



FOOTBALL  
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# STADIUM TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

## 2021 COMPETITIONS

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# SECTION 1: ADMINISTRATION, SCOPE AND BREACH

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## 1. Scope and Application

- a) These Regulations apply to Participants in the following competitions (the Competitions) unless stated otherwise:
  - i National Premier Leagues NSW Men's
  - ii National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's
  - iii National Premier Leagues 3 NSW Men's;
  - iv National Premier Leagues 4 NSW Men's;
  - v National Premier Leagues NSW Youth
  - vi National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Youth;
  - vii National Premier Leagues NSW Women's
  - viii National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Women's;
  - ix Girls Conference League
  - x Football NSW Association Youth League;
  - xi Skill Acquisition Program;
  - xii Girls Skill Acquisition Program; and
  - xiii Football NSW Cup Competitions (other than the FNSW State Cup and Champion of Champions Competitions)
- b) Reference to a Club includes the relevant Association or Branch accepted to participate in the Competitions

## 2. Stadium Non-Compliance

- a) Should a Club allow the degradation of their Stadium to a condition where the criteria is no longer met, or should a Club not meet a schedule of work warranted in an Application Form submitted for entry to a FNSW League, FNSW will determine one of the following courses of action:
  - i. All or part of the Club's matches will be played at the opponents Stadium, where available; or
  - ii. FNSW will nominate an alternative Stadium for the Club's matches; or
  - iii. A combination of a) and b) will be employed
  - iv. Removal of all or part of the Club from FNSW Competitions and incorporation of a Bye, and where applicable forfeits for any concluded matches in accordance with the FNSW Competition Regulations
- b) In all cases of a) through d), the non-compliant Club whose Stadium has not met the required criteria will be responsible for the full costs incurred by FNSW or the opponent Club for the staging of all aspects of their "home" matches.

## 3. Dispensation

- a) FNSW may grant special dispensation to a Club in the process of upgrading their facilities but for no longer than one (1) season.
- b) Should the required renovations not be completed prior to the season following granting of the dispensation, the Club may not be admitted to the League however may be placed in another League at the discretion of FNSW.
- c) FNSW may authorise the temporary use of a non-compliant venue in order to complete fixtures where scheduling and inclement weather mean that, with all other measures exhausted, use of the venue is the only means by which the match can be completed

## 4. Field and Facility Report

- a) Each Club must submit a Field and Facility Report upon request by FNSW.
- b) The Field and Facility report must be completed in its entirety and submitted by the stipulated date. Failure to lodge, or failure to complete the Report in its entirety, may lead to disciplinary action.

# SECTION 2: SAFETY, SECURITY AND ACCESS

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## 1. Responsibility

- a) It is the responsibility of each individual Club to ensure the safety and security of all individuals participating in, officiating at, working at or otherwise attending matches at the Club's nominated Stadium.

## 2. Enclosed Stadiums

- a) With the exception of Association Youth League, the Skills Acquisition Program, Girl's Skill Acquisition Program, National Premier Leagues 3 NSW and National Premier Leagues 4 NSW , all Stadiums in the Competitions must be completely enclosed.
- b) The fence surrounding the Stadium must be a minimum 1.8 metres in height and constructed of solid materials without gaps or faults that could allow ineligible entry to the Stadium.

## 3. Prohibited Items

- a) All Clubs are required to comply with the FA Inclusivity Principles for Club Identity, For more information club the following link – FA Inclusivity Principles for Club Identity – [click here](#).
- b) At any fixture under the jurisdiction of FNSW the following items are prohibited:
  - i) Flares
  - ii) Fireworks
  - iii) Other flammable objects
  - iv) Loudhailers
  - v) Instruments prohibited by law
  - vi) Anything of any nature that does not positively reflect the image of the Club, Association, Branch, FNSW or the game in general
- c) In relation to article 3 b) i – iii, should the spectators of a Club be found to have breached this article, a fine of \$1,000 will be imposed on that Club for a first offence in the football season. All subsequent offences will attract a fine of \$5,000.
- d) Each Club will be required to take steps to ensure that its supporters (at both home and away matches) and patrons (at home matches) are aware of Prohibited Items.
- e) FNSW or any FNSW appointed official may request the immediate removal of any Prohibited Item at their discretion.
- f) Each home Club is to ensure that such Prohibited Items are not brought into their Stadium by any spectator or individual.
- g) Failure of Individuals, Clubs and organisations to comply with the Prohibited Items requirement may result in disciplinary action.

## 4. Emergency Exit Plan

- a) All Stadiums must have an Emergency Exit Plan. The Emergency Exit Plan must be clearly displayed at all points of entry and exit as well as at other strategic points around the Stadium.

## 5. Emergency Exits

- a) All Emergency Exits must be clearly signposted and adequately lit, in accordance with Australian Standards, and must be free of any form of obstruction.



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## 6. General Access Security

- a) At Stadiums required to have enclosed fencing, all access points must be manned by appropriate personnel (i.e. Club Officials or Security Guards) and have an identified area for examining objects brought into the Stadium.

## 7. Emergency Services Access

- a) There must be direct access for Emergency Service vehicles to the Stadium and Field of Play.

## 8. Fire Prevention

- a) The Stadium must be equipped with all fire prevention devices as required by Government and Australian Standards.

## 9. Smoking and Drinking

- a) It is prohibited to smoke or consume alcohol within the confines of the pitch perimeter fence.
- b) Smoking is also prohibited in all spectator areas within the boundaries of the venue.

## 10. Risk Assessment

- a) FNSW may from time to time, due to actual or perceived possibility of disturbance, require Clubs to submit a Risk Assessment for any match played at its Stadium.
- b) The Risk Assessment must at a minimum consider and define:
  - i. Projected crowd figures
  - ii. Stadium Access points for players, officials, spectators, media etc.
  - iii. Pedestrian flows into and out of relevant areas of the Stadium for Teams, Match Officials, Media and
  - iv. Spectators
  - v. Access and flows for Emergency Services and Security
  - vi. Modes of control of access to restricted areas
  - vii. Position and numbers of Security and Police at strategic points around the Stadium and Stadium precinct
  - viii. Signposting of entry and exit points
  - ix. Emergency Exit Plan

## 11. Restricted Access Areas

- a) Clubs are required to implement Restricted Access to the following areas as a minimum:
  - i. Player's Dressing rooms for Players, Club Officials and Match Officials only
  - ii. Referees' Dressing Rooms for Match Officials only
  - iii. Players Race (at applicable Stadiums) for Players, Match Officials, Security Personnel, Emergency Services and home Club Officials only
  - iv. Field of Play for Players, Team Officials, Match Officials, Security Personnel, Emergency Services

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and

- v. registered photographers only
- b) Further to the above, Clubs in the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues NSW Men's 2 are required to implement Restricted Access to the Press Area for registered media, FNSW appointed officers and home Club staff.
- c) All Restricted Access Areas must be signposted, clearly indicating the identification, pass or ticket
- d) required to access the area.
- e) All Clubs are encouraged to further define restricted points of access to the Stadium for players, media, staff etc. to promote more efficient and professional coordination of their match day operations.

## 12. Ticket Box

- a) For the National Premier League's NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues 2 Men's, the Stadium must have a clearly identifiable Ticket Box at the entrance gate that provides all weather protection and security to Club or FNSW staff.
- b) For the National Premier Leagues NSW Women's, National Premier Leagues 2 Women's and National Premier Leagues 3 NSW Men's should a Club elect to sell tickets for entry to the Stadium, a Ticket Box as above must be supplied.

For clarity, Clubs may charge an entry fee in the following competitions:

- i. National Premier Leagues NSW Men's – 1st Grade and Grade 20
- ii. National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's – 1st Grade and Grade 20
- iii. National Premier Leagues 3 NSW Men's – 1st Grade and Grade 20
- iv. National Premier Leagues NSW Women's – 1st Grade and Reserve Grade
- v. National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Women's – 1st Grade and Reserve Grade

# SECTION 3: FIELD OF PLAY

## 1. Field of Play Dimensions

The follow diagrams detail the minimum, maximum and compulsory dimensions for Field of Play markings. All fields used in FNSW Competitions must conform to these dimensions.

### a) 11 a side Football

- i FIFA recommendations for field dimensions in professional football are 105 metres in length and 68 metres in width. Clubs are encouraged where possible to mark their fields in accordance with this standard.
- ii FNSW may introduce modified field dimensions for Youth Grades of football from time to time.
- iii There must be buffer zones between the Field of Play line marking and any Advertising Boards or Perimeter Fence. The minimum distance for a buffer zone from the touch line or goal line is 3 metres, with the exception of the touch line on which side the Technical Area is located, which must extend five (5) metres to allow for the Team Benches.
- iv The benches in the Technical Area may be set back into the perimeter fence, resulting in the seating being in-line with the perimeter fence (i.e. 3m buffer zone) and the back of the bench extending 2 metres beyond the perimeter fence

Diagram 1 - Field of Play Perimeter Dimensions

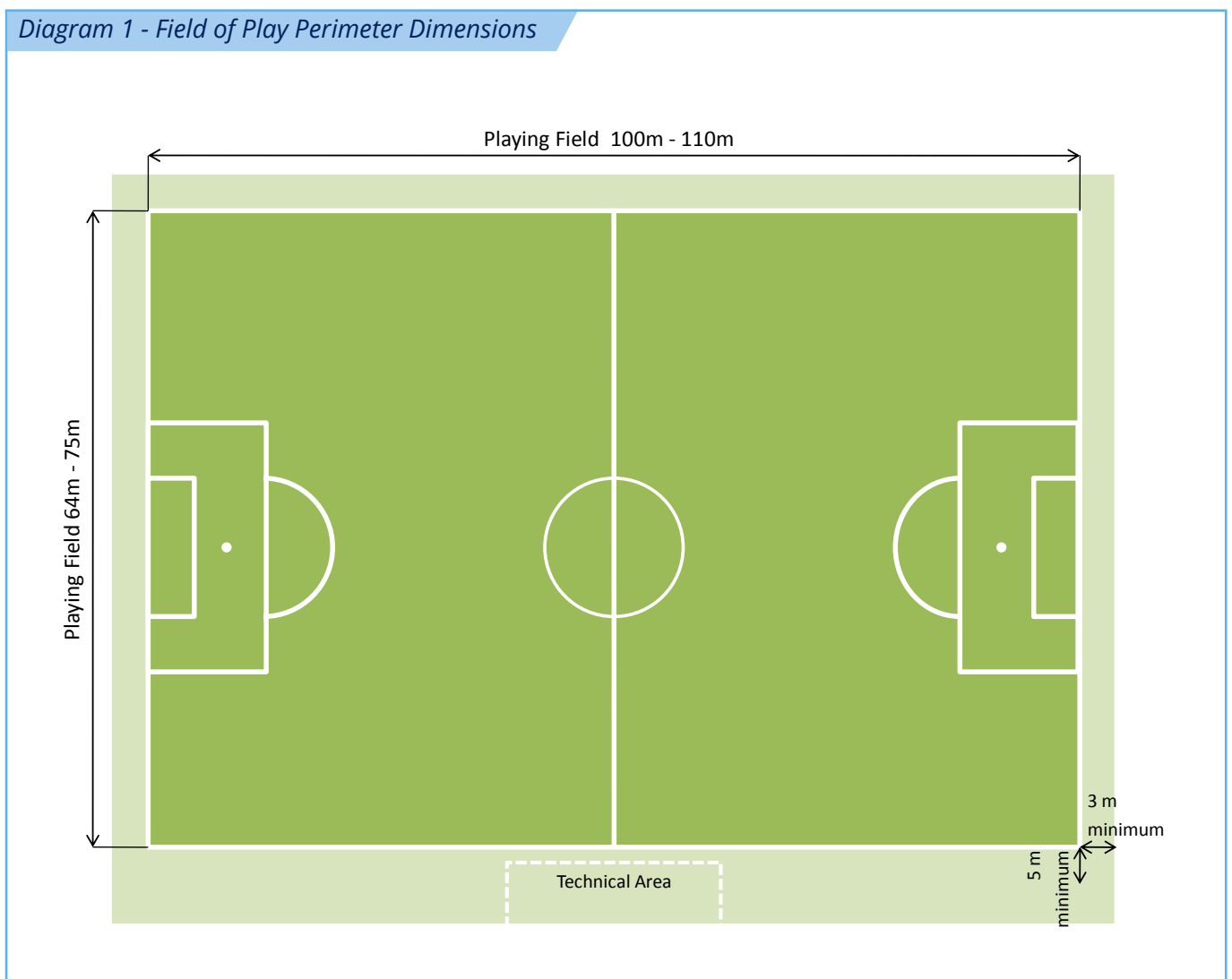
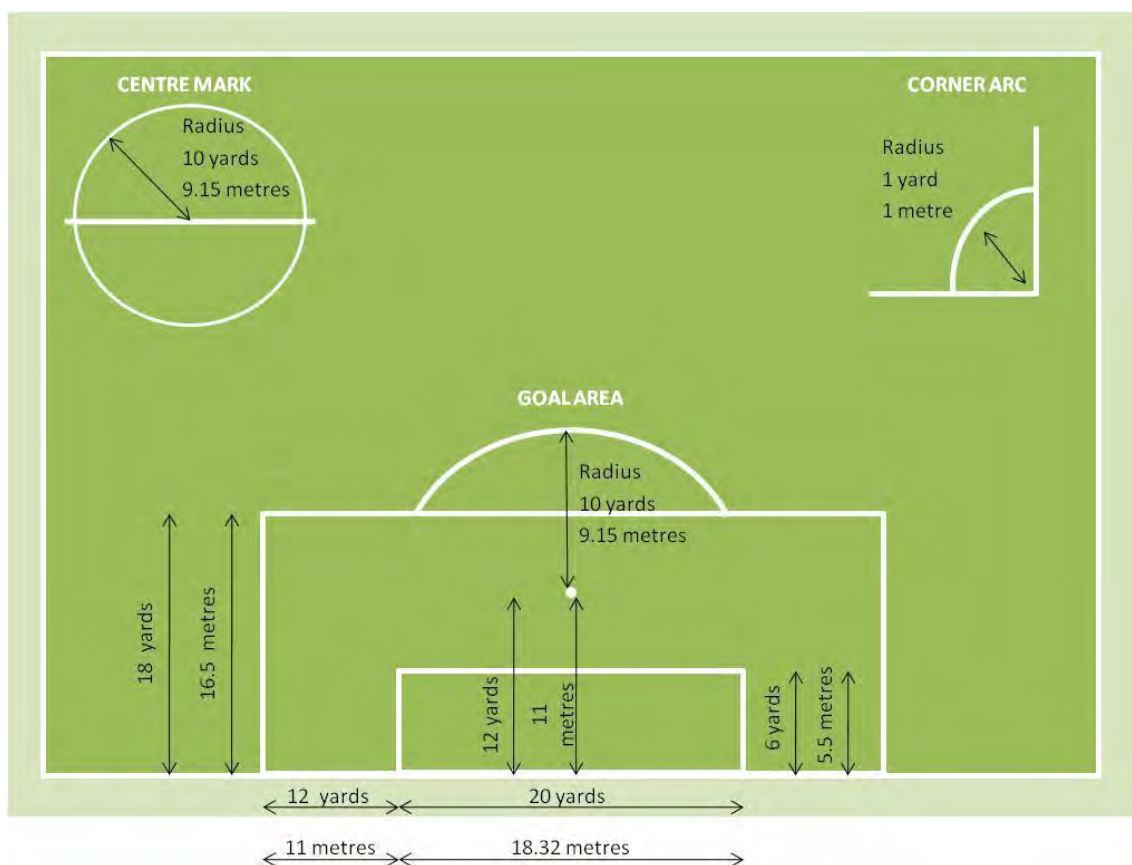


Diagram 2 - Infield Dimensions



b) Skill Acquisition Program and Girl's Skill Acquisition Program

- i Participating Clubs will be required to adhere to the MiniRoos preferred field dimensions during the SAP game phase, specifically;

Category	U9	U10	U11	U12
Field size	Length: 45m-50m Width: 35m-40m	Length: 55m-60m Width: 35m-40m	Length: 60m-70m Width: 40m-50m	Length: 60m-70m Width: 40m-50m
Penalty Area	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 5m Width: 12m
Goal size	Height: 2m Width: 3m	Height: 2m Width: 5m	Height: 2m Width: 5m	Height: 2m Width: 5m
Goal type	Portable Goals	Portable Goals	Portable Goals	Portable Goals

- ii Participating Girls SAP Clubs will be required to adhere to the preferred field dimensions during the Girls SAP game phase, specifically;



Category	U10	U11	U12	U13
Field size	Length: 55m-60m Width: 35m-40m	Length: 60m-70m Width: 40m-50m	Length: 60m-70m Width: 40m-50m	Length: Box to Box Width: 55m-60m
Exclusion Zone (similar to 25m rule)	10m from goal line	10m from goal line	10m from goal line	20m from goal line
Penalty Area	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 5m Width: 12m	Depth: 10m Width: 25m
Goal size	Height: 2m Width: 5m	Height: 2m Width: 5m	Height: 2m Width: 5m	Height: 2m Width: 5m
Goal type	Portable Goals	Portable Goals	Portable Goals	Portable Goals

- iii Approved, safe portable goals must be used. Poles and markers cannot be used as goals
- iv Field marking can be delivered by markers, traditional line marking, or a combination of both
- v Following is the preferred field orientation for each age group:

Diagram 3 - U9 and U10 Preferred Field Orientation

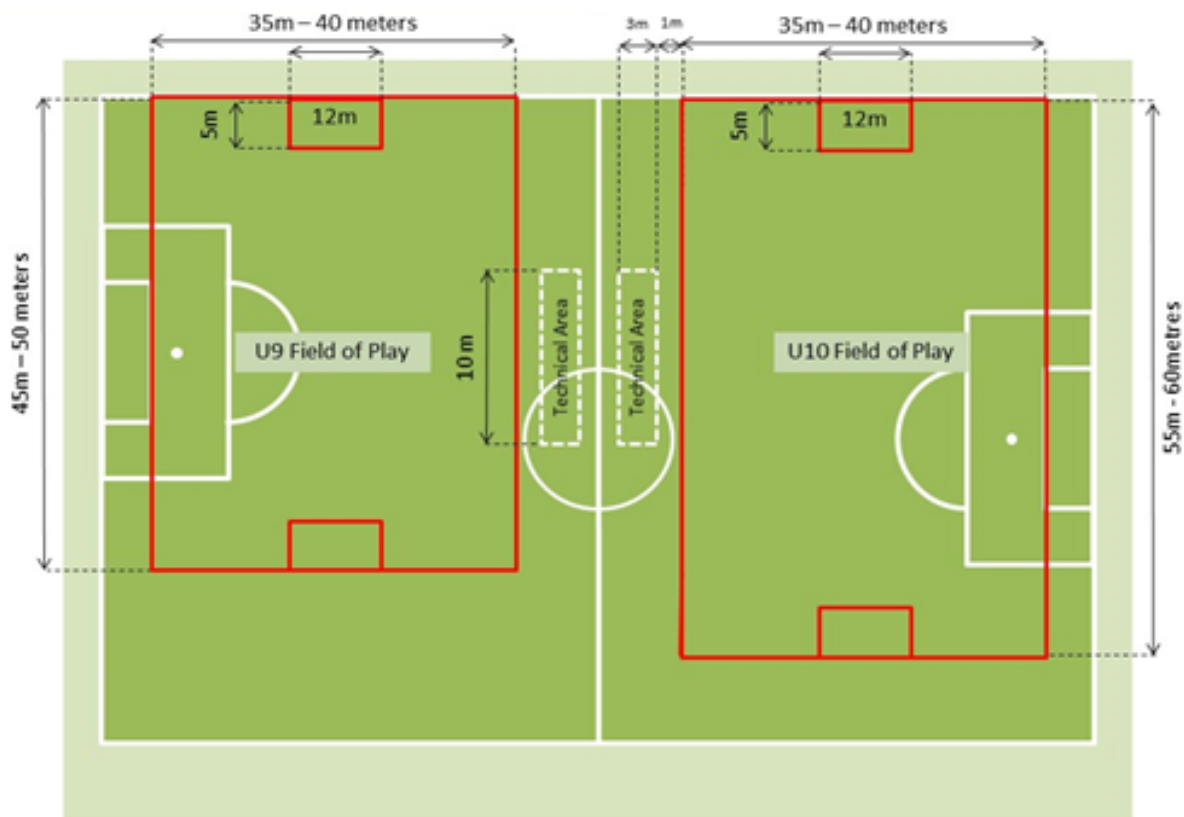
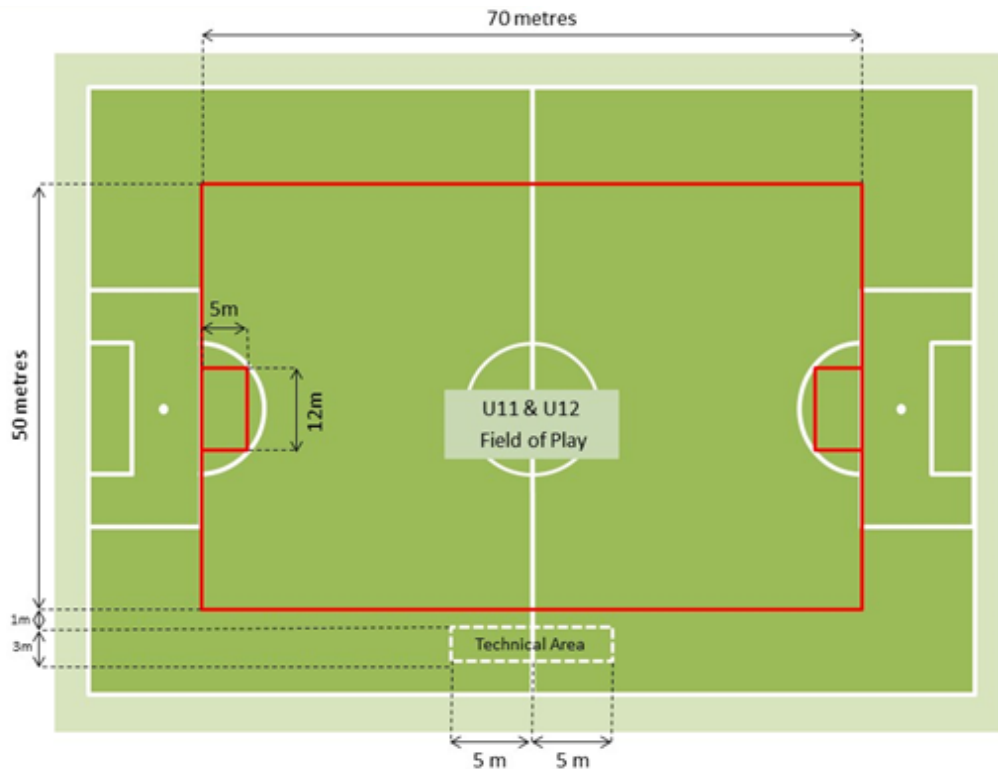


Diagram 4 - U11 and U12 Preferred Field Orientation OPTION 1



Diagram 4a - U11 and U12 Preferred Field Orientation OPTION 2



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## 2. Playing Surface

- a) The playing surface must be even and flat with complete coverage of grass and comply with the laws of the game.  
Either natural playing surface (100% natural grass), reinforced natural grass (hybrid) or FIFA Quality approved artificial turf grass pitches may be used.
- b) The surface must be free of potholes, foreign objects and protrusions of any kind through the surface, or any deviations that could be hazardous to players or officials as they move across the surface. The field should have underground drainage to allow play during rain and periods of extended rainfall.
- c) The surface must be green and the line markings white.
- d) The maximum slope allowable shall not exceed an even gradient of vertical to horizontal 1: 41 in any direction.
- e) Artificial turf grass pitches must hold a current FIFA QUALITY certification, which can only be delivered after the turf in question has been tested by a FIFA-accredited laboratory and confirmed as meeting the latest FIFA standards.
  - i. <https://football-technology.fifa.com/en/standards/football-turf/>  
Note: - Re-testing of Artificial turf grass should occur every 4 years and venues must hold a current certification for the duration of the current playing season. If expiration occurs during the season, it is the clubs responsibility to organise re-certification through relevant parties (Council/ Contractor).
  - ii. <https://www.acoustoscan.com.au/testing/field-site-testing/fifa/>
  - iii. <https://labosport.com/services/#ltesting>
- f) Cricket pitches of any type will not be permitted in the competitions unless otherwise permitted by Football NSW Competitions Department.

## 3. Line Markings

- a) The Field of Play must be rectangular and marked with lines. The longer lines are called touch lines, the shorter lines are called goal lines.
- b) Line markings must be in accordance with the Field of Play Dimensions, not exceed 12 cm's in width as per FIFA Laws of the Game, and be clear and accurate.
- c) Clubs are responsible to ensure that only substances that will not harm users or damage turf grasses are used for line marking.

## 4. Corner and Half Way flags

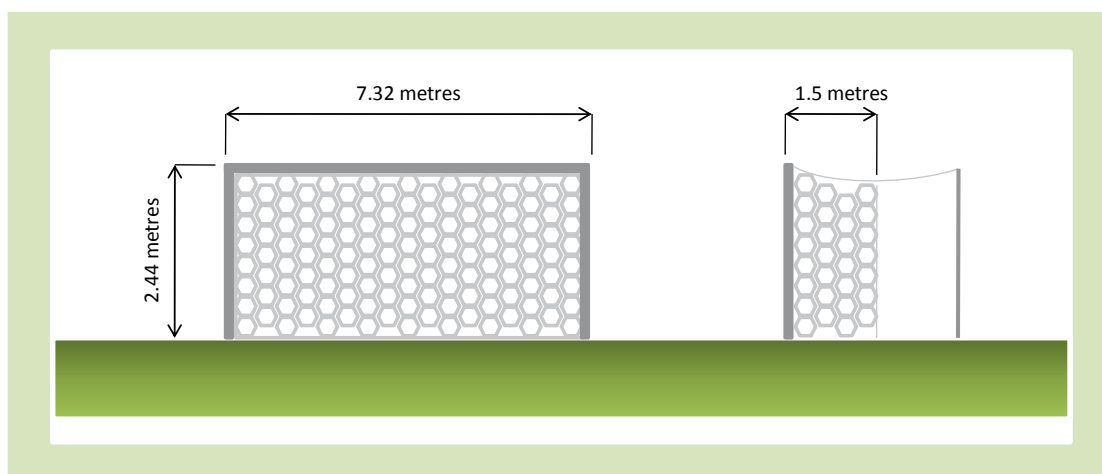
- a) Corner flags are compulsory and are required at the junction of the touch line and goal line on every Field.
- b) Half way flags are optional and should be located no less than 1 metre off the touch line directly in line with half way.
- c) Flag posts are to be no less than 1.5 metres high and adhere to the requirements listed in the FIFA Laws of the Game.

## 5. Goal Posts Permanent

- a) Goals Posts must be white in colour, be made of aluminium or a similar material, round and not pose any danger to players.

- i. Height 2.44m,
  - ii. Width 7.32m,
  - iii. Diameter no more than 12cm.
- b) Must comply with the Laws of the Game, which means, in particular, that:
- i. the distance between the inside of the posts must be 7.32m;
  - ii. the distance from the lower edge of the crossbar to the ground must be 2.44m;
  - iii. the goalposts and the crossbar must be white and have the same width and depth, which must not exceed
  - iv. 12cm;
- c) the goals must be firmly secured to the ground.
- d) Securely fixed goal posts must meet FIFA regulations and are in accordance with the Football NSW Goal Post Safety Policy and Australian Standards (AS 4866.1 2007 - <https://labosport.com/services/#ltestinghttps://footballnsw.com.au/2018/02/05/portable-goalpost-safety-reminder-2>).  
Goal nets must be attached to the posts and ground behind the goals in a manner that conforms to Australian Standards and does not obstruct the goalkeeper in any way.
- e) Portable Goal Posts are only permitted to be used should FNSW determine a reduced size field is required in Youth Age Grades to benefit player development. When not in use, Portable Goal Posts must be stored safely in a secure location or chained appropriately to a fixed and non-moveable object. Portable Goal Posts are not permitted within the pitch perimeter fence for storage or any other purpose when a full field match is taking place. Should a Club be found to have breached this article, a fine of \$250 will be imposed on that Club for a first offence in the football season. All subsequent offences in that season will attract a fine of \$500. Dual purpose Goal Posts are deemed not to have met FIFA criteria and are therefore not permitted for use in any of the Competitions.

Diagram 5 - Goal Post Dimensions



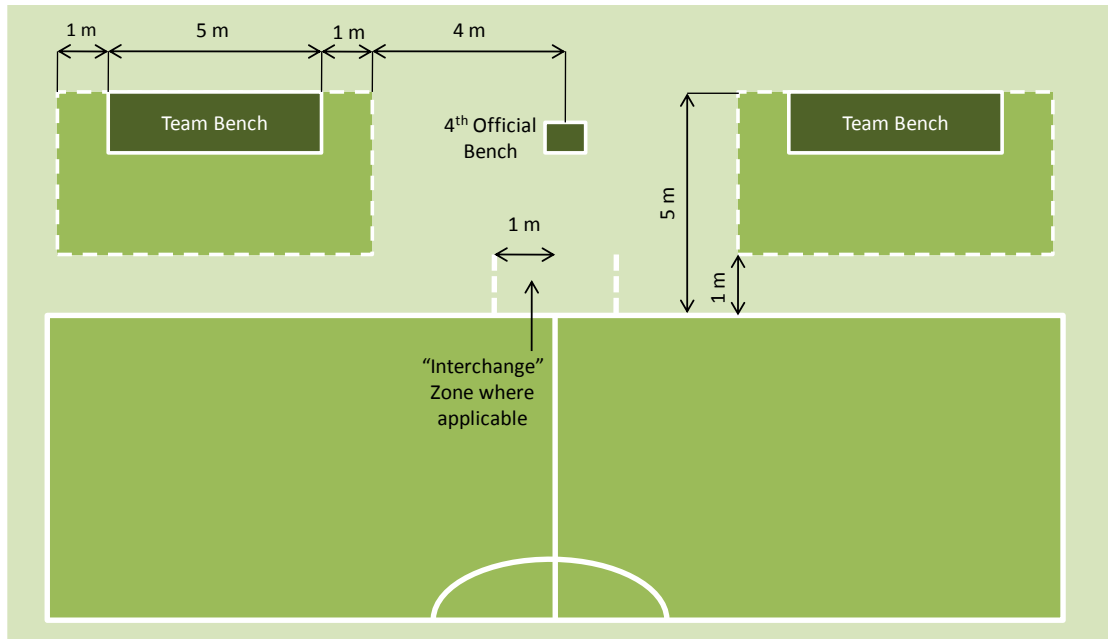
## 6. Technical Area

A Technical Area must be line marked as per the dimensions in Diagram 6. The Technical Area must:

- a) Contain two (2) team benches, capable of seating eleven (11) people in each bench
- b) Unless otherwise permitted by Football NSW Competitions Department, provide cover to protect the players and officials from the elements and missiles thrown by spectators

- c) Provide fixed seating in the team benches
- d) Provide identical fixtures for both Teams
- e) Contain a table and chair for the 4th Official (should a 4th Official be appointed to any match)

*Diagram 6 - Technical Area line marking and dimensions*



## 7. Return Substitutions (Interchange) Zone

- a) An return Substitutions (interchange) Zone must be marked for all Competitions where unlimited return substitutions (interchange) applies.
- b) The return substitutions (interchange) Zone may form part of the pitch marking or may be identified with cones.
- c) The return substitutions (interchange) Zone will commence 1 metre either side of the touchline from the half way line and extend one (1) metre from the Field of Play.

## 8. Pitch Perimeter Fence

There must be a Perimeter Fence surrounding the entire Field of Play. The Perimeter Fence must:

- a) Be located the required distance from the touch line and goal line as defined in the Field of Play Dimensions
- b) Be at least one (1) metre in height
- c) Must be constructed of substantial material (i.e. cyclone wire). Plastic mesh and /or rope fences will not be permitted

Advertising signs, where installed on perimeter fencing, are to be properly secured in a manner that will not cause injury to Players or Officials.



# SECTION 4: PLAYER AND REFEREE FACILITIES

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## 1. Player Dressing Rooms

- a) Separate Dressing Rooms located near to the field, must be provided for the home and the visiting Team.
- b) Each of the home and visiting Team Player Dressing Rooms must;
  - i. Be permanent structures
  - ii. Be well ventilated
  - iii. Be able to seat 16 people comfortably
  - iv. Be lockable
  - v. Have a minimum of two (2) showers with hot and cold water
  - vi. Have a minimum of one (1) toilet
  - vii. Have one (1) physiotherapy / massage table
- c) Player Dressing Rooms and the associated facilities are to be maintained in a clean and workable condition and be checked immediately prior to each match day.

## 2. Referee Dressing Rooms

- a) A separate Dressing Room located near to the field, must be provided for the Referees.
- b) The Referee Dressing Rooms must;
  - i. Be a permanent structure
  - ii. Be well ventilated
  - iii. Be able to seat five (5) people comfortably
  - iv. Be lockable
  - v. Have a minimum of one (1) shower with hot and cold water
  - vi. Have a minimum of one (1) toilet
- c) The Referee Dressing Room and the associated facilities are to be maintained in a clean and workable condition and be checked immediately prior to each match day.

## 3. Warm-Up Area

- a) A Warm-up must be provided. The Warm-up Area must;
  - i. Be in close proximity to the Player Dressing Rooms and Field of Play
  - ii. Be completely covered with natural grass or FIFA approved artificial grass
  - iii. Be free of any obstructions, foreign objects, potholes or any deviations that could be hazardous to players or officials as they move across the surface

## 4. Players Race

- a) Stadiums used in 1st Grade, U20 and U18 of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's must have a Player's Race.
- b) The Player's Race must;
  - i. Provide direct and exclusive access for Players and Referees from their Dressing Rooms to the Field of Play
  - ii. Be constructed from heavy duty material

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- iii. Be free from obstruction
  - iv. At no point should spectators be able to access the Player's Race.
- c) At Stadiums with a Player's Race, access to the Field of Play can only be made via the Player's Race. The only exception to this rule is for Emergency Services, Ground Maintenance staff and Pre-match or Halftime entertainers who may access the Field of Play via a separate entrance.

# SECTION 5: LIGHTING

## 1. Field of Play Lighting

- a) The Field of Play of Clubs in 1st Grade, U20, of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's must have a maintained average horizontal floodlighting luminance of 200 lux, to play night fixtures.
- b) Stadiums used in all other Competitions will only require the minimum 200 lux standard should they nominate to play night matches.
- c) Clubs wish to play Waratah Cup and FFA Cup Preliminary Round fixtures under lights must ensure that the facility lighting complies with the following:

FIXTURE	AVERAGE HORIZONTAL ILLUMINATION
Association v NPL 2,3,4	100 Lux
NPL 2,3,4 v NPL 2,3,4	100 Lux
Association v NPL 1	200 Lux
NPL 2,3,4 v NPL 1	200 Lux

## 2. Warm-Up Area Lighting

- a) The Warm-up Areas of Clubs in 1st Grade and U20 of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's must have a maintained average horizontal floodlighting illuminance of 50 lux, to play day or night fixtures.
- b) Stadiums used in all other Competitions will only require the minimum 50 lux standard should they nominate to play night matches.

## 3. Stadium Lighting

- a) At all Stadiums which host night fixtures, general lighting to seating and pedestrian pathways must be provided.
- b) General lighting must conform to all applicable safety standards.
- c) It is the Club's responsibility to ensure the Stadium lighting, including emergency lighting in case of loss of power or evacuation, meets the required standards.

# SECTION 6: SPECTATOR FACILITIES

## 1. Canteen

- a) Every Stadium must have a canteen. The canteen facility must;
  - i. Be maintained and operated in a clean condition that meets Local Government Standards and Health Regulations
  - ii. Have available goods to satisfy the needs of spectators, including a variety of food and drinks
  - iii. At a minimum be in operation from 30 minutes prior to the first match until 15 minutes prior to the final whistle of the last match at the Stadium on any given match day

## 2. Sale and Consumption of Alcohol

- a) The following conditions will apply to Club's seeking permission to sell alcoholic beverages at fixtures under the auspices of FNSW:
  - i. The Club must obtain a license as required under the Liquor Licensing Act and supply to FNSW a copy of the licence
  - ii. The point of sale must be separate to other food or beverage, and to which minors are restricted
  - iii. Consumption must be restricted to an area that is not in the vicinity of the player's race or team benches
  - iv. Under no circumstances must alcohol be served to people who are intoxicated
  - v. Alcohol cannot be sold in any closed glass or plastic bottles; aluminium cans or any other type of closed container
  - vi. No Club is entitled to sell alcohol, or to allow it to be consumed at their ground without the consent, in writing, of FNSW
  - vii. The sale, provision or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at any Youth League fixture under the control of FNSW
  - viii. No Club may permit the sale or consumption of alcohol at their ground where the conditions listed above have not been met in their entirety
  - ix. Clubs are obligated to adhere to all items above regardless of any conflicting allowance granted
  - x. within the liquor License
- b) Failure to comply with the above regulations will render the following penalty:
  - i. 1st Offence - \$1000 Fine (maximum)
  - ii. 2nd and 3rd Offence in the same season as the 1st Offence - \$500 fine (minimum) and \$3000 fine (maximum)

## 3. Seating

- a) Following are the minimum Covered and Open Air Seating requirements for Stadiums;

League	Seating Requirements
National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues NSW 2 Men's - 1st Grade and U20	Total seating for 500 spectators of which at least 250 must be under cover
All other competitions	Total seating for 300 spectators of which there is no minimum requirement for under cover seating

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- i. Under cover seating is defined as seating in a sheltered, purpose built covered Grandstand constructed of a material which protects spectators from the elements, or a private box or room enclosed by glass
  - ii. Seating can be either bench or individual bucket style
  - iii. In calculating the numbers of spectators a bench seat accommodates, the equation of two (2) people to every one (1) metre of bench seating is to be used
  - iv. All seating must be elevated and tiered
  - v. Football NSW will take into consideration Stadiums with capacity in excess of the minimum standard when determining locations for the Championships Series of each respective League

#### **4. Disabled Seating**

- a) Dedicated seating must be made available for disabled spectators. Disabled Seating must:
  - i. Provide easy access to the car park and / or main entrance
  - ii. Provide easy access to disabled toilet facilities
  - iii. Provide an unobstructed view of the field of play
  - iv. Provide protection from the elements

#### **5. Toilets**

- a) Adequate public toilet facilities must be made available for male, female and disabled spectators. It is the home Club's responsibility to ensure the toilets, washrooms and wash room products are maintained in a good and clean condition, especially on match days.  
As a guide there should be one (1) toilet for every 100 potential spectators.



# SECTION 7: MEDIA FACILITIES

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## 1. Press Box

All Stadiums used for 1st Grade and U20 of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's must have a Press Box.

The Press Box must;

- a) Be located in the main grandstand
- b) Have seating with a writing surface for at least four (4) journalists
- c) Have a clear and unobstructed view of the Field of Play
- d) Provide power access to all journalists

## 2. Broadcast Camera Positions

- a) All Stadiums used for 1st Grade and U20 of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's must provide Broadcast Camera positions.
- b) Broadcast Camera Positions may be provided by either;
  - i. Permanent camera platforms positioned in or on the main grandstand
  - ii. Temporary camera positions positioned on the opposite side to the grandstand
  - iii. The positions listed in a) and b) must be located at half way of the field and in an elevated position offering an unobstructed view of the field of play
  - iv. Should either a) or b) not be provided, a position to locate a Broadcast Van must be identified. The area for the Broadcast Van must be at half way along one of the touchlines, outside the perimeter fence, providing an unobstructed view of the field of play for the cameraman

# SECTION 8: MEDICAL FACILITIES

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## 1. Medical Room

- a) Each Stadium used in 1st Grade and U20 of the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and National Premier Leagues 2 Men's must have a dedicated Medical Room equipped with a physiotherapy / massage table.
- b) The Medical room must be a permanent structure within or directly beside the grandstand or Player Dressing rooms.
- c) Each Stadium used in all other Competitions must have an undercover treatment area equipped with a
- d) physiotherapy / massage table. This criterion can be fulfilled with temporary or permanent structures.
- e) physiotherapy / massage tables are not permitted to be positioned within the technical area or pitch perimeter fencing on match day

## 2. Medical Supplies

- a) Each Stadium must provide basic Medical Supplies.
- b) Basic Medical Supplies are defined as the contents of a general purpose First Aid Kit, and must comply
- c) with Australian Standards.

## 3. Stretchers

- a) Each Stadium must have one (1) first aid stretcher available for every match.
- b) The stretcher must be placed inside the pitch perimeter fence near the half way line in a safe and accessible location prior to the commencement of each match.
- c) Clubs must ensure that their stretcher complies with all applicable Standards.

## 4. Doping Control Room

- a) In the event that Doping Control is conducted the Medical Room is to be made exclusively available to
- b) the Doping Control Officers.
- c) In the event a Medical Room does not meet the Doping Control Officers requirements, another room must be made available from the Club House, Player Dressing Rooms or Referee Dressing Room that satisfies the Doping Control Officers requirements.

# SECTION 9: OTHER STADIUM FACILITIES

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## 1. Scoreboard

- a) With the exception of Stadiums used for the Skill Acquisition Program and Girl's Skill Acquisition Program, an elevated Scoreboard is required.
- b) The scoreboard must be visible from all areas of the Stadium.
- c) The scoreboard must indicate the names of both competing Teams. The words "home" and "visitors" will not be acceptable.

## 2. Public Address System

- a) A Public Address System is required at all Stadiums.
- b) Sufficient speakers must be installed to ensure messages are heard clearly at all sections of the Stadium.
- c) The Public Address System must be capable of spoken announcements and playing of compact discs.

## 3. Substitute Boards

- a) With the Exception of the competitions with Return Substitutions (Interchange), Substitution Boards must be provided by the Home Team for all matches.



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