

Touch Football

Fact Sheet

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Touch football is a team-based sport where opposing teams attempt to place the football over the try line without being touched by an opposition player. The team with the most tries at the end of the time period wins.

HIERARCHY					
Element	State	Regional	Local - Category A	Local - Category B	Notes
Touch Football Queensland Hierarchy	State	Regional	-	Local	
Total Site Area	13 ha	11 ha	-	2 ha	
PLAYING AREA					
Orientation	Refer to Notes		E	Refer to Notes	E Dedicated touch football fields are preferred to be developed on a north-south orientation to minimise the effects of the sun's glare during daytime events. The best orientation is 15° east of north, however, the allowable limit is between 20° west of north and 35° east of north. Fields that are shared with other football codes may be perpendicular to this orientation. This is acceptable since fields are largely used at night for regular competition. State and Regional level venues should ideally have the primary fields at N-S orientation.
No. and size of playing areas	Min. 18 fields during events, with at least 7 fields as dedicated regional touch football fields for regular use, including elite competition	E	Min. 15 fields during events, with at least 5 to 7 fields as dedicated regional touch football fields for regular use	E	Min. 3 fields -number of fields dependent on size of competition, may be multi-use with other sports E Regional touch football field: Length: 70m (tryline to tryline) + 5-10m in-goal Width: 50m Local touch football field Length: 68m (tryline to tryline) + 3-5m in-goal Width: 50m Particularly for local competitions, the size of the field can be varied to suit local council requirements and/or conditions and/or if multi-using fields with another sport.
Coaches boxes					

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Player interchange benches (2)	Interchange boxes required as per Notes	E		Interchange area required in flexible format	E	<p>One interchange box per side of the field. Area of 20m x 5m (max.) to be located 1m from the sideline, 10m either side of half way. No fixed infrastructure, line marked only.</p> <p>Interchange areas can be dispensed with, if local conditions and ground area do not allow for them, and/ or they can be placed on the same side of the field and varied in length and width.</p> <p>When multi-using other fields, synthetic grass may be laid to indicate the interchange box and to protect the underlying sport surface.</p>
Interchange steward/umpires/ officials box						
Playing area materials	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	Appropriately designed surface and sub-surface drainage and the development of a good overall maintenance plan for sports field drainage is critical in enhancing the participant experience and maximising the use of the facility (meaning fewer cancelled games). Installing sub-surface drainage systems in an existing playing fields may be required to improve surface quality, reduce cancellations and maximise use of existing facilities .
Playing area marking	Refer to Notes	E		Refer to Notes	E	Line markings are to be at least 2.5cm in width.
Playing area perimeter/ run-off	Min. 3m	E		Min. 2m at the end of the fields only	E	Where multi-using fields with other sports, goal post padding must be in place at all times.
Scoreboard	-					
LED sports lighting (average minimum lux)	100 lux	E		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).
Playing area fencing	No fencing	NE		No fencing	NE	If fencing is in place, it must be outside of the field run-off zone.
Storage (playing equipment)	Refer to Notes	E		Refer to Notes	E	Size of storage dependent on size of competition.
Irrigation	Sprinklers in line across the field and additional sprinklers around the outside and corners of the fields.	E		Sprinklers in lines across the field	E	<p>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.</p> <p>Refer to Recommended Sport Field Construction Specifications for Logan City.</p>

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SURROUNDS						
Storage (grounds maintenance)	45m ²	E		45m ² if responsible for grounds maintenance	E	Sufficient space for tractors and/or mowers (7.5m x 3m bay).
Storage (playing equipment)	22.5m ²	E		Included in clubhouse		Playing equipment such as markers, marquees, balls, temporary fencing etc (7.5m x 3m bay).
Clock	-			-		
Siren	Refer to Notes	E		Refer to Notes	E	May be portable or through permanent PA system.
Spectator seating	Bench seats or area for foldable chairs for 20 persons per field	NE		Bench seats or area for foldable chairs for 20 persons per field	NE	

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