



# MEMORANDUM

Reference: M25-14

**To:** All Men's Premiership Clubs  
**From:** Competitions Management Team  
**Date:** 19 August 2025  
**Subject:** Men's Premiership Competition Update (2025)

Dear Men's Premiership Clubs

The recent adverse weather conditions have significantly impacted our schedule, rendering it impossible to complete the regular season within the initially designated timeframe.

Consequently, Football South Coast has decided to extend the regular season by one week. As a result, the finals series will be condensed to three weeks and will adopt a slightly modified format.

All Round 22 matches originally scheduled for 23 and 24 August will now be rescheduled to 30 and 31 August, respectively.

This effectively creates a spare weekend and allows all competition-critical games to be caught up. Teams may choose to play the Round 22 games earlier than the new schedule if both clubs agree.

The priority is to play all matches that impact the playoff positions and, in First Grade, any potential relegation matches. Given the short timeframe, clubs are expected to play games at the first available opportunity. Where there is no agreement, the Competition Manager may step in and schedule games at a venue available.

We are offering clubs the opportunity (in lower grades only) to play shortened games to help reduce some of the load on players. The minimum standard is 35 minutes each way, and this must be agreed to (in writing to the Competition Manager) by both clubs (min 24 hours) before the game.

Non-essential matches, meaning those not affecting finals or relegation, are optional; if both clubs agree, they can be scheduled. If one club refuses, the game will be cancelled.

It is unlikely we will complete 22 rounds across all grades, so competition standings will now be based on average points. There are no provisions to play any games after the completion of Round 22, subject to further weather conditions.

With this extension, the finals will follow the new schedule and format.

**Plan A**

Wednesday 3 September	(G1) 4 v 5	
Saturday/Sunday 6/7 Sept	(G2) 3 v Winner G1	(G3) 1 v 2
Saturday/Sunday 13/14 Sept	(G4) Loser G3 v Winner G2	
Saturday 20 September	District League Grand Final	Winner G3 v Winner G4
Sunday 21 September	Premier League Grand Final	Winner G3 v Winner G4

Should we lose any further weeks, FSC will involve the following playoff format:

**Plan B**

Wednesday 10 September	(G1) 4 v 5	
Saturday/Sunday 13/14 Sept	(G2) 1 v Winner G1	(G3) 2 v 3
Saturday 20 September	District League Grand Final	Winner G2 v Winner G3
Sunday 21 September	Premier League Grand Final	Winner G2 v Winner G3

Should we need to delay further, FSC will involve the following playoff format:

**Plan C**

Fifth place will be eliminated from playoff contention.

Saturday/Sunday 13/14 Sept	(G1) 1 v 4	(G2) 2 v 3
Saturday 20 September	District League Grand Final	Winner G1 v Winner G2
Sunday 21 September	Premier League Grand Final	Winner G1 v Winner G2