



PETER WILSON MEMORIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS U12-U18 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

**TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HUNTER
WESTERN HORNETS TOUCH ASSOCIATION GENERAL
CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

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SECTION 1: IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 16 December 2020

- Online team nominations open (nominated by affiliate coordinator only)
please note nomination does not guarantee acceptance to event

Thursday 31 December 2020

- Online team nominations close

Monday 4 January 2021

- All affiliate coordinators to be contacted with status of all team nominations (accepted, waitlist, not accepted)
- Invoice to be provided by all affiliate coordinators equal to \$100 per team accepted to event, which will serve as an affiliate confirmation deposit
- Affiliate confirmation deposit must be paid in full by Friday 8 January 2021 – failure to pay deposit will result in all affiliate teams being removed from event and waitlist team will be offered entry to the event
- Following the event, all affiliate confirmation deposits will be fully refunded to affiliates

Friday 8 January 2021

- Affiliate confirmation deposit (\$100 per team accepted to event) due – failure to pay deposit will result in all affiliate teams being removed from event

Monday 11 January 2021

- Player registrations and payment open
- Team management registrations open
- Referee registrations open

Sunday 31 January 2021

- Player registrations and payment close
- Team management registrations close
- Referee registrations close
- Suspended and un-financial players lists due
- Working With Children Check spreadsheets due
- Statutory Declaration forms due
- Affiliate tent information request due
- Affiliate playing rosters due

Thursday 4 February 2021

- Late registrations close (fines may apply, as per CoE)

Saturday 6 February 2021

- Day 1 of tournament

Sunday 7 February 2021

- Day 2 of tournament – final series

SECTION 2: ENTRY INFORMATION	
2.1	<p>Nomination Closing Date</p> <p>Closing date for team nominations is Thursday 31 December 2020.</p> <p>Please note that completion of the team nomination form does not guarantee acceptance into the event – all affiliate coordinators will be contacted by Monday 4 January 2021 with the status of their team nominations. Late nominations will only be taken at the convenience of the tournament.</p> <p>All successfully nominated affiliates will be required to provide their Statutory Declaration, list of unfinancial and suspended players and Working With Children spreadsheet by Sunday 31 January 2021.</p> <p>Please send via email to technical@hornetstouch.com.au.</p>
2.2	<p>Registrations and Entry Fees</p> <p>Affiliate players, referees and team management registrations will be available by information provided directly to affiliate coordinators.</p> <p>Players and team management registrations are to be finalised by Sunday 31 January 2021.</p> <p>Referee’s registrations are to be finalised by Sunday 31 January 2021.</p> <p>There are a number of important details necessary for this process to be completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team/s the affiliate is entering into the tournament • Coaches, assistant coaches and managers details (name, mobile and email) • Qualified referees for each team and details (name, mobile and email) plus an additional referee (e.g. 2 teams/3 referees) <p>The individual player registration fee for the 2021 Peter Wilson Memorial Championships (U12-U18) will be \$65.00 due by Sunday 31 January 2021.</p>
2.3	<p>Date of Tournament</p> <p>Peter Wilson Memorial Championships (U12-U18) will be held Saturday 6 February 2021 until Sunday 7 February 2021.</p>
2.4	<p>Divisional Categories</p> <p>Boys/Girls 18 years born 2003 or after Boys/Girls 16 years born 2005 or after Boys/Girls 14 years born 2007 or after Boys/Girls 12 years born 2009 or after Boys/Girls 10 years born 2011 or after Boys/Girls 8 years born 2013 or after</p> <p>There will be no special consideration requests accepted for players under the minimum age required for the division they wish to participate in.</p> <p>There must be at least 4 teams to make a division.</p>
2.5	<p>Venue</p> <p>Peter Wilson Memorial Championships (U12-U18) will be played at Tomaree Sports Complex, Nelson Bay</p>

2.6	<p>Coaching Requirements</p>
	<p>Coaches must be members and registered with the affiliate they represent in the current or previous competition.</p> <p>Minimum accreditation required is as follows:</p> <p>Head coach (U16-U18) – TFA Talent (Level 2) Coach Accreditation and Play by the Rules. Head coach (U12-U14) – TFA Foundation (Level 1) Coach Accreditation and Play by the Rules. Assistant coach – TFA Foundation (Level 1) Coach Accreditation and Play by the Rules. Manager – Play by the Rules.</p> <p>It is a requirement that each affiliate keep adequate records of team management accreditations including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaching accreditation • Play by the Rules Certification • Working With Children Check <p>Affiliate co-ordinators are reminded to advise all team management/player/officials that all Hornets tournaments are governed by the Unaffiliated Rule below:</p> <p><i>“IF A PLAYER, REFEREE, OFFICIAL ETC, PARTICIPATES IN AN UNAFFILIATED COMPETITION, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY ALSO PLAY IN AN AFFILIATE COMPETITION, THEY WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A NSWTA OR TFA TOURNAMENT FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS”.</i></p> <p>NB: A maximum of 4 coaching staff (inclusive of coach, assistant and manager) may be registered in any 1 team, with a maximum of these 4 coaching staff being permitted in the substitution box during games. No additional coaching staff outside those registered with any 1 team are permitted in the substitution box during games.</p>
2.7	<p>Referee Nomination</p>
	<p>The referee nomination must be completed as part of the team nomination process. Referees will register their details using the online registration process and complete by Sunday 31 January 2021.</p> <p>Affiliate responsibilities of Referees nomination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliates are required to nominate as a minimum 1 referee per team nominated PLUS 1 additional referee. • Nominated referees must be officiating at the affiliate they wish to represent. • Nominated referees must be of the appropriate standard for a junior-aged regional event. <p>Referee responsibilities of nomination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 16 years or older • Must have a minimum of Level 2 referees accreditation <p>Hornets are enforcing the referee requirement but if an affiliate cannot fulfil this then as a minimum, 75% of the quota must be from their affiliate. Affiliates not supplying a full quota of referees may be fined \$300 per absent referee per day. A full audit of appointed referees will take place at the conclusion of the tournament by the Regional Director of Referees and tournament crew to determine the full quota has been met. The decision to impose fines is at the discretion of the Regional Director of Referees and the Technical Director.</p> <p><i>Referees withdrawing from the tournament must be replaced. Failure to replace may result in the nominated team being withdrawn and ineligibility for the final series.</i></p>

2.8	Individual online Registration
	<p>The individual player registration will be via the link provided to affiliates.</p> <p>A late fee of \$20 per player will be charged for registrations made after Sunday 31 January 2021. No player registrations will be accepted after Thursday 4 February 2021.</p>
2.9	Team Numbers
	<p>Teams may register more than 14 players per team. No more than 14 players can take part in any single match. Upon protest, any team found guilty of either playing more than 14 players or using an unregistered player may be disqualified.</p> <p>As a duty of care to team members, teams should strive to have 12 players registered for each team entered into the under 12-18 age divisions.</p> <p>NB: A player may only register in 1 team.</p> <p>Additions can only be made up until the late registration closing date of Thursday 4 February 2021.</p>
2.10	Communication
	<p>Enquiries to Hornets by all teams must be made by the affiliate co-ordinator only.</p> <p>Each affiliate must appoint an affiliate co-ordinator. All correspondence and dealings with Hornets must be made through the affiliate co-ordinator. All communications with affiliates and teams will be done via the email address provided by the affiliate co-ordinator.</p> <p><i>It is the responsibility of the affiliate co-ordinator to ensure coaches and managers are informed of any changes when notified by Hornets and that they are conversant with the tournament specific Conditions of Entry, in conjunction with the General Conditions of Entry.</i></p>

SECTION 3: TOURNAMENT OPERATIONS	
3.1	Control of the Tournament
	Hunter Western Hornets will oversee all matters relating to the tournament. Any matters not covered in the General Conditions of Entry or tournament specific Conditions of Entry will be determined by Hunter Western Hornets and their decision will be final.
3.2	Weather Conditions
	<p>HOT WEATHER</p> <p>a) 36 degrees + Play/competition will be postponed until temperature drops to appropriate level for games to commence, or in extreme cases the event will be cancelled.</p> <p>b) 31 - 35 degrees Play/competition will be amended to 2 x 10 minute halves, with a halftime break of 5 minutes during which time rest, drinks/cooling techniques and facilities should be used by all officials and players involved. Communication of heat stress management strategies/warnings of possible risk.</p> <p>c) 30 degrees Communication of heat stress management strategies/warnings of possible risk.</p> <p>HEAVY RAIN Play/competition will be suspended until hazard clears. If it continues to rain heavily during that time, play/competition may be suspended until further notice.</p> <p>LIGHTNING/THUNDERSTORMS When lightning is considered to be a possible or actual threat, the following procedure will be applied:</p> <p>a) Observe the approaching storm clouds, the first flash of lightning or clap of thunder, no matter how far away will heighten lightning awareness.</p> <p>b) Method of determining the distance to the storm cell will be the measured time elapsed from when lightning flash is observed and when the associated thunder is heard. The distance can be determined by using the following rule: distance (km) = time from observing flash to hearing thunder (in 3 seconds)</p> <p>The Hornets committee reserves the right to organise the affected games in whatever format will assist the games to occur in as equal conditions as possible.</p>
3.3	Match Results
	Match results will be updated on the Hornets website at the completion of each round. All fixtures and results for the event can be viewed at https://touchfootball.com.au/Competitions/Association/hornets-touch-association-6384 .
3.4	Drop Off
	All final series and playoff games except for the Grand Final will be played under the 3-2 scoring rule. Winners of these games will be determined by awarding 3 points to the first try scored during the game and 2 points for every try scored thereafter. If the result is 0-0 at fulltime, the match will proceed to a drop off (as per TFA 8 th Edition Playing Rules) to determine a winner.
	All drawn Grand Final games will be played in accordance with the TFA 8 th Edition Playing Rules Drop Off Procedure outlined in the Hornets General Condition of Entry section 12.2.

3.5	Competition Points						
	<p>Win - 3 points Draw - 2 points Loss - 1 point Forfeit - 0 points Bye* - 3 points (no for and against)</p> <p><i>* Bye points are pending divisional structure. This will be advised in the Draft Draw Summary booklet</i></p>						
3.6	Club Championship Points						
	<p>The following will be used to determine the Club Championship.</p> <table> <tr> <td>Team finishing 1st in division (Winners)</td> <td>20pts</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Team finishing 2nd in division (Runners up)</td> <td>15pts</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Teams eliminated in semi-finals</td> <td>10pts</td> </tr> </table>	Team finishing 1 st in division (Winners)	20pts	Team finishing 2 nd in division (Runners up)	15pts	Teams eliminated in semi-finals	10pts
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3.7	Game Duration						
	All games in the tournament and final series will be 25 MINUTES with a turnaround of ends after each touchdown.						
3.8	Trophies						
	<p>Awards will be presented to:</p> <p>Winning teams Runners Up Player of the divisional final Referees of the final Club Champions</p>						
3.9	Presentation						
	All division presentations will be conducted after all Grand Finals have taken place.						
3.10	Draw Format						
	The draw can be viewed at https://touchfootball.com.au/Competitions/Association/hornets-touch-association-6384 .						
3.11	Medical						
	Hornets Touch Association will provide assistance for all first aid and medical emergencies. This staff will not provide any preventative strapping, which must be done prior to entering the venue.						
3.12	Rules						
	Hornets conduct events under the auspices of the Touch Football Australia 8 th Edition Rule Book.						
3.13	Send Offs						
	Any player sent from the field for the remainder of the game will receive an automatic 2 match suspension unless the disciplinary committee considers further action necessary.						

SECTION 4: COVID-19 CONDITIONS	
4.1	<p>Medical</p> <p>Due to current NSW Health Public Health Order restrictions on public gathering, the Sports Trainer IS NOT able to provide any preventative strapping. They are only provided for the treatment of in game injuries. Any preventative strapping for players must be administered prior to the player entering the venue. No club assigned sports medico or physio or strappers are permitted to attend the event and remain on-site during the event.</p>
4.2	<p>Tents</p> <p>Affiliate tents will be permitted at this event, however only in designated areas. Please refer to the PVMC Tent Map for this information. All affiliates planning to erect tents for shade purposes of their participants whilst at the venue must inform Hunter Western Hornets prior to Sunday 31 January 2021.</p> <p>Instructions in relation to affiliate tents will be provided to all affiliates upon receipt of affiliate tent size requirements. No spectator pop-up tents (in areas outside of the affiliate allocated area) and no camping overnight will be allowed at this event.</p>
4.3	<p>Spectators</p> <p>Due to current NSW Health Public Health Order restrictions on total participant numbers at community sporting events, please note that a maximum of 2 spectators per player only is permitted to attend this event.</p> <p>All spectators must sign into the venue using the QR code sign in, which will be posted at all venue entry points. All spectators are only permitted at the venue for the specific session which the player they are spectating is participating in.</p> <p>Any spectators not adhering to this event restriction will be asked to leave the venue. Should direction to leave the venue not be followed, further action will be taken upon the individual and possibly the affiliate of which they are linked to.</p>
4.4	<p>Covid-19 Controls</p> <p>If any person attending our event is displaying any symptoms of COVID-19 on the day/s of the tournament, they must not participate or enter the venue.</p> <p>If any person attending our event has visited an identified NSW Health COVID-19 hotspot within the past 14 days, they must not participate or enter the venue.</p> <p>If any person is considered a close or casual contact as per identified NSW Health COVID-19 venues, health advice relating to being tested and self-isolating must strictly be followed. These person/s must not participate or enter the venue until this health advice has been strictly followed in its entirety.</p> <p>All affiliates and teams must supply their own quality sanitiser and wipes. All teams must sanitise hands pre and post-match. All team balls which are used must be sanitised pre and post-match.</p> <p>All participants, officials, coaching staff, Referees and spectators must at all times abide by the NSW Health Public Health Orders, as well as follow directions given by Hornets Tournament Staff, Hornets Officials and COVID Safe Officers at all times. Failure to do so, will result in you being directed to leave the venue. Please Note: All Tournament Staff and Officials are volunteers and any verbal or physical abuse will not be tolerated.</p>

	All affiliates are to ensure that event specific COVID restrictions are widely distributed to all affiliate participants (players, coaching staff, referees, spectators and other persons) to ensure all event restrictions are known by all attending the event.
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	SUMMARY NOTE
	This is only a summary of the tournament conditions. All coaches and managers should be fully conversant with the General Conditions of Entry for all Hornets tournaments.