.13</p>	<p>All Players will upon registration agree to and accept to abide by -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › QSC Conditions of Entry › QTF General Conditions of Entry › TFA Member and Participant Declaration › TFA National Integrity Framework & Code of Conduct › TFA Social Media Community Code › QTF Social Media Policy <p>A copy of the documents is available in Appendix 4 and Appendix 5.</p>
<p>ITEM 3.3 – TEAM MANAGEMENT ELIGIBILITY & REGISTRATION</p>	
<p>3.3.1</p>	<p>Team Management refers to <u>Coaches</u> and <u>Team Managers</u> of the nominated Affiliate teams.</p>
<p>3.3.2</p>	<p>It is a requirement that each Affiliate keeps adequate records of the following for all Team Management and Support Staff (Affiliate Coordinator, Medical, Media and any other adults working with children) at QSC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Team Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coaching Accreditation ○ Play by the Rules Certification › Team Management & Support Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Working With Children ‘Blue Card’
<p>3.3.3</p>	<p>Head and Assistant Coaches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Premier Divisions (Mens, Womens, Mixed) – TFA Talent Coach Accreditation › All other Divisions - Minimum TFA Foundation Coaching Accreditation. › Head Coaches should be progressing towards a TFA Talent Coaching Accreditation. <p>Coaches must have an active accreditation in the TFA “The Nest” for the accreditation as above.</p>
<p>3.3.4</p>	<p>Online Learning</p> <p>Affiliate Coordinators, Team Management and Athletes are required to meet the online education requirements as detailed below:</p> <p>REQUIRED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Safeguarding Children & Young People: Affiliate Coordinator <p>RECOMMENDED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Anti-Doping Fundamentals: Affiliate Coordinator, Athlete, Coaches & Support Personnel and Admin & Volunteer › Annual Update: Athlete

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › National Integrity Framework: Affiliate Coordinator, Admin & Volunteer › Safeguarding Children and Young People in Sport Induction: Athlete, Coaches & Support Personnel, Admin & Volunteer › Competition Manipulation & Sports Gambling: Affiliate Coordinator, Athlete, Coaches & Support Personnel › Introduction to Illicit Drugs in Sport: Affiliate Coordinator, Athlete, Coaches & Support Personnel › Harassment & Discrimination: Affiliate Coordinator/Coach/Assistant Coach/Team Manager › Complaints Handling: Affiliate Coordinator <p>It is the Affiliate Coordinator's responsibility to ensure that all REQUIRED training is completed, and considered best practice that RECOMMENDED training is completed. Once this is done the Affiliate Coordinator must confirm with QTF in writing by Monday 11 November 2024.</p>
<p>3.3.5</p>	<p>Team Management Registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Individual Team Management Registration Fee: \$0.00 › Individual Team Management registration link will be made available on the 2024 Queensland State Cup website (Appendix 2). › Individual Team Management Registration Open – Friday 16 September 2024 › Individual Team Management Registration Close – Monday 11 November 2024 <p>If an individual doesn't register before the individual Team Management registration close date, the Affiliate Coordinator may request the opportunity for that Coach or Team Manager to register late. If the request is approved by QTF, the late registrations will incur a <i>\$10.00 late fee</i>. The approval of any late registration request will be at the discretion of QTF and there is no guarantee that a request will be approved.</p>
<p>3.3.6</p>	<p>All Team Management will upon registration accept and agree to abide by,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › QSC Conditions of Entry › QTF General Conditions of Entry › TFA Member and Participant Declaration › TFA National Integrity Framework & Code of Conduct › TFA Social Media Community Code › QTF Social Media Policy › QTF Child & Youth Risk Management Strategy <p>A copy of the documents is available in Appendix 4 and Appendix 5.</p>

ITEM 3.4 – TEAM MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

<p>3.4.1</p>	<p>Player Shirt Numbers Team Managers must provide the final team shirt playing numbers through MySideline by Friday 22 November 2024</p>
<p>3.4.2</p>	<p>Tournament Check-In The Affiliate Coordinator must</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Confirm their Final Team Sheets for ALL teams › Collect QSC Match Balls for ALL teams to be used for ALL QSC matches <p>Date: Thursday 28 November 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Where: Coomera Crushers Rugby Union Clubhouse › When: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM › Who: Affiliate Coordinator or representative <p>Inclusive Division Check-In – Saturday 30 November 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Where: Coomera Crushers Rugby Union Clubhouse › When: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM › Who: A representative for each Inclusive Division team. <p>Teams that do not check-in may not be able to compete at the event.</p>
<p>3.4.3</p>	<p>Team Sheets The Team Sheet must be verified by QTF at the Tournament Check-in. A Team Sheet template can be found in Appendix 3.</p> <p>It's the responsibility of the Affiliate Coordinator submitting the Team Sheet to ensure all team numbers and names are correct. Incorrect/missing numbers after tournament check in must be manually updated by team management for each game and may result in a fine.</p>
<p>3.4.4</p>	<p>Score Cards It's the responsibility of the Team Manager to ensure all players participating in a game are correctly indicated on the Score Cards at every game.</p> <p>Where teams have up to a maximum 16 players, a total of 14 players are eligible to participate in any one game. Managers are responsible for ensuring non-participating players names are crossed out on the Score Cards for each game played.</p> <p>Managers are encouraged to <i>keep a record of scores and scorers for each team</i> for every game. In the event of a Score Dispute, a completed Score Sheet, including team that tapped off in first half, scorers (both teams) and time/sequence, half and full-time scores are necessary to resolve disputes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Unofficial scoresheets for Team Managers to document their matches can be found here.

SECTION 4: EVENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

ITEM 4.1 – EVENT MANAGEMENT

4.1.1 The Event Lead in conjunction with the CEO (or delegate) will oversee all matters relating to the tournament and any decisions made will be final. Any matters not covered in the QSC or General Conditions of Entry will be determined by QTF and their decision will be final.

QTF have sole discretion to amend or waive compliance to the General and QSC Conditions of Entry when satisfied that special circumstances exist.

4.1.2 Anyone found to be behaving outside the TFA Member and Participant Declaration, TFA Code of Conduct and/or QSC Conditions of Entry can and will be asked to leave the venue by QTF.

This includes but is not limited to; aggressive, threatening or verbally abusive behaviour, inappropriate language towards QTF staff, volunteers, contractors, match officials or other spectators, participants, and coaches.

ITEM 4.2 – INFORMATION BOOKLET

4.2.1 A QSC information booklet will be sent to all participants/parents, referees, team managers and accredited volunteers registered for the event.

This will also be available online via the [QSC website](#) & the QTF App.

ITEM 4.3 – PLAYING RULES

4.3.1 The **8th Edition TFA Playing Rules** will apply ([Appendix 5](#)) and will compete in traditional six (6) a side.

4.3.2 INTERCHANGE AREA (SUB BOX)

The only personnel allowed in the Sub Box will be the fourteen (14) players participating in the game, a maximum of two (2) non-playing reserves (**these reserves must NOT be in playing uniforms**), and a maximum of four (4) Team Officials, the Coach, Assistant Coach and Team Manager and/or an Affiliate Official that are nominated on the registered Team List.

- › A maximum of twenty (20) personnel allowed in the Interchange Area (Sub Box) per game.
- › Authorisation from QTF must be gained prior to the event for any other person(s) to be in the sub box area (includes extra officials such as a certified medical professional).

ITEM 4.4 – MOVEMENT OF PLAYERS BETWEEN DIVISIONS

- 4.4.1** In this competition players are **unable** to move between divisions, nor change teams within any affiliate at any stage throughout the competition, with the exception of the Inclusion Division.

ITEM 4.5– FINALS ELIGIBILITY

- 4.5.1 Performance Divisions**
 Players in the Premier Divisions (Mens, Womens, Mixed) must have played a least 50% of round games to be eligible for final series.
- Competitive & Participation Divisions**
 A Player must have played a minimum of one (1) round game to be eligible for the final series.
- › It is the Coach and Affiliate Coordinators' responsibility to ensure all players are eligible for finals.
 - › Affiliate Coordinators must make a written request with any supporting documentation for any Player/s not fulfilling the criteria due to extenuating circumstances to the Competition Lead for consideration.
 - › Any submitted request is **NOT** guaranteed to be accepted.

ITEM 4.6 – DRAW FORMULA

- 4.6.1** After the close of nominations, an indicative draw will be distributed.
- 4.6.2 QTF Draw Format**
 The final format will not be confirmed until all team nominations are finalised. QTF will endeavor to ensure that teams play a **minimum of 5 games**, and where appropriate, have an extended finals series that provides for quarter finals or a similar system and reserves the right to amend the draw format when required.
- QTF will endeavor to follow the below format:
- › Preliminary Games – Round Robin format where possible
 - › Finals Format
 - Quarter Finals will be used where possible.
 - Semi Finals will be used for all divisions.
 - Cross Over Semi-Finals will be placed to determine Grand Finalists where Pools are required.

	<p>International Teams</p> <p>International Teams are not eligible for competition points and therefore unable to progress to finals, however, QTF will ensure to include playoff matches on Finals Day to provide three (3) days of competition.</p>
4.6.3	<p>Final Draw</p> <p>A Final Draw will be distributed once all Teams and Match Official registrations are closed and draw formats confirmed. This will be distributed to all Affiliate Coordinators for distribution to relevant team contacts.</p> <p>QTF Tournament Management reserves the right to amend the draw when required. The final draw will be confirmed at the scheduled Tournament Check-In.</p>
4.6.4	<p>Competition Points</p> <p>For all round robin games, competition points will be awarded on the results obtained. The following points will be awarded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Win – Three (3) points › Draw – Two (2) points › Loss – One (1) point › Forfeit – Minus one (-1) points and a 5-0 loss for the offending team › Bye – Zero (0) points
4.6.5	<p>Finals Series Positions</p> <p>Will be determined as follows</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Highest Competition Points – if equal; › Difference (For and Against) – if equal; › Percentage – if equal; › Result of Round Game – if draw; › Most Trys For – if equal; › Least Trys Against – if equal; › Coin Toss
<p>ITEM 4.7 – PLAYING TIMES</p>	
4.7.1	<p>Round Games</p> <p>All round games in the event will be 15 minutes each way with a five (5) minute half time break, and five (5) minutes between games.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › QTF reserves the right to alter duration of games based on any specific requirement and in the best interests of player welfare. <p>Finals Series Matches</p> <p>All round games in the event will be 15 minutes each way with a five (5) minute half time break, and ten (10) minutes between games to allow for drop-offs.</p> <p>There is no 'time off' for serious injury during any Round Matches or Finals.</p>



4.7.2	All finals games will 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. Drop off protocol can be found in 8th Edition TFA Playing Rules (Appendix 5) .
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ITEM 4.8 – FIXTURES & RESULTS

4.8.1	All Match Results will be updated on the QSC Website at the completion of each round. Link to this can be found in Appendix 2 . They can also be viewed from the QTF App available for download.
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ITEM 4.9 – AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

4.9.1	<p>The following awards will be presented at the Queensland State Cup:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Division Champions Team› Division Player of the Final› Champion Affiliate› Referee Awards:<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Male & Female Referee of the Tournament› Male & Female Junior Referee of the Tournament› Division Finals Referees <p>Presentations: Presentations will be held on Sunday 1 December 2024 at the specified venue location.</p> <p>Teams will be required to assemble at the presentation area 10 minutes prior to the commencement of the presentation. A comprehensive presentation format will be provided prior to the event.</p>
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ITEM 4.10 – CHAMPION AFFILIATE

4.10.1	<p>The results of each division for each Affiliate will be accumulated. The Affiliate with the most points will be declared the Champion Affiliate. The Performance Tier results will be weighted higher.</p> <p>Inclusion Division results <u>will not</u> be included in the overall Affiliate points.</p>
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ITEM 4.11 – AFFILIATE TENTS & OTHER REQUIREMENTS

<p>4.11.1</p>	<p>Tents</p> <p>Affiliates requiring tents must submit a completed Tents Request Form (Appendix 2) by Monday 16 September 2024 to the Event Lead.</p> <p>Tents will be organised by the Events Lead in conjunction with the supplier to best utilise the space available, along with the size & timing of the setup of the tent. Once a tent has been confirmed, an invoice will be sent to the Affiliate Coordinator for payment.</p> <p>During submission, Affiliates can notify if they wish to setup their own pop-up tents or shade area, as the Event Lead must confirm placement of these structures prior to the event.</p> <p>Any Affiliate who sources an alternate provider to erect tents/marquees, will NOT be given access to the venue to do so. Any loss of funds caused will be the sole responsibility of the Affiliate.</p> <p>Affiliates must ensure structures are secured appropriately as to manufactures guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Any Tent/Shade Area erected in an area deemed unsafe causing obstruction in the way, or not appropriately secured will be asked to be removed. <p>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 will incur a \$100 cleaning fee for the Affiliate.</p>
<p>4.11.2</p>	<p>Gas and Naked Flame (Hot Coals) BBQs or similar heating device for Affiliates, Regions and Spectators are not allowed at QSC.</p>
<p>4.11.3</p>	<p>Ice Baths</p> <p>Ice baths will NOT be permitted at the event.</p>
<p>4.11.4</p>	<p>Provision of Food</p> <p>Many Affiliates and teams arrange lunches or snacks for participants during their touring levies and/or pooling groceries and food.</p> <p>It is important to note that handling food for groups can be a major risk factor with food poisoning or spoiling. Please visit www.foodstandards.gov.au for more information.</p> <p>Affiliates will be required to ensure all food is prepackaged and discourage sharing of utensils, equipment, and food. Athletes should supply their own food and water at the event. Take away food options will be available to attendees.</p>



SECTION 5: QTF GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

ITEM 5.1 – READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH QSC CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 5.1.1** Information regarding the following aspects of competition can be found in the QTF General Conditions of Entry (2024), including (but not limited to):
- › Rules
 - › Forfeits
 - › Determination of finals positions
 - › Suspensions & Send offs
 - › Score Sheets
 - › Protests and Complaints
 - › Communication with Referees (Coach-Referees)
 - › Formal protests process and/or investigation of a breach
 - › Force Majeure

The QTF Queensland State Cup Conditions of Entry are to be read in conjunction with the QTF General Conditions of Entry which can be found at www.qldtouch.com.au.



APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 – DETAILED IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS

DATE	ITEM	POTENTIAL SANCTION/OUTCOME
Friday 16, August 2024	» Team Nominations Open » Referee Nominations Open	
Monday 16, September 2024	» Team Nominations Close » Referee Nominations Close » Affiliate Tent Request Due	» Teams not nominated by this date will not be accepted. » Affiliates who don't meet the referee quota will not have all teams accepted. » Affiliate tent(s) may not be approved or organised
Friday 20, September 2024	» Individual Registrations Open - Referee » Individual Registrations Open - Player, Coach, Team Manager » Referee Information Pack Available	
Monday 29, September 2024	» Member Brand & Uniform Submission Due	» Affiliate team uniform which does not comply with the requirements outlined above, may be stripped competition points, or disqualified and removed from the competition completely. Participation in future QTF events may also be considered for any Affiliate in breach.
Monday 14, October 2024	» Individual Referee Registration Closes for Team Validation » Team Nomination Refund Deadline » Affiliate Team Declaration Form Due	» Affiliates who don't meet the referee quota will not have all teams accepted. » Team withdrawals after this date won't receive a refund. » Ineligible participants and teams will be withdrawn.
Monday 11, November 2024	» Individual Registration Closes (Player, Coach, Team Manager) » Individual Refund Deadline » Draw Structure Released	Individuals not registered by this date may not be allowed to participant in the event. After this date, refunds may not be given for individual withdrawal.
	» Play by the Rules – Online Training Completion Due	Individuals who haven't completed the online component may not be allowed to participate in the event
Friday 15, November 2024	» Affiliate Information Pack sent out	
Tuesday 19 November 2024	» Affiliate Briefing » Final Draw Released » Information Booklet Released	» Any Affiliate Coordinator not in attendance will incur a loss of 3 competition points to start the competition for each team registered
Friday 22, November 2024	» Final playing shirt numbers to be entered in MySideline	» Missing or incorrect playing numbers may result in the player being removed from the competition or financial penalty to the Affiliate
Thursday 28, November 2024	» Tournament Check-In	» Teams who fail to check-in will not be allowed to compete.
Saturday 30, November 2024	» Inclusive Division Tournament Check-In	» Teams who fail to check-in will not be allowed to compete.



APPENDIX 2 – KEY 2024 QUEENSLAND STATE CUP LINKS

Refer to [Appendix 1](#) for close and due dates.

- › To nominations team and Referees to the 2024 QTF Queensland State Cup please follow the link below.
[QSC Team & Referee Nomination Form](#)
- › Tent Request Form
[QSC Tent Request Form](#)
- › Player Loan Form
[Player Loan Form](#)

Individual Registration Links

Refer to [Appendix 1](#) for dates registrations will be open and close.

- › To register as a **Referee** please follow the link below.
[Referee Registration Link](#)
- › To register as a **Player** please follow the link below.
[Player Registration Link](#)
- › To register as a **Coach** please follow the link below.
[Coach Registration Link](#)
- › To register as a **Team Manager** please follow the link below.
[Team Manager Registration Link](#)

Fixtures and Results

- › To view the 2024 Queensland State Cup fixtures and results please follow the link below.
[Fixtures & Results](#)
- › Unofficial scoresheets for Team Managers to document their matches can be found [here](#).



APPENDIX 3 – 2024 QSC TEAM SHEET



Touch Football Teams & Score Sheet

Competition: Queensland State Cup

Home Team _____

Coach _____

Asst. Coach _____

Manager _____

Final Score	
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No	Player's Name	1st Half	2nd Half	Injury	Sin Bin / Send Off	Games Played	Signature
Tally							
Captain's Signature							



APPENDIX 4 – QUEENSLAND TOUCH FOOTBALL DOCUMENTS

- › The **QTF Apparel Suppliers** can be found [here](#).
- › The **QTF Apparel Licencing Regulations and Uniform Guidelines** can be found [here](#).
- › The **QTF General Conditions of Entry** can be found [here](#).
- › The **QTF Social Media Policy** can be found [here](#).
- › The **QTF Child & Youth Risk Management Strategy** can be found [here](#).

APPENDIX 5 – TOUCH FOOTBALL AUSTRALIA DOCUMENTS

- › The **TFA, Touch Football Rules – 8th Edition** can be found [here](#).
- › The **TFA Member and Participant Declaration** can be found [here](#).
- › The **TFA Code of Conduct** can be found [here](#).
- › The **TFA Social Media Community Code** can be found [here](#).
- › Access TFA online shop for **Referee Uniform** purchases [here](#).

APPENDIX 6 – AFFILIATE TEAM DECLARATION

- › The **Affiliate Team Declaration Form** must be completed and submitted to QTF as per Item 2.2.2.
- › The Affiliate Team Declaration Form can be found [here](#).



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