

## Memorandum

- TO: THE INTERNATIONAL TOUCH FOOTBALL COMMUNITY
- FROM: TOUCH FOOTBALL AUSTRALIA (HOST NATION)
- SUBJECT: 2015 FIT TOUCH WORLD CUP MEMO
- DATE: 25 FEBRUARY 2015



# 2015 TWC Memo: 25 February, 2015

Please find below and enclosed the latest information on the 2015 Federation of International Touch (FIT) Touch World Cup (2015 TWC) to be held at C.ex Coffs International Stadium, Coffs Harbour in just under 65 days' time.

## Financial Status

All Team and Individual Fees related to the 2015 TWC are now overdue.

All Member Nations that have nominated are currently in the Draft Draw Structure.

Please be advised that it was decided at the recent FIT Board Meeting that all Member Nations that have not paid Team Fees in full will be removed from the Draft Draw.

Please note that the current position of various nations will result in Divisions being cancelled if not brought to immediate remedy. We encourage all nations to consider the financial impact on all members if participation is not a likely outcome and act immediately to resolve their financial status.

Any remedy to the above and re-inclusion will incur the relevant administrative fee as per the Tournament Conditions which is \$100 AUD per team.

Furthermore, All Member Nations that have not paid up Individual Fees in full by the end of February will not be included in any subsequent Draw.

We also wish to indicate that the membership component relating to FIT must also be in order to participate.

Any issues being encountered or extenuating circumstances must be notified to the Federation in writing. Communication will not result in immediate inclusion and all circumstances relating to the requirements of participation will be considered at this time.

We sincerely hope that all current teams nominated can rectify this situation and ensure we deliver the biggest World Cup for Touch ever.



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## Draft Draw Structure and Format

Information on the Draft Draw Structure and Format is now available from the 2015 TWC Website – <u>Draft Draw</u> <u>Structure and Format</u>

If you have any specific feedback on the Draft Draw Structure and Format, please direct the feedback in the first instance to your Tour Leader to ensure it has the support of your Member Nation. The Tour Leader can then pass on feedback to the Host Nation. Feedback must consider the entire format and not individual team circumstances or wishes in order for further advancement.

The actual Draft Draw will be distributed in due course with an anticipated time of March.

#### Draft Tent Positions

Information on tent positions and other venue related information is now available from the 2015 TWC Website – <u>Draft Tent Map</u>

#### Coffs Coast Travel

Our Touch World Cup Travel Agent, Coffs Coast Travel have organised a group dinner and entertainment to take place on 30 April, 2015 (Thursday) at Novotel Coffs Harbour Pacific Bay Resort. The anticipated costs is \$27 per head if you wish to book or confirm pricing, please contact Coffs Coast Travel on the details below:

Email – <u>mail@cctravelservices.com.au</u> Website – <u>www.officialagenttouchworldcup.com</u>

Coffs Coast Travels have organised a number of deals for our participants and spectators and we will communicate these details regularly.

#### Photography Service

The official photographers of the 2015 TWC are Energy Images. Information on photography service to be provided is now available from the 2015 TWC Website – <u>Energy Images</u>

### Training Fields

We understand that some teams will train in Coffs Harbour prior to the event. In order to have the venue in the best possible condition for the conduct of a World Cup, we will not allow training to occur at any of the fields at the C.ex Coffs International Stadium or surrounding precincts.

As an alternative, Coffs Harbour City Council will allow training to occur at a number of other Council owned fields, free of charge. If any team wishes to train in Coffs Harbour prior to the event, please email Amanda Thompson from Coffs Harbour City Council – <u>amanda.thompson@chcc.nsw.gov.au</u>

Please note that fields must be booked in advance, teams cannot just simply turn up and train.

#### Medical Support

Teams are required to supply their own medical staff. It is the Member Nation's responsibility to ensure that their medical staff possesses adequate qualifications and insurances.

Tournament Management will ensure suitably trained medical staff are available for the diagnoses of all serious injuries occurring at the event.



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We can look to provide Australian based physiotherapists and sports trainers to provide medical coverage for the event. This should reduce the cost of transporting and accommodating individuals as opposed to bringing in team specialists from their respective countries. Those Member Nations that wish to provide their own medical coverage are free to do so but if you are interested in this service, please let me know.

#### Join us on Social Media

There are plenty of ways you can keep up-to-date with the 2015 TWC.

The 2015 TWC has recently started its own social media accounts, you can 'like' or 'follow' us by clicking on the links below:

We'd love to see photos from your training camps in the lead up to the 2015 TWC, be sure to tag us in them, use the #TWC2015 hashtag or send them as a private message, so we can show our followers how your preparation is going! We've loved seeing photos from plenty of countries so far!

	www.facebook.com/TouchWorldCup
B	www.twitter.com/touchworldcup15 #TWC2015
	t <u>www.instagram.com</u> (search for Touch World Cup 2015)

## Important Dates Reminder

Important dates in relation to the event are listed below:

Date	ltem
31 March, 2015 (Tuesday)	<ul> <li>Online Registration Information Due</li> </ul>
28 April, 2015 (Tuesday)	<ul> <li>Tournament Briefing</li> </ul>
29 April – 3 May, 2015 (Wednesday – Sunday)	2015 FIT Touch World Cup conducted

## <u>Other</u>

If there is anything we can do to assist you getting teams to the Touch World Cup and overall planning, please do not hesitate to contact Touch Football Australia.

For the latest news and information please visit the tournament website <u>http://www.touchworldcup.com/</u> or contact Mark Spear on +61 2 6212 2800 or <u>mark.spear@austouch.com.au</u>



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