

## MEMO 11 - 23

**To:** Queensland Clubs  
**From:** Football Queensland  
**Subject:** Game Day Player Sock Regulations  
**Date:** March 13, 2023

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Dear Clubs

Football Queensland is issuing a reminder to all clubs of the FIFA, Football Australia and Football Queensland regulations for game day player socks.

Tape used to secure club playing socks, and grip socks worn underneath, must be a cohesive colour to the club playing sock to ensure minimal confusion during referee calls on field, as at times, it will be the foot/leg/sock that is keeping a player onside.

Additionally, in these leagues it is a requirement to have different colour socks to the opposition, as per the playing kits submitted to FQ.

Clubs are advised that referees will be policing this standard by informing the player that there will be an incident form submitted if they take the field with the incorrect attire; this will then be passed on and there will be a fine sent to the club for not correcting their playing attire.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Please see over page the acceptable game day sock requirements.

## EXPECTED COMPLIANCE STANDARDS



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### SOCK TAPE PRODUCTS (ASSORTED COLOURS)



## FIFA EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

### 15 PLAYING KIT (3): SOCKS

#### 15.1

Socks that are part of the official Playing Kit for competitions have the following aspects:

**15.1.1** - Foot Area: The part of the sock that is not visible when boots are worn.

**15.1.2** - Leg Area: The part of the sock that is visible when boots are worn.



#### 15.2

Only one pair of socks may be visible on a player during a match. Each sock must constitute a single piece of material and must not be cut or altered in any way.

#### 15.3

Sock Colour(s):

**15.3.1** - The Leg Area of both socks must be the same dominant colour or feature a basic repeated geometric pattern (such as hoops) featuring two equally prominent colours, provided that such colours appear throughout all regions of the Leg Area.

**15.3.1** - Where the shirt displays a basic repeated geometric pattern (such as stripes, hoops or checks) featuring two equally prominent colours, the shorts are a different dominant colour, the dominant colour or the two equally prominent colours of the socks in that playing kit must be one or two of these three colours (as applicable).

**15.3.3** - The colour of any support bandage or similar item that covers any part of the Leg Area of a sock must blend in with the colour(s) of the Leg Area of the sock.



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