



DOCKERTY CUP 2018

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1. COMPETITION STRUCTURE

1.1. General Information

- 1.1.1. All Clubs participating in the Dockerty Cup are bound by FFV's *Rules of Competition* as promulgated by FFV from time to time.
- 1.1.2. These Competition Regulations (**Regulations**) shall apply to all Dockerty Cup (**Cup**) fixtures administered by FFV and may be amended by FFV at any time.
- 1.1.3. The Cup will be contested by the four (4) FFV member Clubs that qualify for the FFA Cup Round of 32:
 - a. Should an NPL Club automatically qualify for the 2018 FFA Cup round of 32, the team shall automatically enter into the Dockerty Cup final and participate in a Play off fixture outlined in regulation 1.1.5a.
 - b. Should a Club choose not to compete in the Dockerty Cup, the Club may be fined at BR6 and face further sanctions under the GDT.
 - c. Should a Club not compete, FFV at its absolute discretion may replace the withdrawn Club with another Club that competed in the Westfield FFA Cup Preliminary Rounds Victoria.
- 1.1.4. All Round draws will be random.
- 1.1.5. The competition progression will be as follows:
 - a. A play off fixture involving one (1) of the four (4) teams outlined in regulation 1.1.3 will be drawn by random against the previous seasons National NPL Champion to determine who shall participate in the Semi Finals outlined in regulation 1.1.5 a.
 - b. Semi Finals: Clubs outlined in Regulation 1.1.3, with winners progressing to the Cup Final.
 - c. Cup Final: Winners of matches outlined in Regulation 1.1.5.a, with the winner declared Dockerty Cup Champion.
- 1.1.2. FFV may alter fixture kickoff times, dates and venues as it deems necessary.

1.2. Player Eligibility

- 1.2.1. FFV's 2018 Grievance, Discipline and Tribunal By-Law (**GDT**) shall apply to all Dockerty Cup fixtures, including the situation where a Club fields an Ineligible Player.
- 1.2.2. To be eligible to participate in the FFA Cup Preliminary Rounds in Victoria, players must be at least 15 years (or older) in 2018 unless an application to FFV for exemption from Regulation 1.2.2 is made by the player's Club on behalf of a player and is accepted by FFV.
- 1.2.3. A Player can only play for one (1) Club in the Dockerty Cup in a particular year. For clarity, this restriction does not prevent a player who has represented a Club in the FFA Cup from playing for a different Club in the Dockerty Cup in the same year.
- 1.2.4. A Club may only field Players that are registered and eligible for the Club.
- 1.2.5. Players must be registered to their Club in accordance with registration rules applying to the relevant league competition to which that Club is currently participating.

2. FIXTURE REQUIREMENTS

2.1. Substitution

- 2.1.1. Each team may make up to three (3) substitutions in any Dockerty Cup fixture (subject to Regulation 2.1.1(a) below), with no more than five (5) substitutes permitted to be named on the Match Record.
 - a. In the event a Dockerty Cup fixture enters Extra Time, a team may make a fourth substitution.
- 2.1.2. All substitutes must be seated within the Technical Area.
- 2.1.3. Substitutes may warm up outside of the Technical Area, provided they are wearing an alternative coloured uniform to the team strip and opposition team strip.
- 2.1.4. When warming up, substitutes must choose an area furthest from the opposing team or as advised by the appointed Match Official.

2.2. Match Balls

- 2.2.1. Clubs must use the FFV supplied Match Balls.

2.3. Match Duration

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- a. Each Dockerty Cup Match must consist of two (2) equal halves of forty-five (45) minutes to total a 'full' regular period Dockerty Cup Match time of ninety (90) minutes, excluding any injury time played as determined by the Match Official.

2.3.2 Extra Time and Penalties

- a. If, at the conclusion of Normal Time in any Dockerty Cup Match (including injury time), the scores between the two (2) Clubs are tied, extra time of two (2) equal periods of fifteen (15) minutes will be played. The conditions of the IFAB Laws of the Game will apply.
- b. If scores remain equal at the conclusion of both periods of extra time, penalty kicks will be taken, in accordance with the IFAB Laws of the Game, to determine the winner of the Dockerty Cup Match.

2.4. Results of Matches

2.4.1. Minimum Requirements to be entered by FFV

- a. Half Time Score
- b. Full Time Score (including where required extra time and penalties)
- c. Home Team Player List
- d. Home Team Goal Scorers
- e. Home Team Yellow Cards
- f. Home Team Red Cards
- g. Away Team Player List
- h. Away Team Goal Scorers
- i. Away Team Yellow Cards
- j. Away Team Red Cards

2.4.2. Clubs must list on the Match Record all players taking part in a Competition Fixture and must produce to the Match Official a Match Record not less than 30 minutes before the commencement of any FFV Competition Fixture.

2.4.3. If a Club disagrees with any of the details on a Match Record prior to the commencement of the fixture, the fixture must still take place as per the fixtured start time.

2.4.4. A Club will be guilty of Misconduct if:

- a. any player listed on the Match Record is ineligible in accordance with either these Rules or the GDT; or
- b. more than 16 players are listed on the Match Record; or

- c. it fails to list on the Match Record the shirt number, full name and FFA ID number for each player, or adds players to the Match Record after submission to the Match Official (and without the Match Official's permission), and shall be processed in accordance with the terms of the GDT.
- 2.4.5. A representative from each Team must sign the Match Record at the conclusion of the Competition Fixture and should do so only after the appointed Match Official has recorded all outstanding details.
- 2.4.6. If a Club disagrees with any of the details on a Match Record (either its own or the opposition's), the Club must sign and indicate any disputed information by circling the detail in question. Only the following information can be disputed:
- a. Goal Scorers;
 - b. Red and Yellow Cards;
 - c. Final score; or
 - d. Player eligibility.
- 2.4.7. Match Record Disputes will only be investigated by FFV in the following circumstances:
- a. The Match Record and a request to conduct a match investigation is lodged with FFV within 7 days of the Competition Fixture; and
 - b. The following evidence is submitted by the Club in support of its request for a match investigation:
 - i. Full Match Record;
 - ii. Video and/or photographic evidence;
 - iii. Statutory Declaration(s); and
 - iv. Any other information accepted from the Club at the discretion of FFV.
- 2.4.8. FFV may extend or abridge the deadline referred to in Rule 3.3.5.a. at its discretion.
- 2.4.9. Match Records will only be amended if FFV is satisfied that the information disputed is proven beyond reasonable doubt. FFV's decision is final in this regard and is not appealable.
- 2.4.10. Once signed by all parties at the conclusion of the Competition Fixture, each Club must make a copy of its Match Record available to the opposing Team.

2.5. Venue Requirements

- 2.5.1. Semi-Final & Final: The venue shall be determined by FFV at its absolute discretion.

2.6. Playing Strips

- 2.6.1. The club drawn first, and named first on published fixtures will be the Home nominated club and must wear the Home nominated Playing Strip submitted for the Westfield FFA Cup, subject to Regulation 2.6.2.
- 2.6.2. In the event there is a clash between the Home nominated Playing Strip of the Home nominated club and both the Home and Away Playing strip of the Away nominated club, FFV may determine in its absolute and sole discretion, the Playing Strip allocations for each Club.
- 2.6.3. In any instance, FFV may determine in its sole discretion, the Playing Strip allocations for each Club for any Dockerty Cup fixture.

2.7. Security and Ground Marshals

- 2.7.1. FFV will determine in its absolute and sole discretion security requirements for any Dockerty Cup fixture.
- 2.7.2. FFV will determine in its absolute and sole discretion the number of Club Ground Marshals required by each participating Club in a Dockerty Cup fixture.

3. FIXTURE DETAILS

3.1. Admittance to Dockerty Cup Fixtures

3.1.1. Admittance Prices

Admittance prices for the Dockerty Cup fixtures for adults, concession, children and car parking will be determined by FFV and advised to clubs ahead of each fixture.

3.1.2. Conditions of Entry to Venues

- a. FFV's conditions of entry to venues apply to all matches in the Dockerty Cup. Each hosting venue shall display those conditions at each entry point to the venue.

3.2. Match Official Fees

- 3.2.1. FFV is responsible for the payment of Match Officials for the Semi-Finals and Final.

3.3. Fixture Time and Playing Days

3.3.1. The Dockerty Cup Semi-Finals and Final will be scheduled by FFV in its absolute and sole discretion.

4. GDT APPLICABILITY

FFV's 2018 Grievance, Discipline and Tribunal By-Law (GDT) and the [National Disciplinary Regulations](#) (NDR) will apply to all Dockerty Cup Matches in respect of all Red Cards, Yellow Cards and Misconduct matters or otherwise where a Player or Club commits a breach of Dockerty Cup Regulations. In the event there is any inconsistencies between the GDT and NDR, the relevant term or terms of the NDR will prevail.

5. PRIZE FUND

5.1 Prize Money

- (a) For the Dockerty Cup, prize money will be paid to participating Clubs as outlined in the table below:

<i>Club's Final Position in the Dockerty Cup</i>	<i>Total</i>
1 (Dockerty Cup Winner)	\$10,000
2 (Dockerty Cup Runner Up)	\$5,000
= 3 (Semi Finalist)	\$2,500
= Eliminated Play off Participant (If applicable)	\$2,500