

13 March 2012

Mr Eddie Moore
Chief Executive Officer
Football NSW

Dear Eddie,

Re: Colour of Undergarments

I can confirm that referees should not request the removal of undergarments that meet the requirements of FIFA's Equipment Regulations that were adopted by the Executive Committee of FIFA on 19 March 2010.

"27.1 Players may use Equipment items worn under the Playing Equipment, such as underwear, T-shirts and thermal shorts. Such Equipment items worn under the Playing Equipment may be separate from, or permanently attached to, the shirt or shorts. The Colour of any such visible Equipment items worn under the Playing Equipment must be of the same group of a basic Colour as the corresponding part (e.g. sleeves or legs) of a Playing Equipment item. In the event that a Player is wearing a short-sleeve shirt as a Playing Equipment item, a long-sleeve T-shirt worn under the Playing Equipment must be of the same visual appearance as the long-sleeve shirt worn by other Players of the same team."

The key words in this section are "of the same group" which can best be described as being the same "tonal colour". For example dark blue would cover both royal and navy blue.

Yours sincerely,



Mark Shield
Director of Referees