

AMENDED CUBS TOURNAMENT RULES

(Under 6, Under 8 & Under 10)

1) Laws of the game

- 1.1 All matches shall be played in accordance with the laws of the game as laid down by the International Football Association Board including the modifications of the LFA-Mitchells Plain affecting the division/s.
- 1.2 The under 6 and under 8 matches the offside rule will not apply.
- 1.3 The under 10 matches, the offside rule shall apply.

2) Registration

- 2.1 All players shall be registered with their clubs and SAFA Cape Town.
- 2.2 To participate in the U6, U8 & U10 Tournament, all players and managers shall have a valid 2017/18 or 2017 SAFA Cape Town registration card.
- 2.3 Clubs will not be allowed to register or field any guest players, failure to comply with this Provision shall constitute a breach of the regulation and if found guilty by the Tournament Committee shall result in immediate disqualification from the tournament.
- 2.4 All clubs shall register their teams prior to the commencement of the tournament on the Prescribed form. (Registration date deadline before or on 8th September 2018)
- 2.5 The players as registered in the respective teams CANNOT be transferred to their club`s other or Vice versa. (Players will be cup tied in the respective teams they are registered with.)
- 2.6 The Registration Officer and his team shall be responsible for the tournament registration Including the scrutinising of teams prior, during the duration of the tournament.

3) Number & eligibility of Players

- 3.1 The maximum number of squad players shall be unlimited.
- 3.2 The RETURNING SUBSTITUTION rule shall apply in all matches.
- 3.3 All participating clubs are responsible for fielding eligible players. Failure to comply with this provision shall constitute a breach of the regulation and if found guilty by the Tournament Committee shall result in immediate disqualification from the tournament.
- 3.4 No player can represent a club he/she is not registered with, or play for two different teams during the tournament.
- 3.5 The number of players per side, in a match for the under 6 is 7 players
- 3.6 The number of players per side, in a match for the under 8 is 9 players
- 3.7 The number of players per side, in a match for the under 10 is 11 players.

3.8 U6 - Players born on or after the 1st January 2012 (boys & girls a year older)

3.9 U8 – Players born on or after the 1st January 2010 (boys & girls a year older)

3.10 U10 – Players born on or after 1st January 2008 (boys & girls a year older)

4) GROUPS & FORMAT

4.1 The tournament shall be played in a round-robin group stage, thereafter a knock-out format.

4.2 All team managers including the team shall to report 30 minutes before kick-off at their Respective fields of play.

4.3 Under 6 shall have _____ depending no of teams _____.

4.4 Under 8 shall have _____ depending no of team's _____

4.5 Under 10 shall have _____ depending no of team's _____

4.6 The Winners and Runner Up in each group shall advance to the winners section (last 16) the Remaining teams shall play in the plate section

5) Points System:

5.1 3 points per win

5.2 3 points and 2 goals per default

5.3 2 points per SCORED draw

5.4 1 point per goalless draw and

5.5 0 points per a loss.

5.6 Should teams end equal on points, the team with the best goal difference will advance.

5.7 If they are still equal, then the team with the most goals will advance, then head to head, Thereafter a “sudden death” penalty shoot-out will decide.

5.8 Any team that defaults their first match will be automatically be disqualified from the Tournament.

6) DURATION OF MATCHES

6.1 All Round Robin matches for the under 6 shall be 10 minutes a side.

6.2 All Round Robin matches for the under 8 shall be 10 minutes a side.

6.3 All Round Robin for under 10 matches shall be 15 minutes a side.

6.4 All knock-out matches in the division shall be the same as the round robin matches.

6.5 The U10 Final shall be 15 minutes per half and U6 & U8 shall be 10 minutes per halve.

6.6 NO EXTRA time shall be played, after full time if matches are tied in the knock-out, then three (3) penalties, thereafter sudden death penalty shoot-out shall come into effect.

7) OFFICIATING OF MATCHES

7.1 The referee will be the sole judge on the field of play and his/her decision shall be final.

7.2 Managers are reminded to be present when officials check all players' cards, and LFA Executive Committee Members shall be authorised to stop matches, deal with any irregularities reported during matches.

7.3 Two (2) yellow cards in separate matches will lead to an immediate 1 match suspension.

7.4 A red card is an immediate one match suspension depending on the seriousness of the offence.

7.5 The LFA Executive official/s has the full right to stop play or to request for the referee to Abandon the match, pending on circumstances.

7.6 No player, team management or supporter/s will be allowed to verbally abuse any of the referees, No matter what the circumstances.

7.7 Team managers including the clubs officials of the respective teams must take responsibility for The behaviour of each of the members of their teams, as well as their supporters, in extreme Cases, a player, supporter or manager will be asked to leave the premises of the tournament.

7.8 No protest shall be entertained during the tournament.

7.9 Complaints shall be lodged within 15 minutes of the match ending by the manager/coach or an Official of the club to the Tournament Committee

7.10 No Manager, Coach, Club Official, parent or supporters are allowed on the field during matches, failing to comply with the instructions by the referee or LFA Executive Committee Member, the Manager, Coach, parent or supporter/s shall be warned to comply, failing to comply or continuing to disregard the instruction by the Referee or LFA Executive Committee members shall constitute a breach of the Rules and such a person mentioned in the clause(7.10) shall be requested to leave the premises for the remainder of the tournament, failing to comply with the ejection, the referee shall abandoned the game and report to the Tournament Committee

7.11 The Technical area shall be the length of the touch line and at least a metre from the touch line

8) CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

8.1 All teams must have an alternative kit readily available.

8.2 The managers of the teams to familiarise themselves with the colours of the opponents in their Group/s, in the event of a clash of colours, the "Away" team on the fixtures shall be liable to Change kit.

8.3 The managers of each team will have to make sure that the team will adhere to the rule of Clothing as a player who does not adhere to the rule will be asked to leave the field to the Discretion of the referee.

8.4 Each team should have a match ball available before the start of play. The choice of ball is Entirely to the discretion of the referee.

9. CONDUCT & PROTOCOL

- 9.1 All disciplinary matters should be dealt with by the Tournament Disciplinary Committee of the LFA-MP.
- 9.2 NO foul language, violent conduct or abuse of any sort will be tolerated from any player / management team member or supporter of any of the participating teams.
- 9.3 NO alcohol allowed on the premises / NO open fires! As per City of Cape Town.
- 9.4 Teams are responsible for the behaviour of their supporters and shall be dealt with accordingly.
- 9.5 In an extreme case, the team will be expelled from the Tournament and further participation in the Tournament will be suspended, this is dependent on the discretion of the Tournament Disciplinary Committee.
- 9.6 The Tournament Disciplinary Committee shall be the sole adjudicator of all cases involving Breaches of the Tournament rules.
- 9.7 The Tournament DC's decision is FINAL; NO appeals will be entertained.

10. INDEMNITY & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY PARTICIPANTS

- 10.1 All teams enter the tournament at their own risk.
- 10.2 MPLFA (Mitchells Plain Local Football Association) its Executive Committee, SAFA-Cape Town (South African Football Association – Cape Town), Strandfontein MFMC (Facility Management Committee), their sponsors and / or the MPLFA CUBS Tournament Committee cannot be held responsible for any injuries, the loss of any personal property of any sort or life or otherwise, during any events described herein throughout the entire event.
- 10.3 Teams, players or supporters may be banned from the Tournament, without refund, as determined by the Tournament Committee, whose decision as to such banning is final and whose rights may be fully reserved. Please note, pending on the Tournament Committee outcome; teams, players or supporters can be banned from participating in the LFA-MP CUBS Tournament again.
- 10.4 The LFA-MP CUBS Tournament Committee / The Mitchells Plain Local Football Association shall be empowered to amend, alter and add to these rules at any time for the duration of the Tournament, if it is deemed to be in the interest of protecting the image of the tournament.

11. GENERAL

- 11.1 Matters not covered in the Rules shall be decided by the Tournament Committee, their ruling Shall be final and binding.