BY-LAWS

MANLY WARRINGAH TOUCH ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

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INTRODUCTION

These By-Laws govern the Association. They are the operating procedures that determine the conduct of the Association and its members under Clause 27 of the Constitution. The MWTA Executive Committee adopted these By-Laws. Any amendments to these By-Laws come into effect on the date they are approved by the Executive Committee and will remain in force until amended, repealed or replaced.

1. DEEMING PROVISIONS

1.1. Under these By-Laws, all MWTA Policies form part of and are an extension of the By-Laws and provide guidance in the application of the Association rules.

1.2. Under these By-Laws, all specific MWTA Competition Conditions of Entry form part of and are an extension of the By-Laws and provide guidance in the application of the Association rules.

2. ASSOCIATION ENTITY AND BRAND

2.1. The Association Entity is Manly Warringah Touch Association (Inc) (MWTA).

2.2. The Association Entity is Manly Touch.

2.3. The Association logo is:

MANLY WARRINGAH
TOUCH ASSOCIATION

3. ROLES & COMMITTEES

3.1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

3.1.1 Members of the Executive Committee are to carry out duties as specified in the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies of the Association.

3.1.2. The Executive Committee shall comprise the following office bearers (elected positions): a) President; b) Vice President; c) Secretary; and d) Treasurer. and such other General Executive Committee Members as determined from time to time.

3.2. OTHER OFFICE BEARERS

3.2.1. The positions of Senior Representative Director, Junior Representative Director, Referee Director and Director of Coaching are non-executive, office bearing and decided on by the Executive Committee.

3.2.2. Non-executive office bearers are to carry out duties as specified in the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies of the Association, and as directed by the Executive Committee.

4. COMPETITIONS

4.1. MWTA will conduct local competitions annually for junior and senior members.

4.2. All regulations pertaining to these competitions will be contained in the specific Competition Conditions of Entry.

4.3. MWTA will conduct their competitions under the current Touch Football Australia (TFA) Playing Rules - 8th Edition. Supplementary competition rules and procedures will be contained in the specific Competition Conditions of Entry.

4.4. All players, coaches, managers, officials, etc. participating in any MWTA competitions agree to be bound by TFA and MWTA rules and procedures.

5. INSURANCE

5.1. MWTA is an affiliate of New South Wales Touch Football (NSWTF), which is in turn affiliated with Touch Football Australia (TFA). All MWTA registered players and officials are covered by the TFA insurance scheme, subject to being registered online and (where applicable) having signed on prior to participating in a match.

6. UNIFORM

6.1. MWTA follows the Touch Football Australia Playing Rules - 8th Edition regarding uniform requirements. All players must always wear matching team singlets or shirts on the exterior of all clothing during the competition. All players must wear an identifying number, not less than 16 cm in height, clearly displayed on the rear of the team shirt. No two players in the same team may wear the same number.

7. EXTREME WEATHER

7.1. Touch Football games will not go ahead in the case of heavy rain, hail, lightning, thunderstorms or extreme heat.

7.2. MWTA follows the Touch Football Australia Electrical Storm & Wet Weather Guidelines and Extreme Heat Guidelines as to whether games should be postponed or suspended.

7.3. Decisions to postpone or cancel games due to extreme weather will be communicated via the MWTA website, social media and/or email to team contacts as soon as practicable.

8. CONCUSSION

8.1. MWTA follows the Touch Football Australia Concussion Policy. The Policy is intended to provide information on how to recognise concussion and manage concussion from the time of injury through to a safe return to education, work

and playing sport. This policy provides a general overview of concussion identification and management, and the role members of the touch football community should play.

9. IMAGES

9.1. All persons accept that, by participating in MWTA competitions and/or events, they may be photographed or filmed and that these images may be used by MWTA for the promotion of the Association and the sport.

9.2. MWTA will not pass images to any third party without prior written approval from the individual concerned. Individuals who do not wish their images to be used must notify MWTA in writing.

9.3. MWTA reserves the right to take immediate possession of any video footage taken at an MWTA event that may assist in investigating any disciplinary matter or protest. All such equipment and data cards will be handled with care and returned to the owner upon determination of the matter.

9.4. Anyone filming games or players at MWTA events must be registered with MWTA and have permission to film and must comply with Touch Football Australia's Member Protection Policy, Child Safeguarding Policy and Social Media Community Code.

10. ZERO TOLERANCE OF REFEREE ABUSE

10.1. MWTA has a zero-tolerance regarding the abuse of referees. Such behaviour may result in players being cited and/or teams losing competition points.

10.2. TFA Playing Rule 25 (Match Officials) always applies. Only team captains are permitted to seek clarification of a decision directly from the Referee. An approach may only be made during a break in play or at the discretion of the Referee. Other team members, coaches, managers or officials must not communicate with the referee during a match.

10.3. No player, coach, manager or official may approach, engage or communicate with a referee following the conclusion of a game. Scorecard signing is the only post-game interaction permitted between team representatives and the referee.

10.4. Any dispute about the score must be raised with MWTA personnel at the conclusion of the game, or alternatively in writing within 24 hours of the game.

10.5. Concerns about referee performance should be raised calmly and through the proper channels with MWTA personnel. MWTA welcomes constructive feedback under its proper processes.