



ADULT
Conditions of Entry
2022 - Season 1

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Thank you for your interest in entering a team into our next competition. Please read the document and comply with the conditions.

Nominations will not be taken without a 50% deposit.

Teams that pay the whole nomination fee at the time of nomination will be given preference if team numbers exceed our maximum.

Please note that cash is not accepted for nomination fees.

Registration of players is to be completed online – see Item 7 of the Conditions of Entry.

The maximum number of teams without going to a 5th timeslot, which has been decided is not an option, is Wednesday 72 teams and Thursday 56 teams.

The Executive Committee will have the discretion which teams will be accepted into our competition based on past history.

Trials draw for 2nd & 3rd February 2022 will be posted via a link on our website; www.goldcoasttouch.com

Our competition draws will also be posted via a link on our website under Fixtures/Results

To keep up to date with all our news easier – please follow our social media pages;

‘Gold Coast Touch Association’



@goldcoasttouch



ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

1. Information Services

GCTA's website is updated regularly (www.goldcoasttouch.com). It provides links to fixture draws, scores, ladders for all grades and other important information. Members are requested to check the website before calling the office. Team contacts and other players may also be notified via text message, email or phone call.

2. Individual Players

For the first time this season, we will be activating a new Facebook page called '[Gold Coast Touch - \(Adults\) Individuals & Teams Hub](#)'. Individuals and teams are encouraged to communicate through this page.

3. Wet Weather

Any cancellations due to wet weather will be posted on our website as early as possible as well as on our Facebook page. Emails will also be sent to all team contacts.

4. Insurance Cover

The Touch Football Australia Accident Insurance Scheme covers all players and officials who have met the insurance criteria of a TFA affiliated competition. Full details of the cover are available on the TFA website, <https://touchfootball.com.au/>, under Resources. Loss of income is not covered. Players are advised to consider the adequacy of the cover and decide whether to take out their own insurance. ALL injuries should be reported to admin as well as filling out an Incident Report Form. Claim forms can be downloaded from TFA's website, <https://touchfootball.com.au/> or obtained from Sports Cover on 1300 736 390.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Team Nominations

Nomination / payment close Tuesday 25 January 2022. Teams can nominate prior to the above date. Nominations are to be made online through our website or the Touch Football Australia website and to be accompanied with payment before closing date – credit card payment option is included on the last page of this document

How to nominate a team for Season 1, 2022;

Go to www.goldcoasttouch.com.au. Click on the heading 'Seniors' under the 'Play' tab. Then click Team Registration (Nominate Now) Make sure you fill in all the compulsory boxes and then press submit. Cost per team is outlined below. This includes a trial game, a 14-week season + 3 rounds of finals. (One of these Finals rounds may be used as a wet weather catch up round if necessary). All nominations received online will be emailed confirmation of acceptance into the competition

2. Team Nomination Fees

(Includes Medical Insurance)

ABN: 15 637 195 394

All costs below include GST

Men's & Women's Division 1 teams - \$1350

Points System Policy applies to all teams nominating into these divisions. This can be found in the appendix of this document.

All other Men's & Women's Divisions & Mixed - \$1450

School student teams - \$1350

(Minimum is 12 years old – Only counts for teams with ONLY school students registered)

A minimum of 50% of fees to be paid when nominating.

Payment Options:

- a. Payment by EFT (**PREFERRED**) : BSB: 064 445
ACC NO: 00901141
ACC NAME: GCTA
(PLEASE WRITE TEAM NAME IN DESCRIPTION)

Please email remittance advice to info@goldcoasttouch.com

- b. Payment via Credit Card Details (emailed to info@goldcoasttouch.com)
c. Payment by EFTPOS in person at the GCTA clubhouse
d. Payment by cheque in person at the GCTA clubhouse

NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE REQUIRED DEPOSIT

- **THE REMAINING BALANCE IS TO BE PAID BY ROUND 3**
- **IF FEES ARE NOT PAID AFTER ROUND 3 A \$100 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO OUTSTANDING AMOUNT**
- **IF TEAM FEES ARE NOT PAID BY ROUND 7 THE TEAM WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE COMPETITION**

3. Pre-season Trial Games

Wednesday 2nd February 2022 - All Men's and Women's teams

Thursday 3rd February 2022 - Mixed teams

Round 1 will commence the following week (9th & 10th February)

TRIALS DRAW WILL BE POSTED TO OUR WEB SITE ON MONDAY
31st JANUARY.

4. Grand Finals

Grand Finals are scheduled to be played on Saturday 11TH June. Grand Final Day Schedule will be released during Semi Finals.

5. Playing nights and divisions:

Wednesday Nights Women's Divisions (1) to (3)
Men's Division (1) to (6)

Thursday Nights Mixed Divisions (1) to (6)
Men's and Women's lower graded divisions - depending
on nominations

Postponed games may be re-played either on Monday nights or double headers will be scheduled on regular playing nights.

6. Player Online Registration

Registration of Players – the team contact is to ensure that all players are registered online through our website. Head to our website and click on '**Adults**' under the '**Play**' tab and click on '**Register Now**'.

Players not registered **WILL NOT** be permitted to take the field.

7. Player Sign-On

Due to Covid-19 Restrictions, we will not be using the Finger Scanners this season as we have previously. Players will advise the referees before the game of who is there as they will have team sheets at the fields.

If a player has not registered online that player cannot participate in the game until they have done so

Players WILL NOT display on team sheets until they register correctly online

8. Playing Attire

T Shirts Uniform coloured numbered shirts or singlets (please avoid predominantly white).
Numbers must be located on the back and must be at least 16cm.

Shorts Shorts to be of a rugby league/union style and the length needs to be above the knee and to be of the **same colour**

Shoes Moulded sole shoes to be worn. Baseball type cleats and metal screw in studs are not permitted

All players to be in full Team Uniform by Round 4

9. Eligibility for Finals

Men's & Women's:

(a) Single Team Players

A minimum of 5 games must be played. Eligible games are calculated from the sign-on sheets

(b) Club Players

- (i) a minimum of 5 games must be played for the club in a particular grade to qualify to play in that particular grade or a higher grade
- (ii) a player may play a minimum of 5 games for a Club in a number of grades, however, that player shall only qualify to be eligible to play in the finals of the highest grade that the player played in, eg if a player played 1 Division (1) game, 2 Division (2) games and 2 Division (3) games, the player only qualifies to play in Division (1) finals.
- (iii) once a Club player competes in a final series, they cannot participate in a lower graded final series
- (iv) if more than one Club team ends up in the same finals grade, players may interchange between teams only if they played a minimum of 4 games in both or all teams subject to the GCTA Inc By-laws in regard to one player only being allowed to play one game per round

Mixed:

A minimum of 5 games must be played. Eligible games are calculated from the fingerprint scan system.

ABOVE CLUB RULES DO NOT APPLY TO MIXED TEAMS

THE "DROP-OFF" SYSTEM WILL BE USED TO DECIDE DRAWN FINALS

10. NO PLAYER IS PERMITTED TO PLAY TWICE IN THE ONE ROUND UNLESS IN A DIFFERENT COMPETITION (I.E. MENS AND MIXED) – 2 MATCH SUSPENSION, FINES UP TO \$100 AND POSSIBLE LOSS OF POINTS IF THIS OCCURS.

11. Forfeits

24 hours notice is required – if a team forfeits twice in a season without the required notice the team will need to show cause as to why it should remain in the competition unless there have been exceptional circumstances - this also applies to any postponed games

Forfeited games during postponed rounds will be scored as a 5 – 0 loss not as a 5– 0 forfeit

12. Alcohol

In keeping with the law regarding our liquor license, all alcohol is to be purchased from the GCTA canteen and is required to be consumed at the clubhouse.

NO OTHER ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED TO BE SOLD OR CONSUMED FROM, ON OR AROUND ANY OF OUR FIELDS

13. Insurance

Insurance Cover is provided for Non-Medicare Medical / Hospital only.

Loss of Income is not covered.

Claims are to be lodged within 30 days of the injury.

For more information and terms and conditions visit:

<http://touchfootball.com.au/insurance/>

Players are advised to report all injuries to Administration as soon as they occur.

14. Blood Bin

Players who are bleeding are to take no further part in a game until bleeding has stopped and all sign of blood cleaned. This also applies to blood on players' clothing

15. Substitute Boxes

All substitute players are to remain in the Sub Box area located on all fields

Coaches must also remain in the Sub Box area

16. Team Gradings

The grading of teams is at the sole discretion of the Association

17. Non-completion of a game

Should a game not be able to be completed other than by the referee calling it off due to player behaviour (eg storm, floodlight outage, etc) the following will apply:

- If the stoppage occurs after one half has been completed the score at that time will apply and the game will not be replayed
- If the stoppage occurs before half time the two teams may record a score (e.g., a draw) however if an agreement cannot be determined by both teams the game will be replayed at a mutually acceptable time to both teams and the Association

18. Behaviour

It is the responsibility of each team leader, coach and/or manager to ensure that both on and off field behaviour of their team members is of a standard expected by the GCTA. In the event of any confirmed reports to the contrary and, if such reports are sustained, the GCTA will take the strongest possible action against those concerned. Foul language will not be tolerated both on and off the field

19. Competition Rules

GCTA competitions will be conducted under Touch Football Australia Rules, 8th Edition & Amendments. These rules are available on the Touch Football Australia website (<https://touchfootball.com.au/volunteer/8th-edition-rules/>)

Subsequent sub-sections specify supplementary competition rules and procedures to be applied by GCTA. Teams participating in competitions conducted by GCTA agree to be bound

by TFA and GCTA rules and procedures.

20. Photography/Marketing

At times throughout the competition, GCTA may take photos/videos of our members before, during or after games. These photos/videos may be uploaded to our social media pages/website for marketing purposes. If a team or individual does not want to be in any videos/photos it is your responsibility to advise via email to info@goldcoasttouch.com

THE GOLD COAST TOUCH ASSOCIATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AMEND ANY OF THE ABOVE CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AND TO REFUSE ANY PLAYER OR TEAM FROM PARTICIPATING IN THIS COMPETITION
PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL YOUR PLAYERS ARE AWARE OF THESE CONDITIONS

Please contact the GCTA office should you need clarification of the above conditions or should you have any other enquires.

No games will be scheduled on;

- **Thursday April 14th (Easter Thursday)**
- **Wednesday June 8th (State of Origin #1)**

Australian Sports Commission Code of Conduct

<http://www.ausport.gov.au/supporting/ethics/strategy/codes/pages/template>

The Essence of Australian Sport template code of behaviour is intended to be the minimum standard for anyone involved in sport.

- operate within the rules and spirit of your sport, promoting fair play over winning at any cost
- encourage and support opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills
- support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport
- treat each person as an individual
- display control and courtesy to all involved with the sport
- respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- respect the decisions of officials, coaches and administrators in the conduct of the sport
- wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years
- adopt appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions
- adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs
- act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions
- ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment
- ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a harassment free environment
- do not tolerate harmful or abusive behaviours

Athletes

- give your best at all times
- participate for your own enjoyment and benefit

Coaches

- place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else
- help each person (athlete, official etc) reach their potential - respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each person and compliment and encourage with positive and supportive feedback
- any physical contact with a person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the person's skill development
- be honest and do not allow your qualifications to be misrepresented

Officials

- place the safety and welfare of the athletes above all else
- be consistent and impartial when making decisions
- address unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all people

Parents

- encourage children to participate and have fun
- focus on the child's effort and performance rather than winning or losing
- never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition

Spectators

- respect the performances and efforts of all people
- reject the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or athletes

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT OPTION

THIS FORM MUST BE LODGED WHEN NOMINATING YOUR TEAM

(PLEASE NOTE THAT AMERICAN EXPRESS AND DINERS CARDS ARE NOT ACCEPTED)

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TEAM NAME _____

CARD HOLDER NAME _____

CARD NUMBER

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EXPIRY DATE

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CCV NUMBER

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AMOUNT \$ _____

CARD HOLDER SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____ / _____ / _____

Appendix

Men's Division 1 Points Structure

Each team is restricted to a maximum of **10** 'current representative player' points.

The points attaching to each 'current representative player' are:

Australia or New Zealand:	Open Men:	2.5 points
	Open Mixed:	2 points
	20 years and under (Men or Mixed):	1.5 points
	18 years and under (Men or Mixed):	1.25 points
	30 years and over:	1.5 points
QLD or NSW (State of Origin):	Open Men:	2 points
	Open Mixed:	1.5 points
	20 years and under:	1.25 points
	18 years and under:	1 point
	30 years and over:	1 point
Regional Permit (NTLs):	Premiership:	1.5 points
	Open Men or Mixed:	1 point
Junior Players:	NYC Player (under 18s):	.5 point

Women's Division 1 Points Structure

Each team is restricted to a maximum of **8** 'current representative player' points.

The points attaching to each 'current representative player' are:

Australia or New Zealand:	Open Women or Mixed:	2.5 points
	20 years and under (Women or Mixed):	1.5 points
	18 years and under (Women or Mixed):	1.25 points
	27 years and over:	1 point
QLD or NSW (State of Origin):	Open Women and Mixed:	2 points
	20 years and under:	1.5 point
	18 years and under:	1 point
	27 years and over:	.5 point
Regionals (NTLs):	Premiership:	1.5 points
	Open Women or Mixed:	1 point
	27 years and over:	.25 point
Junior Players:	NYC Player (under 18s):	.5 point
	Regional Players (under 16s only):	.25 point
	QLD/NSW player (u15 schools):	.25 point

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A current representative player is a person who has been selected and accepted to play in a team from the list provided since January 1, 2020.

If a player is a current representative player in more than one of the categories specified above, the points attached to that player are the highest points applying to a category in which the player has participated. Points applying to other categories will not attach to the player. For example, a player has played QLD State of Origin side (2) and Premiership (1.5) they will be classified as having 2 points.

All division 1 Teams are required to nominate a maximum of 14 players before the season commences to ensure all teams are compliant with their points systems. These nominated players are not able to swap teams throughout the season. If changes need to be made throughout the season due to injury or other severe circumstances the General Manager must approve this change. This request must be made to info@goldcoasttouch.com

