
POLICY - TOURING TEAMS

1. LIMITATIONS ON AGE GROUPS

Under 11 and Under 12 Age Groups: Unlimited travels within the Territory, however, recommended duration for any visit is one week.

2. PERMISSION TO TOUR

Clubs or Zones wishing to undertake interstate or overseas tour must seek 'approval in principle' from the Football Federation Northern Territory (FFNT) prior to the announcement of any proposed tour. Such approval must be in writing and received by the FFNT no later than thirty (30) days prior to the proposed commencement date of the tour.

The following information is to be provided to the FFNT when seeking 'approval in principle':

- a) Dates and destination.
- b) Draft itinerary, including number of matches to be played, and budget including proposed cost per player and per official.
- c) Number of players and parents intending to tour.
- d) Number of officials intending to tour.
- e) Name of primary contact for the organisation of the proposed tour.

2.1 Within The State

Travel by Clubs or Zones to any other Zone is permitted with permission being granted by both the Home and Away Zones.

This is subject to prior claim on players by a higher body.

Zones are to advise the FFNT of travel information no later than fourteen (14) days prior to travel. Failure to do so may attract a \$250.00 fine.

2.2 Interstate

Players travelling interstate as part of a Team must be eleven (11) years of age or older in the year of that interstate tournament.

Teams must have approval from Club, Zone, and the FFNT on the prescribed Tour application form, according to status of the touring team.

This is subject to prior claim on players by a higher body. Zones are to submit the required Tour application form to the FFNT Chief Executive Officer thirty (30) days prior to travel. Failure to do so may attract a \$250.00 fine.

The FFNT Chief Executive Officer or their delegate will notify the relevant State Federations of the FFNT's approval for the tour.

2.3 Overseas

Teams must have permission from Club, Zone and the FFNT on the prescribed Tour application forms.

This is subject to prior claim on players by a higher body.

The following information must also be submitted with the tour application forms:

- a) Written permission from Host Club/s, Host Zone/s and the Host National Bodies.
- b) Contact details on tour including accommodation and a contact number for at least one touring official.
- c) Copy of itinerary including details of all matches.
- d) Copy of budget for the tour including final costs per player, official and parents undertaking the tour.
- e) Details of the travel insurance including medical and hospital, obtained. Teams must ensure that all players and officials have sufficient insurance coverage for injury, sickness and travel whilst overseas especially touring America and Japan.
- f) Letter of approval from the players' school if the tour is arranged during the school term. Only the FFNT may apply to the Football Federation Australia (FFA) after granting its own approval for the tour. Failure to obtain approval from the FFNT may attract a \$150.00 fine.

Also refer to the FFA Touring Team Policy conditions apply.

3. TOUR APPLICATION FORMS

- 3.1 The Tour application form is to be completed and forwarded through the relevant bodies according to touring team/s status and is required for all tours outside of the Northern Territory.
- 3.2 The Tour application form is not required for Northern Territory Championships, Development Camps and National Talent Identification Championships.
- 3.3 In cases of overseas tours, the FFNT on behalf of the applicant body will negotiate permission from FFA. It will be the responsibility of the applicant body to ensure that sufficient lead up time is allowed for the processing of the Tour application prior to the commencement of the proposed tour.

4. TOURING TEAMS FROM OVERSEAS AND/OR OTHER STATES

- 4.1 Any Club or Zones hosting competitions involving teams from overseas and/or other States must provide to the FFNT full details of the proposed tour. The FFNT will consider the information received prior to granting its approval. Before these teams travel into the Northern Territory they must have FFNT approval.
- 4.2 Teams from overseas must have approval from their National Body as well as the approval from FFA to tour within Australia.

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