TO: **ALL CLUBS**

FROM: **FV COMPETITIONS**

DATE: **16 APRIL 2019**

SUBJECT: **WOMEN'S METRO SEVENS (WM7)**

Dear Clubs,

At the start of the 2017 winter season FV launched the inaugural Women's Metro Sevens (WM7's) competition. WM7's is a seven-a-side half pitch competition that aims to provide a social and fun football environment for women to participate in football who do not necessarily have the time or desire to commit to a traditional Women's State League season.

WM7's has two separate nine (9) Round seasons during the year, with the mid-season break aligning with the July school holidays when player availability is typically limited due to school/university holidays. Teams can choose to enter both seasons or only enter season one or two depending on their circumstances.

Season Dates

The first WM7s season will commence on Sunday 28 April, with nine (9) rounds and one bye on the Queen's Birthday Long weekend, concluding on Sunday 30 June.

The second WM7's season will commence on Sunday 21 July with nine (9) Rounds of football, concluding on Sunday 15 September.

To view the FV 2019 Season Calendar which includes the WM7's season dates please click HERE.

Competition Structure

For the Online Team Entry Period, the below leagues have been created to offer the competition in geographic based competitions:

- WM7's North
- WM7's West
- WM7's East
- WM7's South
- WM7's Masters

FV will assess the number of team entries before each season and create league structures, and where applicable/if necessary, make changes to the above structure. Depending on the number of team entries, leagues may be amalgamated to create viable leagues. It is important to note that when finalising the league structures, we aim to provide localised leagues to minimise travel.

2019 Team Entries (New and returning from 2018 Season)

A number of Women's Metro Sevens Team Entries have been submitted during the Online Team Entry Period, which closed on Thursday 21 February**, however, due to the competition beginning later than other competitions, we will be accepting Team Entries until 5pm Tuesday 23 April**. Clubs should enter teams during this period via the Late Team Entry Form located here.

Team entry requests via phone and email will not be accepted.

Fee Structure (Team & Player Fees)

The team entry fee for WM7's is outlined below:

Competition	Team Entry Fee
Women's Metro Sevens	$200

Player Registration Fees are as follows:

Competition	Age	FFA Fee	FV Fee	Total Cost
Women's Metro Sevens - Junior	15 to 18	$0	$20	$20
Women's Metro Sevens - Senior	19+	$0	$30	$30

All fees listed above are inclusive of GST.

Clubs should contact the FV Registration's Department for further information regarding setting up Registrations Packages for Women's Metro Sevens. Due to the busy period, please email your request to registrations@footballvictoria.com.au in the first instance.

League Structure & Fixture Release

Clubs are urged to inform all coaches and players that we aim to have all WM7's league structures and fixtures published in late-April 2019.

In addition to the above, key information is attached as *Appendix 1*. If you require any further information regarding the WM7's competition, please contact FV Competitions on 9474 1800 and press 2 at the switchboard or write to competitions@footballvictoria.com.au

We thank you in advance for your patience over this busy period and we applaud the efforts of all clubs and participants in the Women's Metro Seven's competitions as we look to build a successful season.

Kind Regards,

David Zucchet
Manager, Community Competitions

Appendix 1 – Women's Metro Sevens - Key Information

Season Dates	**Season One** • Round 1 will commence the weekend of 28 April • Round 9 will conclude on 30 June • Bye on the weekend of 9 June for long weekend **Season Two** • Round 1 will commence the weekend of 21 July • Round 9 will conclude on 15 September No catch-up rounds are scheduled in this competition.
Information Sheet	• Women's Metro 7s • Masters Women's Metro 7s
Player Eligibility	• To be eligible to participate in WM7 Competition a player must be 14 years old as of 1 January 2019. • Players must be registered in accordance with the relevant Registration Regulations
Match Day	• The competition is 7v7 and squads should consist of a maximum of 12 players. • Match duration – 20-minute halves with a 5-minute half time • Venue and Day of Play – will be determined by the preference of the teams participating in the fixture. If team requests conflict, FV will determine the venue and day of play at its sole and absolute discretion.
Pitch Dimensions	• Matches will be played on half a full-size pitch (i.e. 65 metres length x 45 metres width). • Goals sizes will be reduced (5 metres wide x 2 metres high).
League Structures	• League Structures will be determined after the Team Entry Period and will be dependent on the number of team entries submitted.
Competition Review And Feedback	As part of the ongoing Female Football Review, FV will be monitoring the below: • Team Entries • Player Registrations – Age and player experience (where permissible) • Feedback from Clubs and Players