



**2020 TAAF State Flag Football Tournament  
Men's 8 on 8 "A" & "B" Division**

***Entry Packet and Information***

Hosted by the  
City of Denton Parks and Recreation  
Department



# 2020 TAAF State Flag Football Tournament



- DATES:** March 13-14, 2021
- DIVISIONS:** Men's Class "A" & "B"
- ENTRY FEE:** \$250 per team. *(Double Elimination, 2 game guarantee either in winner/loser bracket.)*
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** Friday, March 5, 2020 by 5 p.m. **Entry form, entry fees, certified TAAF team roster are due by the deadline.**
- RETURN ENTRY:** You can register online, over the phone, or by mail.
- You can register online at, <https://bit.ly/3jDz3Qa>, Make check or money order payable to: The City of Denton
  - Call (940) 349-PARK during normal operating hours of Monday to Friday from 8 A.M to 5. P.M. to pay with a credit card by phone.
  - Certified Mail to the following address. Please make sure to send with plenty of time before deadline and notify the Athletic office.
- City of Denton – TAAF Football  
Attn: Chris Escoto  
2001 W. Windsor St.  
Denton, TX 76207
- FORMAT/BRACKET:** Double elimination bracket. Tournament brackets will be made available at coaches meeting. Brackets will be posted at [www.teamsideline.com/taaf](http://www.teamsideline.com/taaf). **Team's placement in bracket will be done virtually through zoom at the coaches meeting.**
- IMPORTANT NOTE:** You will not be included in the tournament bracket if we have not received your certified TAAF roster and COVID-19 waivers by 5 P.M. on Friday, November 27, 2020. If you are left off the bracket due to not turning in paperwork, there is no refund, no exceptions.
- RULES:** 2020-2021 Cavalcade TAAF Adult Flag Football Rules (Link Below)  
<https://bit.ly/3ldaRET>
- ROSTERS:** Rosters must be signed by your local Parks and Recreation TAAF representative and turned in with registration. **All participants are required to sign COVID-19 waiver and be turned in with roster.**
- AWARDS:** TAAF Awards Champion & Runner Up
- COACH'S MEETING:** Due to COVID restrictions, the coaches meeting will be Thursday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m. broadcasted through Zoom. Zoom meeting will be released closer to this date. Rules, schedules, coach's passes will be discussed.

- GAME TIMES:** Games will start on Saturday, March 13 at 8:00 A.M. depending on the number of teams registered.
- UNIFORMS:** Same color jersey with non-duplicating numbers including at least an (6) six-inch number on the back. The number on the front is recommended but not mandatory. Any shorts or pants worn must not have pockets per TAAF Cavalcade.
- EQUIPMENT:** Teams are expected to provide own footballs. TAAF will provide the flag belts and will be required to use. All players must wear a mouth piece.
- PROTEST:** All protests must be filed by the end of the game. Only a coach can file a protest. Judgment calls are not a basis for protests. You must notify the officials and scorekeeper so the protest is noted in the book. Please complete a protest form and submit with \$50 non-refundable fee in cash. Protests will be reviewed by the Protest Committee and the ruling will be final.
- TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:** Chris Escoto (940) 349-8523 Email: [chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com](mailto:chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com)
- TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:** Caitlin Essex (940) 349-8547 Email: [caitlin.essex@cityofdenton.com](mailto:caitlin.essex@cityofdenton.com)
- COMMISSIONER:** Adult Flag Football State Commissioner:  
L.R Heffernan, (281) 275-2885
- Adult Flag Football Asst. State Commissioner:  
Jerry Carlos, (830) 248-1635

**COVID-19 PROTOCOLS:**  
It is impossible to eliminate the risk of becoming infected by COVID-19 and other infectious diseases, however, DPARD is committed to implementing practices recommended in the prevention and reduction of the virus' spread. See below for rules and guidelines that must be followed.

- All coaches, spectators, and players are expected to adhere to the restrictions, social distancing, and face covering requirements of all facilities.
- Please ensure that any members of your family that plan to enter DPARD facilities are not currently running a fever or have recently shown related symptoms to COVID-19/influenza/other easily transferrable illnesses (COVID).
- No bleachers will be available. Everyone must bring their own lawn chair.

**DPARD Responsibilities**

- Will stagger games to avoid congestion and large gatherings in between games.

- Provide hand sanitizer and other cleaning materials for officials, coaches, players, and staff members.
- Provide proper signage and markings at facilities.
- Scorekeepers and Athletic supervisors will always wear face coverings.
- Officials/Umpires will wear face coverings when their duties do not require them to be active on the playing field or when unable to social distance from players and coaches. Staff and league officials will use electronic whistles to avoid excess saliva from traditional whistle.
- Staff and league officials will go through health screen and temperature check prior to each shift.

## Participants Rules & Responsibilities

- Please self-monitor prior to participating in tournament. If you do not feel well, please stay at home.
- All players will be required to use hand sanitizer prior to tournament. Players should clean their hands before and after games.
- Face coverings are required to enter/exit the facility and when gathering in commons areas. Face coverings are not required while actively participating in a game.
- Although face coverings are not required, face coverings are strongly recommended and will recommend gaiters to wear when unable to social distance from other players.
- Please social distance from other players as much as possible. This includes: player bench, common areas, etc.
- Avoid common practices of high-fives, shaking hands, team huddles, hugs. Alternatives: air high five, quick wave from opposite side, thumbs up etc.
  - No spitting, sun flower seeds, or gum allowed.
  - Bring your own water bottle. No sharing of coolers.
  - Bring your own equipment and limit sharing. If shared, please sanitize equipment between use.
- Game Balls must be sanitized before, in between, and after your game.

## Spectator Rules & Responsibilities

- Please self-monitor yourself, participant, and any other person who will attend DPARD sponsored activities. If you or anyone mentioned above does not feel well, please stay at home.
- Spectators will be limited to 2 or fewer per player.
- Spectators will be required to bring their own chair. No bleachers will be made available.
- Please sit with your family group and social distance from others by spreading out throughout the sidelines. Social distance circles will be marked.
- No spitting, sun flower seeds, or gum allowed.
- Face coverings are required to enter/exit facility, when gathering in commons areas, if you are considered high risk, and when you are unable to social distance from others.
- Please bring your own water bottle and hand sanitizer.

## Tournament Venue Locations

**Vela Sports Complex**  
3801 N. Elm St.  
Denton, TX 76207

**North Lakes Park Football Complex**  
3018 N. Bonnie Brae St.  
Denton, TX 76207



## Host Hotel TBA

Please visit [www.taaf.com](http://www.taaf.com) for the updated tournament packet with the host hotel information.

## Official Entry Form

**Entry fee, entry form, and certified team roster must be received by: Friday, March 5 by 12:00pm**  
*It is the Captain/Team Manager's responsibility to ensure The City of Denton has received your entry by the deadline!*

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

TAAF City Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Jersey Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Season Record: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIVISION:**  
(check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ Men's A

\_\_\_\_\_ Men's B

**COACH/CAPTAIN**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail, email, or deliver registration form and payment to:**

City of Denton – TAAF Flag Football  
Attn: Chris Escoto  
2001 W. Windsor St.  
Denton, Texas 76207

Make checks payable to "City of Denton"  
Call (940) 349-PARK to pay by phone with a Master Card, Visa or Discover  
[chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com](mailto:chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com)

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**Office Use Only:**

**Paid** \_\_\_\_\_

**Not Paid (Guarantee Form)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Paid** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Payment Method** \_\_\_\_\_

## CITY GUARANTEE FORM

***This form is to be used only by teams that will not have payment by registration deadline. This form should be completed and sent by your local TAAF representative no later than Friday, March 5 by 12:00 P.M. Teams are still responsible for turning in their certified TAAF rosters by the deadline***

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Jersey Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Season Record: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIVISION:**  
(check one)

\_\_\_\_ Men's A

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**COACH/CAPTAIN**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

TAAF Representative Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please Note:*** By submitting this form to the tournament host, you are guaranteeing that this team will attend the tournament with the proper paperwork and the entry fee will be paid.

**Scan and email this guarantee form to:**

[chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com](mailto:chris.escoto@cityofdenton.com)



# Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Official Team Roster Form – ADULT

Region

City

Flag Football  
Sport

Men's 8 on 8  
Division

Team Name

NOTE: 1.) Each player and team manager should read the statement on Page 2-4 before completing and signing this roster.

Print or Type Player's Name	Player's Signature	Bonafide Residence (Street, City, State, Zip)	Phone	Texas Drivers Lic or Picture ID#
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PU2.				
PU3.				

\*PU= Pickup player

**TEAM MANAGER'S GUARANTEE:** Each manager should read the statement on Page 2 & Page 3 before completing and signing this roster.

Manager's Name (Print or type)

Signature of Team Manager

Email address

Date

Manager's Address (Print or type)

Home Phone

Signature of local T.A.A.F. Representative

City Zip

Business Phone

Signature of Region Director or Region

Tournament Director (if applicable)

**City of Denton – Denton Parks & Recreation Roster Form**

Each team member/parents who signs this roster form acknowledges that he/she has read the Annual Waiver and Release of Liability and Player's Code of Conduct and understands all its terms and it is executed voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance. Both items are located on Page 3-4.





**PARTICIPANT'S RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

I ("The Participant"), in consideration of my participation in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation ("T.A.A.F.") Championship Competition hereby grant to T.A.A.F. the right to record, broadcast and otherwise exploit in any and all media throughout the world my performance in the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition and to use my name, likeness, voice and biographical information concerning me in connection therewith.

I assume all risks associated with my participation in the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition, and on behalf of myself, and my heirs, executors and administrators, in consideration of my participation in the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition, I hereby waive all claims against and release and hold harmless T.A.A.F., the sponsors of the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition (the "Sponsors"), and the host municipalities ("Hosts"), and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, successors and assigns, from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, causes of action, losses, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or in connection with my participation in the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition, including without limitation, death, any personal injuries or loss of, damage to or loss of use of property, which I may incur as a result of my participation in the T.A.A.F. Championship Competition, including any death, personal injuries or loss of, damage to or loss of use of property which may be the result of negligence on the part of T.A.A.F., and/or a Sponsor and/or the Hosts. I warrant that I am of legal age and that I have read and fully understand the foregoing terms.

**TEAM MANAGER'S GUARANTEE**

I represent and warrant that I am the Team Manager for the Team named on Page 1, that I am of legal age and that I depose and say that all of the information supplied on Page 1 is correct to the best of my knowledge and that all of the players signed the roster in their own handwriting and that they are eligible to compete with my team in the T.A.A.F. Championship play and agree to be bound by the rules and regulation of T.A.A.F. as contained in the Cavalcade of Sports.

**REQUIRED GUARANTEE FOR CHURCH DIVISION**

I represent and warrant that I am familiar with the membership roles of the church which this team represents and that all of the players on this roster (on Page 1) are actively involved in the religious endeavors of the said church and to the best of my knowledge each of the players are eligible to compete in the Church Division of T.A.A.F. championship play according to the rules and regulations of T.A.A.F. as contained in the Cavalcade of Sports.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certified by Church Representative  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED GUARANTEE FOR INDUSTRIAL DIVISIONS**

I represent and warrant that I am familiar with the personnel records of the company which this team represents and that all of the players on this roster (on Page 1) are full time employees of the said company and to the best of my knowledge each of the players are eligible to compete in the Industrial Division of T.A.A.F. championship play according to the rules and regulations of T.A.A.F. as contained in the Cavalcade of Sports.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certified by Industrial Representative  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF DENTON PARKS & RECREATION**  
**ANNUAL WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

In consideration of the privilege of allowing me to participate in any City of Denton Parks or Recreation Department (City) Activity, do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, covenant and agree to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the City, its employees, agents, successors, assigns, sponsors and volunteers assisting in City activities, from any and all damages, claims or liability of any kind, whatsoever, by reason of injury to property or third persons occasioned by any error, omission or negligent act by me.

I FURTHER DO HEREBY EXPRESSLY RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY, ITS EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN CITY ACTIVITIES, FROM ANY AND ALL DAMAGES, CLAIMS OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND, WHATSOEVER, FROM ANY INJURY TO ME OR MY DEATH OR DAMAGE TO MY PROPERTY, ARISING OR RESULTING FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN CITY ACTIVITIES OR TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CITY ACTIVITIES, OR MY PRESENCE UPON CITY FACILITIES, INCLUDING CLAIMS AND DAMAGES ARISING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE CITY, ITS EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS.

I acknowledge the danger and risk of injury from the classes/activities in which I will participate, and the contagious nature of infectious diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19, MRSA, influenza, and any mutation or variation thereof, and that I could become infected through contact with or close proximity to an individual, facility, or equipment with an infectious disease, and knowingly and voluntarily accept and assume the risk, both known and unknown, that I may be exposed to an illness, injury, and death from infectious diseases by attending or participating in the classes/activities.

I understand and accept that the risk of injury, infection, or death may result from the actions, omissions, negligence, or gross negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, the City of Denton employees, agents, and representatives, and other participants or attendees at the classes/activities. I recognize that all classes or activities of a physical nature involve some risk and by registering for a class/activity of the City, there is an assumption of the risk by me. I, the undersigned, have read this release and indemnification and understand all its terms. I execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

By participating in Denton Parks and Rec programs you consent to having your photo taken for marketing purposes.

City of Denton – Parks & Recreation  
PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

**WHEN THE GAME IS OVER THE OFFICIAL STILL HAS JURISDICTION OVER THAT GAME. THIS JURISDICTION EXTENDS TO BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER GAMES AND COVERS ALL PLAYERS/FANS**

The following applies to all sections: "Player" means any participant, i.e., player, team member, coach, manager, scorekeeper, or fan. "Official" means any umpire/scorekeeper or Denton Parks and Rec. staff.

- 1. No Player May:** Refuse to abide by an official's decision, threaten an official, or at any time lay a hand upon, push, shove, or strike an official.  
**Penalty:** Officials will eject the player or players from the game and report the incident to the League Office. The player or players will be suspended for at least the remainder of the current season, and possibly next season depending upon when in the season the incident took place. Second offenses will result in permanent suspension from all Denton Parks and Recreation leagues.
- 2. No Player May:** Demonstrate objection to an official's decision by throwing any object, and no object shall be thrown in any manner, for any reason, that an official judges to be dangerous.  
**Penalty:** Officials will eject the player or players from the game and report the incident to the League Office. The player or players will be suspended a minimum of 2 additional games.
- 3. No Player May:** Be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of the game against the body and person of any opposing player. This includes fighting before, during and after a game.  
**Penalty:** Officials will eject the player or players from the game and report the incident to the League Office. The player or players will be suspended a minimum of 2 additional games.
- 4. No Player May:** Be guilty of an abusive verbal attack upon any player, official, or spectator. Any use of profanity, obscene or vulgar language in any manner, at any time, will not be tolerated.  
**Penalty:** Officials will give a technical or eject the player or players from the game and report the incident to the League Office. Ejected players will receive an additional one game suspension.

**Ejected and Suspended players:** Ejected players must leave the facility and grounds immediately. Failure to do so will result in a forfeiture of the game. Suspended players are not allowed to return to the premises, even as a spectator, until their suspension has been served in full.

**The Game Official in Charge** may either suspend or declare forfeit any game where in his or her judgment there has been a violation of the code, making it unsafe to continue the contest.

**The League Office** has the power and full discretion of imposing penalties on all violations of Player's Code of Conduct. For any violation not explicitly stated in the code, the penalty will be at the discretion of the League Office.

**Incidents involving serious threats and/or vandalism to McMath Gym, Denia Recreation Center, Civic Centers, UNT Gyms, or any City sponsored facility. Will result in Police involvement, and may result in permanent suspension from the league and McMath Gym and/or Denia Recreation Center.**