

IMPORTANT PARTICIPATION NOTICE AND RISK WARNING

This document contains important legal rights and obligations. It includes a risk warning and a waiver of liability in relation to recreational services.

Before registering for or participating in any event, competition or recreational activity organised or sanctioned by the International Tag Federation (ITF), you should read this document carefully, including where you are participating as a player, coach, manager and/or competing nation delegate.

Participation in Tag and related sporting activities involves physical exertion and inherent risks, including the risk of serious injury, permanent disability or death.

These risks may arise from a range of factors, including:

- collisions or physical contact with other players or officials;
- running, pivoting and other physical movements involved in gameplay;
- falls or contact with playing surfaces, posts or equipment;
- environmental conditions such as heat or weather;
- the actions or omissions of other participants during the course of play;
- infectious diseases or illnesses transmitted through close physical contact; and
- other risks inherent in the sport of Tag.

By registering for or participating in an ITF event or recreational activity, you acknowledge and agree that:

- participation in Tag is voluntary and undertaken at your own risk;
- you have been warned of the risks associated with participation for the purposes of the *Civil Liability Act 2002* (NSW) and any equivalent civil liability legislation applicable in other Australian States and Territories governing recreational activities;
- Tag may constitute a dangerous recreational activity involving obvious risks under that legislation;
- to the maximum extent permitted by law, the liability of ITF and related parties for death or personal injury arising from recreational services may be excluded under section 139A of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth); and
- by proceeding with registration you agree to the terms and conditions set out in this document.

If you do not understand any part of this document or do not accept the risks associated with participation, you should not register for or participate in the activity.

PRIVACY COLLECTION NOTICE PRIVACY COLLECTION NOTICE

ITF collects personal information about participants to administer registrations, organise and conduct competitions and events, manage participant safety and insurance, and communicate with participants.

Personal information may be disclosed to ITF Member Nations, affiliated associations, event organisers, insurers, medical providers, and service providers involved in administering ITF activities.

If you do not provide the requested information, ITF may not be able to register you or allow you to participate in the relevant competition or activity.

ITF handles personal information in accordance with the ITF Privacy Policy, which is available on the ITF website. By registering for or participating in an ITF event or activity, you consent to the collection, use and disclosure of your personal information as described in this notice and the ITF Privacy Policy.

PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Before proceeding with registration or participation you must confirm that you have read, understood and agreed to this Important Participation Notice and Risk Warning and agree to the Participant Declaration and Conditions of Play.

PARTICIPANT DECLARATION

1. Assumption of risk

1. You acknowledge and agree that your participation in the recreational activities supplied by or on behalf of the International Tag Federation (ITF) and each of its respective related bodies corporate, affiliates, member organisations, licensees, event organisers, venue owners, facility operators, volunteers, officials, referees, employees, contractors, associates and agents from time to time (jointly and severally, ITF) is inherently dangerous and may involve risks which may result in personal injury, death, or property damage. There are risks specifically associated with participation in **Tag** recreational activities, and accidents can and often do happen, which may result in personal injury, death, or property damage.
2. Prior to undertaking any recreational activity, you must ensure you are aware of all associated risks, including those that may arise due to any health condition you may have. You are encouraged to seek medical advice before participating, particularly if you have any pre-existing medical conditions.
3. You acknowledge that ITF recreational activities may be conducted at venues owned or operated by third parties and that ITF does not control all aspects of those venues..

2. Risk warning; Civil liability laws

1. By registering for an ITF Event, you acknowledge, agree, and understand that participation in the recreational services provided by ITF involves risks. By participating in ITF **Tag** activities, you acknowledge and accept that the following risks may arise, including but not limited to:
 - (a) collisions with other players, officials, or objects on the field;
 - (b) muscle strains, sprains, and tears resulting from running, pivoting, tagging, or physical exertion;
 - (c) falls or trips due to uneven playing surfaces, ground conditions, or weather impacts;
 - (d) impact injuries such as bruises, contusions, fractures, or concussions;
 - (e) weather-related risks, including heat exhaustion, dehydration, sunburn, or hypothermia;
 - (f) overexertion or fatigue leading to dizziness, fainting, or other physical health issues;
 - (g) pre-existing medical conditions being aggravated by participation;
 - (h) equipment failure or misuse, including footwear, or other gear;
 - (i) injury resulting from contact with playing surfaces, goal posts, or sidelines;
 - (j) risk of exposure to infectious diseases or illnesses from close contact with other participants; and
 - (k) other unforeseen risks, which may arise despite precautions taken by ITF.You voluntarily assume all such risks to the maximum extent permitted by law.

2. You acknowledge that injuries may occur as a result of the acts or omissions of other participants during the ordinary course of play and you accept those risks.
3. This assumption of risk and warning constitutes a risk warning under the laws governing civil liability, including the *Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW)*, *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002 (ACT)*, *Civil Liability Act 2002 (WA)*, and *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002 (ACT)*. Without limiting this, This warning under the laws governing civil liability, including is given for the purposes of sections 5M and 5N of the *Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW)*.
4. By participating in ITF recreational activities you acknowledge that you have been warned of the risks associated with the activity.
5. You acknowledge that participation in Tag may constitute a dangerous recreational activity involving obvious risks within the meaning of section 5L of the *Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW)*.
6. You acknowledge that such obvious risks include the risk of serious injury, permanent disability or death.

7. You voluntarily assume those risks.
8. You acknowledge that Tag is a competitive sporting activity involving physical exertion and interaction between participants.
9. You accept the inherent risks of the sport, including injuries arising from:
 - (a) lawful physical contact between players;
 - (b) the conduct of other participants;
 - (c) enforcement of the rules of the game; and
 - (d) the physical demands of the activity.

3. Waiver of statutory guarantees

1. Under the Australian Consumer Law (Schedule 2 to the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth)), statutory guarantees apply to the supply of services.
2. To the extent permitted by section 139A of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth), the liability of ITF for death or personal injury arising from the supply of recreational services is excluded. Without limiting this, under section 139A, you agree that your rights to sue ITF for a failure to meet the statutory guarantees are excluded, restricted, or modified to the extent permitted by law.
3. For the purposes of this clause, recreational services include sporting activities involving physical exertion or risk.
4. To the extent permitted by section 5N of the *Civil Liability Act 2002* (NSW), the liability of ITF for breach of any warranty that the recreational services will be provided with reasonable care and skill is excluded.

4. Your warranties

Before participating in recreational activities with ITF, you represent and warrant to ITF that:

- (a) you are and will remain medically and physically fit to undertake such activities;
- (b) you are not a danger to yourself or to the health and safety of others; and
- (c) you are not receiving treatment for any condition, illness, or injury that would make it unsafe for you to participate in such activities.

5. Disclosure of medical conditions

You acknowledge and agree that:

- (a) you must disclose to ITF any pre-existing medical or other condition that may affect the risk of injury, loss, or damage to you or others;
- (b) you are not aware of any medical condition that would make participation unsafe for you or others;
- (c) ITF relies on the information you provide; and
- (d) you confirm that such information is accurate and complete.

6. Medical Treatment

1. If you suffer an injury or illness, you consent to ITF providing evacuation, first aid, or medical treatment as reasonably necessary. You agree to be responsible for the reasonable costs of such treatment.
2. If you do not wish to consent to medical treatment, please contact ITF for manual membership processing.

7. Exclusion of Participation

1. You warrant that you have not been excluded from participating in any Tag recreational activities by a medical practitioner, ITF, or any related, associated or similar organisations.

2. ITF may require a medical certificate or opinion as to your fitness before permitting your participation.

8. Conduct and Safety

1. You agree to follow and comply with all rules, directions and policies of the ITF, including the Conditions of Play set out in this document and any competition rules applicable to the relevant ITF Event. Failure to comply may result in removal from ITF recreational activities, suspension from competition or other disciplinary action.
2. You represent and warrant that you will not engage in unlawful or reckless conduct during ITF recreational activities. Any such conduct may result in exclusion from participation and liability for any resulting loss or damage.
3. You acknowledge and understand the dangers of consuming alcohol or any mind-altering substance before or during ITF recreational activities and accept full responsibility for injury, loss, or damage that may result from such consumption.
4. ITF reserves the right to deny participation or enforce sanctions against individuals involved in altercations or unlawful conduct, including in accordance with applicable laws and ITF's policies.

9. Prevailing Conditions

You acknowledge and agree that ITF recreational activities may be affected by weather conditions or other circumstances beyond the control of ITF, and in the interests of safety, ITF may alter, shorten, postpone or cancel activities where necessary for safety reasons (including in extreme weather conditions).

10. Release and Indemnity

1. In consideration of ITF accepting your membership application and allowing you to participate in the ITF recreational activities, subject to clause 2 of these terms and conditions and to the maximum extent permitted by law:
 - (a) you release and will release and forever discharge ITF and each of its respective directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, referees and volunteers (jointly and severally, **Those Indemnified**) from and against any and all actions, suits, proceedings, claims, demands, damages, penalties, costs or expenses however arising (**Claims**) that you may have or may have had but for this release arising from or in connection with your participation in ITF recreational activities; and
 - (b) you release, hold harmless and indemnify Those Indemnified against any Claim which may be made by you or on your behalf (including by your estate, dependants or personal representatives) in connection with or arising out of your death whether caused by the negligence or breach of contract by Those Indemnified or in any other manner whatsoever; and
 - (c) you indemnify and will keep indemnified Those Indemnified to the extent permitted by law in respect of any Claim:
 - (i) arising from a breach of these terms and conditions;
 - (ii) arising as a result of or in connection with your membership with ITF and/or your participation in ITF recreational activities; and
 - (iii) against any of those Indemnified in respect of any injury, loss or damage arising out of or in connection with your failure to comply with clause 8 (*Conduct and Safety*) of these terms and conditions.
2. The releases and indemnities in clause 1 shall not apply to the extent that the loss, damage or injury that is the subject of the Claim is caused or contributed to by the reckless or grossly negligent act or omission of ITF or any of the respective directors, officers, employees or agents of ITF.

11. Insurance

1. You acknowledge and understand that each National body, being members of ITF, may have a national insurance scheme providing limited coverage for certain losses, damage, or injuries.
2. You acknowledge and agree that it is your responsibility to confirm your coverage prior to registering for any ITF Event. Registration into this Event does not imply automatic insurance protection.
3. You acknowledge and agree such coverage may not fully indemnify you should consider obtaining additional insurance.

12. Reporting Accidents or Injuries

1. You must report any accidents, injuries, loss, or damage you suffer during ITF recreational activities to ITF (including in the manner as may be directed by ITF from time to time) as soon as practicable and, in any event, before leaving the venue.
2. Notwithstanding clause 1 of these terms and conditions, you acknowledge and agree failure to make such report within 14 days may result in reduced coverage or denial of your claim if such failure prejudices the ability of ITF to investigate or respond to the claim, including via its insurers. However, exceptional circumstances preventing timely reporting may be considered at the discretion of ITF

13. Sale of Merchandise

1. The ITF is the official merchandise partner for the TWC26. No merchandise from any competing nation can be sold on the site of C Ex International stadium, Geoff King Rugby League ground or the associated car parks during the term of the tournament 15 to 18 October 2026 (inclusive). Any violation will result in team suspensions and fines.
2. Any merchandise featuring the ITF logo or TWC26 logo that has not been authorised by ITF constitutes an unauthorised use of ITF trademarks and may result in disciplinary action, including suspension of the competing nation and/or sanctions.

14. Bar to Proceedings

To the maximum extent permitted by law, ITF may plead and rely upon these terms and conditions as a bar to legal proceedings, including any proceedings commenced by you or on your behalf.

15. Governing Law

These terms and conditions are governed by and are to be construed in accordance with the laws applicable in the jurisdiction where ITF recreational activities in which you participate are conducted. You consent to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of New South Wales.

16. Severance

If any provisions of these terms and conditions are held to be invalid, unenforceable or illegal for any reason, then it will be severed from these terms and conditions, and the remaining provisions will continue in full force.

17. Waiver

No provision of these terms and conditions will be taken to be waived except by written waiver executed between you and ITF.

18. Eligibility

1. Players, coaches, and management personnel who own, operate, or promote games, competitions, tournaments, or events that are considered to be in competition with Oztag™ or any ITF sanctioned

- event will be ineligible for representative selection or appointment to coaching or management positions within any ITF member representative team.
2. For the purposes of this provision, a competing organisation is defined as any entity that promotes any non-tackle variant of the rugby codes, including but not limited to formats utilising detachable Velcro tags.
 3. Ineligibility will apply where the International Tag Federation (ITF) determines that a conflict of interest exists.

19. No Strike Policy

1. I acknowledge that I am aware that ITF has a 'No Strike' Policy and if found guilty of a striking offence I will be disqualified for the remainder of the tournament with no recourse regarding and fees or costs incurred in attending the tournament.

20. Member Protection and Disciplinary Matters

1. I acknowledge that I am aware of the following ITF Policies and Procedures:
 - a. ITF Complaints Policy
 - b. ITF Disciplinary Procedure
 - c. ITF Member Protection Policy
 - d. Code of Conduct
 - e. Respect policy

And that sanctions as a result of breaches of these policies (and any other ITF Policies) may result in my disqualification from the tournament with no recourse in regard to any fees or costs incurred in attending the tournament.

2. I acknowledge that I am aware of, and have read, all ITF Policies and Procedures as listed on ITF Website and understand the consequences of breaches of any policies.

21. Acknowledgement of terms and conditions

You confirm that you have read, or have had read to you, the above conditions.
You understand and accept the risks and obligations outlined above.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

The Tag competition is organised and run by the International Tag Federation (“ITF”). These Conditions of Play cover the International Tag Federation, the Member Nations and each of their affiliates, members, associates, related entities and subsidiaries (together, “we”, “us”, “our”, and “ITF”). For the avoidance of doubt, references to **ITF** in these Conditions of Play include ITF, its Member Nations and each of their respective affiliates, members, associates, related entities and subsidiaries.

ITF offers to provide access to the competition to Players on provision by Players of the registration fee and agreement to these Conditions of Play.

As a Participant, I agree and understand that I am subject to the following Conditions:

1. I am participating in the ITF competition of my own free will and entirely at my own risk.
2. I warrant that I am in a fit state of health to play and understand that while risk management strategies are in place at the venue, I participate in ITF knowing that injuries may still occur.
3. I will not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs that may adversely affect me while playing.
4. I have no pre-existing medical or other conditions which might cause me injury or be aggravated by playing.
5. I must be 15 years of age to play in an adult competition.
6. I will not wear football boots with screw in type studs (metal, nylon or spikes).
7. I will wear shoes suitable to playing the sport whilst playing - I will not play in bare feet.
8. I will not wear jewellery (which includes men’s watches) while playing.
9. I acknowledge that participation in Tag involves inherent risks and that injuries may occur during play. To the maximum extent permitted by law, ITF is not liable for injury, loss or damage arising from the ordinary risks of participation in any competition organised by ITF.
10. I will report any injury I sustain to the first aid officer on the night of the injury where practicable. Failure to report an injury promptly may affect the assessment of any related claim.
11. I will not talk to the referee unless I am the captain of a team.
12. I will comply with the referee’s directions and decisions.
13. I will not sledge either the opposition or my own team members. This is a major offence and will result in me being sent off.
14. I will only play in official ITF approved shorts or tights. This is a mandatory requirement, players found not wearing ITF approved shorts or tights will be removed from the field of play immediately.
15. I agree to abide by all the rules and Policies as determined by ITF. International Tag Federation Policies are available on its website and can be viewed here.
16. I agree that photographs and/or video footage may be taken of me while participating in any ITF event and may be used by ITF, its Member Nations, Australian Oztag and/or the relevant local association for promotional or administrative purposes. I will contact my local association if I do not consent to such use.
17. I understand that if I have not completed my player registration through the means nominated by ITF and paid my Individual Registration Fee that I am not considered a registered player, I am an **unregistered player** if I take the field of play. I understand that as an **unregistered player**, I am not covered by any insurance policy, cannot claim against an insurance policy and have taken the field of play entirely at my own risk.
18. I have read and understand the ITF Privacy Policy, which is accessible on the ITF website. By using our services or interacting with us in any way, I consent to the collection, use, and disclosure of my personal information as described in ITF Privacy Policy.
19. I understand that the qualification and eligibility of any team/player for any final’s series will depend upon teams/players meeting the eligibility requirements of the respective competition.
20. I acknowledge that if this information is incorrect, any Player Insurance may be voided.