

Edor

Jarli from Wik Country mentions that she loves to play edor. Edor is a chasing-and-tagging game played by a large group of players originating from the Aurukun community of northern Queensland and the Torres Strait.

According to the Australian Sports Commission edor is a team sport in which the teams, goals, direction of play and who will start are all decided by the players and can change for each round of play. One player is elected as the Edor and this player is given five seconds before they take off, running towards the chosen goal. They must attempt to reach their goal without being tagged (touched) by a player from the opposing team.

If they are tagged by the opposing team the player who tagged them now becomes the new Edor. This player then runs towards their team's designated goal at the other end of the playing area. The direction of the game changes each time a player is tagged and the Edor changes. The game continues until a player is successfully able to reach the goal. When a player reaches the goal his or her team wins the round and all players meet in the centre of the field to start a new game.

If being played as a team game the Edor may tag a teammate to pass the Edor role in the hope of one of their teammates reaching the goal. Alternatively a physical object such as a ball can be used to identify the Edor. The ball is passed to the new Edor either on their team or the opposition if they are tagged.

Note: If playing with children it is a good idea to demonstrate the low level of force required to tag the Edor as opposed to a punch, a slap or a tackle.



Participates in games with and without equipment.

