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**TO:** All Clubs  
**FROM:** Damien Bresic – General Manager Football Gold Coast  
**DATE:** 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
**SUBJECT:** CMC Rule Update

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As confirmed at the Season Start Meeting held on (Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019).

Effective immediately in the Men's Premier League & Coast League Reserves, the substitute rule has been abolished and replaced with the "unlimited interchange rule".

This change will be reviewed prior to completion of the first round of fixtures to determine whether it continues for the whole season. Should it be deemed that clubs are gaining an unfair advantage or abusing the rule, then consideration will be given to reinstate the substitute rule.

As a result, the new wording of the CMC Rule will be:-

- 7.1.7 In the following competitions, each team can make up to three (3) substitutions in any given match, with no more than five (5) substitutes listed on the team sheet (maximum of 16 players named).
- Men's - Premier League & Coast League 1 (Excluding Reserves)
  - Women's - Premier League
- a) Once a player is replaced in the above mentioned competitions they may **not** re-enter the field of play
- b) In these competitions only, players who are named in the first 11 spaces on the team sheet or who have been noted by the match official that they were a used substitute will be deemed to have participated in the match. Any player not noted that they took the field will be deemed to have been an unused substitute and did not take part in the game.
- 7.1.8 In all other Men's and Women's Competitions (including Youth, PL Reserves & CL Reserves), unlimited interchange will be permitted, with a maximum of four (4) substitutes permitted to be named on the team sheet (maximum of 15 players) Only players' names that appear on the team sheet are permitted to take part in the match. A player who has been interchanged may return to the field for another player. In these Competitions, a player whose name appears on the team sheet is deemed to have participated in the match.