

## **MEMO 60 - 24**

To: FQPLClubs

From: Football Queensland

**Subject:** 2025 FQPL Player Roster and Visa Player Update

Date: December 19, 2024

## Dear Clubs

Football Queensland wishes to remind clubs of the FQPL Visa Player Requirements for the benefit of clubs' understanding, as outlined in the 2025 Statewide Rules of Competition (Section 2.4.2).

The FQPL Visa Player Requirements align the Statewide Regulations to Football Australia's Regulations and have formed the basis of the Football Queensland Advanced Rules of Competition for a number of seasons.

The FA aligned statewide definition of an Australian Player will reduce clubs' likelihood of error and drive key technical outcomes by maintaining the match minutes at the highest available level in each region for Australian Players.

Clubs are strongly encouraged to familiarise themselves with the definitions in the Rules of Competition, noting the Visa Player limitations for FQPL competitions governed by the Statewide Rules of Competition remain unchanged for 2025.

In addition, all FQPL clubs are now required to submit a Player Roster document (template attached) containing all registered players in their Senior (First Team & U23) FQPL squads per Section 2.4.4 of the Rules of Competition.

Clubs must submit documentation for each player on their Player Roster for Football Queensland to confirm their status as an Australian Player, or Visa Player, as outlined in the Rules of Competition and pursuant to Football Australia National Registration Status & Transfer Regulations (NRSTRs).

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The following table provides examples of the types of documentation that can and cannot be produced to verify a player as an Australian Player:

Documentation Accepted	Documentation NOT Accepted
Australian Passport	Australian Drivers Licence
Australian Citizenship Documentation (pathway to citizenship NOT acceptable)	Australian Birth Certificate (in isolation)
Visa/Immigration documentation that clearly demonstrates Permanent Residency attached (Length of Stay = Indefinite)	Medicare Card (in isolation)
Australian Birth Certificate AND Medicare Card together	Visa/Immigration documentation without demonstration of Permanent Residency or Refugee/Humanitarian/Protection
Refugee, Humanitarian or Protection Visa/Immigration documentation	New Zealand Passport or Citizenship (NZ Citizens must produce documentation indicating they have been granted Permanent Residency into Australia)

Clubs must submit a fully completed Player Roster and associated documentation to their Region Manager, or FQ Competitions for FQPL Metro clubs, no later than **5 days** prior to their first competitive fixture of the season (FQPL or Kappa Queensland Cup).

The FQ Region Manager, or FQ Competitions team, will review each club's submitted roster and documentation and advise any compliance issues to be rectified prior to participation in a competitive fixture.

Once the Player Roster is compliant and approved, the Region Manager will confirm in writing to the club and indicate the club's approved FQPL Visa Players for the season ahead.

As the season progresses, should a club wish to use any player in an FQPL First Team fixture that is not on their Player Roster, they must re-submit an updated player roster, including the above regulated documentation for that player.

End.