

2026 Conditions Of Entry



<https://berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au/>

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Please read this carefully

HOW TO REGISTER

Berkeley Vale Touch (BVT) do not accept cash payments for player registrations. MySideline offers an easy online registration process which can be completed with a credit/debit card.

To register a team, please follow the online registration process at <https://berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au/> NO FEES are charged at this point in the process. Please note that the team contact will be the primary contact for their team. Once your team is registered, there are three (3) ways to register your individual players.

- Team manager can add email addresses of their players who will then be sent a link to register.
- Team manager is provided a link (via email) to share with their players to register.
- Your players can search for the team name via the link at <https://berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au/> or on our homepage.

Team managers MUST be over the age of 18. No teams will be accepted with a minor nominated as team manager.

NOTE: Registration fees are paid by each individual player. No fees are charged at the time of team registration.

Please ensure you read the NEW Team Manager Access section of this document below!

PRE-COMPETITION DETAILS

- ONLINE REGISTRATION and PAYMENTS can be done via our website 24/7
<https://berkeley-vale.nswtouch.com.au/>
- Online team registrations OPEN – Wednesday July 1st 2026
- Online team registrations CLOSE – Wednesday 12th August 2026

DRAWS/FIXTURES

- Draws/Fixtures can be accessed from the website after 5:00pm Date **TBC**.
- Once released and available online, fixtures WILL NOT be adjusted unless required by BVT. Any queries around fixtures should be communicated to secretary@berkeleyvaletouch.com at the time of registration.

REGISTRATION FEES (Includes gst)

- Tiny Tots \$60
- 8's – 16's \$80 plus the below payments TFA & NSWTA payments. Any families with 3 or more players to receive a 50% refund of the Affiliate Fees for the 3rd or more child/children.
- Seniors Mixed, Women's and Men's \$90 plus the below TFA & NSWTA payments.

TOUCH FOOTBALL AUSTRALIA & NSW TOUCH MEMBERSHIP

From July 1, 2025 – Touch Football Australia (TFA) and NSW Touch Association (NSWTA) implemented their new annual membership program.

- When you sign up for your first competition of the financial year through MySideline, you will be prompted to pay an annual membership fee of \$60.00*. This is a one-time, annual fee which covers insurance and affiliation, including Touch Football Australia membership (\$30.00) and NSW Touch Football membership (\$30.00).
- Once paid, you may register in as many competitions as you like, paying only your competition fees each time you enter. Insurances and affiliation costs have been included in the annual membership fees.
- On 30th June each year your membership will expire and will need to be renewed before registering into a new competition in the new financial year.
- It is important that you use the same MYSIDELINE account for all your touch competitions otherwise you will pay the above fees more than once a year. Please do not create a new account, use the lost account details tab or support email that MYSIDELINES offer if you have forgotten your password. This structure applies to Juniors and Seniors.

➤ PLAYER REGISTRATION FEES ARE DUE BY Wednesday 12th August 2026

- Player registration fees are payable online at the time of registration.
- There are no additional weekly fees.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration includes GST, referees, ground hire, and other competition costs. The player shirt is included for Juniors and Tiny Tots.

- Refunds will only be given to any team/player withdrawing from the competition once draws are complete at the Committee's discretion.
- Remember – you can use an Active Kids Voucher to make up part of your registration. Get your voucher here:

www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/active-kids

DIVISIONS

- BVT offer the below competitions for the season:
- Juniors - Tiny Tots, under 8's and under 10's: TUESDAY NIGHTS - See table below
- Men's and Women's competition: TUESDAY NIGHTS – All ages welcome above 13, from beginners to elite players
- Juniors – Under 12's and under 14's: WEDNESDAY NIGHTS - See table below
- Mixed competition: THURSDAY NIGHTS – All ages welcome above 12, from beginners to elite players (Families welcome – age limits apply. See age restrictions below)
- Each competition may have several divisions, ranked on player/team skill and experience, if team numbers permit.
- The running of each competition and number of divisions will be based on team registrations.

Age Groups are as follows:

- Tiny Tots born 2021, 2022
- 8's born 2019, 2020
- 10's born 2017, 2018
- 12's born 2015, 2016
- 14's born 2013, 2014
- 16's born 2011, 2012
- 18's born 2009, 2010

TEAM COMPOSITIONS

- As per the Touch Football Australia 8th Edition Rule Book (available online).

➤ NUMBER OF PLAYERS:

Juniors - each team must consist of a minimum of 8 players with a maximum of 10 per team.

Seniors - each team must consist of a minimum of 12 players with a maximum of 16 per team (only 14 to be used each night).

- MIXED COMPOSITION (Seniors): the maximum number of males allowed on the field of play is three (3). The minimum male requirement is one (1), apart from the Women's and Men's competition.

- NO TEAM WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS.

- BVT reserves the right to add additional players to a team if they do not meet the minimum number of registered players.

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE PLAYER POINT SYSTEM - JUNIOR LOCAL COMPETITION

The aim is to create a more balanced and competitive junior competition through a Representative Player Points System and grading structure. This promotes fair competition across all grades, supports strong A Grade competitions, and still allows players to play with their friends in a social environment.

What is the definition of a representative player for our Junior Competition?

- **'Higher Representative Honors'** - Any player who has represented BVT or equivalent at PWMC or JSC and has been selected in a higher representative team including: Hunter Western Hornets or equivalent, CHS, CCC, or CIS.
- **'A Team'** representative players are those players who were selected to represent BVT or equivalent at the most recent Junior State Cup
- **'Development Team'** representative players are those players that were selected into our most recent BVT team or equivalent who ONLY played at Peter Wilson Memorial Cup and Gala Days.

Player Point Values

- 'Higher Representative Honors' = 1 Point
- 'A Team' Representative Player = 1 Point
- 'Development Team' Representative Player = 0.5 Point

Team Point Cap

Each team will be permitted:

- Maximum of 4 total points
- Maximum of 4 'Higher Honors' Representative players or
- Maximum of 4 'A Team' Representative players or
- Maximum of 5 combined Higher Honors. A team and Development team representative players

Example

Player Type	Number	Points
Higher Rep Honors	1	1
A Team Rep Players	2	2
Development Team Rep Player	2	1
Total	5 Players	4 Points

GRADING STRUCTURE

Where possible, teams will be graded based on Representative and Development player points.

A Grade

Teams containing:

- 2 'Higher Honors' Representative Players or
- 2 'A Team' Representative Players
- 1 'Higher Honors' Representative Player and 1 'A Team' Representative Player
- 1 'A Team' Representative Player and 1 Development Player
- 3 Development Team Players

B Grade

Teams containing:

- Development Players only (maximum of 2 Development Players)
- No Higher Honors, A Team, or Development Representative Players

Playing Up an Age Group

All current Representative players who choose to play in a higher age group will not carry their representative points into that age group.

For Example:

- If you qualify for the U12s this current year, but choose to play in the U14s then you do not incur any points

BORROWING/FILL IN PLAYERS

- Teams can borrow registered player to make up the MAXIMUM numbers for your age division plus 2 subs. If there are divisions, you can only borrow players from the same division or lower than your registered team.

LADDERS & FINALS

➤ Win = 3pts / Loss = 1pt / Draw = 2pts / Forfeit = 0pts ***refer to details on page 9** / Bye = 3pts

Washout = 0pts (incl. bye)

➤ At the conclusion of round games, the top 4 teams will progress through to semi-finals. This may be different in the Seniors Competitions depending on numbers.

➤ Final series information will be provided on the website as the dates become closer.

COMPETITION DATES

➤ Tiny Tots – Oct 13th, 20th, 27th, Nov 3rd, 10th and 17th

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Rd	8's, 10's, Women's, Men's TT weeks 4 - 9	12's and 14's	16/18's, Mixed Seniors
1	15 th September	16 th September	17 th September
2	22 nd September	23 rd September	24 th September
3	29 th September	30 th September	1 st October
	School Holidays		
4	13 th October	14 th October	15 th October
5	20 th October	21 st October	22 nd October
6	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October
7	3 rd November	4 th November	5 th November
8	10 th November	11 th November	12 th November
9	17 th November	18 th November	19 th November
10	24 th November	25 th November	26 th November
SF/G F	1 st December double header	2 nd December double header	Senior State Cup
SF/G F			10 th December

COMPETITION FORMAT

➤ 8's - Games will be 2 x 12 minute halves (small drink break at half time).

➤ Ages 10-18 - Games will be 1 x 25 minutes touch down turn around.

➤ Thursday Social Senior Comp - Games will be 2 x 15 minutes halves.

➤ Tuesday Mens and Womens Comp - Games will be 1 x 30 minutes touch down turn around.

➤ Games commence from 5pm weeknights. Times to be confirmed once Draw is released.

➤ BVT reserve the right to change competition dates as deemed necessary.

➤ All team contacts must sign the team in using the QR code at the info desk.

- Berkeley Vale Touch competitions are held at Ted Doyle Oval - 1-3 Berkeley Rd, Glenning Valley NSW 2261

UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

- Unregistered players will NOT be permitted. Substitute players, or “fill-ins” will **only** be permitted if the team is short players, and the substitute player is registered in a current BVTA team. This is only to make up the shortfall, not to have “extra” players. Players are required to register into a specific team. They may only play in a second team if they are a registered player in the second team. If a team is found to have breached this condition of entry, a technical forfeit will be awarded to the non-offending team. Loss of competition points may apply at BVTA discretion.
- If a player plays in more than one team on the same night, no guarantee can be given that games won’t clash. We will do our best where we can.
- New player registrations will be taken up to and including round 4 of the competition.

FIXTURE/DRAWS

These will all be available on our website after 5pm **TBA**. It is the responsibility of the Team Manager and each player to check on game allocations.

AGE RESTRICTIONS

The senior social competition is an open touch competition. This means the competition is open to any age, young or old. However, in the interest of participant safety, there is an age restriction of 13 years or older to participate (born 2015 or before). The committee may approve exemptions in special circumstances. If you are unsure, please contact our secretary at secretary@berkeleyvalextouch.com. Alternatively, please consider entering any children under 17 years old into our Berkeley Vale junior competition.

UNIFORMS - ATTIRE

- Juniors will receive a shirt as part of their Registration fee.
- Seniors: Each player in your team is required to have a playing shirt. All team shirts must be the same colour. Every team member must also have an identification number on the back of the shirt. All numbers are to be different. The Team Manager is required to sign on using the QR code. All player numbers will be added.
- NO JEWELLERY is permitted on the playing field. This includes: Earrings or studs, watches, arm or power bands, eyebrow piercings, lip piercings, rings
- Please be aware that Berkeley Vale Touch abides by a national policy on jewellery. If jewellery is not removed, you will be refused permission to take the field and will not be permitted to take part in the match.
- Long fingernails are not permitted. Our policy doesn’t prevent you taping over these items. Doing so does not guarantee your eligibility to play. The decision lies with the referee and/or committee of the association.
- Any team fielding players without an approved uniform from Round 3 onwards may incur a penalty, including (but not limited to) the exclusion of that player, their inability to score, or a technical forfeit. This will be at committee discretion.

TEAM MANAGER ACCESS

After registering, team managers will receive an email to access the MySideline Manager. This allows team managers to check which players are registered, and ensure they meet team number requirements.

NOTE: You will require your usual MySideline login details to access this system. Please remember your details and keep them handy.

To see players registered in your team, click the Menu in the top left corner, select "Switch Role" to find your team, then select "My Members" to see a list of currently registered players. This may take 24hrs to update after a registration.

REFEREES

- Anyone interested in becoming a Referee please see Michelle Moana at the Referee table. Junior Referees must be 12 or over. Referees will be required to fill out a **statement by supplier** form prior to their first game.
- There will be severe penalties applied for any player/spectator in breach of their code of conduct regarding referee respect (found on our website). BVT has Zero tolerance for any breach of conduct.

REFEREE COURSES

- BVT may conduct a Level 1 (beginners) referee course for those interested.
- Course dates, times, costs, and further details will be posted on our social pages and website.

TEAM GRADING

- Teams will be graded and placed into competitions that suit their skill level to the best of BVT administration's ability. The committee reserves the right not to accept any team/s who may endanger the competitiveness of the overall competition.
- BVT reserves the right to either combine a division, adjust the competition to suit the circumstances, or not to run a division. Teams will be contacted as to the reasons and possible solutions.
- The committee reserves the right to promote and relegate teams to another division after the competition commences. Teams will remain on the same night.

CODE OF CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS

- BVT operates via TFA's disciplinary regulations and Codes of Conduct.
- These documents reference players, referees, coaches, and spectators.
- ALCOHOL and/or SMOKING & Vaping IS NOT PERMITTED within the grounds

Members found to be in breach of the above may be prohibited from attending and/or participating in BVT competitions and events. Seniors will be allowed to bring their own alcohol (cans only). Excessive alcohol consumption, anti-social behaviour, or drunkenness is not tolerated.

JUDICIARY/BAD BEHAVIOUR

- Players informed by the Judiciary Chairperson (and/or committee) by mail that they must attend a judiciary will be required to attend at the clubhouse at the nominated date and time.
- BVT has a ZERO TOLERANCE to bad behaviour. Any type of abuse WILL NOT be tolerated to/from players, spectators, officials, or committee.
- The BVT committee reserves the right to penalise/discipline these individuals/groups if deemed necessary and where they see fit.

- Suspensions may include, but not limited to: missing games, refereeing for a week with no payment or dismissal from competition.

FORFEITS

Forfeits can be given for:

- Not having a minimum of four (4) registered players for a game.
- Incorrect playing attire.
- Unregistered players taking part in a match.
- Misconduct or breach of Code of Conduct or club rules.

Other forfeit information:

- Teams winning on forfeit will receive 3 competition points and 5-0 for/against win.
- Teams who forfeit games without notice may have the below penalties enforced at BVT discretion:
- 1st forfeit – loss of 2 competition points.
- 2nd forfeit – automatic eviction from competition (no refund of player registration fee).
- Forfeits notified to the competition supervisor will not lose any points. Notification must be received no later than 3:00pm on game day.
- Competition registrar details:

Sandy Praszczalek

Phone: 0403 495 998 (please text and leave team details)

Email: secretary@berkeleyvaletouch.com

ADDITIONAL RULES

- BVT use the game rules outlined in the Touch Football Australia 8th Edition Rule Book.
- BVT also has policies and procedures that must be followed. These are available on our website and may be updated without notice. They help protect our club and support smooth day-to-day operations.

EXTREME WEATHER

- If extreme weather is present or predicted on game day, please refer to the BVT social media pages for advice on game cancellations.
- BVT reserves the right to re-schedule cancelled games to be played on alternate days if required.
- No refunds will be issued for wet weather postponements or cancellations.

IMAGES

- All persons accept that, by participating at BVT, they may be photographed/filmed and that these images may be used by the BVT for promotion of the sport. BVT will not pass any image/s onto a third party unless prior approval is sought. If you do not wish the BVT to be able to use your image/s or be filmed, you must notify BVT in writing.

INDIVIDUALS LOOKING FOR A TEAM

If you are a junior individual looking to join our competition, but do not have a team, please register via the website in the individual team, check age levels. If you are wanting to register as a Senior player, please email secretary@berkeleyvaletouch.com and we will reach out to team contacts. Unfortunately, as much as we endeavour to assist where we can, we cannot guarantee a position for all.

MEMBERS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

BVT has a very strict Member Protection Policy, which includes the relevant codes of behaviour for the following members:

- 1. General Code of Behaviour**
- 2. Junior Player Code of Behaviour**
- 3. Senior Player Code of Behaviour**
- 4. Referee Code of Behaviour**
- 5. Coaches Code of Behaviour**
- 6. Selection Code of Behaviour**
- 7. Administrators and Officials Code of Behaviour**
- 8. Parents and Guardian Code of Behaviour**
- 9. Spectator Code of Behaviour**

These Codes are available for downloading and viewing on our website, or upon request to the BVTA Information desk.

ALL TEAM MEMBERS MUST READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE CODES BEFORE REGISTERING