



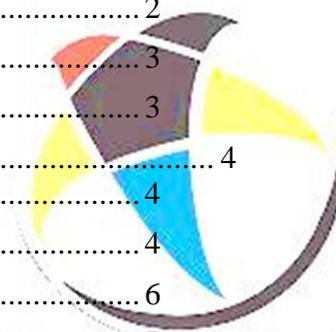
Senior Playing Regulations

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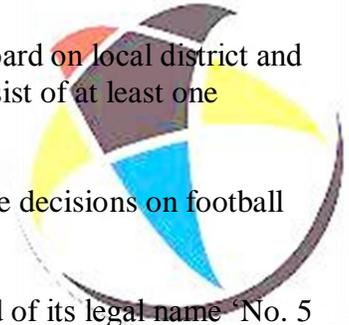
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Regulation 1 - ADMINISTRATION

1. Glossary of Terms

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‘Administrator’	The person appointed by the Manager to perform administrative functions on behalf of Capital Football.
‘Advisory groups’	Men’s and women’s groups appointed to advise the Board on local district and club football related matters. The advisory groups consist of at least one representative from each local district.
‘Board’	The Capital Football Board designated by NZF to make decisions on football related matters in the Capital Football districts.
‘Capital Football’	The name used for Capital Football Federation, instead of its legal name ‘No. 5 District Federation of New Zealand Soccer Incorporated’.
‘Charge grounds’	Football pitches and grounds operated by local bodies and private entities that may charge an additional fee for use of the ground.
‘Club’	An organisation within a local district that administers football for players who belong to that organisation.
‘Competition Manager’	The Chief Executive of Capital Football or associate delegated to oversee the administration of football in the local districts.
‘Intent’	Capital Football’s interpretation of a regulation (<i>shown in italics</i>).
‘Local district’	Any club operating under the Regulations. Capital Football local districts are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central/Southern Hutt Valley• Horowhenua/Kapiti• North Wellington• Northern Hutt Valley• South/East Wellington• Wairarapa• West Wellington.
‘Match day squad’	The squad of players entered on the team card for each playing day.
‘Men’s leagues’	Capital Football’s men’s leagues (including masters).
‘Misconduct Regulations’	Refers to the NZF Disciplinary Code
‘NZF’	New Zealand Football.
‘Player’	A registered player of any club playing under the Regulations.
‘Technical area’	The area inside the crowd barriers for the use of officials, players and substitutes.
‘The Regulations’	The Capital Football 2015 Senior Regulations.
‘Women’s leagues’	Capital Football’s women only leagues.

2. Introduction

2.1 The Regulations supersede all former rules and regulations

2.1.a All new regulations and amendments to existing regulations are shown in red text.

2.2 All Capital Football administrative functions will be carried out from the Capital Football office.

2.3 The **Competition** Manager may appoint an administrator to perform the administrative functions for each local district.

2.4 Each local district will have meetings as required by its members and will provide minutes of any meetings to Capital Football.

2.5 Each club will hold its Annual General Meeting by the end of December.

2.5.a The club will send its Annual Report to the Manager within seven days of their Annual General Meeting.

2.5.b The Annual Report will show:

- the date of election of any members
- the club's accounts, including its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities.

3. Finance

3.1 Capital Football Finance Regulations can be found on the Capital Football [downloads](#) page.



Regulation 2 – SENIOR FOOTBALL

1. General provisions

- 1.1 The Regulations apply to all players in all competitions within the Capital Football district.
 - 1.1.a For local supplementary regulations see sections 21 and 22 of the Regulations.
- 1.2 The Regulations apply to both men's and women's competitions unless otherwise stated.
- 1.3 The Manager is responsible for managing Capital Football competitions in a manner that is consistent with the objectives of Capital Football, the Board and the advisory groups.

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2. Leagues

- 2.1 The final composition of leagues is at the discretion of the Competition Manager.
 - 2.1.a Each club will confirm their acceptance for each team, in each league, in writing to the Competition Manager.
 - 2.1.b The Competition Manager can accept further entries during the season with the support of the Board and relevant advisory group.
 - 2.1.c The Competition Manager can amend the number and composition of leagues with the support of the Board and relevant advisory group.

Men's leagues

- 2.2 All men's leagues will consist of 10 teams (where possible).
- 2.3 There are three tiers within the men's leagues.
 - 2.3.a Tier 1 - Capital Premier to Capital 5:
 - minimum player age of 15 years old at the time of the match (see Clause 6.15)
 - promotion/relegation after two rounds
 - team cards required
 - matches officiated by a qualified referee (where possible)
 - maximum use of three of the five named non-rolling substitutes per match.
 - 2.3.b Tier 2 - Capital 6 to Capital 10:
 - minimum player age of 16 years old at the time of the match
 - promotion/relegation after two rounds
 - no team cards required
 - matches officiated by the home team
 - unlimited rolling substitutes.

2.3.c Tier 3 - Capital 11 down:

- minimum player age of 16 years old at the time of the match
- Promotion from Capital 11 after round 2 only
- promotion/relegation after rounds 1 and 2
- no team cards required
- matches officiated by the home team
- unlimited rolling substitutes.

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Masters leagues – *Masters leagues are deemed to be a continuation of the men's leagues.*

2.4 There are two tiers within the masters leagues.

2.4.a Tier 4 - Masters 1 to 4:

- minimum player age of 35 years old at the time of the match
- promotion/relegation after two rounds
- no team cards required
- matches officiated by the home team
- unlimited rolling substitutes.

2.4.b Tier 5 - Masters 5:

- minimum player age of 40 years old at the time of the match
- promotion after two rounds
- no team cards required
- matches officiated by the home team
- unlimited rolling substitutes.

Women's leagues

2.5 There are three tiers within the women's leagues.

2.5.a Tier 1 - Women's Premier league:

- promotion after two rounds
- team cards required
- matches officiated by a qualified referee (where possible)
- maximum of five rolling substitutes.

2.5.b Tier 2 - Women's 1

- promotion after round 2 only; relegation after rounds 1 and 2
- team cards required
- matches officiated by the home team
- maximum of five rolling substitutes.

2.5.c Tier 3 - Women's 2 down:

- promotion/relegation after rounds 1 and 2
- team cards required
- matches officiated by the home team
- maximum of five rolling substitutes.

3. Matches

3.1 Capital Football reserves the right to inspect all grounds and facilities.

3.1.a If a club fails to provide suitable grounds or facilities, that club may be refused entry into the competition.

Capital Premier

3.2 Capital Premier and Women's Premier home teams must supply a squad list including shirt numbers to Capital Football by 12 noon three days before any match.

3.2.a The squad list must accurately reflect the squad for that match only.

3.3 Capital Premier and Women's Premier away teams must supply a squad list including shirt numbers to the home team, the home team's programme contact and Capital Football by 12 noon three days before any match.

3.3.a Failure to comply with sections 3.2 or 3.3 of the Regulations will result in a fine of \$50.00.

All leagues

3.4 All matches will be played at the Competition Manager's discretion.

3.5 Match day squad lists and results can be entered into GoalNet. Note team cards MUST still be entered into Capital Football as per section 8 of the 2015 Regulations.

3.6 A team may request to alter the time, date or venue of a match up to 10 working days before the match with the consent of the Competition Manager.

3.7 A team may request to alter the time, date or venue of a match within 10 working days before the match with the consent of the Competition Manager and the opposition.

3.8 A team defaults the match if they do not:

- take the field within 15 minutes of the scheduled kickoff time
- turn up with more than the minimum number of players (seven)
- provide the appropriate equipment for their home league match
- wear an alternative coloured kit for an away match (where necessary) as per section 17 of the Regulations.

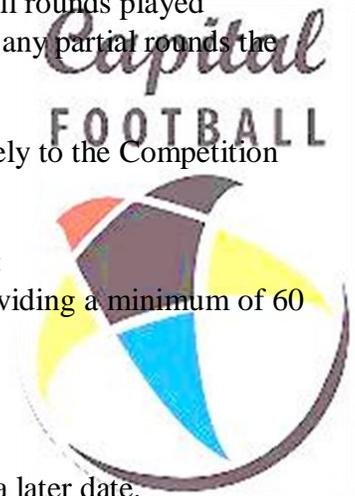
3.9 The Competition Manager must be advised immediately of any defaulted match.

3.10 Any team that defaults two consecutive matches, or three matches during any season, may be removed from their league at the discretion of the Competition Manager.

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- 3.11 In the event of a team being withdrawn from any league:
- results, points and goals for/against will stand for any full rounds played
 - results, points and goals for/against will be removed for any partial rounds the withdrawn team has played in.
- 3.12 The reason for any abandoned match must be reported immediately to the Competition Manager by the referee, if present, or the home team.
- 3.12.a The Competition Manager will inform the teams whether:
- the score at the time of the abandonment will stand (providing a minimum of 60 minutes have been played)
 - the match will be replayed
 - the match will not be replayed.
- 3.13 Any cancelled match may be rescheduled by Capital Football at a later date.
- 3.14 If alcohol is present at a match, the referee can have the offender(s) removed by the home club if it is affecting his/her control of the match.
- 3.14.a The referee can stop the match until the offenders are removed.
- 3.14.b The referee will report the incident to Capital Football.



4. Registrations

- 4.1 Players taking part in any Capital Football match must be registered for the club for which they appear at the time of their appearance.
- 4.2 All registrations will be held in the GoalNet database. It is the club's responsibility to ensure that the information held in GoalNet is correct.
- 4.2.a Every new player will provide the necessary details advised by Capital Football for registration.
- 4.2.b No player will be deemed to be registered until a national number is allocated under GoalNet.
- 4.2.c In the event of any player being registered twice, the second registration will be deemed to be null and void.
- 4.2.d If a college player is selected to play for a senior club team, they must be registered with that senior club in accordance with the Regulations.
- 4.2.e Registrations must be retained by the club for as long as the player is a member of that club.

4.3 Capital Football will investigate any registration disputes.

4.3.a Any club involved in a registration dispute is bound by any decisions made by Capital Football.

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NZF franchise teams

4.4 NZF franchise teams may temporarily release a registered player to play in a Central League or Capital league match if not required for their NZF match.

4.4.a That player will be eligible to play for the club they were registered with at 1 September in the previous year.



5. Transfers

5.1 All transfers must comply with NZF regulations.

5.2 Any club must notify Capital Football of its acceptance or refusal for a player requesting a transfer within seven days.

5.2.a Any club refusing to release a player for transfer must state its reasons for refusal to both the player and Capital Football.

5.2.b Capital Football will manage the transfer dispute and their decision will be binding on both clubs involved.

5.2.c Capital Football will charge a \$20.00 fee to any club refusing a transfer request without a legitimate reason.

5.3 Any club or club official offering financial or material inducement for a player to transfer to their club must notify the player's present club and Capital Football in writing before approaching the player.

5.3.a Any alleged offences will be investigated by Capital Football following a written statement from the player who was approached:

- any club found guilty will be fined a minimum of \$500.

5.4 A \$20.00 processing fee applies for players transferred manually by Capital Football.

6. Player eligibility

6.1 A registered player can play in any team entered by his club, in any league, of any competition at the discretion of his club's selection committee, as long as the re-grade rules are followed.

Player re-grading

6.2 A player will be automatically graded to the team he/she plays his/her first game of a new season for, or if he/she returns from injury after taking the field.

6.3 Named substitutes who do not take the field, are not graded to the higher team.

The intent of this regulation is to allow players to be names as a higher grade substitute, but still play lower in the grades without being considered a re-grade.

6.4 Unless otherwise specified 're-grades' or 're-grading' only applies to the movement of players down leagues/teams.

6.5 A men's league player can be re-graded a maximum of two leagues below the team the player is re-graded from. For the purpose of this clause a 'league' is the league where the club's next team plays.

6.6 Up to four men's league players in total can be re-graded down from any one team per match:

- up to three players can be re-graded one league down from where their usual team plays
- one player can be re-graded two leagues down from where their usual team plays.

6.7 A total of three women's league players per match can be re-graded a maximum of one league below the team the player is re-graded from. For the purpose of this clause a 'league' is the league where the club's next team plays.

6.8 A player is not classed as a re-grade when returning to the team they played in for the previous match. However:

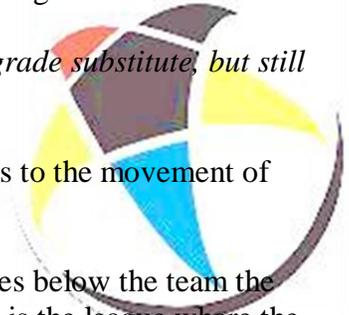
- if the player re-grades to another team, in a lower league than their original team, for a second consecutive match they are still deemed to be a re-graded player
- the player will be classified as a player of the higher graded team.

6.9 Once a player has played two consecutive matches for a club's lower graded team they are deemed to be a player of that team.

6.10 Any player who reaches 14 men's league matches for any one team cannot re-grade down again to a team in a lower division for the remainder of that season. This includes players who have played 14 Central League matches entering into a tier 1 team.

The intent of this regulation is to prevent higher graded players unfairly assisting lower league teams at the end of the season when promotion/relegations are being decided.

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6.11 Any player who has not played for at least two consecutive matches (due to injury or absence) is deemed to be ungraded.

6.11a Refer to Clause 6.1 of the Regulations for eligibility of ungraded players.

6.11b Clause 6.11 of the Regulations does not apply if a player misses one or more matches through suspension.

6.12 If a club has two or more teams playing in the same league, the club will rank the teams in order, before the season, for re-grading purposes.

6.13 No player can be re-graded within their club following conclusion of their current team's matches. This regulation applies if the league they are entered in is unfinished.

The intent of this regulation is to prevent higher graded players unfairly assisting lower league teams after the higher graded team's matches have been concluded.

6.14 A player can only be re-graded once during any one week, including Easter and Queen's Birthday weeks.

6.15 No player under the age of 16 years may compete in any men's league:

- below Capital 5
- in a Capital Premier to Capital 5 team (inclusive) unless they have received a written dispensation from Capital Football.

6.16 No female player may compete in any men's league unless she has received a written dispensation from Capital Football.

6.17 No player under the age of 15 years may compete in any women's league unless she has received a written dispensation from Capital Football.

6.18 The Chatham Cup is a New Zealand Football competition, so Capital Football re-grade rules do not apply.

7. Age group teams

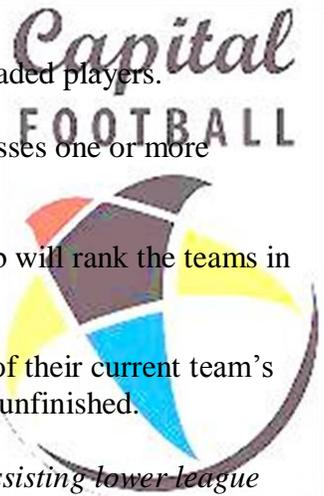
7.1 An eligible under 17 player for that season must be:

- 14 years or over on 1 January
- under 17 years on 1 January.

7.2 A player can only play for another club's age group team, if both their registered club and age group team give their written consent.

7.2.a Clause 7.3 of the Regulations does not apply to players who played in the Manchester United Premier Cup. These players must play for the age group team/club they represented in the Manchester United Premier Cup.

7.3 A maximum of five rolling substitutes may be used in any age group match.



8. Team cards

- 8.1 Capital Premier teams must provide a team card to the referee 30 minutes before kickoff.
- 8.1.a Up to five substitutes may be named on the team card, and three non-rolling substitutes may be used during the match.
- 8.1.b The team card may be altered by the team Manager up to five minutes before kickoff.
- 8.2 All Capital 1 to Capital 5 teams must provide a team card to the referee before kickoff.
- 8.2a Up to five substitutes may be named on the team card, and three non-rolling substitutes may be used during the match.
- 8.3 All Women's Premier teams must provide a team card to the referee 30 minutes before kickoff. All other women's leagues must provide a team card to the referee before kickoff.
- 8.3.a Up to five rolling substitutes may be named on the team card and used during the match.
- 8.4 All team cards must:
- be written or printed legibly in block capitals
 - contain the initials, surname and shirt number of each player and substitute (**even in games with rolling subs**).
 - list the final score
 - list goal scorers and their corresponding shirt number
 - be signed by each team's manager after the match to confirm the match details.
- 8.5 **Official (or a copy of) completed team cards must be emailed to Capital Football within 72 hours of the match being completed. Team cards are to be sent electronically to teamcards@capitalfootball.org.nz.**
- 8.6 **Team who fail to meet the requirements under Regulation 8.4 and 8.5 may incur a \$20 fine.**
- 8.7 Any team that plays a player who is not listed on the team card, or who plays under a false name may be fined in accordance with section 19 of the Regulations.



9. Results

- 9.1 **Both teams are responsible for texting (021 295 6128), entering into Sporting Pulse, or emailing (results@capitalfootball.org.nz) the result of their match to Capital Football:**
- **All Central League, Capital Premier, Women's Premier, Capital 1 and Women's One results, including goal scorers, must be submitted within 30 minutes of the game's completion.**
 - All other results must be submitted within 60 minutes of the game's completion.
- 9.2 Teams that submit results to Capital Football late may be fined \$20.00 for each offence.

10. Referees

- 10.1 Capital Football will appoint a referee and two assistants for all Capital Premier matches.
- 10.2 Capital Football will appoint a referee for all Capital 1 to 5, and Women's Premier matches (where possible).
- 10.2.a Where requested by the referee each team will provide an assistant referee.
- 10.2.b For each match where a referee has been appointed, a fee agreed at the Capital Football Annual General Meeting will be charged to the home team.
- 10.3 If the appointed referee is not in attendance at the scheduled kickoff time, every effort should be made to play the match. The sequence of events will be:
- the home team will contact Capital Football
 - Capital Football will attempt to source another qualified referee or defer the match
 - any other available qualified referee will officiate
 - if no qualified referee is available, the home team will officiate the first half and the away team the second half.



11. Abuse

- 11.1 Capital Football will not tolerate verbal and physical abuse against match officials, players, clubs or supporters.
- 11.1.a Proven abuse reported by a referee, player, or club official will result in the club(s) involved being fined as per section 19 of the Regulations.
- 11.2 Slanderous or libellous comment against a match official or Capital Football will result in the club(s) involved being fined as per section 19 of the Regulations.

12. Match points

- 12.1 For all league matches, three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw and zero points for a loss.
- 12.2 A team's accumulated points will govern all promotion and/or relegations for each season. In the case of a tie, the deciding factor for promotions and relegations will be (in hierarchical order):
- the highest goal difference between the tied teams
 - the higher number of goals scored between the tied teams
 - the goal difference from the matches played between the tied teams
 - the team with the superior disciplinary record
 - a coin toss.

13. Promotion and relegation

- 13.1 Any team relegated from the Central League is eligible to play in their highest local league.
- 13.2 At the end of each season, promotions are always completed first then relegations are made as required.

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Men's leagues

- 13.3 Clubs may enter one team in Capital Premier and one team in Capital 1.
- 13.3.a Clubs may enter one or more teams in Capital 2 and down in accordance with sections 2.2 and 2.3 of the Regulations.



13.4 Capital Premier

13.4.a After two rounds:

- the first placed team from Capital Premier will enter a playoff against the top ranked team in the Central Federation for promotion to the Central League
 - all playoffs will be completed in accordance with section 14 of the Regulations
 - if the first placed team is ineligible or does not want to compete in the Central League, the second placed team may enter the playoff
 - if the first or second placed team from either league is ineligible or does not want to, the top eligible team from the other federation will be promoted
 - if there are no eligible teams from the either federation, there will be no relegations from the Central League
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

13.5 Capital 1 and 2

13.5.a After two rounds:

- the top two teams will be automatically promoted if eligible from Capital 1 and Capital 2
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

13.5.b If the top team is ineligible for promotion:

- the team finishing second will be automatically promoted if eligible
- the team finishing third will enter a playoff if eligible.

13.5.c If the second placed team is ineligible for promotion:

- the team finishing first will be automatically promoted if eligible
- the team finishing third will enter a playoff if eligible.

13.6 If the teams finishing first and second in each league are ineligible for promotion, the third placed team in each league will be promoted.

13.7 No team finishing fourth in any league is eligible for promotion unless there are gaps in the league above them.

13.8 Capital 3 to Capital 10

13.8.a after two rounds:

- the top two teams will be promoted to the higher league
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

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13.9 Capital 11 down

13.9.a From Capital 11 down every team in every league will play two rounds.

13.9.b At the end of round 1:

- the top two teams from Capital 12 down will be promoted
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place
- points will go back to zero
- each team will play another round.

13.9.c At the end of round 2:

- the top two teams in each league will be promoted
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.



Women's leagues

13.10 Women's Premier

13.10.a Clubs may enter a maximum of one team in the Women's Premier league.

13.10.b After two rounds:

- the first placed Women's Premier team will enter a playoff against the top ranked women's team in the Central Federation for promotion to the Women's Central League
 - all playoffs will be completed in accordance with section 14 of the Regulations
 - if the first placed team is ineligible or does not want to compete in the Women's Central League, the second placed team may enter the playoff
 - if the first or second placed team from either league is ineligible or does not want to, the top eligible team from the other federation will be promoted
 - if there are no eligible teams from the either federation, there will be no relegations from the Women's Central League
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

13.11 Women's 1

13.11.a At the end of round 1:

- the bottom two teams are relegated
- points will go back to zero
- each team will play another round.

13.11.b At the end of round 2:

- the top two teams will be promoted
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

13.12 Women's 2 down:

13.12.a At the end of round 1:

- the top two teams from Women's 2 down will be promoted
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place
- points will go back to zero
- each team will play another round.

13.12.b At the end of round 2:

- the top two teams in each league will be promoted
- the necessary number of relegations (if any) will take place.

13.13 A team that wins the Horowhenua/Kapiti or Wairarapa local league can automatically enter Capital 3.

13.13.a If Clause 13.13 of the Regulations occurs, teams in lower leagues may be relegated to retain 10 team leagues.



14. Playoffs

14.1 All required playoffs will take place at the end of the season as determined by the Competitions Manager.

14.1.a Playoff venues are subject to consultation, but the Competitions Manager's decision is final.

14.2 Players taking part in any playoff are required to be registered for that club before 30 June of that year.

14.3 Any eligible team which decides not to take part in the playoffs may be relegated to the league below their current league.

15. Cup competitions

- 15.1 Any men's or women's team that defaults a cup match will be ineligible for the knockout stage of that cup competition that season.
- 15.2 All cup competitions will be played over 90 minutes.
- 15.3 If teams are level after 90 minutes, then the result will be decided by a penalty shootout (except NZF Cup which will have extra time first).
- 15.4 Players can only play for one team in any cup competition in any single season.

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16. Drug Testing

- 16.1 Capital Football competitions shall be subject to drug testing by Drug Free Sport NZ. For the sake of clarity, this shall comprise in-competition and out of competition testing for all players.
- 16.2 Drug testing is specifically covered by NZF Regulation 17. It is the responsibility of each participant team and player to ensure they are conversant with the appropriate regulations.
- 16.3 Any participant breaching this regulation shall be liable for a fine of up to \$1000 and an education seminar arranged within agreed timeframes between the participant and NZF.

17. Playing pitches, equipment and kit

Pitches

- 17.1 The home team will supply the following for all Capital Premier matches:
 - crowd barriers one metre high and two metres from the sideline, down the entire length of the pitch
 - a technical area for both teams.

Equipment

- 17.2 The home team will provide the following equipment for all league matches:
 - regulation sized goals, nets and corner flags, and match ball
 - Capital Premier and Women's Premier teams must use the brand/type of ball defined by the Manager for that season
 - clear markings showing the side and end lines, half way line and centre circle, 6 and 18 yard box, and the penalty spot
 - cones may be used to mark the pitch from Capital 11 down and masters leagues if no lines are marked out.

Kit

- 17.3 From Capital Premier to Capital 5 and Women's Premier to Women's 1:
- where team colours clash, the away team are to wear alternative coloured shirts and socks.
- 17.4 From Capital 6 down and Women's 2 down:
- where team colours clash, the away team are to wear alternative coloured shirts.
- 17.5 All leagues:
- players must have official sized numbers on the backs of their shirts.

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18. Protests and Complaints

For further information on protests and complaints refer to the NZF Disciplinary Code.

- 18.1 Any club may bring a protest or complaint to Capital Football through the Competitions Manager.
- 18.2 A protest or complaint must be made within three days of the alleged breach, by forwarding a written statement, on the club's letterhead, detailing the:
- name of the club, player or person(s) complained against
 - alleged breach.
- 18.3 Capital Football will forward a copy of the protest or complaint to the club complained about for a response.
- 18.3a After ascertaining all details of the alleged complaint, Capital Football will advise both parties of their decision.
- 18.3b A fee of \$100.00 plus GST will be charged for trivial protests or complaints.
- 18.4 Any club has the right to appeal against the application of one or more of the Regulations.
- 18.4a Appeals will be decided by an independent local judicial panel.
- 18.4b Further appeals can be made to NZF.

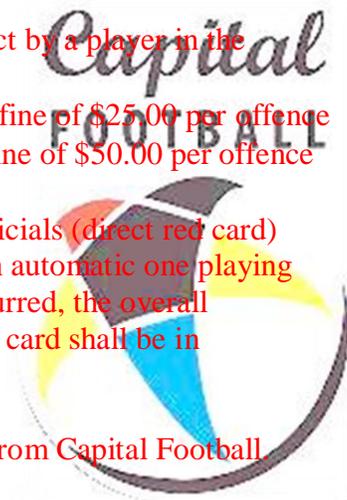
19. Infringements & Misconducts

Disciplinary incidents will be dealt with in accordance with the NZF and FIFA Disciplinary Code.

The participants, their players and Officials, agree to comply with the Laws of the Game and with the FIFA Statutes and regulations, in particular the FIFA Disciplinary Code, the FIFA anti-Doping Regulations, the FIFA Code of Ethics, the FIFA Code of Conduct and the NZF Statutes and Regulations, in particular the NZF Disciplinary Code and the NZF Code of Conduct.

Misconducts, Suspensions and Fines.

- 19.1 The Schedule of Suspensions and Fines in respect of a misconduct by a player in the competition shall be:
- minor infringement offences (yellow card) shall incur a fine of \$25.00 per offence
 - cautionary misconduct (indirect red card) shall incur a fine of \$50.00 per offence and an automatic one playing day suspension.
 - serious infringements and misconduct against match officials (direct red card) shall incur a minimum fine of \$50.00 per offence and an automatic one playing day suspension. Including the automatic suspension incurred, the overall suspension imposed on any player receiving a direct red card shall be in accordance with the NZF Disciplinary Code.
- 19.2 Any fines shall be paid by the due date indicated on the invoice from Capital Football.



Cautions accumulated by a player

- 19.3 The Schedule of Suspensions imposed in respect of cautions accumulated by a player are:
- five yellow cards (5) during a season: One (1) playing day
 - seven yellow cards (7) during a season: Two (2) playing days
 - ten yellow cards (10) during a season: Player will attend a meeting of the Federation Disciplinary Committee to determine if any additional penalty should be imposed against the player and/or their participant team.

Registration and transfers

- 19.4 If a team is found to be in breach of any part of the registration and transfer regulation:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per unregistered player
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.
- 19.5 If both teams are found to be in breach, the match will be deemed null and void.

Player eligibility

- 19.6 If a team is found to be in breach of any part of the player eligibility regulation:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per ineligible player
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.
- 19.7 If both teams are found to be in breach, the match will be deemed null and void:
- Capital Football will decide whether the match is replayed.

Matches

- 19.8 Any Capital Premier or Women's Premier team that defaults a match will be fined \$2,000.00 regardless of the notice period given by the team.
- 19.9 Any team in Capital 1 to Capital 5 or Women's 1 that defaults a match will be fined \$500.00 regardless of the notice period given by the team.
- 19.10 Any team in Capital 6 down or Women's 2 down that defaults a match will be fined \$50.00:
- the fee will increase to \$100.00 if the team has not advised Capital Football 24 hours before the match.
- 19.11 A default fee may be charged by Capital Football to cover the hire of an artificial turf.
- 19.12 A home team may not move any match from the designated venue and pitch as listed in the Capital Football draw unless they receive permission from the Competitions Manager:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$100.00
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.
- 19.13 Any team official sent from the field by a referee will:
- receive a \$200.00 fine
 - receive a suspension in accordance **with the NZF Disciplinary Code.**
- 19.14 Repeat occurrences by any team official during the same season will result in a minimum fine of \$500.00 plus additional suspensions.
- 19.15 Any match abandoned due to the consumption of excess alcohol by players, team officials or spectators will be reported to Capital Football and a minimum fine of \$500.00 will be imposed on the offending club.



Team cards

- 19.16 Any team that fails to submit a team card to the referee as per section 8 of the Regulations will receive a \$20.00 fine.
- 19.17 Any team that does not submit a team card to Capital Football within 72 hours after the match may incur a \$20.00 fine.
- 19.17a An additional \$20.00 fine may be charged to any team for every further week (or part of) that the team card is not submitted.

- 19.18 If a team is found guilty of playing a player who is not listed on the team card, or plays a player under an assumed or false name:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per unlisted player
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.

- 19.19 If both teams are found guilty of playing players not listed on the team card, both teams will be credited with a 0-3 loss.

Results

- 19.20 Capital Premier and Women's Premier teams must submit their result, including goal scorers, to Capital Football within 30 minutes of the end of the match or a \$50.00 fine may be imposed.
- 19.21 Teams in Capital 1 down and Women's 1 down must submit their result to Capital Football including goal scorers in accordance with section 9 of the Regulations.
- 19.21a Teams in Capital 1 and Women's 1 must also include goal scorers with their results.

Abuse

For further information on abuse refer to the NZF Disciplinary Code

- 19.22 Verbal and physical abuse against match officials, players, clubs or supporters will not be tolerated by Capital Football.
- 19.23 Proven abuse reported by a referee, player, or club official will result in the club(s) involved being fined \$200.00.
- 19.23a Any further incident during the season involving the same club(s) will result in the fine per incident being doubled.
- 19.24 Slanderous or libellous comment against match officials, players, clubs, supporters or Capital Football will result in the club(s) involved being fined \$250.00.
- 19.24a Any further incidents during the season involving the same club(s) will result in the fine per incident being doubled.

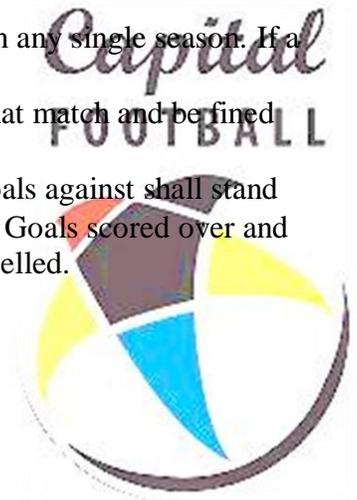
Cup competitions

19.25 Players can only play for one team/club in any cup competition in any single season. If a club is found to be playing a cup tied player:

- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per cup tied player
- goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
- the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.

19.26 If both clubs are found to be playing cup tied players:

- the match result will be null and void
- both teams will be disqualified from the competition
- both teams will be fined accordingly.



Playing pitches, equipment and kit

19.27 Any home team that fails to use an appropriate regulation ball will be fined \$100.00.

19.28 Any away team that fails to wear an alternative coloured kit where necessary will be fined \$100.00.

20. Miscellaneous

20.1 Anything not covered by the Regulations will be referred to the Manager for decision and subsequently communicated to the advisory groups.

20.2 Capital Football and the advisory groups may issue new regulations or clarification on existing regulations as necessary.

20.3 It is the responsibility of each club to ensure compliance with any new and existing regulations.

21. Supplementary regulation Wairarapa competition

League and Super League

21.1 Player re-grades are as per section 6 of the 2015 Senior Playing Regulations.

21.1.a Five substitutions can be named on the team card, and any three of those may be used as rolling substitutes for all matches.

21.1.b More than three rolling substitutes can be played if both captains agree and inform the referee before the match.

21.2 No more than three players in any one week can drop between local leagues. Any dispensation from this rule will be at the discretion of Capital Football.

- 21.3 If there are two leagues the top team from League 2 will be promoted at the end of the season. The bottom team from League 1 will be relegated. This may vary at the Manager's discretion depending on league sizes.

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Knockout Cup

- 21.4 Only local league players are eligible to play in the Knockout Cup.
- 21.5 Five substitutions can be named on the team card and any three of those may be used as rolling substitutes.
- 21.6 If a team is found to be in breach this supplementary regulation:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per breach
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.



Referees

- 21.7 If no official referee is appointed a club based referee could officiate the match, otherwise the home team will provide the referee for the match.

22. Supplementary regulation Horowhenua-Kapiti competition

Youth teams

- 22.1 A player is a Horowhenua-Kapiti youth player if:
- the player qualifies as an 18th grade player based on the standard format for determining player age qualifications.
- 22.2 A youth team must predominantly consist of players who are 18th grade players. Such a team will be granted youth status on a case-by-case basis by the Manager.
- 22.3 Any team taking the field with less than the agreed number of youth players will be deemed to be playing ineligible players.
- 22.4 Teams with ineligible players will be fined in accordance with section 18 of the Regulations.

Re-grading of players

- 22.5 No player who plays in League 1 will be able to play in any in League 3 match.
- 22.6 No more than three players in any one week can drop from a Capital Football league to Horowhenua-Kapiti League 1.

Substitutions

- 22.7 Leagues 1 and 2:
- up to four rolling substitutions each half
 - half time substitutes are classed as second half substitutions.
- 22.8 League 3:
- unlimited rolling substitutes.

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Promotion/relegation

- 22.9 The top two teams from leagues 2 and 3 will be promoted at the end of the season. The bottom teams from leagues 1 and 2 will be relegated. This may vary at the Competition Manager's discretion depending on league sizes.

Knockout Cup

- 22.10 Only local league players are eligible for the Knockout Cup and must have played at least eight matches for that team before the first Knockout Cup match.
- 22.11 Rolling substitutes will be allowed in the Knockout Cup with up to four rolling substitutes allowed each half.
- 22.12 Any teams found in breach this supplementary regulation will:
- the offending team will forfeit any points gained from that match and be fined \$150.00 per breach
 - goals scored by the offending team will be cancelled, goals against shall stand
 - the opposing team will be awarded a minimum 3-0 win. Goals scored over and above 3-0 by that team will stand and goals against cancelled.