

WEST COAST **RANGERS**

2023 10th Grade Festival
Handbook

October 7th and 8th at Huapai Domain, Kumeu, Auckland



- West Coast Rangers FC is pleased to welcome you to our annual 10th Grade Football Festival. Our festival has historically been a huge success with teams taking part from across New Zealand. The 2023 edition, with assistance from Northern Region Football, will ensure we create as many close and competitive games as possible.



Festival Playing Model

- There will be a boys/mixed competition and a girl's only competition. The Girls only competition be dual banded so is also open to 9th grade teams
- 7 a side teams including a goalkeeper, from a maximum squad of 10
- All teams will play 6 games over the weekend
- Game duration will be 2 x 20-minute halves with 5-minute half time
- Games are played on a 35m x 55 m sized field with Junior size goals (approx. 4m x 2m) using a size 4 ball
- Retreating lines will be put in place to encourage teams to play good progressive football through the thirds
- A coaches briefing will take place at 8:30am in the Clubrooms on the Saturday morning
- An Opening Ceremony will take place at 8:45am. All teams to attend and meet outside cricket club 8:40am. Teams will be announced individually and walk down to the main field for the Opening Ceremony



Who is eligible?

Our invitation is extended to **ALL** teams at your club. Every player has aspirations of taking part in these type of events and we can cater for all teams. Your club may register your top graded team as well as teams in lower tiers of competition. Every team and player will have the opportunity to play and you will be placed in the appropriate pools to ensure your teams have enjoyable and close games at the correct challenge point

Registration

- Team and Player entry forms to be completed and sent to the club administrator community@westcostrangers.co.nz no later than **Monday 25th September 2023** -
- Entry fee per team is \$200.
- Please make payment to West Coast Rangers – 02-0139-0145976-00 Please use club and team name as reference
- Payment to be completed by **Monday 25th September 2023** to guarantee your team placement in the festival and to be included in the draw
- Teams may be able to be accommodated after this deadline if we are able to but cannot be guaranteed after this date



Rules

1. 7 a side teams including goalkeeper
2. Rolling subs are allowed using a maximum squad of 10 players.
3. Games to be played on a 55 x 35 metre field. Junior size goals (approx. 4m x 2m) and a 9m x 18m goal box
4. Game duration will be 2 x 20-minute halves with 5-minute half time
5. All timekeeping will be run on a main hooter to ensure scheduling remains on time
6. The referee will submit the game result and goal scorers to administration
7. No coaching from on the field of play
8. Offside will be the retreating line based on 10th Grade rules during the NRF season
9. Retreating line in place but goal keepers can choose to kick from their hands if they wish however the ball cannot go over the half way line from their hands. Goal keeper may retake
10. Penalties to be taken from 9 metres out (from the goal box line)
11. Other match rules will follow normal FIFA rules
12. The referee's decision is final. This is a junior festival, and as much as winning is valued, so are the great values that come from sport. We ask the all coaches, spectators and players respect the referee at all times.





Fair Play and good sports

•The West Coast Rangers 10th Grade Festival promotes the FIFA Fair Play message of 'For the Good of the Game Always'

- Play to win – Play fair – Win with humility, lose with dignity
- Observe the laws of the game
- Respect opponents, teammates, referees, officials and spectators
- Promote the interests of football
- We are promoting Good Sports throughout the Festival and recommend that all teams elect a sideline ambassador
- There will also be a briefing on good sports for all teams involved

Playing Format

- All teams will be placed into a pool play format.
- Teams will be placed in pools based on their appropriate level grading in conjunction with their Federation.
- This is to ensure that games are played at the correct challenge point to ensure we make the weekend an enjoyable experience for everyone
- In alignment with New Zealand Football Junior guidelines there will be no posting of scores, no league table or knockout games.



Referees

- West Coast Rangers will strive to provide referees for all games. This as an opportunity for younger referees to learn and develop just as much as our 10th Grade players. We will also be ensuring we have experienced referees on site as well mentoring our younger referees
- If there is a situation where we cannot provide a referee for your game, we ask that you be prepared to provide a referee for one half of your game



Facilities

- There will be a range of hot and cold drinks and food available for purchase
- There will also be access to our changing rooms, showers and toilets available for players and spectators.
- We will also have site locations for marquees available which can be left up overnight if you wish **Festival**

We look forward to welcoming you to West Coast Rangers for a fun weekend of football

For any further Questions or information please email

Community@westcoastrangers.co.nz