



2025 MITRE FQPL CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Format & Supplementary Regulations

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The 2025 FQPL Champions League will see six Men's & Women's teams from the Central Coast and Northern Regions battle it out for the regional title before they come up against the winner of the FQPL 1 Men's and Women's competition in the Champions League Final.

Cup Format

Six Men's and Women's regional teams qualify from the previous season to compete against the FQPL 1 Men's and Women's Champions for the FQPL Champions League title.

The Northern region for Men, with four teams, will follow a single leg conference format whilst the Central region will feature two legs (see tables below). The Central Conference Men two legged tie will be played using an aggregate scoring method. If both teams are completely tied at the conclusion of the two legs, extra-time and penalties will be implemented in the 2nd leg fixture.

The Central and Whitsunday region for Women, with four teams, will follow a single legged conference format whilst the Northern region will feature two legs (see tables below). Northern Conference Women two legged tie will be played using an aggregate scoring method. If both teams are completely tied at the conclusion of the 2 legs, extra-time and penalties will be implemented in the 2nd leg.

*There is no extra weighting given for away goals.

All Clubs participating in the FQPL Champions League are bound and required to adhere to FQ's 2025 Rules of Competition as communicated by FQ.

The FQPL Champions League Regulations shall apply to all fixtures administered by FQ in this competition and may be amended by FQ at any time.

NOTE:

Football Queensland will determine the venues for each fixture, including neutral venues if required, at its sole and absolute discretion. The venue selection by Football Queensland for each 2025 FQPL Champions League fixture is not subject to appeal.

FQ may consider a contribution to a club's travel cost on a case by case basis. However, clubs agree through their acceptance to participate in the 2025 FQPL Champions League that they will incur travel costs as required during their progression through the Competition.

Clubs are required to notify Football Queensland immediately should they not wish to accept participation in the 2025 FQPL Champions League for any reason, including financial viability.

Qualification process for Champions League

1. The five (5) regional League winners from the Far North, Northern, Whitsunday Coast, Central and Wide Bay Regions receive automatic entry into the competition.
2. The 6th position will be the previous year's Regional Final Winner.
(If they have already qualified, proceed to 3.)
3. The 6th position will be the previous year's Regional Final Runners Up
(If they have already qualified, proceed to 4.)
4. The 6th position will be the Runner Up League Winner in the region of the previous year's Regional Final Winner.

Congratulations to the following 2025 Qualifiers:

Women

MA Olympic FC
Edge Hill Tigers
Central FC
Mackay Lions FC
Bluebirds FC (Regional Runner Up)
Across The Waves FC

Men

Marlin Coast Rangers
Edge Hill FC (Regional Winner)
Magpies FC
MA Olympic Men
Clinton FC
Across the Waves FC

2025 - Play Offs * Venues and Home Clubs are TBC

2025 FQPL Champions League - Women			
Round	Match	Team 1	Team 2
Round 1 (3 May 2025)	Match 1*	Central FC	Across the Waves
	Match 2*	Mackay Lions	Bluebirds FC
	Match 3 - Leg 1	MA Olympic	Edge Hill
Round 2 (5 July 2025)	Match 4 - Leg 2	Edge Hill	MA Olympic
	Match 5*	Winner Match 1	Winner Match 2
Round 3 - Regional Final (30 August 2025)	Match 6*	Winner Match 4	Winner Match 5
Champions League Final (27 September 2025)	Match 7	Regional Final Winner	FQPL 1 Premiers

2025 FQPL Champions League - Men			
Round	Match	Team 1	Team 2
Round 1 (3 May 2025)	Match 1*	MA Olympic	Magpies FC
	Match 2*	Marlin Coast Rangers	Edge Hill FC
	Match 3 - Leg 1	Across The Waves	Clinton FC
Round 2 (5 July 2025)	Match 4 - Leg 2	Clinton FC	Across The Waves
	Match 5*	Winner Match 1	Winner Match 2
Round 3 - Regional Final (30 August 2025)	Match 6*	Winner Match 4	Winner Match 5
Champions League Final (27 September 2025)	Match 7	Regional Final Winner	FQPL 1 Premiers

FQPL Champions League Supplementary Regulations

1. These Regulations are to be read in conjunction with the Football Queensland 2025 Rules of Competition, relevant FQ Regulations, Policies, By-Laws and FA's Statutes and Regulations (including National Disciplinary Regulations, National Registration Regulations and FQ Disciplinary Regulations). In the event of an omission or inconsistency between these Regulations and the relevant FQ Rules of Competition, Football Queensland will determine and rule on the interpretation. Such determination by Football Queensland will be final and not subject to appeal.
2. To be eligible to play in the FQPL Champions League, players must be fully registered to the relevant Football Queensland Affiliated Club in a 2025 outdoor season package.
3. Teams must submit team sheets for the FQPL Champions League via Squadi. Failure to submit a fully completed team sheet 15 minutes prior to a fixture may result in penalties as prescribed in the 2025 Rules of Competition and/or 2025 Fines and Penalties Document.
4. The competition will be played under the Substitution Rule. Each team can make up to five (5) substitutions in any Cup match, with no more than six (6) substitutes listed on the Match Sheet (inclusive of the reserve Goalkeeper). To reduce disruption, each team will have a maximum of three (3) opportunities to make substitutions during the game. Substitutions may also be made at half-time without it counting as one of the 3 opportunities. One extra substitute and one extra substitution stoppage will be allowed in Extra Time if needed
5. A maximum of 11 persons are permitted within the Technical Area at any given time during a Competition Fixture. Those persons may only include six (6) substitutes listed as well as five (5) Team Officials.
6. Clubs **must** use Mitre branded match balls as stipulated in the 2025 Statewide Rules of Competition.
7. Games will consist of two (2) 45 minute halves in conjunction with IFAB Laws of the Game.
8. Matches that require a winner at the end of the fixture i.e. straight knock-out, will be required to complete two halves of extra time at 15 minutes each half, if the match ends in a draw after extra time a penalty shoot-out in line with IFAB Laws of the Game will take place to determine a winner.
9. Any player who incurs a red card suspension in a FQPL Champions League match will serve their suspension in that team's next available match(es), irrespective of Competition. Please consult the 2025 Disciplinary Regulations for further information.

10. The Sin Bin/temporary dismissal rule will not be implemented in the FQPL Champions League.
11. Match Official fees will be shared equally by the two competing teams for all matches, except for the Final in which Football Queensland will cover Match Official fees. Match Officials fees for FQPL Champions League are as follows:

Match Official Fees				
Round	#Referee	#AR1	#AR2	#4th Official
All Rounds (Excluding Final)	\$160	\$80	\$80	
Final (FQPL1 Premier vs Regional Winner)	\$180	\$90	\$90	\$70