Junior Touch **Series**

Te Awamutu Sports







Touch Module Welcome to the 2024 Junior Touch Series

Please read all the tournament rules and conditions carefully and fill in the online registration form accurately.

This year Te Awamutu Sports will run a Junior Touch competition. Starting Thursday 24th October through to Thursday 12th December 2024 (8-week module).

Junior:

Year 1&2, Year 3&4, Year 5&6 Year 7&8 mixed teams only

There must be a minimum of two females on the field at all times unless this is not possible, and both teams must match up fairly. Juniors will be non-competitive. Juniors \$170.00. Each team is given a ball.

Referees will be supplied for years 1 - 6, but still require volunteer referees for year 7&8 games.

Every week the team manager must come to HQ, before their game, to register your team.

Fees include affiliation to Touch NZ and Waikato Touch Association, touch balls and equipment, referees, field Line marking and club staff.

PAYMENT: Junior Teams must be paid in full by **Thursday 20th November 2024.** Invoices will be emailed once you've received confirmation.



Touch NZ rules require's all teams to register all players.

It is the team's delegated person's responsibility to enter their team into the correct & respected grade. If a team is deemed to be placed in the incorrect grade, The Touch committee will place the team into their respective grade accordingly.

MODULE RULES

Current Touch New Zealand playing rules apply unless specifically altered in this document.

Players must register and play in one team only each junior touch night. No exceptions.

Teams must register at least six players and may register up to 12 players (Juniors). All team members must be registered on an official form. Any personnel changes during the season must be cleared up by the organizers.

Kids are not able to play down a grade they have to play the year level they are.

CLOTHING/JEWELLERY– Players are not to participate in any match while wearing articles which might be dangerous. Long sharp fingernails are to be trimmed OR TAPED.

SHOES MUST BE WORN.

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No spikes, screw-in metal studs, or cleats.

As a minimum, all teams must wear tops of a similar colour. Player numbers on uniforms are optional but would be an advantage. Bibs are free to use, please see the control desk.

Mode of Play, Duration

Junior Touch games:

Game Times		Grade
3.45 pm	Year	1&2 is 12 minutes each way, crossover.
4.15 pm	Year	3&4 is 12 minutes each way, crossover.
4.45 pm	Year	5&6 is 12 minutes each way, crossover.
5.15 pm	Year	7&8 is 12 minutes each way, crossover.

We will supply referees for years 1-6.

When an attacker gets touched by the defender. The team on defence is required to go back 7 meters. And cannot come forward until the dummy half has picked up the ball.



DISCIPLINARY

Any disciplinary matters will be heard by the module committee and where practicable the referee and player/s involved will be invited to give evidence. These matters will be heard on the night of the incident whenever practicable.

The committee may make appropriate rulings that may suspend, disqualify, or otherwise deal with players, team officials, and or any member present at the time of the incident. As a member of TNZ and WTA, the ruling may extend to other modules. The committee may alternatively elect to refer the complaint directly to the Waikato Touch Association. Procedure For Protest- A team can protest with the module organizer over a match in which their team participated. The protest can relate to team registration, a decision of an administrative nature. A protest about a specific refereeing decision in general, play will not be considered.

Any protest must be lodged on the playing day/night of the game immediately after the match in question and within 30 minutes of the completion of the game or notice of the finding of the Committee. Protests will be heard and considered by an appropriate committee of the organizing module. Where practicable, the referee and representatives of the two teams involved will have the opportunity to be heard. The committee will make appropriate rulings and notify the person within 24 hours of the meeting.

- Appeal- The Appeal authority for disciplinary hearings and protest decisions is the
- Waikato Touch Association Inc.
- Appeals will be heard by a Judicial Committee of the Waikato Touch Association Inc.



Appeals must be lodged within two days of the notification of any decisions by a module disciplinary or protest committee. Representatives of the organising module, referees and the person or team appearing may be required to give evidence.

The cost of the appeal is \$100 payable to the Waikato Touch Association Inc., refundable if the appeal is upheld. Some of the above module rules are in variance to the Touch NZ Rules Book.

PLEASE MAKE ALL TEAM MEMBERS AWARE OF THE RULES AND CONDITIONS.

Te Awamutu Sports Club



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Years 1&2 and Years 3&4 play half size of a touch field. Years 5&6 and Years 7&8 play a full size touch field.

