Macedon Futsal Jewellery Safety Policy

This policy is to take effect from April 2023



Purpose:

To ensure clarity that NO jewellery is to be permitted on the court and promote a safe environment for all players.

Scope:

This policy applies to all members and age groups who participate in the MRF competition and Skillz.

Statement:

- Players are NOT permitted to take the court if they are wearing any jewellery.
- Players are permitted to cover piercings with tape.
- Referees (with support from the venue coordinator) will conduct a routine safety
 inspection and instruct players not to take the court if the players do not comply with
 this policy.
- This policy is in line with the current FFV Jewellery Policy (as seen below)



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Jewellery

The Wearing of Jewellery is Prohibited by all Players

In order to avoid any doubt with jewellery make sure you use the following guidelines:

- In compliance with the FIFA Laws of the Game Law 4 states: A player must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous.
- All items of jewellery (necklaces, rings, bracelets, earrings, leather bands, rubber bands, etc.) are forbidden and must be removed.
- Referees are also prohibited from wearing jewellery (except for a watch or similar device for timing the match).
- In summary all players must remove all items of jewellery prior to entering the Field of Play. This includes anti-discrimination bands, leather necklaces and any other loose wristbands.
- Sweat or headbands may be worn.
- Strapping tape may also be worn.
- Medical Bands may also be worn providing they are suitably worn and not a danger to the player or other players (Strapped appropriately)

What does this mean for referees?

Rings	No rings may be worn or taped
Earrings	No earrings may be worn or taped
Necklaces	All necklaces must be removed. Medical alert necklaces should be removed and passed to the coach. The coach should be aware of the medical condition and respond accordingly.
Bracelets	All bracelets [including metal, rope, fabric, leather, plastic, rubber, etc] must be removed. Medical alert bracelets should be removed and passed to the coach. The coach should be aware of the medical condition and respond accordingly.
Facial rings	Any kind of jewelry around the eyes must be removed. Jewelry in any other part of the face must be removed.
Hair Ties or clips	No player is permitted to wear clips, hair or bobby pins or hair ties that could be dangerous to him / herself or another player.
Body Piercing	Piercing not visible to the referee is of no concern. Should the piercing become visible the referee will ensure the item is removed.
Tongue Piercing	Rings, studs or bolts through the tongue are discouraged for the players' own safety. Should the referee detect a tongue piercing, the referee will ensure it is removed.
Beaded Hair	If a player is wearing hair beads the hair must be tied in a bun or covered by a hair net. Loose beaded hair should not be allowed.
Watches	Players [but not match officials] must remove all watches
Referees	Referees are reminded that they are prohibited from wearing jewellery (except for a watch or similar device for timing the match). Within the spirit of these guidelines, referees are expected to conform to the standards set for players, with the exception of the need to wear watches.

Compliance & reviewing: This policy has been designed and ratified by the MRF committee in July 2023.

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Policy implemented by President – Brett Sinnett

Signed & Approved by President:

Date: 17/04/2023