

MALTA FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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COMET – Guidelines for Matchday

In view of the imminent start of competitions, the guidelines below are intended to help clubs in their usage of COMET, the platform used for player registration and match sheets. It is important that Club users go through them carefully.

Clubs are reminded of the following important points:

- 1. All personnel that will or could be included in the line-up on matchday need to be entered in the system and confirmed by the Malta FA prior to the match. This applies to ALL coaching and technical staff who sit on the bench during the match (e.g. kit-managers, masseurs/physios, etc.). In the case of coaches and administrators, the requirements for registration remain the same (e.g. contract to be uploaded).
 - If an individual is not entered in the system beforehand, the club will be not be able to include that person in the line-up on matchday as his/her name would not show up.
- 2. As per Art. 11(iii) of Annex IV of Section IV Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players, to allow the Association sufficient time to process a registration:
 - At the very latest, players must be duly <u>and correctly</u> entered into COMET by midnight of the day preceding the last Working Day prior to the match in which they wish to participate.
 - It is to be pointed out that a player can only be deemed registered once his status is 'Confirmed'.
- 3. The responsibility of determining the eligibility or otherwise of players and officials (e.g. whether a player is suspended or not) remains with the clubs.









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- 4. As per Art. 18 of Section V Competition Rules, the responsible Official of the team must submit the Match Report Form **and hand a printed copy to the referee** of the match or to any of his assistants. In the case of the first team of a Club, this must be done at least sixty (60) minutes prior to the commencement of the match, and in the case of any other team, this must be done at least thirty (30) minutes before the commencement of the match.
- 5. The form used to change or correct the Official Match Report Form already given to the Referee shall remain the same.

A video tutorial on how to submit your line-up can be found here: https://info.mfa.com.mt/#twentynine

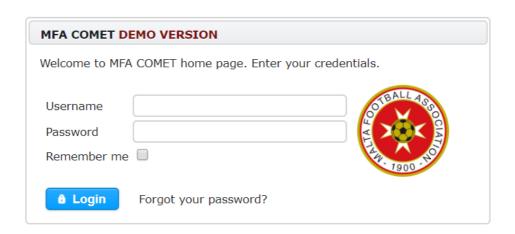
Yours faithfully,

Dr Angelo Chetcuti General Secretary

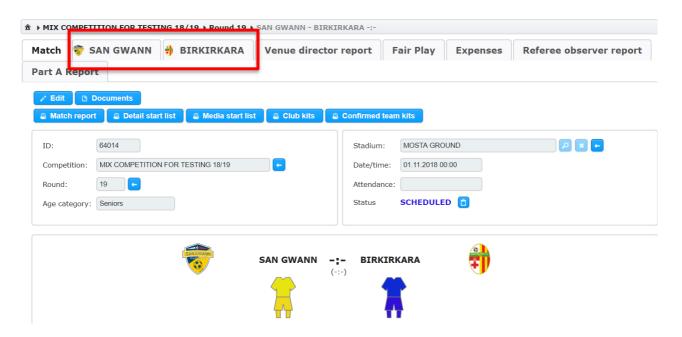
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1. Log in by entering your username and password:

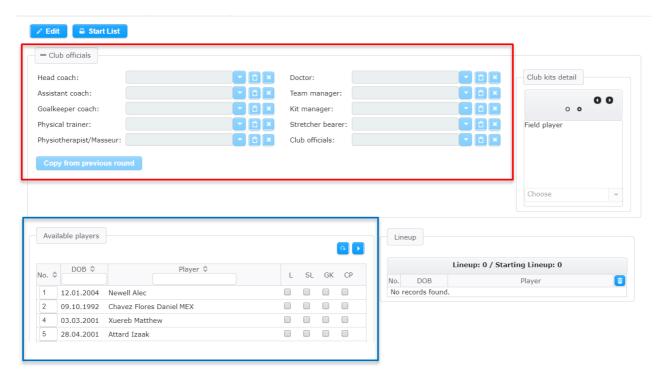


- 2. Choose the match for which you need to enter the line-up of your club from your **Home** Screen or by clicking on '**My Competitions'** on the Menu on the left, under the section 'Competitions'.
- 3. The Match Screen has the following elements with information on the match. :



4. Click on the tab of your Club, shown in red above.

- 5. In the next screen you will see the following:
 - On the top part of the screen (indicated in red below) there are the fields to fill out with your technical staff sitting on the bench, according to their roles;
 - On the bottom part of the screen (indicated in blue below) you will see that all the registered players with your Club are listed in a searchable list.



- 6. Click **Edit** at the top left of the screen.
- 7. The names of the technical staff can be entered in the respective fields. As soon as you start typing a name, you will be prompted with the Coaches and Staff members already registered with your club. It is very important to ensure that the staff members that are to be included on the match sheet are entered in the system (and confirmed by the Association) **prior to matchday**.

Search for the players to be included in the line-up and tick the respective boxes (marked in green below) depending on how they are to feature:

L = Line-up

SL = Starting line-up

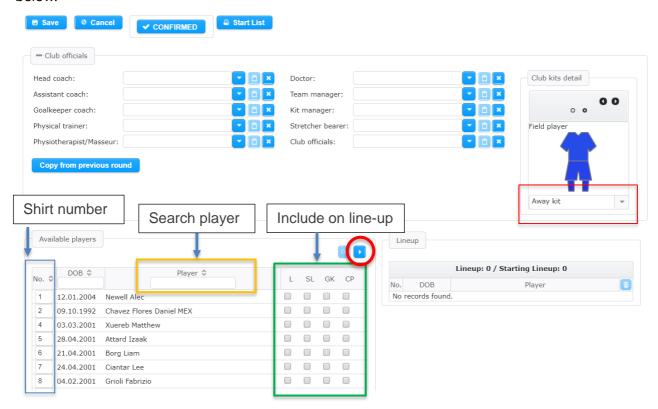
GK = Goalkeeper

C = Captain

Next, move the players ticked to the line-up shown on the right by clicking on the 'play' button, shown in the circle below ()

Shirt numbers are to be typed in the box on the left of the player's name, indicated in blue below.

You can also choose the kit colours from the 'Club Kits Detail' section on the right, marked in red below.



8. When your line-up is ready, indicating both players and technical staff, click 'Confirmed' at the top.



Remember that throughout the process, whenever you 'Save', you need to click on 'Edit' again in order to change or add anything.

Copy from previous round

You can replicate the line-up of your club from the previous match by cliking on

In the case of Technical Staff, you can click 'Copy from previous round':

9. You will need to **print the 'Start List'** - Click on 'Start list' and the line-up of your club will open in a separate window



Hand the print-out to the Venue Director (for Premier League only) or the Referee, as the case may be.

