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Section 1 - Field of Play & Environment		
Pitch Size Length	1.1	Length - Minimum 96m, Maximum 110m
Pitch Size Width	1.2	Width - Minimum 60m, Maximum 74m
Run-offs	1.3	A minimum runoff area of 3 meters to any tripping hazard or solid obstruction, including fences and Team Benches, must be provided.
Goals	1.4	Goals conform with FIFA Laws of the Game.
Goals	1.5	Permanent and semi-permanent goals must conform to Australian Standard AS 4866.1 2007 - Playing field equipment - Soccer goals Part 1: Safety aspects and be properly installed and secured. Movable goals must be compliant with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's Consumer Protection Notice No.28 of 2010
Corner Flags	1.6	Corner flags must be in accordance with the FIFA Laws of the Game and not feature any nationalist emblem.
Pitch Surface	1.7	The field of play must have an even grass coverage where possible.
Pitch Standards	1.8	The field of play must not include a cricket wicket
Pitch - Synthetic Surface	1.9	Synthetic surfaces must hold a current FIFA QUALITY PROGRAMME for Football Turf or international Match Standard accreditation.
Line Markings	1.10	1. Lines must be marked in accordance with the FIFA Laws of the game. 2. No extraneous markings may be present on the pitch for Senior Football. 3. Only products such as agricultural limestone or water-based paint or other similar products which will not harm ground users can be used to mark lines.
Stretcher	1.11	One stretcher suitable for first aid and emergency use must be available within the field of play fencing. Wooden stretchers are not suitable.
Pitch Fence	1.12	A permanent chain wire, or similar, fence around the pitch meshed to the ground, with a minimum height of 1.1.
Players Race	1.13	Temporary or permanent race (minimum height of 1.1m) in place from the changerooms to the field of play to segregate players and officials from spectators. Minimum requirement not required - Unless the fixture is deemed at 'Risk Fixture'
Technical Area	1.14	A technical area must be marked for each team on opposite side of the halfway line, on the same side of the field.
Technical Line Markings	1.15	The technical area should extend 1m on either side of the designated seated area and extend forward up to a distance no closer than 1m from the touchline.
Team Benches	1.16	Two covered team benches with adequate seating for 9 people.

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Section 2 - Player & Official Amenities		
Player Change Rooms	2.1	Four players lockable dressing rooms, must be provided, with adequate seating for a minimum of 16. Each room with access to an immediately adjacent shower area and toilet facilities not shared with the opposition. The shower area must have hot and cold water showers. Total minimum area of the senior dressing room is 25m ² including shower and toilet area. Home clubs may vary their change room requirements provided away clubs are always provided two change rooms. No portable rooms are permitted in NPL & NPLW.
Match Officials Room	2.2	Match Officials must have exclusive access to a lockable dressing room. The Match Officials room must be accessible without passing through any players' change room which is in use. The room must have exclusive access to a toilet and shower providing hot and cold water. The Match Officials Room must include a writing desk and chair or bench.
Massage Table	2.3	One fully functional and purpose built massage table must be provided for each of the players dressing rooms.
First Aid	2.4	A designated area for administering of first aid. Basic first aid equipment and a bed / massage table all of which must be well maintained and available on matchday.

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Section 3 - Spectator Amenities

Public Toilets	3.1	Female and Male toilets situated no more than 50m from the playing field must be provided.
Disabled Toilets	3.2	Disabled toilet access must be provided.
Scoreboard	3.3	A Fully functional scoreboard, with "Home" & "Away" or "Home Club Name" & "Visitors" clearly visible to the majority of spectators must be provided and operated on matchday for senior fixtures.
Parking	3.4	Not required - Unless the fixture is deemed an at 'Risk Fixture'
Food & Drink	3.5	A canteen/kiosk serving hot and cold drinks and snack foods must be available and operated on match day.
Public Address System	3.6	Not required - Unless the fixture is deemed an at 'Risk Fixture'
Spectator Viewing	3.7	Undercover viewing area for 200 people to be provided
Ticket Boxes / Entry Points	3.8	Conditions of Entry, Spectator Code of Behavior and any other relevant signage upon entry must be clearly displayed at all venue entry points at all times. If a club chooses to charge entry fees (in line with the Rules of Competition) the entry fee must be clearly displayed and the club must provide a minimum of one covered area for the sale of tickets for matches. Entry fees may only be charged at designated ticket boxes. FV may determine more ticket boxes are required based on potential crowd numbers.
Perimeter Fencing - NPL	3.9	Not required - Unless the fixture is deemed an at 'Risk Fixture'
Exits	3.10	Not required - Unless the fixture is deemed an at 'Risk Fixture'

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Section 4 - Operations & Media

Access	4.1	The venue must be accessible by emergency services vehicles, with clear signage identifying emergency access entry points displayed.
Media Viewing Area	4.2	Not required
Broadcast / Filming Point	4.3	Provision of unobstructed viewing access for media/camera operator, under cover from inclement weather.