



Football South Coast: Notices for Finals Series 2025 - Junior Competition

1. DRAW

Dribl shows the draw currently. There are venues for Aug 30, 31 with a backup field if the current ground is out – times may change. Currently, there is a draft draw for Grand Finals which will be finalised later this week. It is not possible to avoid clashes with Men's adult grand finals.

2. TEAM OFFICIALS

- Bring hard copy of Team ID sheet, including any borrowed players.
- Have your Team Official ID Card available. Failure to produce your I.D card at the card check may result in that you will not be permitted in the technical area.
- Organise a person to be a Match Marshall for your game.
- Bring Team Playing strip and Clash strip.
- Ensure that the Goal Keeper's shirt is not predominately black. Have a second goalkeeper shirt in the kit in case of clash.
- Ensure players have the correct shorts, socks, and undergarments (optional).
- Provide one (1) Match Ball clearly labelled with team name – team officials are to give the match ball to the match officials at the completion of the I.D card check. FSC will provide match balls for the Grand Final.
- Substitutes – Players to use as a substitute vest / jacket while in the technical area, players are to always remain seated during the match unless substituted. Warm up area to be away from field and not near the sideline.
- Read the FSC Competition Rules – Finals Article M and note that you can only borrow players to bring the squad up to **thirteen (13) (U13-U18) and eleven (11) for U12**. If a team has been given an exemption to this rule, they must provide the letter from FSC to the opposing team and Match Day Supervisor.
- Read these Notices.



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3. HOST CLUBS – CHECK LIST

- A Match Day Supervisor who needs a copy of the FSC Competition Playing Rules.
For the Grand Finals – either David Ware or a FSC Councillor will be the Match Day Supervisor.
- Have a penalty taker sheet for coaches in the event of a penalty shootout.
- Ensure grounds and technical areas are marked and clearly visible – Spectators are discouraged to view from behind goalposts, if possible, area to be roped off or marked as a no-go zone.
- Jacketed officials are to wear vests not club polo shirts for easy identification.
- Each team has been asked to provide a Match Marshall – please provide them with a vest if required. Duties below.
- At least one club jacketed official, preferably two, should be allocated for each final's matches at each ground.
- A Jacketed official is required to escort the referees to and from the field at the commencement, half-time and full time of each fixture.
- During the match, ideally, one jacketed official to be positioned between/behind the technical areas and another jacketed official patrolling the ground and liaising with the match marshals.

Match Marshall's should be positioned where their spectators are.

- Referees to be paid cash on the day by the host club.
FSC will provide cash for the Grand Final.
- FSC Referee Payment Sheet to be completed for reimbursement.



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4. PRE-GAME ADMINISTRATION – MATCH SHEETS & ID CHECK

Both teams are to:

- Be at the ground at least 30 minutes before kick – off.
- Submit their team in Dribl 20 minutes before kick-off.
- Submit the name of the Match Marshall in Dribl under Officials – Role = Marshall.
- Must have ID cards checked by **BOTH TEAM MANAGERS**, in the presence of **a JACKETED OFFICIAL** at the designated area / **allocated ground**, at least **15** minutes before kick-off.
- CONFIRM the opposition team in Dribl before leaving the designated area.

Referees must

- mark themselves as PRESENT before kick-off.

5. POST GAME: ADMINISTRATION – MATCH SHEETS

- Both teams at conclusion of the match should enter the full-time score.

The Referee must

- Enter the Goal Scorers and the time the goal was scored.
- Enter all disciplinary – Yellow cards and Red Cards – time the offence occurred.
- Enter the Scores
- Complete the Match Sheet.

6. REFEREE PAYMENTS

Each Club participating in the Semi Finals and Finals will be invoiced by FSC for 50% of the referee fees for their teams' participating in these matches.

Referees will need to show the Match Day Supervisor that they have signed in and completed the match sheet in Dribl before payment.

The HOST CLUB is to pay the Match Officials in cash on the Day and complete the FSC Referee Payment Sheet, returning this to the office. FSC will then reimburse the HOST CLUB.

For Grand Finals, clubs are not charged.



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7. TECHNICAL AREAS

- A maximum two-(2) team officials will be permitted in the technical area.
- Only players listed on the team sheet are to be in the substitute area. *Any exemption to this requirement (for instance an injured player) must be approved by the match day supervisor and the referee. Any player under suspension is not permitted in the Technical Area and must not be within fifty (50) metres of the Technical Area.*
- **Under no circumstances are referees to be approached nor questioned re their decisions during the match; this includes after the match has been concluded.**
- Interchanging must be done in accordance with the laws of the game. A player should not be entering the field of play until the player being replaced has left the field under the direction of match officials. Team officials should be communicating the interchange through the Assistant Referee.
- A team official who is expelled from the Technical Area must immediately leave this area and cannot be within fifty (50) metres of the Technical Area. Under no circumstances, can the team official enter the field of play either during the match or at the conclusion of the match, nor should they approach the match officials.

8. PLAYER EQUIPMENT

Players in all matches must appear in correct Club uniform as those registered in Article D – FSC Competition Rules, comprising shirt, shorts, shin – pads, socks and approved enclosed footwear.

Players must adhere to Appendix 3 FSC Competition Rules – Wearing of Jewellery. Please note the Specific reference from Appendix 3

Earrings and Piercings	No earrings and piercings are acceptable. The practice of taping earrings and piercings is not acceptable.
Sports Glasses	Advisable that any player that requires to wear glasses to play should obtain documentation from an optometrist indicating that the glasses worn are sports glasses, this will reduce the confusion and potential of a junior player not being allowed to participate in a junior football match.

If a player is requiring taping on the head region, you must show the Match Day Supervisor the injury before taping.



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9. CLASH OF STRIPS

If playing strips clash, in the opinion of the referee, then the away team (2nd team listed on the draw) must wear their clubs nominated clash strip only as per the FSC Junior Club playing strip matrix.

Goalkeepers will not be allowed to wear predominantly black shirts. *Recommendation: Goalkeepers to have 2 playing shirts available in case there is a clash in colours.*

It is advisable all teams should arrive with a clash strip.

PLAYER SENT OFF

A player sent off (or expelled from the Technical Area) must immediately proceed at once out of the field of play area and Technical Area (they can retrieve their playing bag), accompanied by a Club/Team Official or parent / guardian and change from their playing strip to their normal street attire. **Under no circumstances, can the player re-enter the field of play either during the match or at the conclusion of the match, nor be within fifty (50) metres of the Technical Area, nor should they approach the Match Officials.**

10. SUSPENSIONS

Suspensions from the competition rounds must be served before participating in a final's series match.

A final series match is equivalent to one competition match.

Players sent off in a Final Series match cannot participate in any further final series match until the suspension is served in accordance with the FSC Disciplinary and Disputes Regulations.

Any player receiving two (2) cautions in the Final Series will automatically stand down in the next match. If the Player's team has completed its Final Series commitments the player shall stand down in the next Competition fixture their team participates in for outdoor football.

11. MATCH TIME

Same as the League but added time may occur at the referee's discretion.

12. EXTRA TIME

If scores are equal at the conclusion of a final series match, a five (5) minutes break shall occur before the commencement of extra time, which shall be two (2) periods of ten (10) minutes, with NO half time break. (Straight Turn Around).

Should the match be drawn at the end of extra time, then Penalty Kicks will determine the match.



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13. PENALTY KICKS - PROCEDURE AT THE END OF EXTRA TIME

Should the match be drawn at the end of extra time then the following is to occur:

- **Players may go to the technical area for a drink.**
- **Final interchange is permitted. This rule only applies to FSC Junior Competitions**
- Players participating in penalties are to go to the centre circle.
- Both coaches and managers are to stay in the technical area.
- One FSC Junior Council Member or Jacket Official, if required by the Match Officials, may enter the field prior to the penalty shootout commencing to assist the Match Officials in administering the Penalty Shootout.
- No Coach or manager is to enter the field of play during the penalty kicks; coaches will be given a penalty order sheet at the card check to complete if penalty kicks are required.
- Penalties will be conducted as per FIFA laws of the game.

14. PROTEST

If a Club wishes to lodge a protest, then:

- Inform the Match Day Supervisor of the issue.
- Enter in Dribl under Protest – “Lodging Protest.”
- Email a report to their Club Secretary after the match (from home)
- The Club is to review the protest and if in agreeance forward the protest to FSC by close of business of the next working day after the match.

15. PROHIBITED ITEMS

a) At any fixture under the jurisdiction of FSC, the following items are prohibited:

- (i) Flares.
- (ii) Fireworks.
- (iii) Other Flammable objects.
- (iv) Loud hailers, air horns.
- (v) Instruments prohibited by Law.
- (vi) Anything of nature that does not positively reflect the image of the Club, FSC or the game in general.
- (vii) Political flags or emblems (except for club flags or banners of any competing teams) or insulting, offensive, inappropriate, religious, or political banners or slogans, whether written in English or a foreign language.

b) Each club will be required to take steps to ensure that its players, officials, members, supporters (at both home and away matches) and patrons are aware of Prohibited items.

c) FSC or the Host Club or any appointed FSC Councillor or employee may request the immediate removal of any prohibited item at their discretion.



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16. MATCH MARSHALLS

- d) Match Marshalls must ensure that spectators, coaches, and managers associated with their team do not encroach on the sidelines or the pitch and see that good order is maintained.
- e) Match Marshalls must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- f) They should assist the hosting club jacketed officials where required.
- g) On arrival, report to the Match Day Supervisor.

APPENDIX 4 - JACKETED OFFICIALS ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Jacketed Officials must:

- (a) Be 18 years of age or older.
- (b) Wear clothing that readily identifies them as a Jacketed Official.
- (c) Patrol all fields (or courts) used throughout the relevant match(s) and ensure they are located in positions where they are clearly visible to Participants, and which are appropriate for monitoring on-field and off-field incidents and Spectator behaviour.
- (d) Make themselves clearly visible to the Match Officials prior to the commencement of a Match and ensure their names are displayed on the applicable Team Sheet.
- (e) Oversee an ID check - Junior Competition Matches.
- (f) Accompany Match Officials on and off the field of play (or court) if required or appropriate to do so, prior to the start of the match, half-time and at full time.
- (g) Ensure that, at all times, Spectators comply with the FFA Spectator Code of Behaviour (Code of Behaviour). If Spectators are behaving contrary to the Code of Behaviour, a Jacketed Official must, if it is safe to do so, remind those Spectators of their obligations under the Code of Behaviour and issue any reasonable directions to those Spectators, including a direction to leave the venue. If those Spectators fail to comply with the Jacket Official's reasonable directions, they should contact the Home Club representative or Match Day Supervisor for further assistance. If required, the Home Club official representative or Match Day Supervisor is to contact the police or relevant emergency services for support.
- (h) NOT be involved in other duties while acting as a Jacketed Official (not refereeing, coaching, managing, canteen duties etc).



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- (i) Abide by the FSC Codes of Conduct.
- (j) Not engage in any physical altercations.
- (k) Not consume alcohol or smoke while acting as a Jacketed Official.
- (l) within 48 hours of a Match, provide a written report to FSC setting out any inappropriate Spectator behaviour, including any failure by a Spectator to comply with a Jacketed Official's reasonable direction and/or any failure by opposition Jacketed Officials to provide assistance in controlling opposition Spectators.
- (m) submit reports to FSC through your club and
- (n) conduct themselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of FSC and football generally.