

MENS PREMIERSHIP GROUND CRITERIA | 2023



FOOTBALL SOUTH COAST General

CRITERIA	PREMIER LEAGUE	DISTRICT LEAGUE
Enclosed ground The ground must be fully enclosed around the facility and secure on match day (minimum 1.8-metre-high fencing in safe condition).	Mandatory *	Preferred
Field of play fence Perimeter fence in good safe condition (1 metre high and minimum 2 metres from the sideline to ensure player safety).	Mandatory	Mandatory
Players and match officials' race Secure private access (minimum 1.1 metres high and 1.5 metres wide) that players and match officials can transfer from change rooms to the field of play.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Players and match official security There must be a minimum of two (2) home club officials to escort match officials to and from the field of play. Fines shall apply for non-compliance.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Ground Markings Must conform to the LOTG, be neat and clubs can only use authorised substances for such markings.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Ticket box Must be suitably weatherproof. Can be portable.	Preferred	Preferred
Sheltered accommodation In suitable proximity to the playing field perimeter to observe fixtures during inclement and wet weather. Preferred 200 standing, ratio compliance with local council distance (min 80 sq. metres).	Mandatory	Preferred
Open seating In a safe, good, and clean condition. Minimum 400 (PL) and 200 (DL).	Preferred	Preferred
Dug outs and substitutes bench Minimum seating for ten (10) people. Can be single seats.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Playing surface The size of the playing area shall be 90-100 metres long and 60-70 metres wide. It needs to be safe and well grassed.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Technical area marked To be marked one (1) metre from either side of the seating/dugout and extend forward up to one (1) metre from the perimeter of the field.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Ground officials Four (4) home and away club officials should be supplied all wearing the FSC approved vests.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Long term lease Current written agreement on the use of the facility to be provided to the MPFC with application. Ground must be available for matches as scheduled by the MPFC. Failure to have the ground available shall result in matches being played at an alternate venue as determined by FSC.	Mandatory	Preferred
Scoreboard Visible and updated during matches.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Canteen Fully stocked with hot and cold food/drinks. Should be clean and tidy.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Defibrillator The club to have a working defibrillator in a convenient and easy to access location with adequate signage and trained personnel.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Code of conduct signs displayed Two (2) signs which are clearly visible on match day are required for display at the point of entry to the ground and at the canteen.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Public address system Operational and audible over the ground on match days with First Grade goal scorer announcements.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Stretcher to Australian Standard As a minimum to be located by the field of play near the technical area for use as required by the match officials.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Flood Lights Minimum 120 Lux (PL) and 100 Lux (DL) for all competition matches. Lights must be compliant with relevant Australian standards.	Preferred	Preferred
First aid kit Must be fully stocked and made available in the canteen (category III type or equivalent).	Mandatory	Mandatory
Public liability insurance Current certificate to be provided with the application.	Mandatory	Mandatory

* Exemption criteria apply per below

Where a facility is a

1. Council owned facility
2. Being utilised by an integrated club with teams traversing three football streams.
3. it is not practical to construct such a fence on a temporary or permanent basis; and
4. Where the local Council would not support boundary fencing at the facility.

then the Application of this Mandatory IPL Entry Criteria "can be" exempted but only with a recommendation through a ground inspection assessment by those members of the MPFC and only on a "year-by-year" basis. In addition, there will be an annual "safety & Incident Performance" criteria where such matters occur as:

- (i) all types of safety breaches occurring at the IPL exempted playing venue.
- (ii) incidents caused by the public and/or by spectators at that IPL match or risk to any match officials' causing disruptions or incidents in breach of the FSC Code of Conduct.
- (iii) intrusions and/or disruptions of any manner to that IPL match being played at that {year-on-year exempted and approved} multi-venue and multi-purpose playing field within that Council owned sports complex which causes any breaks or stoppages of the IPL match within the course of that IPL match that is not under the referee's control or decision.

will lead to the automatic review of the facility's eligibility for a further exemption in any future season, with such matters potentially resulting in no further exemption from the mandatory requirement being provided in a future season.

Additionally, such facilities will NOT be considered for the allocation of finals series matches or indeed any matches other than regular home and away season fixtures.

Amenities

CRITERIA	PREMIER LEAGUE	DISTRICT LEAGUE
Secure dressing rooms No equipment to be stored in rooms on match day	Mandatory	Mandatory
Hot and cold water Operationally satisfactory with plenty of storage capacity to ensure adequate supply on match day to cover the number of teams showering	Mandatory	Mandatory
Male toilets Minimum two (2) for PL and one (1) for DL cubicle(s) and a 1.2 metre urinal (or equivalent) maintained in a clean and hygienic manner on match days.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Female toilets Minimum two (2) cubicles maintained in a clean and hygienic manner on match day with the appropriate provisions for sanitary hygiene and receptacles.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Cleanliness The amenities need to be clean and tidy, whilst regularly being disinfected.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Change room seating Minimum seating for 16 players	Mandatory	Mandatory
Massage table Safe and clean	Mandatory	Mandatory
Showers Operationally satisfactory with plenty of storage capacity to ensure adequate supply on match day to cover the number of participating teams.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Whiteboard in change rooms Each change room shall contain a whiteboard.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Hangers Minimum 16.	Mandatory	Mandatory

Match Officials Room

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Hot and cold water Operationally satisfactory with plenty of storage capacity to ensure adequate supply on match day to cover the number of match officials	Mandatory	Mandatory
Toilets Any upgrade must include for toilet installation if not already available inside match officials change rooms.	Preferred	Preferred
Showers Operationally satisfactory and clean with plenty of storage capacity to adequately supply on match day to cover the number of match officials.	Mandatory	Mandatory
Table For the completion of team sheets and reports.	Mandatory	Mandatory