



What are the competition fees?

There are three fees associated with our GEL futsal competition. The registration fee, the season fee and the forfeit fee.

The registration fee provides registered players with insurance and is required to be paid upon team registration.

There are two payment options for the season fee.

- 1) <u>Upfront Payment</u> This option suits teams who have a regular line-up and dislike the stress of organising weekly payments. As a bonus, teams who pay upfront receive one game free!
- 2) <u>Weekly Payments</u> This option suits teams who have a mixed line-up regularly and prefer to organise weekly payments.
- 3) <u>Forfeit Fee</u> When your team registers for GEL Futsal, you are committing to the season and season fees. Therefore, an \$89.00 forfeit fee will be incurred to teams that forfeit their game. This forfeit fee will be added to the following game fee. Note that if your team paid upfront, you are not entitled to a refund for forfeiting a game.

How do I register my team?

To register for GEL Futsal, visit our futsal webpage and follow the links. Additionally, previously registered teams will be notified of upcoming seasons. When registrations open, it is on a first come, first served basis.

I am an individual without a team but want to play Futsal – what can I do?

We have a GEL Futsal fill-ins page (<u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/487631781717501</u>) where teams can post if they need a player for a particular game or sometimes where individuals post to create an entirely new team.

How do divisions work?

We have divisions for Men's and Mixed teams. The first 3-4 weeks of each season are grading games. Grading games help us determine the most suitable divisions for each team based on skill level.

However, during the season, we have the right to move teams into a new division if we feel they would be best suited in another division.

How long are the seasons?

We deliver two Futsal seasons each year. Season 1 is delivered from March to August, and Season 2 is delivered from August to December.

Registrations open 3-4 weeks before the start of each season.

How long are the games?

Games are 40 minutes long with no overtime. Game times are 6.30 pm, 7.10 pm, 7.50 pm, 8.30 pm, 9.10 pm, and 9.50 pm on Tuesday nights.





What happens if my team can't make a game?

If your team cannot make a game and you've tried the fill-in page without success, you will need to forfeit. To do this, you must contact the Stadium Team at stadium@geleisure.com.au, or if it's after 4 pm, you must call reception on 03 9575 7100. If reception is unavailable, you must email <u>stadium@geleisure.com.au</u> and CC <u>reception@geleisure.com.au</u>. Please let us know about your forfeit with as much notice as possible.

As mentioned, if your team forfeits, you must still pay for the forfeited match - this fee will be added to your following match fee.

Am I covered by insurance?

Yes, GEL Futsal provides insurance for registered players. The cost is built into the registration fee. For insurance queries and claims, please email <u>stadium@geleisure.com.au</u>.

Does a fill-in player need to register with the team?

Yes. To be covered by insurance, fill-in players must register online. <u>Individual registration</u> can be organised through the team captain or by visiting the GEL Futsal website.

What do I wear?

Other than the goalkeeper, who must wear a different colour shirt (or a bib) to define their position, the players of each team must wear the same colour shirts (which must be individually numbered). Shorts must not have outside pockets. For each incorrect uniform item (including shirts without numbers), the opposition of the offending team shall be awarded one goal (up to the maximum of three goals per game). See the GESAC Futsal Competition Rules on the GEL website for more information.

What happens if my team makes the finals?

Teams that make finals will be notified after the last round of the season. The finals fixture will see each league split into multiple divisions based on their final position on the ladder. Then a 4-week finals series will be played for each division in each league. The first week of the finals is the semifinals for each division, and the following week is the grand finals.

Finals fees are not included in the upfront payment and are to be paid weekly.

Refunds

If a team that has paid upfront is on the receiving end of a forfeit, they will be credited or refunded at the discretion of GESAC's competition management.

Suppose a team withdraws from the competition for any reason after the commencement of the season and before the end of the season. In that case, they will not be entitled to a refund of any part of its registration fee.

If GESAC's competition management suspends or withdraws a team from the competition for any reason, no refund of the registration fee or upfront match fees will be refunded. Extenuating circumstances may be considered at the discretion of GESAC's competition management.