



PLAYERS / PARENTS HANDBOOK

2026 - SUMMER (TERM 1)

CARO FUTSAL

JUNIOR & SENIOR LEAGUES

U8 | U10 | U12 | U15 | OPEN



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DIVISIONS

Caro Futsal will run three seasons in 2026: Summer (Term 1), Winter (Terms 2 & 3), and Spring (Term 4).

Each competition follows clear age guidelines and scheduled match days to ensure fair and well-run leagues for all players.

U8s

Born 1 January 2018 or later

Fridays

U10s

Born 1 January 2016 or later

Tuesdays

U12s

Born 1 January 2014 or later

Mondays

U15s

Born 1 January 2011 or later

Mondays

Open Age (14+)

Aged 14 years and over

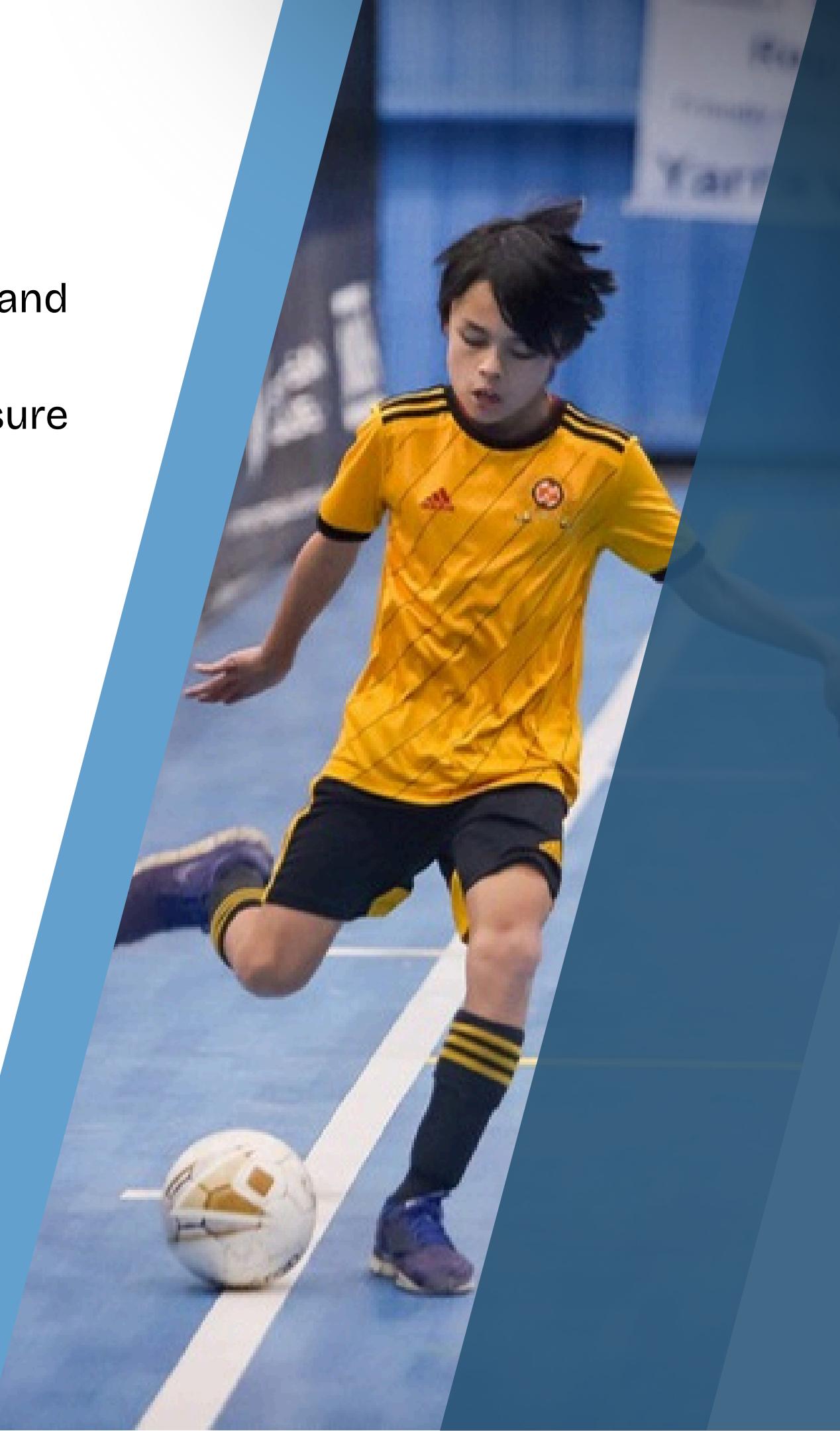
Thursdays

Sundays (subject to numbers – minimum of 6 teams)

****Girls Participation Policy****

Female players are allowed to compete one year below their chronological age.

For example, a 13-year-old female player may participate in the U12 competition.





2026 SUMMER SEASON DATES

	Mondays	Tuesdays	Thursdays	Fridays	Sundays
	U12 & U15: 8 matches	U10: 9 matches	Open: 9 matches	u8: 8 matches	Open: 8 matches
Round 1	Mon 2 Feb	Tue 3 Feb	Thu 5 Feb	Fri 6 Feb	Sun 8 Feb
Round 2	Mon 9 Feb	Tue 10 Feb	Thu 12 Feb	Fri 13 Feb	Sun 15 Feb
Round 3	Mon 16 Feb	Tue 17 Feb	Thu 19 Feb	Fri 20 Feb	Sun 22 Feb
Round 4	Mon 23 Feb	Tue 24 Feb	Thu 26 Feb	Fri 27 Feb	Sun 1 Mar
Round 5	Mon 2 Mar	Tue 3 Mar	Thu 5 Mar	Fri 6 Mar	Sun 8 Mar
Round 6	Mon 9 Mar	Tue 10 Mar	Thu 12 Mar	Fri 13 Mar	Sun 15 Mar
Round 7	Mon 16 Mar	Tue 17 Mar	Thu 19 Mar	Fri 20 Mar (SF)	22/03/2026 (SF)
Semifinal	Mon 23 Mar	Tue 24 Mar	Thu 26 Mar	Fri 27 Mar (GF)	29/03/2026 (GF)
Grand Final	Mon 30 Mar	Tue 31 Mar	Thu 2 Apr	Fri 3 Apr	Sun 5 Apr
Public Holidays - No Games:					
	Mon 9 Mar	Labour Day			
	Fri 3 Apr	Good Friday			
	Sun 5 Apr	Sunday Easter			





FIXTURES

Caro Futsal is responsible for setting the fixtures for each season and reserves the right to make changes where required, including in cases of forfeits, withdrawals, or other unforeseen circumstances.

Fixtures will be available online via the **SportsFix** app.

Please search for "Caro Futsal", then select:

Competition → Your child's division.

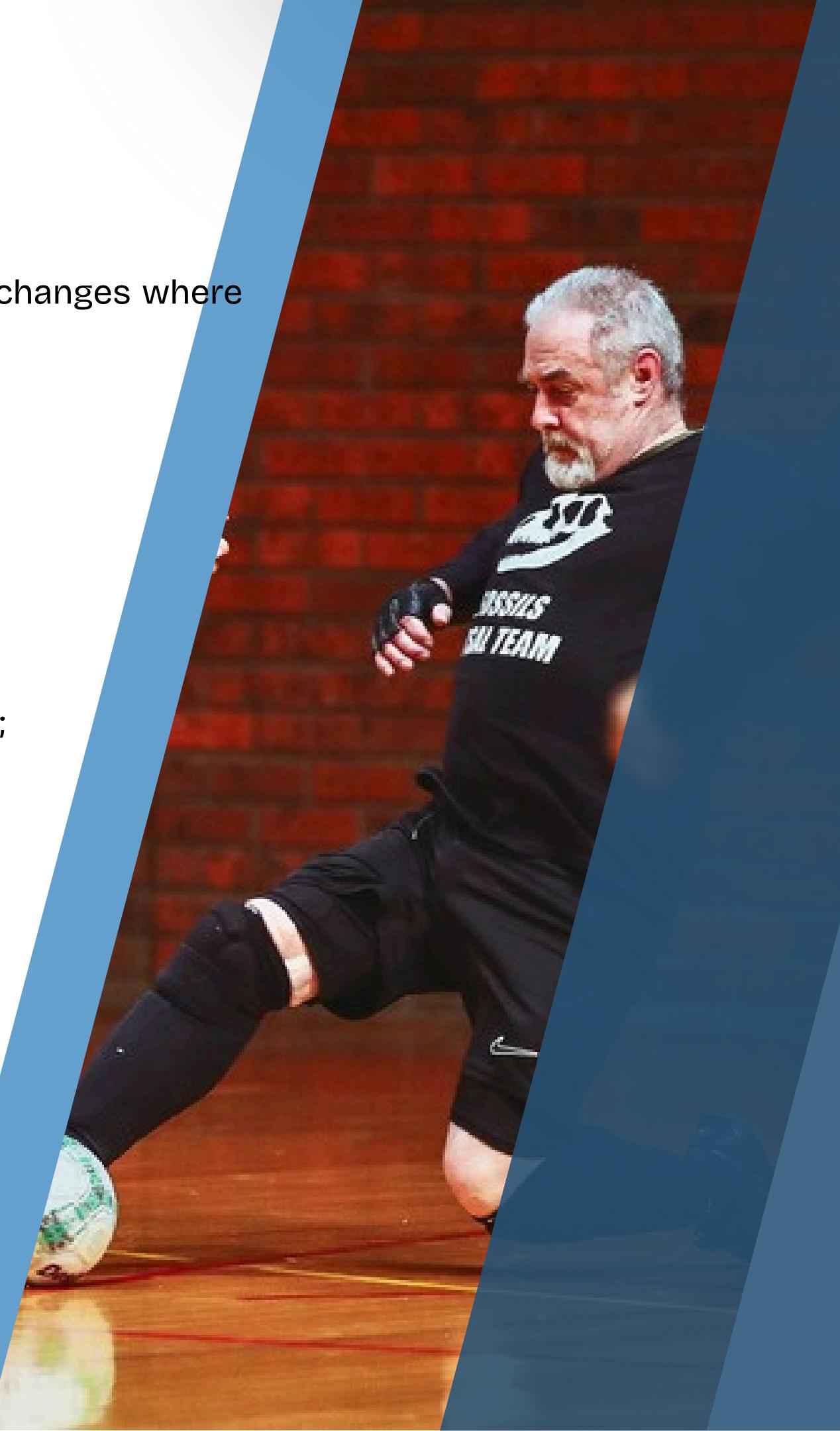
Fixtures will also be available on our website at www.carofutsal.com.au

Caro Futsal will make every effort to provide an even spread of games across the available timeslots; however, this may not always be possible.

Game Times 2026 Summer Season (Term 1)

	Monday	Tuesday	Friday
16:00	U12	U10	
16:35	U12	U10	
17:10	U12	U10	U8
17:45	U15		U8
18:20	U15		U8
18:55	U15		
19:30	U15		

	Thursdays	Sundays
17:00		Open
17:45		Open
18:30	Open	Open
19:15	Open	Open
20:00	Open	Open
20:45	Open	





FINALS

To be eligible for finals:

- Players must have played a minimum of three (3) games in their registered age group for one-term seasons (Summer and Spring).
- Players must have played a minimum of five (5) games in their registered age group for the Winter season.

Semi Finals

If a Semi Final is drawn at the end of normal time, the match will be decided immediately by a penalty shootout.

Grand Final

If a Grand Final is drawn at the end of normal time:

One 3-minute period of extra time will be played under Golden Goal rules.

If the scores remain level, the match will be decided by a penalty shootout, with three (3) penalties per team.





FV FUTSAL INSURANCE

All players must be registered prior to their first game.

Registration must be completed with FV Futsal under Caro Futsal, which provides Football Victoria insurance cover and includes the Caro Futsal administrative registration.

Registration must be completed using the online links/QR codes below

For 2026, a discounted registration fee applies to all players:

- **Juniors (U18): \$60**
- **Seniors (19 years and over): \$80**
- **Coaches and team managers: Free**

U18 - Juniors

[Click Here](#)



Seniors

[Click Here](#)



Coaches/Managers

[Click Here](#)





EQUIPMENT

All players are required to wear the official team uniform of their club, including the correct colour shorts and socks.

Team jerseys must clearly display a player number.

IMPORTANT: Only futsal shoes are permitted.

Non-marking runners or any other footwear are not allowed.

Shin pads are compulsory and must be fully covered by long socks.

Goalkeepers, as an exception, are permitted to wear protective equipment (such as knee pads) from other brands, provided any visible logos are covered or not visible.





CODE OF CONDUCT

Caro Futsal is committed to providing a safe, respectful, and positive environment for all participants. The following Code of Conduct applies to players, parents, and coaches and is expected to be upheld at all times.

Players:

- Play fairly at all times. Verbal abuse, sledging, vilification, deliberate distraction, or provoking opponents will not be tolerated.
- Never argue with match officials. If clarification is required, only the captain, coach, or manager may approach the official during a break or after the match.
- Inappropriate or offensive language is not acceptable.
- Give your best effort for yourself and your team.
- Be a good sport and acknowledge good play from both teams.
- Show respect to opponents and officials before and after matches (e.g. handshakes and courteous comments).
- Cooperate with coaches, teammates, opponents, and officials.
- Participate for enjoyment and personal development, not just to please others.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all participants, regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Do not expect or accept special treatment from coaches or club officials.
- Speak to a trusted adult if you feel unsafe, uncomfortable, or concerned about someone else.





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Parents:

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment.
- Parents are not permitted to enter the court and may be asked to leave the premises if this rule is not followed.
- Encourage children to play by the rules and resolve disagreements without hostility.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making mistakes or losing.
- Respect match officials' decisions and encourage children to do the same.
- Show appreciation for coaches, officials, and administrators.
- Applaud good performances from all teams and players.
- Congratulate participants regardless of the result.
- Condemn violence, verbal abuse, and vilification in all forms.
- Support club policies and child-safe practices, including responsible behaviour at all times.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of every young person.
- Follow the correct processes for complaints or concerns and avoid gossip or public criticism.





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Coaches:

- Remember that enjoyment and development are priorities; winning is only part of the game.
- Coach within the rules and spirit of futsal.
- Communicate with officials in a respectful and professional manner.
- Implement and follow all relevant safety policies and procedures.
- Lead by example, including appropriate behaviour at all times.
- Listen to players and ensure their experience is positive and supportive.
- Encourage player involvement in coaching, officiating, and administration pathways.
- Promote a culturally inclusive and respectful environment.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all participants.
- Maintain appropriate coaching qualifications and knowledge.
- Allow players to experience different positions and roles.
- Ensure any physical contact is appropriate and necessary for skill development only.

Player Movement & Transfers

Approaching players from another club to join your team during the season is strictly prohibited.

All players are locked into their teams for the duration of the season.

Families wishing to move clubs in future seasons should approach other clubs of their own choice and on their own initiative.

Issues, Complaints & Suggestions

All issues, complaints, or suggestions must be directed via email to:

andre@carofutsal.com





HOT WEATHER POLICY

Caro Futsal is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all participants during hot weather conditions.

A thermometer will be installed at the venue. On hot days, the temperature will be checked hourly while the stadium is in use and recorded in a permanent log kept at the centre.

The following procedures will apply:

Temperature Guidelines

- At 30°C: Caro Futsal will consider implementing heat management measures.
- At 35°C: The following measures will be implemented:
 - Match times will be reduced by two (2) minutes per half
 - One (1) minute drink breaks will be provided at 25% intervals throughout the match
- At 38°C: All matches will be abandoned and rescheduled where possible

Caro Futsal reserves the right to make decisions in the best interest of player safety at all times.

