



OPTUS SMALL SIDED FOOTBALL AWARDS

Football Federation Australia and Optus have launched the Optus Small Side Football Awards to reward and recognise players, supporters and coaches who contribute to the sport and its development. These awards are designed to recognise players, teams and coaches who truly represent the spirit of football, fairness, skill, and the love of the game.

There will be three individual awards and one team award. Participation, development and commitment are the key for all award categories but especially for the 'Team Award'. Teams which are nominated for the 'Team Award' will receive a fantastic Optus Small Sided Football kit.

Lucas Neill Leadership Award

The Lucas Neill Leadership award is for a young player who's shown not only skill on the pitch, but demonstrated ability to push the squad and lead from the front.

They don't have to be the best player. Far from it. We're looking for someone who always tries their best. Someone who's always willing to learn new skills and helps other players to be their best.

The chosen player gets a signed jersey and a training session with Lucas Neill for them and their team.

Most Promising Player Award

The Most Promising Player award recognises a player who loves the game, but understands that attitude is every bit as important as skill.

We're after someone who respects the ref, team, but more importantly, someone who respects the opposition. Again, this player may not score every week. They might let in a goal or two. But if they can pick themselves and their team back up, that's who we're after.

The chosen player gets a signed jersey, and a training session for them and their team.

The Optus Small Sided Football Team Award

The Optus Small Sided Football team award recognises a truly great team. They don't all have to be the best players in the league; we're looking for a team that shows great teamwork, a love of the game and a good attitude. We're after a bunch of kids who just dig playing football together. Win or lose, it's about enjoying the game that counts.

The chosen team will get a much needed \$10,000 to go towards new equipment and training. The first 200 entries received in the Optus Small Sided Football Team of the Year Award will receive a Small Sided Football equipment pack including –

- ✓ 1x Small Sided Football pop-up goal set and carry bag
- ✓ 25x Small Sided Football disc cones and stand
- ✓ 12x Small Sided Football training bibs (sizes are not negotiable and will be decided by the manufacturer)
- ✓ 4x Size 3 footballs
- ✓ 3x Size 4 footballs

Optus Small Sided Football Coach of the Year

The Optus Small Sided Football coach of the year award is there to recognise a really top coach. We're not looking for the coach who knows the most but a motivator, someone who inspires the team to do the best they can regardless of how good they are.

The chosen coach will get a training session for them and their team with a top coach and team.

Instructions

We're looking for the next generation of football stars so make sure you tell your friends, family and your team's fans to nominate and vote. To enter into the awards, all you have to do is submit up to 250 words about why you, your team or coach should be nominated for the awards. You must also attach a photo or 1 min video with the entry so we can see the action.

To enter submit your details, including your club name and FFA registration number at www.optus.com.au/football

Entrants may enter multiple awards however only one entry is allowed per category. Entrants must upload video or photographic content to support their entry. This content must be unique to the entry; the same video cannot be uploaded twice.