

MEMO 16 - 25

To: Select SEQ Conference Clubs
From: Football Queensland
Subject: Compliance Information for In-House Programs u4 to u8
Date: April 24, 2025

Dear Clubs

It's been brought to Football Queensland's attention that a number of clubs are facilitating one or both of the following programs, without the required sanctioning from Football Queensland.

- 3 to 7 year old - 'in house' football program (training only)
- 5 to 8 year old - 'in house' competition (training and games)

As outlined previously and reiterated in earlier correspondence issued to clubs, and in accordance with both Football Australia and Football Queensland regulations, all in-house programs and competitions, regardless of age group, must be formally sanctioned.

This requirement extends to any and all programs that operate under alternative branding or modified nomenclature derived from MiniRoos, where such changes are made in an attempt to circumvent the established regulations of the game.

Furthermore, every club participant - irrespective of age, league or program must be registered and visible in both Squadi and PlayFootball systems, as mandated under the terms of the club's executed Football Queensland Affiliation Agreement, and in full compliance with Football Australia's National Registration, Status and Transfer Regulations (NRSTRs).

Football Australia recently issued a Circular, 14 March 2025 regarding mandatory registration under Article 6.2 of the NRSTRs where they again confirmed that any participant is prohibited from participating in any form of football at a club if they are not registered.

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Registration Mandatory (Article 6.2)

As stated above, article 6.2(a) mandates the registration of all players with Football Australia.

Football Australia received feedback that the use of the words “*play for a Club*” in article 6.2(a) narrowed the group of participants to whom the article applied with the example being given that it could be argued that a participant in a MiniRoos program does not actually “*play for a Club*”.

The amendment to article 6.2(a) removes any ambiguity and makes it clear that participants in a MiniRoos program, and in other football programs delivered by Football Australia or its stakeholders, must be registered with Football Australia.

Further, it should be noted that current article 6.2(b) prohibits a club from playing any person in a match unless that person is registered with Football Australia as a player with that club in accordance with article 6.

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In order to mirror the prohibition on clubs playing unregistered players in article 6.2(b), a new article 6.2(c) has been inserted into the NRSTRs which prohibits stakeholders from allowing any person to participate in a MiniRoos program, or in other football programs delivered by them, unless that person is registered with Football Australia.

Immediate action required:

1. It is mandatory to submit a [Sanction Request Form](#) for any remaining unsanctioned programs and/or competitions by **5:00pm, Monday 28 April**
2. Once FQ has reviewed and confirmed approval of the sanction request, all players must immediately be **registered in Squadi** by **5:00pm, Friday 9 May**

Failure to comply with strict regulatory compliance obligations may constitute a material breach of the Football Queensland Affiliation and Participation Licence agreements, in addition to the Football Australia NRSTRs, and may result in further regulatory action.

Accordingly, Football Queensland will seek remedy in accordance with the applicable affiliation regulations and the terms of the club's participation licence agreement. Furthermore, the club's continued participation in 2025 competitions, along with its affiliation status for the 2025 season, will be subject to formal review.

End.