



**TO: ALL CLUBS**  
**FROM: FV COMPETITIONS**  
**DATE: 27 JANUARY 2021**  
**SUBJECT: FFA CUP 2021 – Preliminary Rounds and Club Registration**

Dear Clubs,

After a disrupted season due to the impact of COVID19, we continue to thank all stakeholders for your tireless work in bringing football back to Victorian fields in such challenging circumstances.

In preparation for the 2021 season, Football Victoria (FV) wish to advise all Clubs of the following information regarding the FFA Cup 2021 competition.

### **FV SLOT ALLOCATION**

Football Australia (FA) have once again confirmed that FV will have four (4) allocated slots in the FFA Cup Round of 32 meaning the Victorian winners of Round 7 will progress to the national Round of 32 together with other state representatives and A-League Clubs.

### **FFA CUP CLUB REGISTRATION**

All National Premier League Victoria (NPL, NPL2 and NPL3) and Men's State League (MSL 1 – MSL 5) Clubs are required to participate in the FFA Cup and must complete the Club Registration Form ([Click here](#)). Any Regional Affiliate or Metropolitan League Clubs wishing to enter the FFA Cup must complete the below Registration Form.

Please note entry is limited to one (1) team per Club.

<b>Entries Close</b>	<b>Club Registration Form</b>
9:00AM Wednesday 3 February 2021	<a href="#">Click Here</a>

FV Regional Affiliate and Metropolitan qualifying slots are subject to availability. The qualifying spots available will be allocated in the following order of preference:

1. New MSL team entries for the 2021 season; then
2. Earliest submission time/date of the FFA Cup Club registration form to FV
3. Previous history in participating in the FFA Cup.

### **TEAM ENTRY FEES**

FA have confirmed the FFA Cup 2021 Preliminary Rounds and Final Rounds Team Entry fee will increase by 10% from \$825 to \$907.50 for NPL & \$330 to \$363 for all other Clubs.

FV can confirm the Team Entry amount will once again be subsidised by FV as per the same amount as last year's competition.

This means that the 2021 Team Entry Fee is \$412.50 for NPL Clubs and \$143 for all other Clubs.

The full breakdown of fees and FV subsidy is detailed in the table below.

<b>Clubs</b>	<b>Cost (as set by FA)</b>	<b>FV Subsidy</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
NPL Clubs	*\$907.50 (inc GST)	\$495	\$412.50 (inc GST)
All Other Clubs	*\$363 (inc GST)	\$220	\$143 (inc GST)

\*Any club who forfeits a Cup fixture will be charged the full FA levy.

All Clubs will receive an invoice for Team Entry fees via the FV Finance system by Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.



Clubs that qualify for the FFA Cup Round of 32 will be charged an additional registration fee by FA as follows:

Clubs	Cost (as set by FA)	FV Subsidy
NPL Clubs	\$2,200 (exc GST)	NA
All Other Clubs	\$1,100 (exc GST)	NA

## PLAYER REGISTRATIONS

Clubs must ensure that all participating players are registered and accepted by the club on Play Football prior to the Club's first FFA Cup Fixture. The player registrations system is currently open.

All Men's State League player registration fees must be paid by 5:00PM Wednesday 17 March 2021. Player registration fees not paid by the date above will be considered ineligible for further Cup Competition participation.

Please note that should a player who registers for a Club then registers to another Club, the applicable FA and FV fee will remain the responsibility of the first registered Club of the player. Therefore, please ensure that registered players are committed to the Club or alternatively have paid a deposit to the Club to cover any fees incurred by the Club.

If your Club requires access to the Play Football Registration System, please contact FV Registrations on 9474 1800 and press '1' when prompted or via email at [Registrations@footballvictoria.com.au](mailto:Registrations@footballvictoria.com.au)

## FFA CUP PRELIMINARY ROUNDS DRAW

All draws will have live updates via FV's social media channels ([Facebook.com/footballvic](https://www.facebook.com/footballvic) & [Twitter @footballvic](https://twitter.com/footballvic)).

A random draw will be conducted for each of the Preliminary Rounds. Zones and League status will not dictate a Club's prospective opposition.

Further information regarding live draw dates will be communicated closer to the respective Round date.

Round dates can be found on the 2021 FV Competitions Calendar ([click HERE](#))

## FFA CUP PRELIMINARY ROUNDS PROGRESSION & SEEDING

Due to the impacts of COVID-19 for all MSL & NPL competitions, FV will implement the MSL & NPL seedings based on the 2021 league structures.

A notable change compared to previous seasons will be all MSL 4 Clubs will no longer be seeded with the Top 8 Clubs commencing in Round 2 and therefore all MSL 4 teams will enter the FFA Cup in Round 1.

Please refer to the attached links for further details.

- Preliminary Round Progression pathway
- Preliminary Rounds Seeding for all Clubs

If you have any questions, please contact Competitions on 9474 1800 and press '2' when prompted or via email at [Cupcompetitions@footballvictoria.com.au](mailto:Cupcompetitions@footballvictoria.com.au).

Kind regards,

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