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LTA Season Team Nominations 2026/27

Welcome to Launceston Touch Association's Season 2026/27!

Please be aware that due to large numbers of LTA representatives in the Tasmanian teams at the National Youth Championships (NYC) and later than normal school holidays, the season will start on Monday 19 October 2026.

IMPORTANT DATES

Team Nominations OPEN	Wednesday 12 August
Team Nominations CLOSE	Wednesday 16 September
Player Registrations Open	Wednesday 23 September

Key Dates	
Season start	Monday 19 October
Christmas break	Friday 18 December 2026
Season restart	Monday 11 January 2027
GRAND FINALS	Saturday 20 March 2027

ROSTER ADDITIONS

Competition Break	Week beginning 1 March, this week may be used for catchup games.
Fast 4s	dates to be confirmed
All Abilities	dates to be confirmed
Tasmanian State Cup	13-14 February 2027 (Devonport)

GENERAL NOMINATION INFORMATION

TEAM NOMINATIONS

Team Nominations will be open from Wednesday 12 August, 2026.

ALL team nominations are completed via the Google form that has been specially created for this purpose.

The form is available at: [Team Nomination Form](#)

This form is **for team nominations only** and is **not** used to select divisions. Divisions are determined by the LTA Committee after nominations close. Once grading has been finalised, teams will be created in MySideline and team delegates will receive a registration link to share with their players.

When completing your nomination, please list **all players you expect to use during the season**, including permanent and regular casual players. A minimum of **6 players** is required to nominate a team, with a maximum squad size of **20 players** for the season.

Teams nominating with only six players may add additional players later, provided they comply with LTA Bylaws. Please note that adding players after grading may result in your team being re-graded.

All players must register and pay their registration fee through MySideline **before 4:00 pm on the day of their first game**. Casual players will continue to register via the Google Form, as in previous seasons.

Under LTA Bylaws, players who competed in a higher division during the previous year may only move down **one division**, including Mixed competitions. Requests for an exemption may be submitted to the LTA Committee and must be approved before the player is eligible to take the field.

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.*



REFEREES

We are holding a Level 1 Referees course early October (details to be advised).

Every team is required to nominate a referee who is available to officiate on the same night that team competes.

If your nominated referee is unavailable, you must arrange a replacement referee of the same or higher accreditation and advise the Director of Referees before the scheduled game.

If you are unable to nominate a referee, please speak with your club.

All referees will be paid in accordance with 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 the above will result in the team forfeiting games until a replacement referee is nominated.

Independent Teams: If you require assistance finding a nominated referee, please contact the LTA prior to the season.

2026/27 Mixed Competition: Mixed teams are exempt from the nominated referee requirement. However, teams that provide a referee for the Mixed competition will receive a referee discount.

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CHECK (WWVP)

In accordance with Tasmanian legislation, coaches, team managers and committee members of clubs primarily involving children are required to hold a current Registration to Work with Vulnerable People (RWVP).

The LTA requires evidence of a current RWVP registration for all applicable roles before the season begins.

You can apply for or renew your registration via the Tasmanian Government website:

<http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/workingwithchildren/application>

FEES & REGISTRATION

All players must register and pay online through MySideline for each team they play in.

Touch Football Australia's Annual Membership & Insurance Fee for Tasmania is \$60 for the 2026/27 financial year.

This fee is paid once per financial year, the first time you register through MySideline and provides insurance cover for Touch Football competitions throughout Australia.

POOL PLAYERS

Please direct all Pool Player requests to the LTA Competition 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.

Note: Pool player requests will not be granted after round 5. Men's Pool players are only offered in exceptional circumstances due to Premier League and Blitzball.



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CASUAL PLAYERS

The casual player option remains available for:

- Senior Men's and Women's and Junior competitions
- **NOT REQUIRED FOR MIXED COMPETITION** (See Mixed details later in this document)

The casual player fee is \$20 per game. Casual players must register with the "LTA Casual Team" in MySideline (not their playing team) and pay the applicable casual fee each game.

Casual players are also required to pay the annual TFA Membership (\$60) if they have not already done so.

TICKET TO PLAY

Ticket to Play vouchers will also be accepted season 2026/27. 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 players in the team are primarily children.

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.

MIXED INFORMATION

<u>Mixed – Monday Nights</u>	
Season start	Monday 19 October 2026
Season Break	Tuesday 15 December – Sunday 10 January
Grand Finals	Monday 22 February 2027

Friday round TBC to make up for Australia Day weekend

12 rounds plus finals – finals will be determined once division make ups have been established.

Cost \$1300 per team (based on 10 players), reduced by \$100 with supply of a team referee.

A deposit of \$200 will be required at time of nomination, with the balance of fees to be paid by the end of round 5.

Please contact the LTA email to organise payment of the deposit.

No more than 20 players to be listed on the team.

Mixed Competition – Casual Players NOT Required

Players participating only in the Mixed competition do not need to register as casual players. They can register directly with their Mixed team at no additional LTA player fee, provided they have already paid the annual TFA Membership & Insurance Fee.



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WOMEN'S INFORMATION

Women's – Tuesday Nights	
Season start	Tuesday 20 October
Season Break	Wednesday 16 December – Monday 11 January
Grand Finals	Saturday 20 March 2027

- No games Australia Day January 26

16 rounds plus finals – finals will be determined once division make ups have been established.

Cost \$195 per player

Women's U21s Div 2 Competition/Junior Girls

Any fully registered Junior Girls players may play in the U21s Div 2 Women's competition for \$50. Registration in any other team for Women's will be charged at the normal rate. They will need to register in their junior team first – then apply to the LTA for a relevant discount code.

JUNIOR INFORMATION

JUNIOR'S – WEDNESDAY NIGHTS	
Season start	Wednesday 21 October
Season Break	Thursday 17 December – Tuesday 19 January
Grand Finals	Saturday 20 March 2027

15 rounds plus finals – finals will be determined once division make ups have been established.

Cost \$145 per player U12-U16

Players with Ticket to Play vouchers will need to contact the LTA to redeem their unique code prior to registration.

It's preferred that coaches of junior have coaching accreditation through TFA. They **MUST** hold a current WWVP card.

Junior Ages

U16 eligible players will be born in or after 2011
U14 eligible players will be born in or after 2013
U12 eligible players will be born in or after 2015
U10 eligible players will be born in or after 2017

Junior Pool Players

Similar to Senior Pool Players - commencing at the start of the season, clubs are allowed to select and request 2 players who can play one grade/age group up as well as their own age group. Please see above description for details (Pool Players).

Junior fill in system

A team may have fill in players from the same club fill in provided they fit the age group requirements and may only bring total teams numbers to 8 players.

Where a club has more than one team in a division, players may only fill in for one team across the season.

U12 Coaches

For the first 6 weeks of the U12 roster may have on field support with coaches.

Touch 10s

Dates to be confirmed. 6 week program. Cost is \$60 per player which will open for registration via a link at the time of player registration (September). Formal teams are not required for this skills based program.



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MEN'S INFORMATION

Men's – Thursday Nights	
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Season Break	Friday 18 December – Thursday 13 January
Grand Finals	Saturday 20 March 2027

16 rounds plus finals – finals will be determined once division make ups have been established.

Cost Men's Div 3 – Div 5 \$195 per player

Men's Premier League and Blitzball

Both formats have been confirmed - but the make up of these programs is dependent on team entries and player nominations. Costs and Dates will be communicated closer.

Finally, 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