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LTA Season Team Nominations 2023/24

Welcome to Launceston Touch Association's Season 2023/24!

Please be aware that due to the large number of LTA representatives in the Tasmanian Thunder teams at the National Youth Championships (NYC), the season will officially start on Tuesday 3 October.

IMPORTANT DATES

Team Nominations Open	Wednesday 16 August
Team Nominations Close	Sunday 3 September
Player Registration Open	Tuesday 6 September
LTA Delegates Meeting	Wednesday 20 September

ROSTER

Mixed	Monday 16 October. 12 Rounds, Grand Final Monday 26 February.
Women	Tuesday 3 October. 16 Rounds. Grand Final Saturday 2 March.
Juniors	Wednesday 18 October. 14 rounds. Grand Final Saturday 2 March
Men	Thursday 5 October. 16 Rounds. Grand Final Saturday 2 March.
Senior State Cup	25-26 th November 2023 (Hobart)
Junior State Cup	18-19 th February 2024 (Devonport)

TEAM NOMINATIONS

Team Nominations will be open for three weeks from Wednesday 16 August, 2023. The LTA request that **ALL** team nominations are completed via the Google form that has been specially created for this purpose.

The form is available at <https://forms.gle/TNqkDjF5AsEAenZV6> **NO** late nominations will be accepted.

The LTA are trying to minimise the problems we encounter with both MySideline and fair grading amongst teams. These teams will be entered by the LTA into MySideline for the players to register to. Team Delegates will also have access to the digital portion of the MySideline to confirm players' registration status.

The LTA ask that teams fill out **ALL** players intending to play for teams – whether they be permanent or casual members. A minimum of 6 players will be required to complete the nomination process. Each team may consist of a maximum of 20 players for the total season. If you have only nominated minimum 6 players – you may add further players at any point, provided they adhere to the LTA bylaws (see below).

Players will be able register in their selected teams via links that will be made available to team delegates. Please note that all players are required to pay the appropriate player fee when registering for the first time. It is compulsory and a registration cannot be completed unless the required fee is paid. All players must be registered and paid no later 4pm on the day of playing their first game. Casual payment players will still be encouraged, utilising a google form system as per previous years.

Our bylaws stipulate players who have played in higher division competitions in the year preceding may only drop 1 division. This includes our mixed teams. Application may be made to the LTA committee where reasons extenuate, however this also needs to be confirmed by the committee before the player shall be entered in the team.

13.2 Men's and Women's Division 1 players are ineligible to play in Division 3 or lower, Men's, Women's or Mixed team competition without the express written consent of the LTA Committee. Division 1 players are described as players who are currently registered in Division 1, or who were registered in a Division 1 team the previous season, and those who were registered in a Division 1 team and have not yet registered for any team, or a player who played more than 5 games in Division 1 the prior year.



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POOL PLAYERS

We would also like an “*indication*” of Pool Players for Division 1 and 2 on the Google form. This is only an indication and not a formal request. Please direct all Pool Player requests to the LTA General Manager via email. For teams to be eligible to request pool players they must have a minimum of 6 players registered into the team.

30.6 *A MAXIMUM of 3 players may pool INTO any one team, from division 3 to 2, and a MAXIMUM of 3 players may pool INTO any one team, from division 2 to 1.*

REFEREES

We are endeavouring to run a Level 1 Referees course towards the middle of September (details to be advised). Could we also ask that ALL referees make themselves an account on “The Nest” – this is for ongoing training and accreditations by TFA – if they have not already done so.

EVERY team is to supply a nominated referee. This referee is to be available on the night of the nominating team’s competition. If the nominated referee is not available, a referee of equal or higher value may replace them with notification to be given to the Referees Director prior to the game. If you have trouble with referee nomination, please discuss this with your club. All referees will be paid as per the LTA Bylaws Version 3.0.

27.9 *All teams must nominate one (1) referee to officiate on their behalf on the night that their team plays. The nominated referee does not need to come from within the team. They may be from within a club, another team, or be appointed from a pool of referees by the LTA Manager/Director of Referees. Should this referee stop refereeing, apart from injury, or be unavailable to referee on the required night, then a replacement referee must be provided.*

(a) Failure to have nominated a referee prior to the commencement of the season will result in the team forfeiting games until a referee is nominated.

(b) Failure to replace a nominated referee in accordance with above, will result in the team forfeiting games until a replacement referee is nominated.

Pool referees: If you are a club based team, then we encourage you to speak with your club to find a referee that can be your nominated referee.

If you are an independent team, please contact the LTA to arrange a possible referee to be your nominated referee.

PLEASE NOTE: Should your team not be able to provide a nominated referee (ie use the pool), then a member of your team will be required to be a match official on a designated game, supporting the referees, by ensuring the score card is signed by players prior to the game, recording scores throughout the game, and ensuring all score card requirements are complete at the end of the match. Contact email manager@launcestontouch.asn.au

FEES & CONDITIONS

The LTA is continuing with individual player payments. Players will be required to pay online when registering for each team they are participating in.

From July 1 2023, Touch Football Australia introduced a player pays system for insurance and affiliation. This fee for Tasmania has been set at \$42 and will be payable the first time you use MySideline to register into a team. It is a one off fee each financial year and will cover players’ insurance in anywhere in Australia.

Senior Teams

The fees for all Senior competition players have been set at \$185 per player (based on a minimum of 10 players per team). All Senior teams will play the same number of rounds, regardless of the number of teams in their division.

Mixed Teams

The fees for all Mixed competition players have been set at \$145 per player (based on a minimum of 10 players per team). All mixed teams will play the same number of rounds, regardless of the number of teams in their division.

Junior Teams

The fees for all Junior competition players have been set at \$145 per player (based on a minimum of 10 players per team). All junior teams will play the same number of rounds, regardless of the number of teams in their division. For a team to be classified as junior, ALL members of the team must comply with the age restrictions.



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Ticket To Play

Ticket to Play vouchers will also be accepted season 2023/24. Participants will be required to contact the LTA to receive an individual discount code that will be used when registering on MySideline. Please request voucher holders to contact the LTA office via email

TEAM DELEGATES

The Team Delegate will be the only contact person for the team. The Team Delegate **MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER**. And the coach/delegate is to hold a current Working with Vulnerable People card if any players in the team are U18.

All Coaches MUST register on MySideline with their team. This also applies to teams with multiple coaches.

All LTA correspondence will be made through the team delegate unless applying to all players where we will directly communicate with all LTA members. It is important that the person who is nominated as the Team Delegate is easy to contact and willing to take on the responsibility of being notified of forfeits, game cancellations, ground changes etc. and other relevant information for teams ongoing throughout the season.

The Team Delegate is responsible for completing the online Team Nomination Google form and must agree that their team will abide by the LTA Code of Conduct, By Laws and Constitution, as well as Touch Football Australia's Rules and Policies, by ticking the "I have read and agreed to the terms and conditions" box on the online Team Nomination form. Players are also required to agree to these terms and conditions when completing the online Player Registration form.

JUNIORS

It is preferred that coaches of junior teams have coaching accreditation and they *must* hold a current WWVP card.

Ages for juniors are as follows:

U16 – eligible players will be born in or after 2008

U14 – eligible players will be born in or after 2010

U12 – eligible players will be born in or after 2012 For the first 6 weeks of the U12 roster may have on field support with coaches.

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CHECK (WWVP)

In accordance with legislative requirements coaches, assistant coaches and team managers of junior teams are required to obtain a working with vulnerable people registration. The LTA require proof of registration of all responsible persons prior to season commencement.

The link to complete your application for registration: <http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/workingwithchildren/application>

These details can also be added to individual's profiles on MySideline.

LTA DELEGATE MEETING

The LTA Delegates meeting will be conducted on Wednesday 20 September at 6pm at Prospect Park.

It is critical that ALL team delegates attend or advise an apology for this meeting.

Any questions relating to the upcoming season, please contact the LTA office on manager@launcestontouch.asn.au
Please avoid contacting the LTA Manager via personal message or phone for touch related issues.

Thank you and good luck for the coming season!

LTA Committee