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RULES FAMILIARISATION POLICY

Introduction

Floorball ACT Inc. (Floorball ACT) receives a steady stream of new players, and players who have not participated in floorball competitions for some time. As the primary provider of high-quality, 'full rules' floorball in Canberra, it is important that as many players as possible have a basic understanding of the Rules of the Game, in order to provide a safe and fair playing environment for all players and officials.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the requirements of all teams in major internal Floorball ACT competitions to attend rules familiarisation training.

Policy

All teams entered into a major internal Floorball ACT competition must have, at a minimum, two (2) players attend Floorball ACT-run rules familiarisation courses before/during the competition, as arranged by Floorball ACT. Those players required to attend shall be drawn from those players who have not attended a rules familiarisation course in the previous season.

Teams are permitted, and indeed encouraged, to have additional players attend rules familiarisation courses, in excess of the two (2) players required under this Policy.

Attendance of a player at a rules familiarisation course that includes refereeing components, or at a referee course, does not create a requirement for that player to start refereeing games (*FACT-005 Team Contribution Policy* notwithstanding).

Previous attendances at rules familiarisation courses held under superseded versions of the IFF Rules of the Game are not counted by this Policy.

Floorball ACT will provide adequate opportunities for teams to fulfil their obligations under this Policy, by scheduling multiple rules familiarisation courses before/during each competition.

Teams who fail to adhere to this Policy may be subject to sanctions, under the Regulations & Guidelines of the relevant competition.

Authorisation

[Signature of Committee Secretary]

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Definitions

1. **‘major internal competition’** is a competition run by Floorball ACT for local members (as opposed to tournaments which include players/teams/clubs from interstate), involving games over a number of weeks (as opposed to ‘one-off’ tournaments). This includes:
 - a. Floorball ACT Summer Series;
 - b. Floorball ACT Winter Series; and,
 - c. Other similar competitions, as designated by the Floorball ACT Committee.