



## Penrith Oztag Association Winter 2022 Competition



Thank you for taking our registration kit for the Winter 2022 Competition. **You are also advised to download the rules and regulations for participating in our competitions from our website, [www.penrithoztag.com.au](http://www.penrithoztag.com.au).**

You cannot assume that playing in previous competitions will guarantee your team a spot in any competition. In order to register the registration form, with signatures and money, must be handed in at Registration. **Please note that the Committee reserves the right to reject the registration of ANY player, without providing any reason.**

### **Competition Size**

This Winter season we continue to have **limited positions available in all competitions**. Penrith City Council are undertaking major field improvement works which will continue during the winterer season which will see 9 fields unavailable for our use.

Due to these works the size of the competitions will be capped to ensure that we can offer all teams full 40 minute games, across the scheduled 14 rounds of the competition. **The priority for positions will be based on teams that have a minimum of 8 players registered and full paid for**. Once we have reached our caps we will take names on a waiting list should teams pull out. It is unfortunate that we have to do this but the field improvements will lead to much improved fields and the capacity to have larger competitions in the future.

### **Public Health Orders**

Our competitions are run in line with all public health orders issued by the Government. This may mean disruptions to our competitions. If the competition is disrupted due to a public health order, we will make an assessment at the time as to how we proceed, just as we did with the last Winter competition. Under the current circumstances we can offer no guarantees that all rounds will be played should any public health orders be put in place. **Players register into the competition knowing that there are no guarantees on the number of rounds able to be played and no guarantees as to the type of remediation that will be offered should competitions be interrupted or cancelled.**

### REGISTRATION PROCESS

Registrations for teams and players are done online through the SportFIX website. In order to use the online system, you will be required to create a SportFIX Account if you do not already have one. To create an account, you will also require a valid email address. This account will then link to your player profile. If you are new to SportFIX please create an account before you begin the registration process.

1. To register a new team please go to [SPORTFIX](#),
2. Select **Register a New Team** and follow the prompts. Please pay attention to your email address and contact number as we will use this to communicate with you.
3. Team Organisers are required to register their team online and pay their \$100 registration fee. Team organisers will then receive a code via email to distribute to players.
4. Team Organisers are then required to register themselves into the team using the code provided and selecting the PAY LATER option. We will credit the \$100 team payment made to the organisers registration fee.
5. Team organisers can then send the Invitation code to their players, who then register themselves into the team by selecting the JOIN A TEAM option on SportFix.
6. Teams that played during the previous 3 seasons can be easily re-registered by the Team Organiser logging into SportFIX, selecting My Teams and then selecting the Re-Register option to commence the registration process.

<https://sportfix.net/PenrithOztag>

We understand if some Team Organisers and/or Players may want to continue completing the registration form and then paying the registration fee's in person or through bank deposits, so we will also continue with these methods as well as offering the online system. Please note that online payments will incur a transaction fee of approx. 4.4%.

Once you have registered the team you can log back in at any time and add new players or remove existing players or change their details. You can also see who has PAID their registrations and who has not. You have the choice of paying online or you can still choose to pay in person or over the phone.

If players select the PAY LATER option they will be required to pay via bank deposit, by credit card over the phone or in person (when we are back at the fields). At this stage you cannot log back into SportFix after selecting PAY LATER and pay.

If you chose to not do your team registration online you need to complete the registration form in this kit.

**Please note that until you have 8 players REGISTERED and PAID for your team, the team will not be considered registered into the competition.**

This will be strictly enforced this competition. Teams with at least 8 players paid will get preference should we reach capacity and have to stop taking teams.

To be clear, you can either register online OR you can complete the registration paperwork as per past seasons. We will take payments through the online registration process OR in person at the fields or via bank transfer or over the phone. If you have any issues at all, please contact us on 0421448158.

## Competitions

Tuesday Mixed – commences 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Wednesday Mixed – commences 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Thursday Men's – commences 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022

We plan to play 14 rounds of competition games and then 2 weeks of finals (semi-finals and grand finals)

We have allowed two wet weather weeks after the above end dates should the competition need to be extended. If we have more wet weather rounds than weeks available, then some rounds may be cancelled.

We reserve the right to alter the dates if required. If we change starting dates, we will provide as much notice as possible.

**NOTE: Washed Out Games MAY BE played on any day of the week, including weekends.**

If you have any problems filling in the forms or completing the online registration, then please contact us on **0421 448 158**

Email: [penrith@oztag.com.au](mailto:penrith@oztag.com.au)

Website: [www.penrithoztag.com.au](http://www.penrithoztag.com.au)

### Prizemoney

#### 1st Division

- Premiers: \$1500
- Runners Up: \$750

#### All other Divisions

- Premiers: \$900
- Runners Up: \$450

Please note that if there are any divisions split into two divisions for the finals the bottom of these groups will only receive 50% of the normal prize money.

## Representative Player Rules

**No exceptions for any team no matter how long they have been together, family members, keeping rep teams together or for any other reason.**

In order to try to maintain the competitiveness of our competitions, and to give all teams a fair go, we have rules in place on how many Representative players that are permitted in teams from Division 2 down. If you have any question regarding these rules, or how they may apply to your team or players please do not hesitate to contact us. We are always open to suggestions on improvements or tweaking of these rules, but they must be to everyone's benefits, so if you have any idea's please come and discuss them with us.

A **Rep player** is a person who has represented **ANY** Oztag competition at the **2021 Nationals (held March 2022)** or **2021 Senior State Cup**.

Group/Age	Points
Male – 34 and under	1
Male – 35-39	½
Male – 40+	0
Female – 29 and under	1
Female – 30-35	½
Female 35+	0

**Age is determined by the players age at scheduled start date of the respective competition.**

Tuesday Mixed and Thursday Men's		Wednesday Mixed	
Division	Points Limit	Division	Points Limit
Div 1	Unlimited	1	1
2	6	All others	0
3	4		
4 and lower	2		

- These limits do not dictate where teams **without** Rep Players are graded. Just because a team is under a limit it does not mean they cannot be placed in a high grade.
- Players selected in a Penrith 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> rep team **DO NOT** count towards the rep player total
- Players who have **only** represented in a **Junior Representative** team **DO NOT** count towards the rep player total, but you must indicate if Junior Rep when registering.
- You **must indicate when registering if a player is a Rep Player**. This means a **Rep Player** at **ANY OZTAG** association. Any team found **not identifying** any rep players will be subject to sanctions as the committee decides; including **re-grading of the team or withdrawal of the player/s in question**.

## **Registrations**

There will be no registration day this season. All registrations must be done online via SportFIX or by emailing the completed registration form ([penrith@oztag.com.au](mailto:penrith@oztag.com.au)) and deposit entry fees directly into bank (please put relevant details on the deposit so we can identify who it is for).

Commencing this season team organisers must pay \$100 registration fee when registering their team. This fee will be credited as the team organiser's registration fee. Team organisers need to select the PAY LATER option when they register themselves into the team, we will then update their records with the registration fee they paid when registering the team.

## **Fees**

Player Registration Fee: **\$110 per player (\$80 for u/18 players)**

Registrations after **Round 7** will be at a reduced fee of \$80 (\$60 for U/18)

No registrations after Round 9, unless extenuating circumstances (at the Committee's discretion)

**There is no limit on how many players you can register.**

To register your team and be guaranteed a spot, you must either:

1. Complete the registration form with a **MINIMUM of 8 PLAYERS** and **pay for these 8 players** (you must indicate which players the registration payment is for)
2. Register the team online, pay the \$100 registration fee, register yourself and then have **7 more players register into the team** AND **pay their registration fees.**

**ALL PLAYER FEE'S MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE COMPETITION STARTS.**

**TEAMS THAT HAVE ALL FEE'S PAID FOR ALL REGISTERED PLAYERS PRIOR TO THE COMPETITION STARTING WILL RECEIVE 3 BONUS POINTS.**

All players are advised to have PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE as the coverage under the standard insurance is limited. Standard insurance does not cover loss of wages.

Teams can purchase 'Loss of Income Insurance' for your team at a low cost of \$110.00 (incl GST). This can only be done on a team basis not individual. Forms are available in the committee room.

**Team Registrations close 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

## **Draws/Grading**

Draft grades will be issued by 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022, draws will be published by 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022

### Winter 2022 Competition Fee's

Player Registration	\$110
U/18 Player - (Must not turn 19 during the year the comp commences)	\$80
Late Registrations after Round 7	\$80 \$60 (U/18)
<b>Refunds/Transfers</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Player has not played a game</li> <li>• Player has played one or more games</li> </ul>	<b>Full refund minus \$15 administration fee</b> <b>Discuss with us</b>
Shorts	From \$30
Tights	From \$35
Footballs	\$30

All cheques should be made out to  
**Penrith Oztag Associated Inc.**

#### Bank Details

Account No: 501391 BSB: 032278  
Account Name: Penrith Oztag Association Inc.

Please put your name or team name down in the reference fields.

We accept cash, cheques and direct deposit. We also have **EFTPOS facilities** available. All fees include GST.

#### Insurance Summary

- **All players are advised to have PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE as the coverage under the standard insurance is limited.**
- **If you are under the influence of any alcohol/drugs/medication at time of injury – you are not insured and cannot claim insurance.**
- All claims carry an excess of \$200
- For insurance cover information, read back of team registration form 'conditions of play'
- **The basic insurance policy covers you for death (inc permanent disability) and non-Medicare medicals (i.e physio, dental etc). It does not include loss of income cover.**
- **You can purchase 'Loss of Income Insurance' for your team at a low cost of \$110.00 (incl GST). This can only be done on a team basis not individual. Forms are available in the committee room.**

## NOTES

When filling out Registration forms please take note of the following:

- If submitting a registration form, all registration forms must be completed and signed by each player. Prior to each player signing the registration form they **MUST** read the accompanying sheet that lists the insurance details. **Only NEW PLAYERS or players who have changed addresses/phone number need to complete these details on the registration sheet. Returning players only need to enter their NAME, Date of Birth and sign the team registration form.**
- Teams and players who register online **DO NOT** need to complete a registration form
- Players must be **15 years old before** they can register and play in an adult team.
- Photo ID must be produced when checking in for finals or when requested by an official.
- All teams must consist of a **minimum of 8 players.**
- Players who withdraw may be de-registered. Once a player has played **one or more games NO REFUNDS** will be given, unless there are extenuating circumstances (at the Committee's discretion)
- There is a \$15 administration fee for players withdrawing after being registered but having played no games.
- Registrations can be made at any time up to Round 9 during the season. Players **MUST** play a **minimum of 5 games** to qualify for the final's series.
- Only players registered in a team may play for that team. Penalties for teams playing players not registered in their team will be severe. There are no longer fill-ins or casual registrations permitted. You **MUST BE REGISTERED** in a team to take the field for that team. If a team is short players, **THEY MUST PLAY SHORT.**
- All teams may play **at any time slot** during the season. Every effort is made to even out the number of games played at each time slot, **but no guarantee is given.**
- Players may register in more than one team on the one evening **BUT no guarantee is given that games will not clash.**
- The registration of **ANY** player in **ANY** team is at the discretion of the committee.
- You **must indicate if a player is a Rep Player or not.** This means a Rep Player at **ANY OZTAG** association. Any team found not identifying rep players will be subject to sanctions as the committee decides, including **re-grading or withdrawal of the player (no refunds will be issued).**
- You must indicate if a player is U/18 to receive the relevant discounted fee.

## INSURANCE

**For as player to be covered by insurance they must either have registered online or be listed on the team registration sheet, which they must also have signed.** Players should look at carrying their own insurance, as the Oztag Player Insurance Policy is limited.

Organisers please note:

- if you have new players or existing players that have changed address, then they must make the changes on the team registration sheet OR update their details online.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN YOUR TEAM NOT BEING ACCEPTED INTO THE COMPETITION**



## FILL IN PLAYERS

There are no longer any fill-in players permitted. Due to continued abuse of the system and non-compliance by many teams only players **REGISTERED IN A TEAM** are permitted to play in that team. If your team is short players unfortunately, you must play short. The penalties for playing players either not registered at all, or registered but not in your team are as follows:

Offence	Penalty
<p><b>Playing Unregistered Players</b> These are players not registered at Penrith Oztag in current competition.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0 points for the game</li> <li>• Loss of 6 points</li> <li>• Organiser/captain or responsible player suspended for 2 weeks from all teams</li> <li>• Opposition receives a draw for the game if they lost the game.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Playing player not registered in your team</b> These are players registered at Penrith Oztag in current competition, but not in your team.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0 points for the game</li> <li>• Loss of 6 points</li> <li>• Player suspended for 2 weeks from all teams</li> <li>• Opposition receives a draw for the game if they lost the game.</li> </ul>

## REGISTRATION DEALS

If an organiser provides

1. A **fully completed\*** team registration of at **least 12 players** (incl. organiser) **AND**
2. All money for all players listed on registration form

**by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 – The Team Organiser gets free entry (Register 12 pay for 11)**

Note: Should you withdraw players after registering you will not receive a refund for the withdrawal if team numbers fall below 12. (This means your team numbers need to stay at or above 12 – incl. organiser)

\* A fully completed team registration means:

- **All players' details completed correctly** – only new players or players with change of details needs to complete the address and phone number details. **Existing players MUST have completed Name, DOB and have signed the form** OR have completed their online registration.
- **All NEW players must complete address, DOB, phone number and player's signatures** on entry form in the correct fields OR have completed their online registration.
- **All team details** completed at the top of the form, including at least one contact phone number AND an email address OR have completed the team registration online.

**Fully paid means you pay the full amount in one transaction. Having part payments from individual players through EFTPOS, Cash and Direct Deposit means a lot of extra work for us. If you can collect all the money and pay it in a lump sum you get the discount.**

**The above bonuses also apply for ONLINE registrations and payments. For ONLINE registrations the players must be registered and fully paid for in accordance with the above numbers and dates for the organiser to receive the discount.**

There will be **NO exceptions** to this requirement to receive the bonuses. You can only receive one of the above bonuses. If in any doubt, please call us on 0421448158.