

## SOUTHERN CROSS COULTER SHIELD RULES - FINAL

1. The Committee will be known as the *Southern Cross Coulter Shield Committee* and shall comprise of no more than two (2) delegates per Inaugural centre with one vote per centre.

The Chairperson will have casting vote.

2. The six (6) inaugural centres shall be BHA, BWHA, Gold Coast, Ipswich, Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba, and Tweed Border.
3. The Annual General meeting will be held on the last Sunday in October each year or unless otherwise stated. With other meetings of the SC CS Committee called at any time to deal with business that may arise by advising all Committee members of a suitable date.
4. One Tournament each age group per calendar year to be conducted on separate days during the Hockey Season, preferably on a Sunday approximately 6 weeks before the age Championships. A Tournament to be competed for in all age division which, where parallel the age division competed for at the Hockey Queensland Championships.
5. Tournaments will be held on a "Round Robin" basis, with each centre playing each other centre. As number increases "A" and "B" pools may be introduced in Division 2 or lower. More than one Team per centre may participate in lower divisions.
6. Division 1 shall be limited to the six (6) Inaugural Centres.
7. The Host Centre to be solely responsible for all organisation of the Tournament at their own centre, i.e. allocation of fields, draw, Umpires, First Aid and Hospitality.
8. Each Centre must supply a non-playing umpire.

Each Centre must provide one competent Umpire per competing Team and a match ball under the rules of the game of hockey as set out by the Queensland Hockey Rules.

- a) *Umpires – must be non-playing umpires. \$100 fine issued per team from each centre who fails to send a NON-PLAYING UMPIRE will apply. Money will be paid to the Host Centre holding the competition. Centres to advise Secretary of Committee of Non attendees of Umpires.*
- b) If Centre is unable to send umpire, that Centre can contact the Host centre to arrange a replacement umpire. But ample notice must be given to allow Host Centre to provide umpire/s. Fine is still issued.
- c) Centres to also provide Umpires Coaches/Mentors at each competition to give feedback to umpires attending. The umpires attending should be the

umpire attending the State Championship on behalf of their Centre, but not necessarily.

### **Competition Guidelines**

1. The Host Centre of each age group shall extend a written invitation to all centres at least 4 weeks prior to tournament date.
  - ❖ *All Inaugural Centres to participate in Division 1 and receiving automatic invitation to participate in each competition ie: BHA, BWA, Ipswich, Toowoomba, Sunshine Coast, Tweed, Gold Coast.*
  - ❖ *Warwick and Redlands to receive invite to participate in Division 2 in all age groups.*
  - ❖ *U12 Competition – invitation is sent to Maryborough Boys & Girls to participate.*
  - ❖ *When competition is being held at Sunshine Coast invitation to Gympie Boys & Girls to participate can be sent.*

### **Teams**

1. Players allowed to participate at each competition is limited to 16 players per team including goalkeepers
2. Each Team shall be allowed a maximum of sixteen (16) players only per game but is allowed to bring up to twenty (20) players on any given competition day and with rolling substitutions shall apply.

### **Game Duration**

Duration of games is at the discretion of the Host Centre – it can be either

- (i) *Timing of games will be: 12-minute quarters and 1 minute between 1/2 and 3/4 quarters with a 5-minute half time break.*
- (ii) *All players must stay on the field between quarters*  
**OR**
- (iii) *25-minute halves with 5-minute at half time break.*

### **Except U12s**

- ❖ Duration of play – fifteen-minutes (15) halves- five (5 minutes half time)

Games will commence and conclude on the Timekeeper's siren. No extra time will be allowed for injuries. Player not seriously injured to be removed from the field of play immediately.

## **Points**

1. Points for games during the round shall be awarded as follows:
  - Win = three (3) points
  - Draw = one (1) for a draw,
  - Loss = no points (0)

NO CENTRE shall be disqualified from competing in future competitions should they be unable to field a team in the current year.

## **Results**

1. The Host Centre for the tournament shall forward a list of results of all games showing points awarded, goals for and against, plus the results of each individual game, to all other Centres including the Secretary of Southern Cross Coulter Shield within one week of the tournament.
2. Each centre must also upload the live results on the day of the tournament to Southern Qld Zone Hockey webpage <http://qldhockey.info/>.
3. The Host Centre will be responsible for the presentation of Winning Certificate to each winning team at the end of the final. (attached)

## **Misconduct**

In all cases of misconduct by individual players, coaches, managers, parents, or supporters of teams from participating centres competing in Southern Cross Coulter Shield Competitions, a notification must be reported to the Tournament Manager of the Host Centre on the day or in writing (email) as soon as possible to be the Secretary of the Combined Committee who shall advise the Centre of this conduct and ask for a full investigation into the said incident. The Centre then will advise the Secretary of the Committee of the outcome of the investigation and any penalty or action incurred.

- ❖ **Issuing of Red Card** – If a red card is issued on the day of competition, the Host Centre should complete a red card incident report and the umpire who issued the card also complete a red card report. These reports should then be forwarded to the Secretary of the Combined Committee as well as the Association from which the player is presenting. The Association should that advise Secretary of Committee of action taken on the issuing of a red card and any action or penalty imposed.

## **UNDER 18 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

1. All Players must be under 18 years as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of January of the year of participation.
2. All games in Division 1 must be played on Artificial surfaces.

### **DIVISION 1**

A maximum of one (1) team per inaugural centre to participate. (Brisbane, Gold Coast, Ipswich, Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba & Tweed Border).

#### **Round Robin competition**

1. Divisions 1 be place in two pools of three (3) Teams, with the six inaugural Centres be in Division 1 (Brisbane; Gold Coast; Ipswich; Sunshine Coast; Toowoomba & Tweed).
2. Two games in their pool then a cross over game to determine placings in their division.
3. Places shall be determined as follows:
  - Total points over the tournament - if a tie exists
    - Goal balance - total goals “for” less total goals” against”.
  - If a tie still exists
    - Number of goals scored- ie: team with the highest number of goals “for”
  - If a tie still exists
    - Results of the match/es in the round
  - If a tie still exists - A tied cup shall be declared if Final.

### **DIVISION 2**

1. More than one (1) Team per Centre may participate.
2. If six (6) or less teams nominate, Division 2 shall be conducted on a round robin basis as per rules for Division 1 (2); (3).
3. When more than six teams nominate, Division 2 will be conducted on a two (2) Pool system, (A & B), with an equal number of teams in each pool where possible.
4. Teams in each Pool shall play each team in their pool once only.
5. Pool placing shall be determined as per rules for Division 1 - Rule 3.

## **UNDER 16 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

Players must be Under 16 years as of the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the year of participation.

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## **UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

Players must be Under 14 years as of the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the year of participation.

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## **UNDER 12 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

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### **DIVISION 2, 3 and 4**

1. More than one team per centre may participate.
2. If six teams or less nominate, Division 2/3/4 shall be conducted on a round robin basis as per the rules for Division 1 - (2).
3. When more than six teams nominate for Division 2/3/4 it will be conducted on a two-pool system, (A & B) with an equal number of teams in each pool where possible.
4. Teams in each pool shall play each team in the pool once only.
5. Pool placing shall be determined as per rules for Division 1 Rule 3.

### **Sock Roster: November 2024**

All Associations to submit to the Committee's Secretary their sock combination to eliminate and sock clashes on competition.

Teams list 1<sup>st</sup> on the draw will wear their primary socks and the 2<sup>nd</sup> team to wear their alternative sock if team clash.

Team also to have bibs in case there is a clash of uniforms.