

Gridiron is a team-based sport where opposing teams attempt to travel into the end zone with control of the football for a touchdown whilst the other team blocks their play. Goals and penalty goals add to the total team score. The team with the highest score at the end of the time period wins.

HIERARCHY								
Element	State	Regional	Local - Category A		Local - Category B	Notes		
Gridiron Queensland Hierarchy	-	Event	Club		-			
Total Site Area		2.2 ha	1 ha					
PLAYING AREA								
Orientation		Refer to Notes			E	Refer to Notes	NE	Recommended north-south orientation with an optimum orientation of 15° east of north, to avoid players having to look into the sun. Limits are between 20° west of north and 45° east of north.
No. and size of playing areas		1 full size field & 1 modified field	NE	1 field (can be full size or modified)	E	Grass area	E	<p>Full size field:</p> <p>Length: 91.44m + 2 x 9.14m end zones</p> <p>Width: 48.77m + interchange and coaches boxes either side of field</p> <p>Modified field:</p> <p>Length may be shortened to 86.67m if necessary to fit the field plus two 10-yard end zones within the available playing surface, with other dimensions reducing at the same ratio.</p> <p>Flag Football field: Length: 45.5m + 2 x 9.15m end zones</p> <p>Width: 22.90m</p> <p>Measurements are made from the inside edge of the boundary lines.</p>
Coaches boxes (2)		Line marked only			E	-		1 marked box either side of the field (1 per team). Box extends from 25 yard line either side of half way (i.e. 50 yards in length) x 6 feet in width, located 6 feet from the sideline of the field.
Player interchange benches (2)		Line marked with (preferably) covered seating for 30 people			E	-		1 box either side of the field (1 per team). Box extends from 25 yard line either side of half way (i.e. 50 yards in length) x any width available, located 12 feet from the sideline of the field (or adjacent to the coaches box).

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Goal posts		Top of crossbar 10ft from ground, uprights 18ft 6in apart (between inside of uprights). Uprights should extend at least 30ft high (above crossbar)		E	Refer to Notes	NE	A standard rugby goal that has a 3m crossbar and uprights 5.6m apart is acceptable at all levels in Australia.	
Interchange steward/umpires/ officials box		-						
Playing area surfaces		Grass playing area with no undulations or depressions.		E	Grass area	E	Wintergreen couch is the recommended turf for grass playing areas.	
Playing area drainage		Turtle back or single cross-fall 1% max. gradient. Sub-surface drainage around field perimeter	E	Single cross-fall 1% max. gradient. Swale drains around field with catch pits.	E	Flat to single cross-fall 1% max. gradient, swale drains on perimeter of total playing area	E	Appropriately designed surface and sub-surface drainage systems improve surface quality, reduce cancellations and maximise use of grounds.
Playing area fencing		Field fencing required to separate players from spectators.		E	-		Where no permanent fence is provided, temporary fencing/bunting may be used. Existing field fences at multi-use venues are suitable.	
Playing area marking		White line marking, 10cm in width. Sidelines and end lines may exceed 10cm in width, goal lines may be 10cm or 20cm in width.				E	Grass growth retardant may be mixed with the paint to lengthen the life of the application. Herbicides or oils must not be used, as these will kill the grass.	
Playing area perimeter/ run-off		Full size field: 5.49m all directions, except behind the player boxes where it shall be 1.83m. Flag football field: 2.75m all directions.				E		
Irrigation		Sprinklers in line across the field and additional sprinklers around the outside and corners of the fields.				E	Irrigation of the playing area must be provided to ensure continued growth of the turf. An automatic watering system is required. The preferred controller is Toro Custom Command Series and the preferred rotors are Toro T-7 Series stainless steel. Refer to Recommended Sport Field Construction Specifications for Logan City.	
Scoreboard		Electronic		CR	-		To be positioned for optimal visibility for spectators and players and, if includes LED, consider the impact of afternoon sun on readability.	
LED sports lighting (average minimum lux)		100 lux				E	Lighting levels to be achieved at all times during night play, in accordance with AS 2560.2.3-2007 (R2017) – Sports lighting Specific applications – Lighting for football (all codes)	
SURROUNDS								
Storage (grounds maintenance)		45m ² if responsible for grounds maintenance				E	Sufficient space for tractors and/or mowers (7.5m x 3m bay).	

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Storage (playing equipment)		22.5m ²	E	Included in clubhouse	Sufficient space for storing goal post pads, tackle bags, bump pads, corner posts, balls and other team equipment used directly on the field. The shed is to be accessible from the playing fields (7.5m x 3m bay).
Clock		Incorporated into scoreboard	E		
Siren		Portable or through permanent PA system	E	Portable	NE
Spectator seating		Grandstand or tiered seating for min. 100 persons on main field, bench seating or area for foldable chairs for 50 persons for other fields	NE	Bench seating or area for foldable chairs for 50 persons per field	NE Grandstand or tiered seating, bench seating is preferred with some covered.

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