



UNIM8S SOCIAL SPORTS LEAGUES TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By participating in this University of Auckland UNIM8S Social Sports League (the “Event”), I acknowledge that my team members are subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. PLAYER CONDUCT

- a) Foul language is discouraged. The referee/umpire/league official(s) have the authority to make judgement calls regarding profanity and player conduct.
- b) All participants are expected to act civilly towards other players and spectators.
- c) ZERO TOLERANCE RULE: Fighting, deformation of character, aggressive behaviour and unsportsmanlike conduct is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to review which may result in suspension(s) or permanent exclusion at the sole discretion of the University of Auckland Sport’s express permission to do so.
- d) EJECTION RULE: If a player is ejected from any game, that player’s team will be forced to play the remainder of that game shorthanded. In mixed leagues, if a female is ejected, that team will be forced to play with one less female. If a male is ejected, that team will be forced to play with one less male. All ejections will be subject to review. *N.B. The ejection rule may be subject to a different procedure determined by sport specific rules, and/or rules implemented by agents contracted to deliver a UNIM8S Social Sports League on behalf of University of Auckland Sport. If this is the case, this procedure will take precedence over the ejection rule detailed above.
- e) SUSPENSIONS, PROBATION, OR EJECTION: University of Auckland Sport reserves the right to impose disciplinary actions against any individual or group who intentionally avoids the rules of player conduct and/or the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship. Agents with express permission from University of Auckland Sport may reserve the right to impose disciplinary actions against any individual or group who intentionally avoids the rules of player conduct and/or the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship.
- f) Disciplinary actions could include but are not limited to the following – individual game suspensions, multiple game suspensions, season long suspensions, probation, or permanent expulsion from all UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues and/or other University of Auckland Sport and Recreation programmes.

- g) **SPECIAL CLAUSE:** Students of the University of Auckland must conduct themselves in a manner that does not bring the university into disrepute. Students at the University of Auckland who fail to abide by the terms and conditions outlined under 'Player conduct' may be bringing the university into disrepute, in which case they may be subject to referral to the Discipline Committee for a breach of clause 4a(i) of the University of Auckland Disciplinary Statute 1998 or such similar clause in any other statute or regulation which may replace it. Such referral may result in the Discipline Committee imposing a penalty such as the cancellation of a student at the University of Auckland's enrolment and the payment of a fine or restitution.

2. COMPLAINTS

- a) University of Auckland Sport and Recreation takes its role in providing a safe environment for players to participate in seriously. Participants wishing to report a complaint that occurred during or relative to an event must do so using the UNIM8S complaints form.
- b) For a complaint to be processed, the UNIM8S complaint form must be received by University of Auckland Sport within three business days of the respective incident occurring.

3. WAIVER

- a) All participants agree to acknowledge that by participating in the event they may be subject to risks therefore releasing the University of Auckland and its employees from any liability, claims, losses, damages, or expenses caused by or arising out of or in connection to my participation, including but not limited to:
- Personal injury or death
 - Property loss or damage
 - Loss or damage arising from accidents or negligent acts
 - Any other loss, damage, suffering, emotional or nervous shock or disorder
- b) Participants consent to receiving medical treatment in the case of injury, accident, or illness which they may suffer during the event and agree to indemnify the University of Auckland and its staff against any claims in respect of such treatment.
- c) Team managers acknowledge that they are aware of their team members' emergency contact information.

4. SCHEDULES

- a) **SEASON SCHEDULING:** The schedule for the season will be posted no later than 48 hours prior to the start of the season. University of Auckland Sport will make every effort to accommodate a scheduling request and accept them in order of teams that are paid in full first.
- b) **SCHEDULE CHANGES:** University of Auckland Sport reserves the right to change schedules up to 24 hours before a fixture is scheduled to take place. If this happens, teams will be given a minimum of 24 hours' notice about changes to their schedule.

5. UMPIRES AND OFFICIALS

- a) **DISPUTES:** Participants are expected to not contest or argue any calls.
- b) Umpires/referees have the authority to remove player(s) at their discretion, which will be reviewed by University of Auckland Sport the following day.

6. MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) The manager is solely responsible for making sure their roster is up to date. University of Auckland Sport will help teams update and change their roster, but it is up to the manager to make sure that all players are listed, spelled correctly, and if they are a University of Auckland student, their correct Student ID is listed.
- b) Managers are responsible for ensuring that all players know and abide by the league rules.
- c) Managers are responsible for ensuring that all players know and abide by the UNIM8S Social Sports League terms and conditions.

7. FORFEIT POLICY

- a) **GRACE PERIOD:** Teams will have until 10 minutes after the scheduled start time to come up with the minimum number of players required to start the game. If a team is late but within the 10-minute grace period, the opposition will be given points for every two minutes that their opposition is late (point amount depends on code). Teams that excessively abuse this rule will receive an official warning from the league.
- b) **FIRST FORFEIT:** University of Auckland Sport takes numerous steps to avoid forfeits. In the event of a forfeit, the forfeiting team will be subject to penalties which may include loss of league points.
- c) **MULTIPLE FORFEIT PENALTY:** If a team forfeits twice in a season, at the sole discretion of University of Auckland Sport, or any agent acting on their behalf, may be immediately removed from the league and will NOT be issued a refund.
- d) **LEAGUE FORFEIT:** If a team forfeits their places in the league before the season begins, University of Auckland Sport may not issue a refund, and will work on a case-by-case scenario.

8. PLAYOFFS

- a) **PLAYOFF ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible for the playoffs, your team must be 100% paid in full and have submitted according to the roster deadlines stated above. Any team that has an outstanding balance or has not submitted a final roster that fails to meet the minimum number of required players will not be able to participate in the playoffs.

Please be aware that there may be sport specific rules around player eligibility for playoff games.

- b) TIEBREAKERS: In the result of a tie, the following tie breaker system will be used to determine a winner. In the case of a multiple team tie, the tie breaker will be used to determine one winner. Once a winner has been determined, the tiebreaking

process will start again with the remaining teams that are tied. Tie breakers will be sorted in the following order via the criteria listed below:

- Forfeits: In the case of a tie, any teams that have a forfeit on record for the season will move to the back of the tie breaker scenario. If three or more teams are tied for the least amount of forfeits, the next step will be used (only teams tied with the least amount of forfeits will move to the next step).
 - Point differential. Point differential will be subject to the rules of each league.
 - Head-to-head matchup (please note that if more than two teams are tied with the same record, each team must have played all teams with the same record, otherwise these criteria will be bypassed). If all teams have played each other, head-to-head will only be used if a team has definitively separated themselves from the other teams within the tiebreaker.
- University of Auckland Sport, and the agents acting on behalf, reserve the right to adjust tiebreakers if circumstances dictate. University of Auckland Sport, and agents acting on behalf have the final say in playoff standings.

9. ALCOHOL POLICY

- a) Alcohol is prohibited on the playing field/court, and corresponding side lines during play of all UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues.
- b) Any person within the facility of a UNIM8S Social Sports League who is intoxicated will be removed by security and may face suspension or permanent expulsion from the facility.

10. WEATHER POLICY

- a) If the facility is closed due to inclement weather, University of Auckland Sport, or an agent acting on behalf will notify the managers of each team. It is the responsibility of managers to pass along cancellation information to teammates.
- b) Decisions on cancellations occur approximately one hour prior to the first scheduled game of the day/evening.

11. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- a) Participants agree to allow the University of Auckland to record their images and voices by means of audio, video, or photograph during the event, and at times and places that are deemed by the University of Auckland to be periphery to the event, that is temporally before or after the event, and spatially around where the event is

being facilitated, for the purpose of using in University of Auckland publications, digital media, and promotions.

- b) Participants agree that copyright of all resulting images and other material is the property of the University of Auckland and the University is under no obligation to provide electronic copies of the resulting images and other material.

12. PRIVACY

- a) All personally identifiable information collected by University of Auckland Sport will be treated with the strictest confidentiality.
- b) Personally identifiable information will be stored in a secure electronic location by University of Auckland Sport.
- c) Participants agree to allow University of Auckland Sport to use their personally identifiable information in order to be contacted about future University of Auckland Sport programmes, with the expectation being when an individual has contacted the University of Auckland Sport team by email to request that they not be contacted about future programmes.

13. HEALTH AND SAFETY

- a) COVID-19 VACCINATION: The University's vaccination policy came into effect on 4 January 2022. This policy states that all members of the University community (students, staff, and anyone who engages in University activities) must provide proof of vaccination or exemption in order to access University campuses or to take part in face-to-face University managed activities.

DECLARATION

By signing below, I, _____, agree that:

- I have read and understood the information outlined under UNIM8S Social Sport Leagues Terms and Conditions.
- My team, _____, has read and understood the information outlined under the UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues Terms and Conditions.
- I agree to the UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues Terms and Conditions.
- Members of my team, _____, agree to the UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues Terms and Conditions and will abide by them.
- I confirm that the information that I have provided in both the UNIM8S Social Sports Leagues Terms and Conditions agreement and the registration form are correct.

