



## 2021 NPL COMPETITION REGULATIONS AMENDMENTS

Section	Article	Topic	Rationale for Alteration
2	10	Championship Series	In line with the alteration to the comp structures for the 2021 season
2	12	Promotion and Relegation from 2021 to 2022	The addition of NPL1 Youth/NPL2 Youth process to this section
2	13.2	Forfeits	To provide further clarity on the application of forfeits
2	23	Trial Matches	Submission now required seven (7) business days in advance of match
2	24	Overseas Tours and Travels	Removed due to COVID-19
3	3.1 b)	Eligibility & Player Movement in Premiership Matches	This section has been updated as these forms now need to be submitted by the Club Technical Director
3	3.1 b) iv)	Eligibility & Player Movement in Premiership Matches	Additional regulation added for Players playing three (3) or more years above their correct age group to align with other CF competition regulations
3	3.2 b) & c)	Eligibility & Player Movement in Premiership Matches	Updated for clarity to align with how the regulation will be administered in relation to listing overage players on team sheet.
3	3.2 c)	Eligibility & Player Movement in Premiership Matches	Updated based on the recommendation from the PLSAC to align NPL1 Men's & NPL2 Men's
3	4	Eligibility of Players in Championship Matches	Amended to include an overarching number of matches to be played, as well as a regulation pertaining to Players transferring Clubs mid season, in accordance with Club and PLSAC feedback
3	5	Relative Age Effect (RAE)	Adjusted to ensure consistent application based on feedback from Clubs
4	1	Player Status	Section was amended due to CF changing all NPL competitions to amateur only, based on FIFA regulatory changes to registration periods for professional competitions
4	2	Amateur or Professional Player	Sections were removed due to CF changing all NPL competitions to amateur only for the 2021 season and therefore not required to be outlined in 2021 Competition Regulations
4	6.1 d)	Registration Processes	
4	6.1 vi)	Registration Processes	
4	11.2	Player De-registration	



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4	12	Professional Player Transfer, Compensation & Disputes	Sections were removed due to CF changing all NPL competitions to amateur only for the 2021 season and therefore not required to be outlined in 2021 Competition Regulations
4	13	Loan Players	
4	15	Guest Players	
4	3	Reacquisition of Amateur Status	Updated to allow WWL players to register back into the NPL, without needing them to stand down in order to reacquire their amateur status
4	4.1	Registration Periods	Updated for the 2021 season
4	6 e)	Registration Process – ITC's	Please note that the ITC Process for 2021 has not been formally finalised by Football Australia. Once it has been, CF will update these Regulations and advise the Clubs of the update
4	14	Visa Players	Wording changed to First Grade Player Roster to better align with PPS regulations
4	16	Player Rosters	U13 age grades updated to 18, based on feedback received by Technical Department and Clubs Maximum number of players per Player Roster implemented in the 2021 season
4	17	PPS	Updated for the 2021 season, with the removal of the implementation of the full PPS for CF competitions
4	18	Coaching Requirements	No change to previous regulations, however compliance will be monitored in the 2021 season
4	18.4	Coaching Requirements	Updated to align with C-Licence not being split between youth and adult moving forward.
5	4 c)	Substitution and Interchange	Substitution regulations updated in line with the 2021 FFA Cup Competition Regulations
5	6.4	Ball Persons	Subclauses added to reflect potential for COVID-19 to impact competition
5	7.4	Player Mascots	



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5	19	Medical Coverage	No change to previous regulations, however compliance will be monitored in the 2021 season
6	4	Referee Vested Official	Terminology changed from Club Referee Coordinator to Referee Vested Official to ease confusion
6	7	Temporary Dismissals	Section was updated based on changes in the IFAB Laws of the Game and to provide further clarity in this section
Schedule 3	1	General PPS Information	Sections removed for the 2021 season, with the removal of the implementation of the full PPS for CF competitions
Schedule 3	2	PPS	
Schedule 3	3	General Definitions	
Schedule 3	4	Explanatory Notes	