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Introduction

- 1.1 The “National CP Football League” organising committee (hereinafter referred to as the “Organising Association”) are the host and organisers of the “National CP Football League” 2017/18.
- 1.2 The “CP Sport National Cerebral Palsy Football League” consists of 2 separate regional league competitions known as the ‘North Region’ and ‘South Region’, a ‘National Championships’, a ‘National Cup’ and the ‘FA Disability Cup’.
- 1.3 The North and South Regions comprise 4 separate Match Days held at central venues.
- 1.4 The National Championships comprises a minimum of 1 Match Day held at a central venue.
- 1.5 The National Cup comprises a minimum of 1 Match Day held at a central venue.
- 1.6 The FA Disability Cup comprises a minimum of 1 Match Day held at a central venue.
- 1.7 The “National CP Football League” shall appoint a Match Day Coordinator (MDCO) to oversee the planning and delivery of each individual match day dependent upon its location.
- 1.8 Any rights that are not ceded by these regulations to the Organising Association or any participating club shall belong to CP Sport.

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Title

- 2.1 “National CP Football League”

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Entries for the competition

- 3.1 As a general rule, only teams affiliated to The FA or the relevant County FA may participate in the competition through invitation of the Organising Association.
- 3.2 All competing teams must be affiliated to their local County Football Association and must supply a County FA affiliation number upon request.
- 3.3 All competing teams must be Charter Standard or be working to achieve this during the 2017/18 season.
- 3.4 a) All team must have paid the entry fee and all other associated costs in full prior to taking part in the competition.
- 3.5 Teams entitled to take part in the competition shall confirm their participation by sending the official entry form, duly completed, to the Organising Association by the deadline set by the Organising Association.
- 3.6 Entries shall be confirmed by sending the official entry form by post or e-mail to the Organising Association.
- 3.7 The Organising Association shall place teams in the relevant Division based on geographical location.
On entering the competition, the participating teams shall automatically undertake:
- 3.8 a) To observe these regulations and to ensure that the members of its delegation and its players also observe these regulations and the principles of fair play;
b) To accept the decisions passed by the bodies and officials of the Organising Association under the terms of these regulations;
c) To accept all the arrangements made by the Organising Association.

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Governing body decisions & Compliance

- 4.1 Teams taking part in the competition shall undertake to comply fully with the regulations and decisions taken by the Organising Association and MDCO
- 4.2 Any disputes arising from the application of these regulations shall be settled by the jurisdiction of The FA and, if subsequently necessary, by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).



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Roles & Responsibilities

5.1 All participants in the competition, regardless of their function, are required to conclude adequate insurance cover.

The responsibilities of the Organising Association shall include but not be limited to:

- 5.2**
- a) Ensuring that order and safety is maintained, particularly in and around the match venues and their immediate surroundings. It shall take adequate measures, if necessary by working closely with the relevant authorities, to prevent and restrain outbreaks of violence. The Organising Association shall ensure efficient entry checks and guarantee the safety and security of spectators;
 - b) Concluding insurance policies, in consultation with the FA to cover all risks relating to the competition's organisation, in particular, adequate liability insurance in respect of the venues, local organisation, members of the Organising Association and the MDCO, employees, volunteers and any other persons involved in the organisation of the competition;
 - c) Concluding liability insurance against possible spectator accidents or deaths;
 - d) Ensuring the presence of a sufficient number of staff to guarantee safety. The Organising Association is responsible for the behaviour of the staff while on duty

Each participating team shall be responsible for:

- 5.3**
- a) The conduct of the members of its delegation (officials, players and spectators), and of any person carrying out duties on its behalf throughout the competition;
 - b) Concluding compulsory health, accident and travel insurance cover for all the members of its delegation;
 - c) The medical and hospital requirements of their own players; including but not limited to provision of fully stocked first aid kit and an FA qualified first aider
 - d) Providing player registration details to the Organising Association by the date stipulated;
 - e) Arriving on site, a minimum of 60 minutes prior to their scheduled kick off time;
 - f) Attending a managers briefing with the MDCO;
 - g) Ensuring teams are pitch side 15 minutes prior to the start of their matches;
 - h) Confirming their match squad on the official match sheet prior to the kick off of each game, as requested by the MDCO.

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Financial Provisions

The following costs of Match Days shall be split equally between the participating teams, and agreed prior to the day:

- 6.2**
- a) Venue hire
 - b) Match Officials
 - c) Provision of match balls

With respect to travel, transport, board and lodging the participating teams shall, bear the costs of the following:

- 6.3**
- a) Travel to the venue
 - b) Board, lodgings and refreshments as required
 - c) Provision of warm up balls

6.4 Any expenses other than those mentioned in these regulations shall be borne by the participating teams.

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Trophies, Awards, Medals

North & South Region League Competitions

- 7.1**
- The winning team of each Region will be presented with a shield which must be returned on an annual basis

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- 14 medals will be presented to the winners of each Region

National Championships Competition

- The winning team will be presented with a trophy which must be returned on an annual basis
- 14 medals will be presented to the winners and runners up

National Cup Competition

- The winning team of the Cup competition will be presented with a Cup which must be returned on an annual basis
- The winning team of the Plate competition will be presented with a Plate which must be returned on an annual basis
- 14 medals will be presented to the winners of each competition only

FA Disability Cup Competition

- The winning team will be presented with a trophy
- 14 medals will be presented to the winners and runners up

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Player Eligibility

Each team shall ensure the following when selecting its representative team:

8.1

- All players must be registered on the relevant teams player registration form;
- All adult players must have reached the age of 16; age registration will operate from the 1st September 2017.
- Inline with IFCPF Competition Regulations – Version January 2017 and dispensation received from the FA, teams are permitted to enter mixed gender teams.

8.2

Player registration forms must be submitted to the Organising Association no later than 48 hours prior to the commencement of the National Championships or first match of the competition. Additional players may be added to the player registration form after this date, however in order to be eligible to play on a Match Day, players must be registered 48 hours before any given Match Day i.e. in order to play on Sunday 9th October a player must be registered by midday on Friday 7th October

8.4

Any team that is found guilty of fielding an ineligible player shall forfeit the match. Victory and the resultant three points will be awarded to the opposing team as well as the score of 3-0, or greater, depending on the score in the match at the time of abandonment. The team concerned may also be excluded from the competition.

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Classification

Each team shall ensure the following when selecting its representative team:

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- All players must be classified and registered as FT5, FT6, FT7 or FT8 in accordance with the regulations of IFCPF;
- Classification must be completed on the player registration form as a 'Club', 'National' or 'International' classification. This information will be cross-referenced with classification records held by the Football Association and/or IFCPF. Informal visits/checks may be made by league representatives.

9.2

Each adult team shall also ensure the following throughout each match:

- Each team must field at least one class FT5 or FT6 player at all times, or the team will play with one less player;
- Each team may have one class FT8 player on the field of play during a game. (If the class 8 player is dismissed, it is not allowed to replace a player in the FOP for a class 8 player.)

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- c) The 4th official (where appointed) shall make checks during substitutions that each team meets the criteria above. Final and full responsibility is, however, on the team management to ensure this rule is fully adhered to at all times.

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Competition Format

- 10.1** Separate North and South Region competitions shall be held
- 10.2** A separate National Championships, National Cup and FA Disability Cup shall be held.
- 10.3** The matches shall be played in accordance with a schedule drawn up by the Organising Association
- 10.4** Teams shall be placed in the North Region or South Region depending upon number of entered teams and geographical location. Each Region will comprise 4 match days with teams playing each other once per match day.
- The format and duration of play for each fixture will be communicated to all registered teams once all expressions of interest have been received.
- 10.5** The system of play shall be a league system with 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 for a loss
- The ranking of each team shall be determined as follows:
- 10.6**
- a) Greatest number of points obtained in all league matches
 - b) Goal difference in all league matches
 - c) Greatest number of goals scored in all league matches
 - d) Greatest number of points obtained in the league matches between the teams concerned
 - e) Goal difference resulting from the league matches between the teams concerned
 - f) Greater number of goals scored in all league matches between the teams concerned
 - g) Drawing of lots by the Organising Association
- 10.7** In all matches, a maximum number of 10 goals scored will be allowed to be counted for goals scored and goals against in any single match.
In the unlikely event that both teams amass more than 10 goals each in the same game, the winning team will be awarded 1 goal extra after the game is finished no matter the final result.

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National Championships

- 11.1** A draw will be made by the Organising Association to place the teams into 2 groups, equally split where possible.
The League Committee reserve the right to take into account geographical factors within the draw procedure.
- 11.2** The system of play shall be a league system, each team playing 1 match against other teams in the same group, with 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 for a defeat.
- The ranking of each team shall be determined as follows:
- 11.3**
- a) Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches
 - b) Goal difference in all group matches
 - c) Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches
 - d) Result of the direct match
 - e) Disciplinary record
- Drawing of lots by the MDCO
- 11.4** The format and duration of play for each fixture will be communicated to all registered teams once all expressions of interest have been received as mentioned in 10.4 of this document.
- The top 2 ranked teams of each group will qualify for the National Championships semi-finals:
- 11.5**
- A1 v B2
 - B1 v A2
- The winners will progress into the final whilst the runners-up will play-off for 3rd place.

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- 11.6** Teams finishing 3rd in each group will play-off for 5th/6th place:
A3 v B3
- 11.7** Where there are an odd number of teams, which therefore does not allow for position specific matches as mentioned in 9.14, the League Committee reserve the right to use a round robin format.
- 11.8** If any of the knockout & positional stage games (apart from round robin) end in a draw, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner in accordance with the procedure described in the Laws of the Game. For the avoidance of doubt there shall be no extra time.
Where agreed prior to the National Championships by the League Committee, extra time may be used for the 1st/2nd place match and 3rd/4th place match, but only where the match day format allows.
- 11.9** In all matches, a maximum number of 10 goals scored will be allowed to be counted, for goals scored and goals against in any single match.
In the unlikely event that both teams amass more than 10 goals each in the same game, the winning team will be awarded 1 goal extra after the game is finished no matter the final result.

12 National Cup

- 12.1** a) The Organising Association will place the top 2 teams from each Region, based on the Regional fixture programme, into a round-robin competition to compete for the National Cup.
b) The remaining teams from each region will be placed into a separate round-robin competition to compete for the National Plate.
c) The League Committee reserve the right to take into account the position of teams within their respective league (North and South Divisions) and geographical factors within the draw procedure.
- 12.2** The system of play shall be a league system, each team playing 1 match against other teams in the same group, with 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 for a defeat.
The ranking of each team shall be determined as follows:
- 12.3** f) Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches
g) Goal difference in all group matches
h) Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches
i) Result of the direct match
j) Disciplinary record
k) Drawing of lots by the MDCO
- 12.4** The format and duration of play for each fixture will be communicated to all registered teams once all expressions of interest have been received as mentioned in 10.4 of this document.
The top 2 ranked teams of each competition will qualify for the semi-finals:
- 12.5** • A1 v B2
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The winners will progress into the final whilst the runners-up will play-off for 3rd place.
- 12.6** Teams finishing 3rd in each competition will play-off for 5th/6th place:
• A3 v B3
- 12.7** Where there are an odd number of teams, which therefore does not allow for position specific matches as mentioned in 9.14, the League Committee reserve the right to use a round robin format.
- 12.8** If any of the knockout & positional stage games (apart from round robin) end in a draw, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner in accordance with the procedure described in the Laws of the Game. For the avoidance of doubt there shall be no extra time.
Where agreed prior to the National Cup by the League Committee, extra time may be used for the 1st/2nd place match and 3rd/4th place match, but only where the match day format allows.
- 12.9** In all matches, a maximum number of 10 goals scored will be allowed to be counted, for goals scored and goals against in any single match.
In the unlikely event that both teams amass more than 10 goals each in the same game, the winning team will be awarded 1 goal extra after the game is finished no matter the final result.

13 FA Disability Cup

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- Teams will qualify for the FA Disability Cup by finishing in 1st position with their respective division (North and South).
- 13.1** If a team is unable or unwilling to accept their place in the FA Disability Cup, then it shall be offered to the 2nd placed team in the same division.
If the 2nd placed team is unable or unwilling to accept their place in the FA Disability Cup, then the League Committee reserve the right to reallocate the place at their discretion.
- 13.2** The system of play shall be a 1 match, played as a Final.
- 13.3** The allocation of Home and Away teams will be decided by the drawing of lots by the League Committee.
- 13.4** The duration of play will be two equal halves of 30 minutes, with a maximum of 15 minutes for half-time.
- 13.5** If after the final whistle, the score is level, two equal halves of 10 minutes of extra time will be played. If following extra time, the score is level, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner in accordance with the procedure described in the Laws of the Game.
- 13.6** In all matches, a maximum number of 10 goals scored will be allowed to be counted, for goals scored and goals against in any single match.
In the unlikely event that both teams amass more than 10 goals each in the same game, the winning team will be awarded 1 goal extra after the game is finished no matter the final result.

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Organisation of the competition

- 14.1** The Organising Association is responsible for organising, hosting and staging the competition. It will appoint a Match Day Coordinator (hereinafter referred to as the "MDCO") as an internal division to oversee the planning and delivery of each match day.
- 14.2** All teams must register with the Match Day Coordinator at the time specified by the MDCO, at the venue on each day of competition.
- 14.3** Teams are to make their own way to and from the venue and they must arrive at the venue a minimum of **60 minutes** prior to the start of the day's fixtures.
- 14.4** It is the responsibility of the team and the team's management to ensure that the team is at pitch side **15 minutes** prior to their scheduled game's start time.
- 14.5** Any team that is not at the pitch 15 minutes prior to their scheduled game's start time may forfeit that game and the opponents awarded the points.
- 14.6** Any team that does not confirm their match squad on the official match sheet will not be permitted to start the game.
- 14.7** The Organising Association and its MDCO will not be held responsible for any travel issues.
- 14.8** All fixtures shall take place at a venue proposed by the Organising Association.
- 14.11** The dates and kick-off times of the matches shall be proposed prior to the start of the season by the Organising Association.
- 14.12** Kick-off times and pitch allocation of all matches shall be agreed by the appointed MDCO.
- 14.13** All competition pitches will comply with the IFCPF CP Football Rules and Regulations - Version January 2017, as shown in the National CP Football League Laws of the Game.
- 14.14** All matches will be played on either a 3G artificial turf or grass surface.
- 14.15** The footballs used shall be in accordance with the provisions of the IFAB Laws of the Game.
- 14.16** All matches shall kick off on the allocated pitch at the scheduled time, other than in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the MDCO.

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Withdrawal, Failure to play and Recruitment

- 15.1** The participating teams undertake to play all of their matches until eliminated and/or all of their scheduled matches are concluded.



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- 15.2** If a team refuses to play, it may be disqualified.
- 15.3** If, through the fault of any team, a match cannot take place or be played in its entirety, the MDCO shall declare that the match be forfeited (awarding victory and the resultant three points to the opposing team as well as the score of 3-0, or greater, depending on the score in the match at the time of abandonment) and may also exclude the team concerned from the competition.
- 15.4** The MDCO shall take whatever action is deemed necessary in the case of force majeure.

16 RESPECT & Disciplinary matters

- 16.1** The participating teams undertake to comply with The FA Disciplinary Code in force and the relevant circular(s) issued. In addition the teams agree notably to:
- Sign up to the FA Respect Programme
 - Behave accordingly
- 16.2** All yellow and red card offences will be dealt with by the match day coordinator under the delegated authority of the FA and relevant County FA.
- 16.3** All offences that would normally result in a misconduct charge will be dealt with by the relevant County FA in accordance with standard FA disciplinary procedures. To assist the match referees, all referee reports must be sent to Mr RC Smith, Discipline Department, The Football Association, Wembley Stadium, PO Box 1966, London, SW1 9EQ. The FA will coordinate the misconduct with the relevant County FA.
- 16.4** **Cautions**
All caution offences shall be recorded on the match sheet.
- 16.5** **Red Card Offences**
All red card offences shall be recorded on the match sheet.
- A player who is sent from the field of play will be suspended immediately and will serve the following suspensions from within the competition.
- Denying a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity :
1 Match suspension
 - Receiving a second 'yellow card' in the same match:
1 Match suspension
 - Use of offensive, insulting or abusive language/gestures
2 Match suspension
 - Violent Conduct or Serious Foul Play:
3 Match suspension
- 16.6**
- 16.7** All misconduct offences shall be recorded on the match sheet.
- 16.8** All misconduct offences shall be reported to Mr RC Smith, Discipline Department, The Football Association, Wembley Stadium, PO Box 1966, London, SW1 9EQ. The FA will coordinate the misconduct with the relevant County FA.
- 16.9** Any individual who is reported for a 'misconduct' offence other than those covered in the caution and dismissal offences will not be permitted to participate in any remaining games on that particular match day.
- 16.10**
 - Any player who receives 2 yellow cards in a group stage will miss their teams next match. All yellow cards will be cleared at the end of the group stage but any suspensions will still stand.
 - Any player receiving a red card will automatically miss their teams next match
- 16.11** **'Mainstream Football Suspensions'**
For clarity, if a player is serving a match based suspension for a sending off or accumulation of yellow cards from within mainstream 11-a-side football, he would still be eligible to play in the CP league due to it being sanctioned as a small sided football league;

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- 16.12** For clarity, if a player is serving a match based suspension for a misconduct charge he would be suspended from all forms of football and therefore unable to play in the CP league, even though it is sanctioned as a small sided league
- 16.13** A participating team can appeal a suspension by lodging an appeal to the MDCO no more than 15 minutes after the original decision.
- 16.14** The appeal must be written in English and give reasons why the appealing team believes the decision to be unfair; it should also be accompanied by a non-returnable fee of £50.00 sterling.
- 16.15** The appeals panel will be made up of 3 people, 1 person from the National CP Football League Committee who will act as Chairperson, and 2 other independent people appointed by the National CP Football League Committee.
- 16.16** For the avoidance of doubt an appeal cannot be made against a referee's decision on the field of play.

17 Duration of matches, Extra time and Penalty kicks

Please refer to previous sections in regards to each competition within the league. Points will be awarded as follows:

- 17.1**
- Win – 3 points
 - Draw – 1 point
 - Loss – 0 points

Please refer to 9.17

18 Kit and Equipment regulations

- 18.1** The participating associations shall undertake to comply with the FA Equipment Regulations in force. Players and officials are not allowed to display political, religious, commercial or personal messages in any language or form on their playing or team kit, equipment (including kit bags, beverage containers, medical bags, etc.) or body for the duration of their time in the stadia, training venues or any other areas where accreditation is required to enable access.
- 18.2** Each team should wear the official team colours, as stipulated in its official 'Team Colours' form
- 18.3** As well as its official team uniform each team should prepare a reserve uniform of a different colour. The colour of this reserve uniform should also be stipulated in its official 'Team Colours' form, and should be of a contrasting colour to that of the official uniform. The reserve uniform should be taken to each match.
- 18.4** Whenever, in the opinion of the MDCO, the colours of the uniforms of the 2 opposing teams or match officials are considered likely to cause confusion, the away team (named second on the fixture list) will wear their reserve uniforms, or alternatively changes will be made by in accordance with the decision made by the MDCO.
- 18.5** The uniforms of the 2 goalkeepers should be of colours which contrast clearly with the uniforms of the two teams and the match officials.
- 18.6** Throughout each Match Day each player must wear a number which has been allocated to that player on the official match day sheet. The numbering must be in a contrasting colour to the shirt and satisfy the following requirements: on the back of the uniform.
Players on the sheet must be numbered from 1 to 14 however numbers above 14 may be used by agreement in advance by MDCO. All players must wear the same shirt number throughout the entire match day.
- 18.7** Teams participating in the Competition must submit to the Organising Association, the uniforms their teams are scheduled to wear during the Competition, on a day stipulated by the Organising Association, and its approval obtained.

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19 IFCPF Rules and Regulations

- 19.1** All matches shall be played in accordance with the IFCPF CP Football Rules and Regulations - Version January 2017 laid down and published by IFCPF.
- 19.2** In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the Laws of the Game, the English version is authoritative.

20 Match Day Coordinator

- 20.1** A MDCO will be appointed by the Organising Association with the responsibility for organising each match day in accordance with the National Cerebral Palsy Football League.
- 20.2** The MDCO may, if necessary, appoint a bureau and/or a sub-committee to deal with emergencies. Any decision taken by the bureau or sub-committee shall come into effect immediately, but shall be subject to confirmation by the plenary committee at its next meeting.
- 20.3** The MDCO shall implement the regulations for the Competition
- The responsibilities of the MDCO include:
- Supervising general match day preparations, deciding on the match system, the draw and forming groups;
 - Determining kick-off times;
 - Choosing the official football and the stipulated technical material;
 - Stipulating team colours;
 - Match official's appointments;
 - Settling cases of force majeure;
 - Disciplinary actions in accordance with the regulations;
 - Judging protests and taking appropriate steps to verify their admissibility (Article 9);
 - Dealing with every other aspect of the Competition that is not the responsibility of any other body under the terms of these regulations.
- 20.4**
- 20.5** The decisions taken by the MDCO are final and binding.

21 Venue/Facilities

- The following facilities are required:
- Showers, washing facilities and toilets
 - Access to separate treatment and meeting rooms
 - Rapid access to qualified medical expertise
 - Appropriate fixture facilities
 - 2 x 60m x 40m 3G pitches or grass pitches
 - All pitches for fixtures must be appropriately marked
 - 2m x 5m goalposts
- 21.1**
- 21.2** Designated areas for spectators must be marked by an additional line, the use of cones, a roped off area or use of a temporary spectators' barrier. Ideally the designated spectators' area will be on the opposite side of the pitch to the 5 named representatives on the team sheet and 7 named substitutes. The designated spectators' area should start two metres from the touchline and run the full length of the pitch. This means no-one should be watching from behind the goals.

22 Match Day Forms

- 22.1** Unless otherwise stated by the MDCO teams are required to submit a match day sheet upon registration at the venue on each individual Match Day. A maximum of 14 players can be included on the match day sheet. Players on the sheet must be numbered from 1 to 14. All players must wear the same shirt number throughout the entire match day.

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- 22.2** In addition, a maximum of 5 team staff shall be named on the team sheet. Only these individuals will be permitted to enter the FOP area from the end of warm-up to the final whistle.
- 22.3** For the avoidance of doubt there may be a maximum of 7 substitutes who can be used in a roll on roll off basis throughout a match.
- 22.4** Not more than 12 people (5 officials and 7 players) shall be allowed to sit on the substitutes' bench. A suspended player will not be allowed to sit on the substitutes' bench.

23 Match Officials

- 23.1** The referees officiating at the matches in the competition shall be appointed by the Match Officials Coordinator from a list of trained officials provided by the Organising Association.
- 23.2** A referee and 2 assistant referees shall be appointed for each adult match where possible. Volunteers or trainee league officials may perform the role of the assistant referee.
- 23.4** A match official or volunteer must be appointed for each match to perform the role of the 4th official. This includes checking classifications and supporting the Referee to complete the Match Record Sheet.
- 23.4** The decisions of the MDCO are final and not subject to appeal.
- 23.5** Prior to the match both teams shall ensure players shirt numbers comply with those listed on the match form.
- 23.6** After each match, the referee shall fill in and sign an official match report sheet. The referee shall check the details and ensure both team managers sign the form before immediately returning it to the MDCO. On the report form, the referee shall note all incidents before, during, and after the match in as much detail as possible, such as:
- 23.7**
- a) Misconduct of players, leading to caution or expulsion;
 - b) Unsporting behaviour of officials, supporters and of any person acting on behalf of an association at a match;
 - c) Any other incidents.
- 23.8** All cautionable offences that result in a yellow card shall be reported to the MDCO only. This should be done via the official match sheet.
- 23.9** All red card offences, regardless of the severity of the offence, shall be reported by the match official to the MDCO. This should be done via completion of an FA Disciplinary Report, a copy of which should be immediately returned to the MDCO followed by return of a copy to Mr RC Smith, Discipline Department, The Football Association, Wembley Stadium, PO Box 1966, London, SW1 9EQ. The FA will coordinate the misconduct with the relevant County FA. .

24 Miscellaneous

- 24.1** The MDCO shall, in conjunction with the Organising Association, issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances that might arise in the host venue. These instructions shall form an integral part of these regulations.
- 24.2** Matters not provided for in these regulations and cases of force majeure shall be decided by the MDCO. All decisions shall be final.
- 24.3** These regulations have been ratified by The FA and come into force immediately.