

MEMO 13 - 24

To: FQPL 3 South Coast Men Clubs
From: Football Queensland
Subject: FQPL 3 South Coast Men Player Eligibility
Date: April 26, 2024

Dear Clubs

Football Queensland was notified and has conducted an investigation into potential breaches of permitted visa players by Gold Coast Knights FC in the FQPL 3 South Coast Men's competition.

The allegations relate to the following fixtures:

- Gold Coast Knights FC vs Coomera FC (09/03/2024 - 4-1)
- Gold Coast Knights FC vs Kingscliff FC (16/03/2024 - 0-1)
- Gold Coast Knights FC vs Runaway Bay FC (23/03/2024 - 2-1)

It was alleged that Gold Coast Knights FC exceeded the permitted five (5) maximum number of visa players listed on the team sheet for those fixtures.

Outcome

Following the investigation, Football Queensland has determined that Gold Coast Knights FC have been found to be in breach of the maximum number of visa players permitted in those fixtures.

Accordingly, and in line with Football Queensland Rules of Competition, the following sanctions have been determined:

- The match results for the fixtures will be overturned and recorded as a 3-0 wins in favour of Coomera FC, Kingscliff FC and Runaway Bay FC
- Six (6) points will be deducted from the Gold Coast Knights FQPL 3 Men's team's total points for the 2024 season
- Gold Coast Knights FC will be fined \$200 per offence, with fines imposed totalling \$600, with \$400 suspended conditional upon no further breaches of the maximum visa player eligibility rule for the 2024 season.

Football Queensland reminds FQPL 3 clubs of their obligations regarding visa players in accordance with the Statewide Rules of Competition.

End.