

FOOTBALL QUEENSLAND UPDATE ON FOOTBALL PARTICIPATION AND COVID-19

Why has the decision been made to suspend all football activities?

The decision made by FFA and FQ to suspend all football activities reflects advice of the Australian Government, and has been made to protect football participants and the broader community. Continuing football activity as normal would risk spreading the infection further. As the state's largest participation sport, we have a social responsibility to take action to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

What does the suspension of football activity apply to?

The suspension of football activity includes matches, training sessions, coach and referee courses and all other football related activities.

Can my club continue training?

No, all forms of football activity including training sessions should cease until April 14 2020. Clubs must not require players to gather together for any reason during the window of suspended football activity.

Does this apply to futsal as well?

Yes, all Football Queensland futsal activities have been postponed, including the 2020 FQ Futsal State Titles.

Does this mean football is cancelled for 2020?

No, the suspension of football activities is temporary. We are looking to recommence our game as soon as we can and will continue to work with FFA to ensure football can return to normal as soon as possible. It is important to continue to support and register with your local club to ensure we can all continue to enjoy the game when football recommences.

Have any events outside of the suspension window been postponed?

Yes, a number of events across the state have been postponed, including some outside the current window of suspended football activity. [You can see a full list of postponed events here.](#)

Am I entitled to a refund given the suspension of football activities?

The suspension of football activity is a temporary measure, and the season has not been cancelled. As a consequence, if seeking a refund for any reason, your club's refund policies would be the first point of reference for fees associated with programs your club provides. In regards to the portion of fees associated with the game's governing bodies, and the



circumstances under which you may apply for a refund, these apply as normal. More information can be found in [Football Queensland's Refund Policy](#).

What happens if the situation hasn't improved by April 14?

The COVID-19 situation continues to unfold and develop on a daily basis, and we will continue to work with Football Federation Australia to ensure the best decisions are made for the health and wellbeing of all members of our football community, and for the good of our game as a whole. FQ remains committed to ensuring our sport can return to normal as soon as possible, and will provide regular updates to our stakeholders when new information becomes available.

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