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JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
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# LEAGUE HANDBOOK



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**PLEASE REMEMBER NO CONTACT AFTER 8PM UNLESS DIRE EMERGENCY**



## **MEETING DATES FOR THE SEASON 2020-2021**

All Meetings will take place via Zoom Online unless otherwise advised.

### **Club League Meetings**

#### **MID-SEASON MEETING**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 @ 7pm

#### **63<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 @ 7pm



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## Club Welfare Officer Roles and Responsibilities

### **1. To be clear about the club's responsibilities when running activities for children and young people.**

#### **This involves:**

- ensuring these responsibilities are well understood by others
- working with the Youth League Welfare Officer (YLWO)
- working with your County FA Welfare Officer
- promoting The FA's Respect Programme and helping to develop best practice processes

### **2. To help club personnel understand what their 'duty of care' towards children and young people actually means and entails on a day-to-day basis.**

In order to carry out your responsibilities you need to follow these five simple steps:

#### **a) Put in place:**

- a safeguarding children policy, anti-bullying policy and equality policy
- responsible recruitment processes including the taking up of references and submitting FA CRB checks (getting the right people into the game)
- The FA Respect Programme codes of conduct

#### **b) Understand:**

- what the Respect Programme aims to do
- the benefits of implementing the Respect codes
- the quick wins to be gained by using The FA's safeguarding children best practice guidance (e.g. Travel, Trips and Tournaments, Photography guidelines, Anti-bullying Policy and Safeguarding Children Policy Template)
- why certain roles require an FA CRB check and how The FA CRB process works
- how to refer a concern about the welfare of a child

#### **c) Communicate with:**

- club officials about the Respect Programme and its aims
- parents/spectators and get them to sign up to the Respect codes
- parents and new players by getting involved with running 'start of season' welcome sessions for members
- coaches and managers about the importance of being consistent role models for their players
- your Youth League Welfare Officer – introduce yourself, find out how they can support you and let them know what you are doing to safeguard children in your club
- your County FA Welfare Officer if you need help or advice
- The FA by taking part in surveys, questionnaires, focus groups as and when asked

#### **d) Encourage:**

- parents to complete the Respect education programme
- coaches, team managers, first aiders/medics to complete The FA's Safeguarding Children Workshop
- coaches and team managers to listen to their players' thoughts, ideas and views
- the committee to make use of the Respect Programmes designated spectator area at all games

#### **e) Monitor:**

- repeated incidents of poor behaviour and liaise with your committee (and where necessary Youth League Welfare Officer or County FA Welfare Officer)
- compliance with FA CRB checks through The FA CRB Unit for those who require one using



# THE ASSOCIATION'S SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN POLICY

Every child or young person, defined as any person under the age of 18, who plays or participates in football should be able to take part in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from abuse. This is the responsibility of every adult involved in football, thus every club is required to endorse and adhere to The Association's Safeguarding Children policy.

The FA recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people by protecting them from physical, sexual or emotional harm and from neglect or bullying. The FA is committed to working to provide a safe environment for all children and young people to participate in the sport to the best of their abilities for as long as they choose to do so. The Safeguarding Children Policy is supported by The FA's Respect programme to address verbal abuse and bullying of youngsters by parents and coaches on the sidelines.

The Association's Safeguarding Children policy principles are that:

- The child's welfare is, and must always be, the paramount consideration
- all children and young people have a right to be protected from abuse regardless of their age, gender, disability, culture, language, racial origin, faith or sexual orientation
- All suspicions and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately
- Working in partnership with other organisations, children and young people and their parents and carers is essential.

The FA is committed to working in partnership with the Police, Children's Services Departments, and Local Safeguarding Children's Boards (LSCB) in accordance with their procedures. This is essential to enable these organisations to carry out their statutory duties to investigate concerns and protect all children and young people.





We only  
do positive.



**PASS IT ON**

*Set the standards  
for a great game.*

*Use your position to set a  
positive example for the people  
you're responsible for and lead  
a better game for everyone.*

## **Play Your Part** (Code of Conduct)

### **Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials**

#### **Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:**

##### **On and off the field, I will:**

- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Encourage fair play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the Referee and encourage players to do the same
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive behaviour
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- Be gracious in victory and defeat
- Respect the facilities home and away



**RESPECT**

##### **When working with players, I will:**

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything
- Never tolerate any form of bullying
- Ensure all activities are suited for the players' ability and age
- Work with others (e.g. officials, doctors, welfare officers, physiotherapists) for each player's best interests

##### **I understand that if I do not follow the Code, I may be:**

- Required to meet with the club or league Welfare officer or your CFA Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO).
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave, lose my position and/or have my license withdrawn

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do Positive.*





*If we behave positively  
during practice and matches,  
our children will too.*

*By setting a good example, we'll help  
build a supportive environment in which  
everyone can enjoy themselves.*

## Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

### Spectators and Parents/Carers

**Play your part and support  
The FA's Code of Respect:**

- Have fun; it's what we're all here for!
- Celebrate effort and good play from both sides
- Always respect the Referee and coaches and encourage players to do the same
- Stay behind the touchline and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)
- When players make mistakes, offer them encouragement to try again next time
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code,  
I may be:**

- Issued with a verbal warning or asked to leave
- Required to meet with the club committee, league or CFA Welfare Officer
- Obligated to undertake an FA education course
- Requested not to attend future games, be suspended or have my membership removed
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents and/or issued a fine



**RESPECT**

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do Positive.*



*Play your best.  
Be your best.*

*Make sure you and everyone  
around you has a good time  
on and off the pitch.*

## Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

### Young Players

**Play your part and support  
The FA's Code of Respect:**

**When playing football, I will:**

- Always play my best for the benefit of the team
- Play fairly and be friendly
- Play by the rules and respect the Referee
- Shake hands with the other team - win or lose
- Listen carefully to what my coach tells me
- Understand that a coach has to do what's best for the team
- Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club
- Encourage my team mates
- Respect the facilities home & away



**RESPECT**

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code,  
I may:**

- Be asked to apologise to whoever I've upset
- Receive a formal warning
- Be dropped, substituted or suspended from training

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## ADJFL STANDARD CODE OF RULES FOR MINI SOCCER AND YOUTH FOOTBALL COMPETITIONS

### DEFINITIONS

1. (A) In these Rules:

“Affiliated Association” means an Association accorded the status of an Affiliated Association under the rules of The FA.

“AGM” shall mean the annual general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition.

“Club” means a club for the time being in membership of the Competition.

“Competition” means the Accrington and District Junior Football League.

“Competition Match” means any match played or to be played under the jurisdiction of the Competition.

“Contract Player” means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play under a written contract of employment with a Club.

“Deposit” means a sum of money deposited with the Competition as part of the requirements of membership of the Competition.

“Fees Tariff” means a list of fees approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Management Committee for any matters for which fees are payable under the Rules, as set out at Schedule A.

“Fines Tariff” means a list of fines approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Management Committee for any breach of the Rules, as set out at Schedule A.

“Ground” means the ground on which the Club’s Team(s) plays its Competition Matches.

“Management Committee” means in the case of a Competition which is an unincorporated association, the management committee elected to manage the running of the Competition and where the Competition is incorporated it means the Board of Directors appointed in accordance with the articles of association of that company.

“Match Officials” means the referee, the assistant referees and any fourth official appointed to a Competition Match.

“Mini Soccer” means those participating at ages under 7s to under 10s.

“Non-Contract Player” means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play for a Club but has not entered into a written contract of employment.

“Officer” means an individual who is appointed or elected to a position in a Club or Competition which requires that individual to make day to day decisions.

“Participant” shall have the same meaning as set out in the rules of The FA from time to time.

“Player” means any Contract Player, Non-Contract Player or other player who plays or who is eligible to play for a Club.

“Player Registration System” means The FA system to register players as determined by The FA from time to time.

“Playing Season” means the period between the date on which the first competitive fixture in the Competition is played each year until the date on which the last competitive fixture in the Competition is played.

“Rules” means these rules under which the Competition is administered.

“Sanctioning Authority” means The Lancashire County Football Association Limited.

“Scholarship” means a Scholarship as set out in Rule C 3 (a) (i) of the rules of The FA.





“Season” means the period of time between an AGM and the subsequent AGM.

“Secretary” means such person or persons appointed or elected to carry out the administration of the Competition.

“SGM” means a special general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition.

“Team” means a team affiliated to a Club, including where a Club provides more than one team in the Competition in accordance with the Rules.

“The FA” means The Football Association Limited.

“written” or “in writing” means the representation or reproduction of words or symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods, whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.

“Youth Football” means those participating at ages under 11s to under 18s.

- (B) Unless stated otherwise, terms referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term in the singular applies to the plural and vice-versa.

## GOVERNANCE RULES

### COMPETITION NAME AND CONSTITUTION

2.

- (A) The Competition will be known as The Accrington & District Junior Football League (or such other name as the Competition may adopt). The Clubs participating in the Competition must be members of the Competition. A Club which ceases to exist, or which ceases to be entitled to play in the Competition for any reason whatsoever shall thereupon automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.
- (B) This Competition shall consist of not more than 100 Clubs and 300 Teams approved by the Sanctioning Authority.
- (C) The geographical area covered by the Competition membership shall be 15 miles from Accrington Town Hall.
- (D) The administration of the Competition under these Rules will be carried out by the Competition acting (save where otherwise specifically mentioned herein) through the Management Committee in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of The FA.
- (E) All Clubs shall adhere to the Rules. Every Club shall be deemed, as a member of the Competition to have accepted the Rules and to have agreed to abide by the decisions of the Management Committee in relation thereto, subject to the provisions of Rule 7.
- (F) The Rules are taken from the Standard Code of Rules for Youth Competitions (the “Standard Code”) determined by The FA from time to time. In the event of any omissions from the Standard Code then the requirements of the Standard Code shall be deemed to apply to the Competition.
- (G) All Clubs must be affiliated to an Affiliated Association and their names and particulars shall be returned annually by the appointed date in a manner prescribed by the Sanctioning Authority and must have a constitution approved by the Sanctioning Authority. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

This Competition shall apply annually for sanction to the Sanctioning Authority and the constituent Teams of Clubs may be grouped in divisions, each not exceeding 14 in number.



- (H) Inclusivity and Non-discrimination
  - (i) The Competition and each Club must be committed to promoting inclusivity and to eliminating all forms of discrimination and should abide and adhere to The FA Equality Policy and any legislative requirements (to include those contained in the Equality Act 2010).
  - (ii) This Competition and each Club must make every effort to promote equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and by providing access and opportunities for all members of the community, irrespective of age, gender, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability or otherwise.
  - (iii) Any alleged breach of the Equality Act 2010 legislation must be referred to the appropriate Sanctioning Authority for investigation.
- (I) Clubs must comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA which are adopted by the Competition including, but not limited to, Charter Standard and RESPECT programmes. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
  - (i) As an FA Charter Standard League this Competition requires all its Clubs to have achieved FA Charter Standard Club status by 2012. The League management committee may expel any club that has failed to achieve Charter Standard status by this date. New Member Clubs have one year to achieve the Charter Standard club award. The League has the right to refuse membership to a Club if it fails to demonstrate commitment to achieving the award.
- (J) All Participants shall abide by The Football Association Regulations for Safeguarding Children as determined by The FA from time to time.
- (K) Clubs shall not enter any of their Teams playing at a particular age group in the Competition in any other competition (with the exception of FA and County FA Competitions) except with the written consent of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (L) At the AGM or a SGM called for the purpose, a majority of the delegates present shall have power to decide or adjust the constitution of the divisions at their discretion. When necessary this Rule shall take precedence over Rule 22.

## **CLUB NAME**

- 3. Any Club wishing to change its name must obtain permission from the Sanctioning Authority and from the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## **ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT**

- 4. (A) Applications by Clubs for admission to the Competition or the entry of an additional Team(s) from the same Club must be made in writing to the Secretary and must be accompanied by an entry fee per Team as set out in the Fees Tariff, which shall be returned in the event of non-election. At the discretion of the voting members present applications, of which due notice has been given, may be received at the AGM or a SGM or on a date agreed by the Management Committee.
- (B) The annual subscription shall be payable in accordance with the Fees Tariff per Team (where a Club has more than one Team in membership of the Competition) and shall be payable on or before 1<sup>st</sup> June in each year.



- (C) NOT APPLICABLE
- (D) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the entry fee, annual subscription and Deposit (if required) have been paid.
- (E) If requested by the Competition, Clubs must advise annually to the Secretary in writing by 1<sup>st</sup> August of its Sanctioning Authority affiliation number for the forthcoming Playing Season. Clubs must advise the Secretary in writing, or on the prescribed form, of details of its headquarters, its Officers and any other information required by the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (F) An all-female team can apply to the Competition to play an age group down in a mixed gender competition, subject to rule 8A(iii)&(iv) and provided the team has obtained approval from its Sanctioning Authority.

### **MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION**

- 5. (A) The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition who shall all be elected at the AGM.
- (B) Retiring Officers shall be eligible to become candidates for re-election without nomination provided that the Officer notifies the Secretary in writing not later than 1<sup>st</sup> June in each year. All other candidates for election as Officers of the Competition or members of the Management Committee shall be nominated to the Secretary in writing, signed by the secretaries of two Clubs, not later than 1<sup>st</sup> June in each year. Names of the candidates for election shall be circulated with the notice of the AGM. In the event of there being no nomination in accordance with the foregoing for any office, nominations may be received at the AGM.
- (C) The Management Committee shall meet as and when required, save that no more than three calendar months shall pass between each meeting.  
On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Management Committee the Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Management Committee.
- (D) Except where otherwise mentioned all communications shall be addressed to the Secretary who shall conduct the correspondence of the Competition and keep a record of its proceedings.
- (E) All communications received from Clubs must be conducted through their appointed Club Secretary or a Club Exec Officer appointed as interim in their absence and sent to the League Secretary. (except for submitting match results)  
Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

### **POWERS OF MANAGEMENT**

- 6. (A) The Management Committee may appoint sub-committees and delegate such of their powers as they deem necessary. The decisions of all sub-committees shall be reported to the Management Committee for ratification. The Management Committee shall have power to deal only with matters within the Competition and not for any matters of misconduct that are under the jurisdiction of The FA or Affiliated Association.
- (B) Subject to the permission of the Sanctioning Authority having been obtained the Management Committee may order a match or matches to be played each Season, the proceeds to be devoted to the funds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call upon each Club (including any club which may have withdrawn during the Season) to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any deficiency at the end of the Season.



- (C) Each member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all Management Committee meetings and have one vote thereat, but no member shall be allowed to vote on any matters directly appertaining to such member or to the Club so represented or where there may be a conflict of interest. (This shall also apply to the procedure of any sub-committee). In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chairman of the Management Committee shall have a second or casting vote.
- (D) The Management Committee shall have powers to apply, act upon and enforce these Rules and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Competition. Any action by the Competition must be taken within 28 days of the Competition being notified.
- With the exception of Rules 6(I), 8(H) and 9, for all alleged breaches of a Rule the Management Committee shall issue a formal written charge to the Club concerned. The Club charged shall be given 7 days from the date of notification of the charge to reply. In such reply a Club may:-
- (i) Accept the charge and submit in writing a case of mitigation for consideration by the Management Committee on the papers; or
  - (ii) Accept the charge and notify that it wishes to put its case of mitigation at a hearing before the Management Committee; or
  - (iii) Deny the charge and submit in writing supporting evidence for consideration by the Management Committee on the papers; or
  - (iv) Deny the charge and notify that it wishes to put its case of mitigation at a hearing before the Management Committee.

Where the Club charged fails to respond within 7 days, the Management Committee shall determine the charge in such manner and upon such evidence as it considers appropriate.

Where required, hearings shall take place as soon as reasonably practicable following receipt of the reply of the Club as more fully set out above.

Having considered the reply of the Club (whether in writing or at a hearing), the Management Committee shall make its decision and, in the event that the charge is accepted or proven, decide on the appropriate penalty (with reference to the Fines Tariff where applicable).

The maximum fine permitted for any breach of a Rule is £100 and, when setting any fine, the Management Committee must ensure that the penalty is proportional to the offence, taking into account any mitigating circumstances.

No Participant under the age of 18 can be fined.

All breaches of the Laws of the Game or the Rules and Regulations of The FA shall be dealt with in accordance with FA Rules by the appropriate Association.

- (E) All decisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7.
- Decisions of the Management Committee must be notified in writing to those concerned within 7 days.
- (F) 30% of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Management Committee or any sub-committee thereof.
- (G) The Management Committee, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill, in an acting capacity, any vacancies that may occur amongst their number.
- (H) A Club must comply with an order or instruction of the Management Committee and must attend to the business and/or the correspondence of the Competition to the satisfaction of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.



- (I) Subject to a Club's right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7 below, all fines and charges must be paid within 14 days of the date of notification of the decision.  
Any Club failing to do so will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Further failure to pay the fine including the additional fine within a further 14 days will result in fixtures being withdrawn until such time as the outstanding fines are paid.
- (J) A member of the Management Committee appointed by the Competition to attend a meeting or Competition Match may have any reasonable expenses incurred refunded by the Competition.
- (K) The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the membership of the Competition between the AGM or SGM called to decide the constitution and the commencement of the Playing Season.
- (L) The business of the Competition as determined by the Management Committee may be transacted by electronic mail or facsimile.

### **PROTESTS, CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS**

- 7. (A) (i) All questions of eligibility, qualification of Players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Management Committee or a sub-committee duly appointed by the Management Committee.
- (ii) Objections relevant to the dimensions of the pitch, goals, flag posts or other facilities of the venue will not be entertained by the Management Committee unless a protest is lodged with the referee before the commencement of the Competition Match.
- (B) Except in cases where the Management Committee decide that there are special circumstances, protests and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are founded) must be lodged with the Secretary within 5 days (excluding Sundays) of the Competition Match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn except by permission of the Management Committee. A member of the Management Committee who is a member of any Club involved shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of his Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined.
- (C) No protest of whatever kind shall be considered by the Management Committee unless the complaining Club shall have deposited with the Secretary a sum in accordance with the Fees Tariff. This may be forfeited in whole or in part in the event of the complaining or protesting Club losing its case. The Competition shall have power to order the defaulting Club or the Club making a losing or frivolous protest or complaint to pay the expenses of the inquiry or to order that the costs to be shared by the parties.
- (D) All parties to a protest or complaint must receive a copy of the submission and must be afforded an opportunity to make a statement at least 7 days prior to the protest or complaint being heard.
  - (i) All parties must have received 7 days' notice of the hearing should they be instructed to attend.
  - (ii) Should a Club elect to state its case in person then it should forward a deposit of £0 and indicate such when forwarding the written response.
- (E) The Management Committee shall also have power to compel any party to the protest to pay such expenses as the Management Committee shall direct.



- (F) Any appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing the appeal, accompanied by a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff), which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, in such respect the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to):
- (i) invite submissions by the parties involved; or
  - (ii) convene a hearing to hear the appeal; or
  - (iii) permit new evidence; or
  - (iv) impose deadlines as are appropriate.
- Any appeal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.
- (G) No appeal can be lodged against a decision taken at an AGM or SGM unless this is on the ground of unconstitutional **conduct**.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

8. (A) The AGM shall be held not later than 30<sup>th</sup> June in each year. At this meeting the following business shall be transacted provided that at least 51% members are present and entitled to vote:-
- (i) To receive and confirm the minutes of the preceding AGM.
  - (ii) To receive and adopt the annual report, balance sheet and statement of accounts.
  - (iii) Election of Clubs to fill vacancies.
  - (iv) Constitution of the Competition for the ensuing Season.
  - (v) Election of Officers of the Competition and the Management Committee members.
  - (vi) Appointment of auditors.
  - (vii) Alteration of Rules, if any (see Rule 14).
  - (viii) Fix the date for the commencement of the Playing Season and kick off times applicable to the Competition.
  - (ix) Fix the date for the end of the Playing Season.
  - (x) Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted as being relevant to an AGM.
- (B) A copy of the duly audited balance sheet, statement of accounts and agenda shall be forwarded to each Club at least 14 days prior to the meeting together with any proposed Rule changes.
- (C) A signed copy of the duly audited balance sheet and statement of accounts shall be sent to the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of its adoption by the AGM.
- (D) Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to an AGM. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. 14 days' notice shall be given of any AGM.
- (E) Clubs who have withdrawn their membership of the Competition during the Playing Season being concluded or who are not continuing membership shall be entitled to attend but shall vote only on matters relating to the Season being concluded. This provision will not apply to Clubs expelled in accordance with Rule 12.
- (F) All voting shall be conducted by a show of voting cards unless a ballot be demanded by at least 50% of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chairman so decides.



- (G) No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Club.
- (H) Any continuing Club must be represented at the AGM. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (I) Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an AGM.
- (J) Where a Competition is an incorporated entity, the Officers of the Competition shall ensure that the Articles of Association of the Competition are consistent with the requirements of these Rules.

### **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

9. Upon receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Clubs in membership the Secretary shall call a SGM.  
The Management Committee may call a SGM at any time.
- At least seven (7) days' notice shall be given of a meeting under this Rule, together with an agenda of the business to be transacted at such meeting.
- Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all SGMs. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only.
- Any Club failing to be represented at a SGM shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all SGMs.

### **AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED**

10. Each Club shall complete and sign the following agreement which shall be deposited with the Competition together with the application for membership for the coming Season, or upon indicating that the Club intends to compete.
- "We, (A), (name) [ ] of (address) [ ] (Chairman)/Director and (B) (name) [ ] of (address) [ ] (Secretary/Director) of [ ] Football Club (Limited) have been provided with a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the [ ] Competition and do hereby agree for and on behalf of the said Club, if elected or accepted into membership, to conform to those Rules and Regulations and to accept, abide by and implement the decisions of the Management Committee of the Competition, subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7."

The agreement shall be signed by:

- (i) Where a Club is an unincorporated association, the Club chairman and secretary; or
- (ii) Where a Club is an incorporated entity, two directors of the Club.

Any alteration of the chairman and /or secretary of the Club on the above agreement must be notified to the [ ] County Football Association(s) to which the Club is affiliated and to the Secretary. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

### **CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP, WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB**

11. (A) NOT APPLICABLE
- (B) The Management Committee shall have the discretion to deal with a Team being unable to start or complete its fixtures for a Playing Season, including but not limited to, issuing a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (C) Notwithstanding the powers of the Management Committee pursuant to Rule 6(I), in the event of a Club failing to discharge all its financial obligations to the Competition in excess of £50, the Management Committee shall be empowered to refer the debt under The FA Football Debt Recovery provisions.



## **EXCLUSION OF CLUBS OR TEAM. MISCONDUCT OF CLUBS, OFFICERS, PLAYERS, MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

12. (A) At the AGM or SGM called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9, notice of motion having been duly circulated on the agenda by direction of the Management Committee, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to: (i) remove a member of the Management Committee from office, (ii) exclude any Club or Team from membership, both of which must be supported by more than two-thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A member of the Management Committee or Club which is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.
- (B) At the AGM, or at a SGM called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude from further participation in the Competition any *Club or Team* whose conduct has, in their opinion, been undesirable, which must be supported by more than two-thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A Club whose conduct is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.
- (C) Any Officer or member of a Club proved guilty of either a breach of Rule, other than field offences, or of inducing or attempting to induce a Player or Players of another Club in the Competition to join them shall be liable to such penalty as a General Meeting or Management Committee may decide, and their Club shall also be liable to expulsion in accordance with the provisions of clauses (A) and/or (B) of this Rule.

## **TROPHY**

13. (A) The following agreement shall be signed on behalf of the winners of the cup or trophy:-  
"We A [name] and B [name], the Chairman and Secretary of [ ] FC(Limited), members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of [ ] cup or trophy, and it having been delivered to us by the Competition, do hereby on behalf of the Club jointly and severally agree to return the cup or trophy to the Competition Secretary on or before [ ]. If the cup or trophy is lost or damaged whilst under our care, we agree to refund to the Competition the amount of its current value or the cost of its thorough repair."  
Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (B) At the close of each Competition awards may/shall be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.

## **ALTERATION TO RULES**

14. Alterations, for which consent has been given by the Sanctioning Authority, shall be made to these Rules only at the AGM or at a SGM specially convened for the purpose called in accordance with Rule 9. Any alteration made during the Playing Season to these Rules shall not take effect until the following Playing Season.  
Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the AGM shall be submitted to the Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> April in each year. The proposals, together with any proposals by the Management Committee, shall be circulated to the Clubs by 14<sup>th</sup> May and any amendments thereto shall be submitted to the Secretary by 28<sup>th</sup> May. The proposals and proposed amendments thereto shall be circulated to Clubs with the notice of the AGM. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of those present, entitled to vote and voting are in favour.  
A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the AGM or SGM shall be submitted to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA (as applicable) at least 28 days prior to the date of the meeting.





## FINANCE

15. (A) The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds of the Competition will be lodged.
- (B) All expenditure in excess of £500 shall be approved by the Management Committee. Cheques shall be signed by at least two Officers nominated by the Management Committee.
- (C) The financial year of the Competition will end on 30<sup>th</sup> May.
- (D) The books, or a certified balance sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be audited/verified annually by a suitably qualified person(s) who shall be appointed at the AGM.
- (E) The League will use Go Cardless to collect all fees/fines from its registered club members (Subject to them opting in and registering to this service)

## INSURANCE

16. (A) All Clubs must have valid public liability insurance cover of at least ten million pounds (£10,000,000) at all times.
- (B) All Clubs must have valid personal accident cover for all Players registered with them from time to time. The Players' personal accident insurance cover must be in place prior to the Club taking part in any Competition Match and shall be at least equal to the minimum recommended cover determined from time to time by the Sanctioning Authority. In instances where The FA is the Sanctioning Authority, the minimum recommended cover will be the cover required by the Affiliated Association to which a Club affiliates.  
Failure to comply with Rule 16(A) or 16(B) will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## DISSOLUTION

17. (A) Dissolution of the Competition shall be by resolution approved at a SGM by a majority of three quarters (3/4) of the members present and shall take effect from the date of the relevant SGM.
- (B) In the event of the dissolution of the Competition, the members of the Management Committee are responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the Competition.
- (C) The Management Committee shall deal with any surplus assets as follows:
  - (i) Any surplus assets, save for a trophy or any other presentation, remaining after the discharge of the debts and liabilities of the Competition shall be transferred only to another Competition or Affiliated Association or The Football Association Benevolent Fund or to such other charitable or benevolent object in the locality of the Competition as determined by resolution at or before the time of winding up, and approved in writing by the Sanctioning Authority.
  - (ii) If a Competition is discontinued for any reason a trophy or any other presentation shall be returned to the donor if the conditions attached to it so provide or, if not, dealt with as the Sanctioning Authority may decide.



## MATCH RELATED RULES

### QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

18. (A) A Player is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has:-

1. Registered through the FA Player Registration System and received approval from the Competition.

Any registration that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the Club unprocessed and the player classed as unregistered. If a Club attempts to register a player via the Player Registration System but does not fully and correctly complete the necessary information via the Player Registration System, the registration will not be processed.

For Clubs registering Players via the Player Registration System Clubs must access the Player Registration System in order to complete the registration process. The registration document must incorporate a current passport-size photograph of the Player seeking registration together with confirmation that the Player's proof of date of birth has been checked by the Club and is accurate.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (B) (i) Contract Players are not permitted in this Competition with the exception of those Players who are registered under contract with the same Club who have a Team operating at Steps 1 to 6 of the National League System.

It is the responsibility of each Club to ensure that any Player registered to the Club has, where necessary, the required International Transfer Certificate. Clearance is required for any Player aged 10 and over crossing borders including Wales, Scotland and Ireland.

- (ii) A Player registered with a Premier League or English Football League Academy under the Elite Player Performance Plan contained within Youth Development Rules will not be permitted to play in this Competition. Details of the Youth Development Rules are published on The FA website. A Player registered with a FA Girls' Regional Talent Club may play in this Competition subject to the FA Programme for Excellence (Female) Regulations.

- (iii) Each Team must have the following number of Players registered 14 days before the start of each Playing Season:

FORMAT	MINIMUM NUMBER
5v5	5
7v7	7
9v9	9
11v11	11

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.



- (C) A child who has not attained the age of 6 shall not play, and shall not be permitted or encouraged to play, in a match of any kind.

The relevant age for each Player is determined by his or her age as at midnight on 31 August of the relevant Playing Season i.e., children who are aged 6 as at midnight on 31 August in a Playing Season (together with those who attain the age of 6 during the Playing Season) will be classed as Under 7 Players for that Playing Season. Children who are aged 7 as at midnight on 31 August in a Playing Season will be classed as Under 8 Players for that Playing Season, and so on.

Notwithstanding the above, a child is permitted to play up in the age group above his or her chronological age group, irrespective of any changes of format or competition structure, save that a child who attains the age of 6 after 31 August is permitted to play only in the Under 7 age group, and may not play in the Under 8 age group, for that Playing Season. Girls in all female teams may also be permitted to play an age group down in accordance with Rule 4(F).

The age groups that children are eligible to play in are set out in the table below, subject to Rule 4(F), along with the permitted football formats for each of those age groups. Children shall not play, and shall not be permitted or encouraged to play, in a match between sides of more than the stated number of players, according to their age group:

Age on 31 August of the relevant Playing Season	Eligible Age Groups	Maximum Permitted Format	Minimum Pitch Sizes		Maximum Pitch Sizes		Recommended Goal Sizes in feet	Ball Size
			Yards	Meters	Yards	Meters		
6	Under 7	5v5	30 x 20	27.45 x 18.3	40 x 30	36.3 x 27.45	12 x 6	3
	Under 8		30 x 20	27.45 x 18.3	40 x 30	36.3 x 27.45	12 x 6	
7	Under 8	5v5	30 x 20	27.45 x 18.3	40 x 30	36.3 x 27.45	12 x 6	3
	Under 9	7v7	50 x 30	45.75 x 27.45	60 x 40	54.9 x 36.6	12 x 6	
8	Under 9	7v7	50 x 30	45.75 x 27.45	60 x 40	54.9 x 36.6	12 x 6	3
	Under 10		50 x 30	45.75 x 27.45	60 x 40	54.9 x 36.6	12 x 6	3
9	Under 10	7v7	50 x 30	45.75 x 27.45	60 x 40	54.9 x 36.6	12 x 6	3
	Under 11	9v9	70 x 40	64 x 36.6	80 x 50	73.15 x 45.75	16 x 7	4
10	Under 11	9v9	70 x 40	64 x 36.6	80 x 50	73.15 x 45.75	16 x 7	4
	Under 12		70 x 40	64 x 36.6	80 x 50	73.15 x 45.75	16 x 7	
11	Under 12	9v9	70 x 40	64 x 36.6	80 x 50	73.15 x 45.75	16 x 7	4
	Under 13	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	
12	Under 13	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	4
	Under 14		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	
13	Under 14	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	4
	Under 15		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5
14	Under 15	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5
	Under 16		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8	
15	Under 16	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5
	Under 17		100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8	
	Under 18		100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8	
16	Under 17	11v11	100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8	5
	Under 18		100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8	
	Open Age		100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8	

- (D) A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff shall be paid by each Club/Team for each Player registered, if applicable.



- (E) The Management Committee shall decide all registration disputes taking into account the following.
- (i) A Player shall not be permitted to register for more than one Club subject to the exceptions set out in Rule 18 (E)(iii) below.
  - (ii) In the event of a Player signing a registration form or having a registration submitted for more than one Club priority of registration shall decide for which Club the Player shall be registered. The Secretary shall notify the Club last applying to register the Player of the fact of the previous registration subject to the exceptions set out in Rule 18 (E)(iii) below.
  - (iii) A Player is only permitted to register for more than one Club provided that:
    - a. The Team(s) in which the Player plays in are not in the same age group; or
    - b. Except for the purpose of a transfer.And the Player meets the requirements in Rule 18(C).
- (F) It shall be a breach of these Rules for a Player to: -
- (i) Play for more than one Team in the same age group in the Competition in the same Playing Season without first being transferred.
  - (ii) Having registered for one Club in the Competition, register for another Club in the Competition in that Playing Season, except if the provisions set out in Rule 18 (E)(iii) apply.
  - (iii) Submit a signed registration form or submit a registration through the Player Registration System for registration for registration that the Player had wilfully neglected to accurately or fully complete.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (G) (i) The Management Committee shall have the power to accept the registration of any Player subject to the provisions of Rule 18(G)(ii) and (iii) below.
- (ii) The Management Committee shall have power to refuse, cancel or suspend the registration of any Player, the exercise of such power being without prejudice to the Management Committee's ability to fine a Club at its discretion (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) that has been charged and found guilty of registration irregularities (subject to Rule 7).
- (iii) The Management Committee shall have the power to refuse or cancel the registration of any Player charged and found guilty of undesirable conduct (subject to Rule 7) subject to the right of appeal to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA. Where the Management Committee does not have enough information to enable it to make a decision pursuant to the above power, it may apply, in its absolute discretion, to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA for further information.
- Undesirable conduct shall mean an incident of repeated proven misconduct, which may deter a Participant from being involved in this Competition.
- (iv) For a Player who has previously had a registration removed in accordance with Rule 18(G)(iii) but has a registration accepted at the expiry of exclusion will be considered to be under a probationary period of 12 months. Whilst under a probationary period, should the Player commit a further act of proven misconduct under the jurisdiction of the Competition, (excluding standard dismissals), the Competition would be empowered to consider a further charge of bringing the Competition into disrepute.

(Note: Action under Rule 18(G)(iii) shall only be taken against a Player in cases of the Player



bringing the Competition into disrepute and will in any event be subject to an appeal to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA. All decisions must include the period of restriction. For the purpose of this Rule, bringing the Competition into disrepute can only be considered where the Player has received in excess of 112 days' suspension, or 10 matches in match-based discipline, in any competition (and is not restricted to the Competition) in a period of two years or less from the date of the first offence.)

- (H) Subject to compliance with FA Rule C2(a) when a Club wishes to register a player who is already registered with another club it shall submit a transfer form (in a format as determined by the Competition) to the Competition accompanied by a fee as set out in the Fees Tariff. Such transfer shall be referred by the Competition to the club for which the player is registered. Should this club object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the Competition and to the player concerned within 3 days of receipt of the notification. Upon receipt of the Club's consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within 3 days, the Secretary may, on behalf of the Management Committee, transfer the player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club from such date or 3 days after receipt of such transfer.

In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee for a decision.

- (I) A Player may not be registered for a Club nor transferred to another Club in the Competition after 1<sup>st</sup> May (for the remainder of the 2020-2021 season only) except by special permission of the Management Committee.
- (J) A Club shall keep a list of the Players it registers and a record of all matches in which those Players have played for the Club and shall produce such records upon demand by the Management Committee.

In the event a Club has more than one Team in an age group, each Team must be clearly identifiable but not designated 'A' or 'B' or 1st or 2nd. In such cases, Players will be registered for one Team only. A Player so registered will be allowed to play for his Club in a younger or older age group within the provisions of Rule 18(C).

- (i) Any Club wishing to play any player up an age group must notify the league 3 days prior to the game and we will only permit a player to play up a maximum of 4 times within any one season.
- (K) A register containing the names of all Players registered for each Club with the date of registration, shall be kept by the Secretary and shall be open to the inspection of an Officer of the Club at all Management Committee meetings or at other times mutually arranged. Registrations are valid for one Playing Season only.

In the event of a Non-Contract Player changing his status to that of a Contract Player with the same Club, another Club in the Competition or with a club in another competition his registration as a Non-Contract Player will automatically be cancelled and declared void unless the Club conforms to the exception detailed in Rule 18(B)(i).

- ~~(L) A Player shall not be eligible to play for a Team in any special championship, promotion or relegation deciding Competition Match (as specified in Rule 22(A)) unless the Player has played 4 Competition Matches for that Team in the current Playing Season. (This rule is exempt for the remainder of the 2020-2021 season)~~
- (M) A Team shall not include more than 2 Players who has/have taken part in 1 or more senior Competition Matches during the current Playing Season unless a period of 21 days has elapsed since they last played.

For the purpose of this Rule a senior competition(s) is /are open age.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.



- (N) (i) Subject to Rule 18(N)(ii), any Club found to have played an ineligible Player in a Competition Match or Matches where points are awarded shall have the points gained from that Competition Match deducted from its record, up to a maximum of 12 points, and have levied upon it a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (ii) The Management Committee may vary the sanction as relates to the deduction of points set out at Rule 18(N)(i) only in circumstances where the ineligibility is due to the failure to obtain an International Transfer Certificate or where the ineligibility is related to the Player's status.
- (iii) Where a Club is found to have played an ineligible Player in accordance with Rule 18(N)(i) above, the Management Committee may also, at its discretion:
- (a) Award the points available in the Competition Match in question to the opponents, subject to the Competition Match not being ordered to be replayed; or
  - (b) Levy penalty points against the Club in default; or
  - (c) Order that such Competition Match or Matches be replayed (on such terms as are decided by the Management Committee).

(The following clause applies to Competitions involving Players in full-time secondary education):-

- (O) (i) Priority must be given at all times to school and school organisations activities. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (For Town Team refer to League Management Instructions at the end of these rules)
- (ii) The availability of children must be cleared with their head teacher (except for Sunday league competitions).
- (iii) A child under the age of 15 as at midnight on 31 August in the relevant Playing Season, shall not be permitted to play in a Competition Match during that Playing Season where any other Player is older or younger than that child by two years or more.

## CLUB COLOURS

19. Every Team must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> June who shall decide as to their suitability.

Any Team wishing to change its colours during the Playing Season must obtain permission from the Management Committee.

Goalkeepers must wear colours which distinguish them from all other Players and the Match Officials.

No Player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.

Any Team not being able to play in its normal colours as registered with the Competition shall notify its opponents the colours in which they will play (including the colours of the goalkeeper jersey) at least 1 days before the Competition Match.

If, in the opinion of the referee, two Teams have the same or similar colours, the home Team shall make the change. Should a Team delay the scheduled time of kick-off for a Competition Match by not having a change of colours they will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

Shirts must all be numbered differently, failing which a fine will be levied in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

Names of Youth Players shall not appear on the shirts, failing which a fine will be levied in accordance with the Fines Tariff.



## **PLAYING SEASON. CONDITIONS OF PLAY, TIMES OF KICK-OFF, POSTPONEMENTS, SUBSTITUTES**

20. (A) All Competition Matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as determined by the International Football Association Board or, for Mini-Soccer, and 9v9 football, the Rules as set down by The FA.

Clubs must take all reasonable precautions to keep their Grounds in a playable condition. All Competition Matches shall be played on pitches deemed suitable by the Management Committee. If through any fault of the home Team a Competition Match has to be replayed, the Management Committee shall have power to order the venue to be changed.

The Management Committee shall have power to decide whether a pitch and/or facilities are suitable for Competition Matches and to order the Club concerned to play its Competition Matches on another ground.

Football Turf Pitches (3G) are allowed in this Competition provided they meet the required performance standards and are listed on the FA's Register of Football Turf Pitches. All Football Turf Pitches used must be tested (by a FIFA accredited test institute) every three years and the results passed to The FA. The FA will give a decision on the suitability for use and add the pitch to the Register.

- (i) where teams are scheduled to play on these pitches the club will be invoiced monthly the fees per team per game as set in the fees tariff, payment of these fees must be made within 28 days, failure to make payment may result in club fixtures from being withdrawn, until such time the outstanding fees are paid in full. (Subject to teams who have not registered with the leagues go-card less service)
- (ii) Where the league is invoiced by the local authority for use of their playing fields the home club will be invoiced monthly the fees per team per game as set in the fees tariff.
- (iii) payment of these fees must be made within 28 days, failure to make payment may result in a fine and club fixtures being withdrawn, until such time the outstanding fees are paid in full . (Subject to teams who have not registered with the leagues Go-Cardless service)

The home Club is also responsible for advising Participants of footwear requirements when confirming match arrangements in accordance with Rule 20(C).

All Competition Matches shall have a duration as set out below unless a shorter time is mutually arranged by the two Clubs in consultation with the referee prior to the commencement of the Competition Match, and in any event shall be of equal halves.

Competition Matches should be played in accordance with the Laws appropriate to the relevant age group, as laid down by The FA, as detailed below.



Age Group	Minimum Duration of play per quarter (minutes) (Mini-Soccer only)	Maximum Duration of play per quarter (minutes) (Mini-Soccer only)	Minimum duration of play per half (minutes)	Maximum duration of play per half (minutes)	Maximum playing time in one day in all organised development fixtures (minutes)	Maximum playing time in one day in all tournaments and trophy events/ festivals (minutes)	Competition structure
Under 7 and Under 8	5	10	5	20	40	60	Development focussed with a maximum of 3 trophy events per season over 2-week periods (6 weeks)
Under 9 and Under 10	10	12.5	20	25	60	90	Development focussed with a maximum of 3 trophy events per season over 4-week periods (12 weeks)
Under 11	N/A	N/A	20	30	80	120	Development focussed with a maximum of 3 trophy events per season over 6-week periods (18 weeks)
Under 12	N/A	N/A	20	30	80 (if applicable)	120	Any varieties including one season long league table
Under 13 and Under 14	N/A	N/A	25	35	100	150	Any varieties including one season long league table
Under 15 and Under 16	N/A	N/A	25	40	100	150	Any varieties including one season long league table
Under 17 and Under 18	N/A	N/A	25	45	120	180	Any varieties including one season long league table





For round robin/trophy events, the maximum duration of play per half cannot be exceeded, but the minimum duration of play per half may be adjusted.

For trophy events, the Competition may award mementos.

The times of kick-off shall be fixed at the AGM and can only be altered by the mutual consent of the two competing Clubs prior to the scheduled date of the Competition Match with written notification given to the Competition at least 7 days prior.

Referees must order Competition Matches to commence at the appointed time and must report all late starts to the Competition.

(iv) The Kick-off times for competition and cup matches will be between 9am and 12:30pm.

(v) If so required midweek games will be scheduled in the months of September and April of the playing season.

The home Team must provide goal nets, corner flags and at least two footballs fit for play and the referee shall make a report to the Competition if the footballs are unsuitable. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (B) Except by permission of the Management Committee all Competition Matches must be played on the dates originally fixed but priority shall be given to The FA and parent County Association Cup Competitions. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a Competition Match with the consent of the Fixtures Secretary. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

In the case of a revised fixture date, the Clubs must be given by the Competition 5 clear days' notice of the Competition Match (unless otherwise mutually agreed).

- (C) The home team manager must give notice of full particulars of the location of, and access to, the Ground and time of kick-off to the Match Officials and an Officer of the opposing Club at least 1 clear days prior to the playing of the Competition Match. If not so provided, the away Club shall seek such details and report the circumstances to the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (D) The minimum number of Players that will constitute a Team for a Competition Match is as follows:

FORMAT	MINIMUM NUMBER
5v5	4
7v7	5
9v9	6
11v11	7

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (i) In competitions where points are awarded, home and away matches shall be played. In the event of a Club failing to keep its engagement the Management Committee shall have the power to impose a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff), deduct points from the defaulting Club, award the points from the Competition Match in question to the opponents, order the defaulting Club to pay any reasonable expenses incurred by the opponents or otherwise deal with them except the award of goals. Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Management Committee shall have power to order a Competition Match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent's Ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances.
- (ii) Any Club unable to fulfil a fixture or where a Competition Match has been postponed for any reason must, without delay, give notice to the (Fixtures) Secretary, the Competition Referees Appointments Secretary, the secretary of the opposing Club and the Match



Officials.

- (iii) In the event of a Competition Match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Management Committee. Failing such agreement and notification to the (Fixtures) Secretary within 5 days the Management Committee shall have the power to order the Competition Match to be played on a named date or on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition and the Clubs involved agree, the Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of an abandonment to stand.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (iv) The Management Committee shall review all Competition Matches abandoned in cases where it is consequent upon the conduct of either or both Teams. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition and does no injustice to either Club, the Management Committee shall be empowered to order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. In all cases where the Management Committee are satisfied that a Competition Match was abandoned owing to the conduct of one Team or its Club member(s) they shall be empowered to award the points for the Competition Match to the opponent. In cases where a Competition Match has been abandoned owing to the conduct of both Teams or their Club member(s), the Management Committee shall rule that neither Team will be awarded any points for that Competition Match and it shall not be replayed. No fine(s) can be applied by the Management Committee for an abandoned Competition Match.
- (v) The Management Committee shall review any Competition Match that has taken place where either or both Teams were under a suspension imposed upon them by The FA or Affiliated Association. In each case the Team that was under suspension would be dealt with in the same manner as if they had participated with ineligible players in accordance with Rule 18(N)(i) above. Where both Teams were under suspension the Competition Match must be declared null and void and shall not be replayed.
- (E) A Club may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use substitute Players in any Competition Match.

Where a Competition does not allow return substitutes:

For Under 17s and Under 18s – a Club may name up to 5 substitute Players of whom not more than 5 may be used.

Where a Competition does allow return substitutes:

For Under 11s - Under 18s – a Club may use up to 5 from 5 substitute Players. A Player who has been substituted becomes a substitute and may replace any Player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football.

For Mini-Soccer – any number of substitutions may be used at any time with the permission of the referee. Entry onto the field of play will only be allowed during a stoppage in play. A Player who has been replaced may return to play as a substitute for another Player. A Team must not have a match day squad greater than double the size of its team in an age group.

In Youth Football only, the referee shall be informed of the names of the substitute Players not later than 10 minutes before the start of the Competition Match and a Player not so named may not take part in that Competition Match.

A Player who has named as a substitute before the start of that Competition Match but does not actually play in the game shall not be considered to have been a Player in that Competition Match within the meaning of Rule 18 of this Competition.



- (F) The half time interval shall be of 5 minutes' duration, but it shall not exceed 15 minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.
- (G) The Teams taking part in Under 7s to Under 11 or Youth Football shall identify a Team captain who shall wear an armband and shall have a responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of his/her teammates. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (H) Each club will be entitled to request the following number of postponements no later than 7 days prior to the match being played.
  - (i) U7 to U11 - Each team will be entitled to request 4 league postponements per season 2 postponement between Sept and Dec – 2 postponement between Jan and April.
  - (ii) U12 to U16s - Each team will be entitled to request 2 league postponements per season, 1 postponement between Sept and Dec – 1 postponement between Jan and April. The club official must email the League Secretary in accordance to rule 4(E)
- (I) Prior to the match kicking off, both home and away managers must exchange team/squad sheets.
  - (i) Team/Squad Sheets must include Players Full Name and Valid Photo as registered with the league.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (J) For u12s to U16s age groups of this competition, the home team manager must clearly mark out 2 technical areas on the opposite side of the pitch to the spectator's area.
  - (i) The maximum of 2 managers/coaches and 5 Substitutes are allowed in any technical area.
  - (ii) During the game, all managers/coaches (unless granted permission by the referee to enter the field of play) and Substitutes (unless warming up) must remain within the technical area.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (K) If a home club/team Venue is deemed unfit to play on up to one day before any scheduled fixture, and the home club/team have access to an alternative league approved/sanctioned pitch/venue within 5 miles of the original scheduled pitch/venue. The game shall be allowed to go ahead in its entirety subject to: -
  - (i) The Home Team notifying the league secretary, fixtures secretary, opposition manager and referee of the change of pitch/venue by no later than 8pm the day before any scheduled fixture.
  - (ii) if the referee is unable to officiate the game at the alternative venue then as per Rule 23. (B) both clubs/teams must agree upon a referee between themselves.
- (L) Where a local council carry out pitch inspections of their venues, should they deem a pitch unfit and move the fixture to be played at an alternative suitable venue. The game is to be played in its entirety at this alternative venue subject to referee's inspections.
  - (i) It is the duty of the home club/team to check and see if their venue has changed, and to inform the opposition and referee of the new venue details by no later than 8pm the day before any scheduled fixture.



## REPORTING RESULTS

21. (A) The Fixtures Secretary must receive within 5 days of the date played, For U12s up a fully completed match report of each Competition and Cup Match either via the FA Match Day App or via The FA Full-Time team admin area. This must include the forename(s) and surname of the Team Players and also the referee markings required by Rule 23, or any other information required by the Competition.
- (i) A correctly completed report is one being of
    - (a) for U12s no more than 9 players listed as having started and 5 named substitutes
    - (b) for U13s up no more than 11 players as having started and 5 named substitutes
    - (c) all substitutes being correctly marked as used or unused
    - (d) all goals scored, sin-bins, cautions & red cards clearly marked against the relevant player

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(B) Both Clubs shall use SMS, email, FA Full Time or the FA Matchday to notify the result of each Competition and Cup Match to the League by no later 8pm Saturdays, 10pm Weekdays.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(C) Not Applicable

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(D) The Competition and Clubs are permitted to collect but NOT publish results or any grading tables for fixtures involving Under 7s, Under 8s, Under 9s, Under 10s, and Under 11s. Any Competition failing to abide by this Rule will be dealt with by the Sanctioning Authority, and any Club failing to abide by this Rule will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. The Competition and Clubs are permitted to collect and publish results for trophy events.

## DETERMINING CHAMPIONSHIP

22. (A) In Competitions where points are awarded, Team rankings within the Competition will be decided by points with three points to be awarded for a win and one point for a drawn Competition Match. The Teams gaining the highest number of points in their respective divisions at the end of the Playing Season shall be adjudged the winners. Competition Matches must not be played for double points.

In the event of two or more Teams being equal on points at the end of the Playing Season, rankings may be determined by a deciding match or matches played under conditions determined by the Management Committee, or the position shared.

(B) NOT APPLICABLE

(C) NOT APPLICABLE

(D) In the event of a Team withdrawing from the Competition before completing 75% of its fixtures for the Playing Season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting Team shall be expunged from the Competition table. For the purposes of this Rule 22 (D) a completed fixture shall include any Competition Match(es) which has been awarded by the Management Committee.



## MATCH OFFICIALS

23. (A) Registered referees (and assistant referees were approved by The FA or County FA) for all Competition Matches shall be appointed in a manner approved by the Management Committee and by the Sanctioning Authority.
- (B) In cases where there are no officially appointed Match Officials in attendance, the Clubs shall agree upon a referee. An individual thus agreed upon shall, for that Competition Match, have the full powers, status, and authority of a registered referee. Individuals under the age of 16 must not participate either as a referee or assistant referee in any open age competition and individuals under the age of 14 must not participate either as a referee or assistant referee in any Competition Match. Referees between the ages of 14 and 16 are only eligible to officiate in competitions where the Players' age band is at least one year younger than the age of the referee, for example a 15-year-old referee may only officiate in competitions where the age banding is 14 or younger.
- (C) Where assistant referees are not appointed each Team shall provide a Club assistant referee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) being imposed on the defaulting Club.
- (D) The appointed referee shall have power to decide as to the fitness of the Ground in all Competition Matches and that decision shall be final, subject to the determination of the Local Authority or the owners of a Ground, which must be accepted.
- (E) Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the Sanctioning Authority, Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a match fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff and travel expenses of 0 pence per mile / or inclusive of travel expenses.

Match Officials will be paid their fees and/or expenses by both the home and away Club paying 50/50 each at least 15 minutes before the Competition Match, unless otherwise ordered by the Management Committee.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (F) In the event of a Competition Match not being played because of circumstances over which the Clubs have no control, the Match Officials, if present, shall be entitled to half fee only. Where a Competition Match is not played owing to one Club being in default, that Club shall be ordered to pay the Match Officials, if they attend the Ground, their full fee and expenses. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (G) A referee not keeping his or her engagement and failing to give a satisfactory explanation as to their non-appearance, may be reported to the Affiliated Association with which he or she is registered.
- (H) Each Club shall, in a manner prescribed from time to time by The FA, award marks to the referee for each Competition Match and the name of the referee and the marks awarded shall be submitted to the Competition on the prescribed form provided. Clubs failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to be fined (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) or dealt with as the Management Committee shall determine.
- (I) The Competition shall keep a record of the markings and, on the form provided by the prescribed date each Season, shall submit a summary to The FA/County FA.
- (J) The referee shall submit a report form, supplied by the Competition, giving the result of the Competition Match, the number of Players in each Team and the time of kick-off to the (Registration) Secretary within two days of the Competition Match.
- (K) NOT APPLICABLE.
- (L) NOT APPLICABLE.



## **ADJFL LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION RULES**

### **CUP COMPETITION NAME**

24. (A) The League Cup Competitions Shall be known as
- (i) U7 to U11s Champ Cup Competition
  - (ii) U12s to U16s The ADJFL Annual Cup Competition

### **CUP DRAWS**

25. (A) U7 to U11 Champs Cup Groups shall be determine by the Management Committee or sanctioned Sub-Committee.
- (i) These draws will take place after these age groups have completed one round of league fixtures.
  - (ii) U12 to U13s first round cup draws will take place at the league pre-season meeting.
  - (iii) All other cup round draws will be completed by the Management Committee.

### **QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS IN A CUP GAME**

26. (A) All players must be registered with the league in accordance to Rule 18. (A) and have played at least one league game before being eligible to play in cup competition matches.
- (i) U12s to U16s - Once a player plays for a team in a cup game, they will become Cup tied, should they transfer to another team throughout the season, they will not be eligible to play for their new team in any further cup games.
  - (ii) No players will be permitted to play up an age group in any cup competition by order of the League Management Committee.
- (B) Where a Club is found to have played an ineligible Player in accordance with Rule 4 (A) or 4 (A) (ii) above:
- (i) Award the Cup Competition Match in question to the opponents (therefore disqualifying the club/team from the cup competition).
  - (ii) Have levied on them a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

### **CUP GAME DATES, VENUES, POSTPONEMENTS**

27. (A) The cup matches will take place between: -
- (i) Round Ties should be completed by no later than End of November.
  - (i) The Cup Quarter Final Ties should be completed by no later than End of February.
  - (i) The Cup Semi-Final Ties should be completed by no later than end March.
  - (ii) The Cup Final Ties will be completed by no later than end of May.
- (B) All Cup games will take precedence over league games.
- (C) All cup games up to the semi-finals are to be played at the home teams' venue, unless otherwise determined by the League Management Committee.
- (i) All venue hire cost are to be split evenly between both teams.
    - (a) If home team plays on a private venue, it is their responsibility to notify the away team of the required pitch fee.



- (b) If played on a league hired 3G, Hyndburn or Blackburn Council Pitch, the league will invoice the clubs the required fee at the end of the month.

(D) The venues for all semi-final and Final Ties shall be determined by the Management Committee.

(i) All venue hire cost are to be split evenly between both teams

(a) club will be invoiced by the league at the end of the month the relevant pitch fees.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(E) All kick off times for all Cup competition matches shall be determined by the Management Committee in accordance to Rule 20 (A).

(F) In the event of a Club/team failing to keep its cup match engagement the Management Committee shall have the power to impose a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) and award the game to the opposition. (Therefore, disqualifying the club/team from the cup competition).

(G) In the event of a match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club/team has control, it shall be played in its entirety on a date agreed by the Management Committee.

(H) Cup Competition Matches should be played in accordance with the Laws appropriate to the relevant age group, as laid down by The FA, as detailed in Rule 20. (A)

(i) Where cup matches are scheduled to be played on 3G or back-to-back at certain venues, playing times will be reduced as determined by the League Management Committee.

Failure to comply with this Rule may result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(I) No Postponements will be allowed for any cup games.

## **DETERMINING CUP GAMES**

28. (A) In all rounds of the Cup Competition Matches, including Quarter Finals, Semi-Finals and Final ties, (excluding any group stage games) if the scores are equal at the end of the designated time, then the match will be resolved by a penalty shootout in accordance to Law 14 of the IFAB Laws of the Game.

(i) 5v5 & 7v7 Matches - minimum of 3 penalties per team

(ii) 9v9 Matches – minimum of 4 penalties per team

(iii) 11v11 Matches - minimum of 5 penalties per team

## **CUP MATCH OFFICIALS**

29. (A) Match Officials will appointed to Cup games in accordance to Rule 23

(B) Each Team must provide a club assistant referee for all preliminary, 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> round games and for quarter-final games.

(C) The League will appoint two neutral assistant referees for all semi-final and final tie cup games, the assistant referee fees are to be split evenly between both teams (excluding final ties where the league will cover all referee fees).



FEES TARIFF		
RULE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM FEE
4 (A)	CLUB ENTRY FEE	£0.00
4 (B)	CLUB/TEAM ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	£150.00
4 (C)	DEPOSIT	£25.00
7 (C), 7(E)	PROTEST/APPEAL FEES	£10.00
18 (D)	PLAYER REGISTRATION FEE	£0.00 (per player)
18 (H)	TRANSFER FEE	£0.00
23 (E)	REFEREE FEES	
	U7 & U8s	£10.00
	U9 & U10s	£12.00
	U11 & U12s	£20.00
	U13 to U15s	£24.00
	U16s & U18s	£30.00
23 (E)	ASSISTANT REFEREE FEES	
	U11 & U12s	£10.00
	U13 to U15s	£12.00
	U16s & U18s	£15.00
3G Pitch Fees Tariff		
U7 & U8s		£18.00
U9 & U10s		£20.00
U11s & U12s		£25.00
U13 to U16s		£30.00
Hyndburn and Blackburn Council Pitch Fees Tariff		
U7 & U8s		£10.00
U9 & U10s		£15.00
U11s & U12s		£20.00
U13 to U16s		£25.00





FINES TARIFF		
RULE	DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM FINE
2 (G)	FAILURE TO AFFILIATE	£50.00
2 (I)	FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH FA INITIATIVES	£50.00
2 (K)	UNAUTHORISED ENTRY OF TEAMS INTO COMPETITIONS	£50.00
3	FAILURE TO OBTAIN CONSENT FOR A CHANGE OF CLUB NAME	£30.00
4 (C)	FAILURE TO PAY A DEPOSIT	£0.00
4(E)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE AFFILIATION NUMBER/DETAILS FORM	£25.00
5 (E)	COMMUNICATIONS CONDUCTED BY PERSONS OTHER THAN NOMINATED OFFICERS	£25.00
6 (H)	FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN INSTRUCTION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	£50.00
6 (I)	FAILURE TO PAY A FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	DOUBLE THE ORIGINAL FINE UP TO £100.00
8 (H)	FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT AGM	£50.00
9	FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT SGM	£50.00
10	FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED WRITTEN AGREEMENT OR TO NOTIFY CHANGES TO SIGNATORIES	£25.00
11 (B)	FAILURE TO COMMENCE/COMPLETE FIXTURES	£50.00
13 (A)	FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED WRITTEN AGREEMENT REGARDING THE TROPHY	£0.00
16(A)	FAILURE TO HAVE THE REQUIRED INSURANCE	£100.00
16(B)	FAILURE TO HAVE THE REQUIRED INSURANCE	£100.00
18 (A)	FAILURE TO CORRECTLY REGISTER A PLAYER	£0.00
18 (B)(iii)	FAILURE TO HAVE THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF REGISTERED PLAYERS PRIOR TO THE PLAYING SEASON COMMENCING	£25.00
18 (F)	REGISTERING OR PLAYING FOR MULTIPLE CLUBS OR INACCURATE COMPLETION OF A REGISTRATION FORM	£25.00
18 (G)(ii)	REGISTRATION IRREGULARITIES	£25.00
18(M)	FIELDING MORE THAN THE PERMITTED NUMBER OF PLAYERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN SENIOR COMPETITIONS MATCHES	£5.00
18 (N)(i)	PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER	£50.00
18 (O)(i)	FAILURE TO GIVE PRIORITY TO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	£30.00
19	DELAYING KICK OFF TO DUE TO NO CHANGE OF COLOURS	£25.00
19	FAILURE TO HAVE DIFFERENTLY NUMBERED SHIRTS	£25.00
20(A)	DELAYING KICK OFF DUE TO FAILURE TO PROVIDE REQUIRED EQUIPMENT	£25.00
20 (B)	FAILURE TO PLAY MATCHES ON THE DATE FIXED	£50.00



20 (C)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE	£25.00
20 (D)	PLAYING MATCH WITH LESS THAN REQUIRED NUMBER OF PLAYERS	£25.00
20 (D) (i) & 20 (H)	FAILURE TO PLAY FIXTURE NO CAPTAIN'S ARMBAND	£50.00 £5.00
20 (J)	FAILURE TO EXCHNAGE TEAM SHEETS	£25.00
20 (K)	FAILURE TO MARK OUT / REMAIN IN TECHNICAL AREAS	£25.00
21 (A) & 21 (C)	LATE RESULT NOTIFICATION FORM (ONLINE MATCH REPORTS)	£25.00
21 (B)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY 8pm SATURDAYS – 10pm WEEKNIGHTS	£25.00
21(D)	PUBLISHING RESULTS/GRADING TABLES FOR FIXTURES INVOLVING U7S, U8S, U9S, U10S OR U11S	£50.00
23 (C)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE CLUB ASSISTANT REFEREE	£25.00
23 (E)	FAILURE TO PAY MATCH OFFICIALS' FEES AND EXPENSES	£50.00
23 (F)	FAILURE TO PAY MATCH OFFICIALS WHERE A MATCH IS NOT PLAYED	£25.00
23 (H)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE REFEREE'S MARK	£10.00
26. (B) (ii)	PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER	£50.00
27. (C) (i) & 4. (D) (ii)	FAILURE TO PAY VENUE FEES	£100.00
27. (H) (i)	FAILURE TO PLAY SPECIFIED PLAYING TIMES AS DETERMINED BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	£50.00



## ADJFL Rules for Playing on 3G

Please ensure your players wear the correct footwear

### 3G Pitches – Footwear Guidance

Recommended Footwear for Synthetic Surfaces					
Footwear Types					
	Football Boot (screw-in stud)	Football Boot (moulded stud)	Trainer ('Astro' trainer)	Trainer (flat sole)	Football Boot (blade)
3G Football Turf / Long pile Carpet	✓	✓	✦	✗	✗
✓ Recommended      ✦ Not ideal      ✗ Not permitted					

### U7s & U8s

U7s will play all their games at the Soccerdome

Each game shall compromise of 2 halves of 15 minutes, with a maximum of 5-minute half time interval.

The game shall be 5v5 no more and no less, unless both managers agree to implement the power play rule.

Referee Fees – Each Manager shall pay the referee prior to the game

All referees' fees are to be split between teams as per league rules.

Normal Mini Soccer Laws apply (These can be found in the manager's handbook)

Both Managers must submit the result of the match by no later than 8pm.

### IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

At the Soccerdome there will be technical areas clearly marked out, only **one** manager and 5 substitutes per team, will be allowed in these technical areas.

All managers and substitutes must always remain standing within the technical areas during the game unless permission by the referee is granted for them to enter the field of play.

Team are allowed a maximum of one match ball each. All other footballs are to remain in your vehicles outside.

All Drinks Bottles, first aid kits should remain on the outside of the playing area with the asst manager or a parent.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES is anything to be placed in the side netting.

The Power Play Rule will be automatically in use and enforced by the referee, unless both teams inform the referee prior to kick off that they are in agreement and don't wish to use this rule.

### SOCCERDOME HEALTH AND SAFETY NOTICE

Please refrain from kicking footballs about up and down the corridors of the Soccerdome, we have had several incidents of people being hit in the face, running into the metal pillars when chasing footballs.

All footballs must be carried onto the pitches.

We thankyou for your support on this matter.



### **U9 & U10S**

Each game shall compromise of 2 halves of 25 minutes, with a maximum of 5-minute half time interval.

The game shall be 7v7 no more and no less, unless both managers agree to implement the power play rule.  
Normal Mini Soccer Laws apply (These can be found on the league full-time website)

Managers who are scheduled for the first games at the venues may be required to move the goals into position prior to kick off, so please arrive in good time to assist in this if required.

Both Managers must submit the result of the match as per league rules.

### **U11S & U12S**

Each game shall compromise of 2 halves of 25 minutes, with a maximum of 5-minute half time interval.

The game shall be 9v9 no more and no less.

Normal 9v9 Soccer Laws apply.

Managers who are scheduled for the first games at the venues may be required to move the goals into position prior to kick off, so please arrive in good time to assist in this if required.

Both Managers must submit the result of the match as per league rules.

U12 Managers must submit a correctly completed match report as per league rules.

### **U13S & U14S**

Each game shall compromise of 2 halves of 30 minutes, with a maximum of 5-minute half time interval.

The game shall be 11v11 no more and no less.

Normal 11v11 IFAB Laws of the game apply.

Managers may be required to move the goals into position prior to kick off, so please arrive in good time to assist in this if required.

Both Managers must submit the result of the match and a correctly completed match report as per league rules.

### **U15S to U18S**

Each game shall compromise of 2 halves of 35 minutes, with a maximum of 5-minute half time interval.

The game shall be 11v11 no more and no less.

Normal 11v11 IFAB Laws of the game apply.

Managers may be required to move the goals into position prior to kick off, so please arrive in good time to assist in this if required.

Both Managers must submit the result of the match and a correctly completed match report as per league rules.

ANY TEAMS WHO ARE LATE TO ARRIVE OR FAIL TO SET UP THE REQUIRED GOALS IN TIME FOR THEIR APPOINTED KICK OFF TIMES, WILL HAVE THEIR GAME TIMES ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY  
i.e. late by 5 minutes' equals reduction of 5 minutes from total game time.

ALL TEAMS MUST LEAVE THE VENUES IN A CLEAN AND TIDY STATE – ANY DAMAGES CAUSED COULD RESULT IN CLUBS BEING INVOICED FOR THE COST OF REPAIRS.

NORMAL LEAGUE STANDARD CODE OF RULES APPLY  
NORMAL LAWS OF THE GAME APPLY



**I AM YOUR REFEREE TODAY...**



- On most occasions, I will be a school child/student, not an adult.
- I am learning.
- There will be decisions I get wrong.
- Some decisions might even be against you – it's not a conspiracy.
- Don't judge me like an experienced premier league referee.
- I LOVE THIS GAME and I want your son/daughter to love this game.

**DON'T X THE LINE**

Please show **reFspect**

**#NoRefNoGame**



## A GUIDE TO MARKING A REFEREE

This Guide is from The FA Handbook

Please Refer to this Guide When Marking the Referee

The mark awarded by a club must be based on the Referee's overall performance. It is most important that the mark is awarded fairly and not based upon isolated incidents or previous games. The Referee's performance should be determined by the table below which should act as a guide for the overall mark which should fall within the mark range for each standard of performance.

### Mark Range Comment

100-86 The Referee demonstrated very accurate decision-making and controlled the game very well using management and communication skills effectively to add value to the game.

85-76 The Referee demonstrated accurate decision-making and controlled the game well using management and communication skills to contribute positively to the game.

75-61 The Referee demonstrated reasonably accurate decision-making and despite some shortcomings generally controlled the game well.

60 and below The Referee demonstrated shortcomings in the accuracy of decision-making and control which affected the game.

### Notes

- Club officials should use the full range of marks within each category to help distinguish between different performance levels, e.g. within the 85-76 category a mark of 84 indicates a better performance than a mark of 77.
- While some Referees may have below average performances, there will usually have been some positive aspects of their performance, so extremely low marks should be very rare.
- When club officials are marking a Referee, they should always look at the game as a whole and not isolated decisions. The result of the match should not influence the mark and disciplinary action should be judged objectively.
- When a mark of 60 or lower is awarded, an explanation must be provided to the Competition using the box provided on the marking form. The purpose of this is to assist Referees to improve their performance levels, so the comments should be as helpful as possible.



## HOW TO DECIDE ON THE REFEREE'S MARK

The following questions focus on the key areas of a Referee's performance. They are intended as an "aide memoire", are not necessarily comprehensive and need not be answered individually. It is, however, worth considering them before committing yourself to a mark for the Referee.

### CONTROL AND DECISION MAKING

- How well did the Referee control the game?
- Were the players' actions recognized correctly?
- Were the Laws applied correctly?
- Were all incidents dealt with efficiently/effectively?
- Were all the appropriate sanctions applied correctly?
- Was the Referee always within reasonable distance of incidents?
- Was the Referee well positioned to make critical decisions, especially in and around the penalty area?
- Did the Referee understand the players' positional intentions and keep out of the way accordingly?
- Did the Referee demonstrate alertness and concentration throughout the game?
- Did the Referee apply the use of the advantage to suit the mood and temperature of the game?
- Was the Referee aware of the players' attitude to advantage?
- Did the Referee use the assistants effectively?
- Did the officials work as a team, and did the Referee lead and manage them to the benefit of the game?

### COMMUNICATION AND PLAYER MANAGEMENT

- How well did the Referee communicate with the players during the game?
- Did the Referee's Level of involvement/profile suit this particular game?
- Did the Referee understand the players' problems on the day – e.g. difficult ground/ weather conditions?
- Did the Referee respond to the changing pattern of play/mood of players?
- Did the Referee demonstrate empathy for the game, allowing it to develop in accordance with the tempo of the game?
- Was the Referee pro-active in controlling of the game?
- Was the Referee's authority asserted firmly without being officious?
- Was the Referee confident and quick thinking?



- Did the Referee appear unflustered and unhurried when making critical decisions?
- Did the Referee permit undue questioning of decisions?
- Did the Referee deal effectively with players crowding around after decisions/incidents?
- Was effective player management in evidence?
- Was the Referee's body language confident and open at all times?
- Did the pace of the game, the crowd or player pressure affect the Referee negatively?

### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

- Always try to be objective when marking. You may not obtain the most objective view by marking immediately after the game.
- Judge the performance over the whole game. Don't be too influenced by one particular incident.
- Don't mark the Referee down unfairly because your team was.

If you have awarded a mark of 50 or less, a report must be sent in to the League Referees Secretary using the club referee mark report form.

This can be found on our website under about us documents.

*We only do Positive.*





## CLUB REFEREE MARK REPORT FORM

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IF YOU MARK THE REFEREE 50 OR LESS**

Age Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Game: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Home Team: \_\_\_\_\_ Away Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Referees Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Referee's Performance

Please tick appropriate box

- a) Overall Control  
Disappointing ☐ Reasonable ☐ Good ☐ Excellent ☐
- b) Overall Decision Making  
Disappointing ☐ Reasonable ☐ Good ☐ Excellent ☐
- c) Communication and Player Management  
Disappointing ☐ Reasonable ☐ Good ☐ Excellent ☐

**Mark out of 100 [ \_\_\_\_\_ ]**

### Comments

If any area is marked "disappointing", or the mark awarded is 50 or less, detailed, constructive comments which could help improve the Referee's future performances are required.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held in Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Please Return to League Secretary via Club Secretary within 4 Days from Date of Match.



## The FA Charter Standard League Programme League Equality Policy and Complaints Procedure

The aim of this policy is to ensure that all members of the community are treated fairly and with respect and that the Accrington & District Junior Football League is equally accessible to them all.

The Accrington & District Junior Football League is responsible for setting standards and values to apply throughout the League at every level. Football belongs to and should be enjoyed by everyone, equally. Our commitment is to confront and eliminate discrimination whether by reason of gender, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability and to encourage equal opportunities.

This policy is fully supported by the League Officers and Michael Frankland along with Mick Clegg who hold the post of League Welfare Officers within the Accrington & District Junior Football League and who is responsible for the implementation of this policy.

Equality at the Accrington & District Junior Football League means that in all our activities we will not discriminate, or in any way treat anyone less favourably, on grounds of gender, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability. It means that we will ensure that we treat people fairly and with respect and that we will provide access and opportunities for all members of the community to take part in, and enjoy, our activities. And it means that we will not sanction any action, or lack of action, which might disadvantage a member compared to other people for any reason related to the list above.

The Accrington & District Junior Football League will not tolerate harassment, bullying, abuse or victimisation of an individual (which for the purposes of this policy and the actions and sanction applicable is regarded as discrimination). This includes sexual or racially based harassment or other discriminatory behaviour, whether physical or verbal.

The Accrington & District Junior Football League will work to ensure that such behaviour is met with appropriate action in whatever context it occurs.

We are committed to the development of a programme of ongoing training and awareness raising events and activities in order to promote the eradication of discrimination within the Accrington & District Junior Football League and in the wider context, within football as a whole. We are also committed to circulating this policy to all our members.

The Accrington & District Junior Football League is committed to a policy of equal treatment of all members and requires all members to abide and adhere to these policies and the requirements of the following (but not limited to) equalities legislation - Equality Act 2006, Race Relations Act 1976, Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and Disability Discrimination Act 1995 as well as any amendments to these acts.

The Accrington & District Junior Football League commits itself to the immediate investigation of any claims of discrimination on the above grounds and where such is found to be the case, a requirement that the practice stop and sanctions be imposed, as appropriate.

**Complaints Procedure:** In the event that any member feels that he or she has suffered discrimination in any way or that the League's Policies, Rules or Code of Conduct has been broken they should report the matter to the FA

<http://www.thefa.com/football-rules-governance/policies/equality/reporting-discrimination>



# Celebrating Football Through Photographs and Video

## Recommended Guidelines

There has been much talk about who is allowed to take pictures of children (under 18s) playing sport and in particular what parents/carers are permitted to do. The FA would like to assure parents, carers, coaches, spectators, players and local media that we encourage the taking of appropriate images of children in football.

## Potential risks

The FA has developed this guidance to help avoid the following:

- The inappropriate use, adaptation or copying of images for use on child abuse websites on the internet (often incorrectly referred to as pornography sites).
- The identification of children when a photograph is accompanied by significant personal information that will assist a third party in identifying the child. This can lead, and has led, to children being 'groomed'.
- The identification and locating of children in inappropriate circumstances which include: (i) where a child has been removed from his/her family for their own safety; (ii) where restrictions on contact with one parent following a parental separation exist e.g. in domestic violence cases; (iii) in situations where a child may be a witness in criminal proceedings; or (iv) other safeguarding children concerns. It's important to remember the majority of images taken are appropriate and taken in good faith. If we take the following simple measures we can help to ensure the safety of children in football.

## Common sense considerations to ensure everyone's safety

### Do:

1. share The FA's guidance on taking images with all parents, carers and members when they join the club.
2. ensure the club has parental consent to use a player's image if it is to be used in the public domain e.g. club website or newspaper article. This is essential in relation to point 3 below.
3. ensure that any child in your club who is under care proceedings, is protected by ensuring that their image is not placed in the public domain. This can be done by using a Consent Form, so that parents/carers can identify whether this applies to children in their care.
4. focus on the activity rather than the individual
5. ensure all those featured are appropriately dressed (a minimum of vest or shirt and shorts).
6. aim to take pictures which represent the broad range of youngsters participating safely in football e.g. boys and girls, disabled people, ethnic minority communities.

### Don't:

1. publish photographs with the full name(s) of the individual(s) featured unless you have written consent to do so and you have informed the parents as to how the image will be used.
2. use player profiles with pictures and detailed personal information on websites.
3. use an image for something other than that which it was initially agreed, e.g. published in local press when initially produced for a clubhouse commemorative picture.
4. allow images to be recorded in changing rooms, showers or toilets – this includes the use of mobile phones that record images.



## Filming as a coaching aid

The FA advises that coaches using videoing as a legitimate coaching aid should make parents/carers and players aware that this will be part of the coaching programme. Care should be taken when storing the videos.

If you are concerned about the inappropriate use of images, please report this to your CFA Welfare Officer or to The FA Case Manager (contact details provided below).

## Remember

- It's not an offence to take appropriate photographs in a public place even if asked not to do so.
- No one has the right to decide who can and cannot take images on public land.
- If you have serious concerns about a possible child protection issue relating to the recording of images then call the Police. This action should only be taken where you believe that someone may be acting unlawfully or putting a child at risk.
- The land or facility owner can decide whether or not photography and or videoing at football activities will be permitted when carried out on private land. However, you need to make this known before allowing individuals access to the private property. If they do not comply then you may request that they leave.
- Try not to use images that include individuals wearing jewellery (as wearing jewellery whilst playing is contrary to the Laws of the Game as well as being a health and safety issue).

## Commissioning professional photographers and the local media.

If you are commissioning professional photographers or inviting the press to cover a football activity, ensure you and they are clear about each other's expectations.

The key is to plan ahead and communicate early on.

- Provide a clear brief about what is considered appropriate in terms of content and behaviour.
  - Inform them of your club's commitment to safeguarding children and young people. Establish who will hold the recorded images and what they intend to do with them, e.g. place on a website for sale, distribute thumb nails to the club to co-ordinate sales.
  - Issue the professional photographer with identification, which must be worn at all times
- Inform participants and parents or carers prior to the event that a professional photographer will be in attendance and ensure you have established that no under 18s will be compromised due to safeguarding children concerns if their image is taken – remember this can be done by using a Consent Form at the start of the season.

## To report potentially unlawful materials on the internet please contact:

### The Internet Watch Foundation

Email: [report@iwf.org.uk](mailto:report@iwf.org.uk)

Telephone: **01223 237700**

Fax the hotline: **01223 235921**

[www.iwf.org.uk](http://www.iwf.org.uk)

### The FA's Case Management Team

Email: [case.management@TheFA.com](mailto:case.management@TheFA.com)

Telephone: **0207 745 4787**



# Anti-Bullying Policy for Football Clubs

## The Football Associations Recommended Guidelines

### Statement of Intent

We are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for all of our members so they can participate in football in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. Bullying of any kind is unacceptable at our club. If bullying does occur, all club members or parents should be able to tell and know that incidents will be dealt with promptly and effectively. We are a TELLING club. This means that anyone who knows that bullying is happening is expected to tell the Club Welfare Officer or any committee member. This club is committed to playing its part to teach players to treat each other with respect.

### What is Bullying?

Bullying is the use of aggression with the intention of hurting another person. Bullying results in pain and distress to the victim.

Bullying can be:

- Emotional being unfriendly, excluding (emotionally and physically) sending hurtful text messages, tormenting, e.g. hiding football boots/shin guards, threatening gestures)
- Physical pushing, kicking, hitting, punching or any use of violence.
- Sexual unwanted physical contact or sexually abusive comments.
- Discrimination racial taunts, graffiti, gestures, homophobic comments, jokes about disabled people, sexist comments,
- Verbal name-calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, teasing.

### Cyberbullying

This is when a person uses technology i.e. mobile phones or the internet (social networking sites, chat rooms, instant messenger, tweets), to deliberately upset someone. Bullies often feel anonymous and 'distanced' from the incident when it takes place online and 'bystanders' can easily become bullies themselves by forwarding the information on. There is a growing trend for bullying to occur online or via texts – bullies no longer rely on being physically near to the young person. This club commits to ensure our website websites and/or social networking pages are being used appropriately and any online bullying will be dealt with swiftly and appropriately in line with procedures detailed in this policy.

### Why is it Important to Respond to Bullying?

Bullying hurts. No one deserves to be a victim of bullying. Everybody has the right to be treated with respect. Individuals who are bullying need to learn different ways of behaving.

This club has a responsibility to respond promptly and effectively to issues of bullying.

### Objectives of this Policy

- All club members, coaches, officials and parents should have an understanding of what bullying is.
- All club members, officials and coaching staff should know what the club policy is on bullying, and follow it when bullying is reported.
- All players and parents should know what the club policy is on bullying, and what they should do if bullying arises.
- As a club we take bullying seriously. Players and parents should be assured that they would be supported when bullying is reported.
- Bullying will not be tolerated.



## Signs and Indicators

A child may indicate by signs or behaviour that he or she is being bullied. Adults should be aware of these possible signs and that they should investigate if a child:

- says he or she is being bullied
- is unwilling to go to club sessions
- becomes withdrawn anxious, or lacking in confidence
- feels ill before training sessions
- comes home with clothes torn or training equipment damaged
- has possessions go “missing”
- asks for money or starts stealing money (to pay the bully)
- has unexplained cuts or bruises
- is frightened to say what’s wrong
- gives improbable excuses for any of the above.

In more extreme cases:

- starts stammering
- cries themselves to sleep at night or has nightmares
- becomes aggressive, disruptive or unreasonable
- is bullying other children or siblings
- stops eating
- attempts or threatens suicide or runs away.

These signs and behaviours may indicate other problems, but bullying should be considered a possibility and should be investigated.

## Bullying as a result of any form of discrimination

Bullying because of discrimination occurs when bullying is motivated by a prejudice against certain people or groups of people. This may be because of their gender, age, race, nationality, ethnic origin, religion or belief, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, disability or ability.

Generally, these forms of bullying look like other sorts of bullying, but in particular it can include:

- Verbal abuse – derogatory remarks about girls or women, suggesting girls and women are inferior to boys and men, or that black, Asian and ethnic minority people are not as capable as white people; spreading rumours that someone is gay, suggesting that something or someone is inferior and so they are “gay” – for example, “you’re such a gay boy!” or “those trainers are so gay!” Ridiculing someone because of a disability or mental health related issue, or because they have a physical, mental or emotional developmental delay. Referring to someone by the colour of their skin, rather than their name; using nicknames that have racial connotations; isolating someone because they come from another country or social background etc.
- Physical abuse – including hitting, punching, kicking, sexual assault, and threatening behaviour.
- Cyberbullying – using online spaces to spread rumours about someone or exclude them. It can also include text messaging, including video and picture messaging.

Discrimination is often driven by a lack of understanding which only serves to strengthen stereotypes and can potentially lead to actions that may cause women, ethnic minorities, disabled people, lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender people, or people who follow specific religions or beliefs, to feel excluded, isolated or undervalued. Ensure that club members know that discriminatory language and behaviour will not be tolerated in this club.

- If an incident occurs, members should be informed that discriminatory language is offensive, and will not be tolerated. If a member continues to make discriminatory remarks, explain in detail the effects that discrimination



and bullying has on people. If it is a young person making the remarks their parents should be informed just as in any breach of the clubs Code of Conduct and this Anti-Bullying policy.

- If a member makes persistent remarks, they should be removed from the training setting in line with managing challenging behaviour and the Club Welfare Officer or club officials should talk to them in more detail about why their comments are unacceptable.
- If the problem persists, the member should be made to understand the sanctions that will apply if they continue to use discriminatory language or behaviour.
- Consider inviting the parents/carers to the club to discuss the attitudes of the youth member in line with the procedures detailed in this policy.

### **Procedures**

1. Report bullying incidents to the Club Welfare Officer or a member of the clubs committee
2. In cases of serious bullying, the incidents will be referred to the County FA Welfare Officer for advice and possibly to The FA Case Management Team
3. Parents should be informed and will be asked to come in to a meeting to discuss the problem
4. If necessary and appropriate, the police will be consulted
5. The bullying behaviour or threats of bullying must be investigated and the bullying stopped quickly
6. An attempt will be made to help the bully (bullies) change their behaviour
7. If mediation fails and the bullying is seen to continue the club will initiate disciplinary action under the club constitution.

### **Recommended club action**

If the club decides it is appropriate for them to deal with the situation they should follow the procedure outlined below:

1. Reconciliation by getting the parties together. It may be that a genuine apology solves the problem.
2. If this fails/not appropriate a small panel (made up from Chairman, Club Welfare Officer, Secretary, committee members) should meet with the parent and child alleging bullying to get details of the allegation. Minutes should be taken for clarity, which should be agreed by all as a true account.
3. The same 3 persons should meet with the alleged bully and parent/s and put the incident raised to them to answer and give their view of the allegation. Minutes should again be taken and agreed.
4. If bullying has in their view taken place the individual should be warned and put on notice of further action i.e. temporary or permanent suspension if the bullying continues. Consideration should be given as to whether a reconciliation meeting between parties is appropriate at this time.
5. In some cases the parent of the bully or bullied player can be asked to attend training sessions, if they are able to do so, and if appropriate. The club committee should monitor the situation for a given period to ensure the bullying is not being repeated.
6. All coaches involved with both individuals should be made aware of the concerns and outcome of the process i.e. the warning.

### **In the case of adults reported to be bullying anyone within the club under 18**

1. The County Welfare Officer should always be informed and will advise on action to be taken where appropriate, this may include action by The FA Safeguarding Team.
2. It is anticipated that in most cases where the allegation is made regarding a team manager, official or coach, The FA's Safeguarding Children Education Programme may be recommended.
3. More serious cases may be referred to the Police and/or Children's Social Care.

### **Prevention:**

- The club will have a written constitution, which includes what is acceptable and proper behaviour for all members of which the anti-bullying policy is one part.
- All club members and parents will sign to accept the constitution upon joining the club.



- The Club Welfare Officer will raise awareness about bullying and why it matters, and if issues of bullying arise in the club, will consider meeting with members to discuss the issue openly and constructively.

This policy is based on guidance provided to schools by KIDSCAPE. KIDSCAPE is a voluntary organisation committed to help prevent child bullying. KIDSCAPE can be contacted on 0207 730 3300 or you can access their website via [www.kidscape.org.uk](http://www.kidscape.org.uk)

You may also wish to access any of the following websites designed to give advice and guidance to parents and children who are faced with dealing with bullying:

### Guidance for parents/carers

[www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/](http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/)

[www.stoptextbully.com](http://www.stoptextbully.com)

[www.beatbullying.org.uk](http://www.beatbullying.org.uk)

[www.stonewall.org.uk](http://www.stonewall.org.uk)

[www.bullying.co.uk](http://www.bullying.co.uk)

### Guidance for young people

[www.youngstonewall.org.uk/](http://www.youngstonewall.org.uk/)

[www.cybermentors.org.uk](http://www.cybermentors.org.uk)

[www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

We would like to thank the ASA who have shared their Anti Bullying Policy for Clubs and to Stonewall' s guidance from which this recommended FA Club Anti Bullying Policy has been developed.







## SPONSORS



### LEAHOUGH CHARTERED SURVEYORS

[www.leahough.co.uk/](http://www.leahough.co.uk/)

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Lea Hough Chartered Surveyors has signed up to be the official sponsor of the Accrington & District Junior Football League for the next three years.

We're delighted to have a local firm like Lea Hough on board and would like to thank Paul Dignan and the firm's other Partners and staff for getting involved.

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## Lea Hough Love Lancashire

All of Lea Hough's partners and staff live in Lancashire, with many having been born and bred in the region. In addition, the team's Surveyors and Valuers conduct the vast majority of their work in Lancashire – having close associations with many other businesses and professionals.

Through sponsoring the Accrington and District Junior Football League, Lea Hough hope to be able to 'give something back' to the community they love. Sport is not only great for fitness, it's also known to encourage and reinforce positive traits amongst children. By getting involved in the football league, kids from the ages of under 7 right up to 16 can get active, get fit and have fun!

The advertisement features a blurred background of a soccer field with players in motion. Overlaid on this is the text 'LeaHough' in a large, purple, sans-serif font. Below it, 'CHARTERED SURVEYORS' is written in a smaller, grey, sans-serif font. Underneath that, the words 'SURVEY VALUATION DESIGN PLANNING SALES' are listed in a small, grey, sans-serif font, separated by vertical bars. Further down, the text 'Proud sponsors of the' is written in a purple, sans-serif font. Below this is the Accrington &amp; District Junior Football League logo, which is a red shield with a blue and white soccer ball in the center, and the text 'ACCRINGTON &amp; DISTRICT JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE' and '1958' on a blue banner at the bottom. At the very bottom of the advertisement, the website 'www.leahough.co.uk' is written in a small, grey, sans-serif font.



**CSP UK**

[www.cspukltd.co.uk/home/](http://www.cspukltd.co.uk/home/)



**By taking on & developing an original idea and a winning format, CSP UK are continuing to "...score points for Grass Roots Football.."**

A winning formula that first kicked off in December 2006 with only two people has now been taken on and further developed nationally.

CSP UK is now responsible for producing Fixture List Planners for NO LESS than 150 MINI, JUNIOR & SOCCER DEVELOPMENT LEAGUES over 28 Counties in England & most of Wales.

Coming from a long history of being involved in youth, professional and semi-professional football on and off the field the last 6 years have been spent working alongside youth football leagues and associations developing initiatives to not only improve the way that youth football works for family's but to open the door for businesses, big and small to get involved in supporting their local league in their community.

These initiatives take the shape of two different publications tackling everyday logistical and administrative issues that families, coaches and indeed youth football leagues have faced for many years.

Firstly the 'Fixture List Planner' this idea has now been rolled out across over 150 youth leagues in the UK and continuously generates thousands of pounds for youth football across England & Wales every year whilst raising the profile of each individual league in their community.

The 'Pitch Finder Handbook' followed which is being used by tens of thousands of family's week to week to find out how to get to their next game.

Next we developed our 'Website' to incorporate fixtures and pitch finders which not only offered a great way to get to your next game, but also a way to find your local sponsors.

The end of 2015 saw the launch of our very first smartphone app... the 'CSP Pitch Finder' is now available for Android and iOS phones and tablets providing an intuitive and convenient mobile solution wherever you are, as long as you have a mobile data or wifi signal!

These publications, websites and apps are not only aimed at tackling problems within youth football leagues, they have become a way of raising the profile of youth football in the community. Football has always been a big part of each community in England & Wales, with every club having its own great and romantic history. However with the cost of running these clubs always on the rise it becomes harder and harder to fund youth football every season, so by offering businesses commercial opportunities within these publications it opens the door for new funding in the shape of HIGH EXPOSURE SPONSORSHIP. The sponsorship doesn't only cover the cost of these initiatives but creates surplus funds for the league. Many businesses have then gone on to sponsor teams and clubs in the future.

CSP UK have already generated almost £350,000 of new money for youth football in England & Wales. By strengthening our links with youth football leagues up and down the country we hope to build on that figure and allow these associations and clubs to continue to provide football in their communities.

**Team Managers Contact Info**



**UNDER 07S**

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Blackburn Eagles JFC - Blue 7S	Lance	Slater	TBC	Lanceslater@virginmedia.com	Sky & Navy Blue
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Blackburn Eagles FC - Blue U8S	Nathan	Hargreaves	07755 827055	nattyh1@virginmedia.com	Sky & Navy Blue
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Clitheroe Wolves - White U8S	Nick	Hutchinson	07535 652091	nickh1645@gmail.com	Blue
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Fulledge Colts - Green U8S	Kieran	Alexander	07841 590730	kezanddonna@hotmail.com	Navy Blue/Red
Fulledge Colts - Red U8S	Paul	Fletcher	07858 598345	paul.fletcher28@hotmail.com	Navy Blue/Red
Fulledge Colts - White U8S	Clare	Woodcock	077910297709	cwoodcock@adsyss.org	Navy Blue/Red
Glenside Juniors FC - U8S	Lisa	Connelly	07380 964455	Lisaconnolly1983@hotmail.co.uk	Black & blue
Globe Bullough Park - U8S	Josh	Stanworth	07896 584132	Stamfordjoshua@gmail.com	Red & Blue
Great Harwood Rovers - Green U8S	Kevin	Thompson	07768 789978	kevin.thompson@linde-sterling.co.uk	Green & White
Great Harwood Rovers - White U8S	Derek	George	07713 970868	d.george23@talktalk.net	Green & White
Huncoat United - Black U8S	Jonathon	Gedling	07741 278525	Jongedling@googlemail.com	Black & White
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Pendle Forest - Cobras U8S	Pete	Wrathmell	07931 996746	Pswrathmell@hotmail.com	Green
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RossendaleValley Juniors - Jaguars U8S	Andrew	Higginbottom	07305 415208	andrewhigginbottom1@gmail.com	Yellow & Black
Wiltshire Wanderers - Blue U8S	Lee	Lysons	07854 668507	lee.lysons@btinternet.com	Blue & Black
Wiltshire Wanderers - Red U8S	Lee	Walsh	07989 148145	leewalsh100@hotmail.com	Blue & Black

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Blackburn Eagles FC - Red U9S	Martin	Hoyle	07930 696583	marvhoyle@outlook.com	Sky & Navy Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Blue U9S	Andrew	Blenkinship	07764 673869	Andrewb@valleyhydraulics.co.uk	Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Red U9S	Andy	Clarkson	07598 940842	tolson-clark@sky.com	Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Yellow U9S	Rick	Whalley	07764 740390	Dicksawley@hotmail.com	Blue
Fulledge Colts - Clarets U9S	Gavin	Warne	07791 691542	g.o.w_electrical@outlook.com	Navy Blue/Red
Fulledge Colts - Green U9S	Adam	Gregory	07972 169505	adamwilkin21@hotmail.co.uk	Navy Blue/Red
Fulledge Colts - White U9S	Joshua	Cutt	07701 323967	cutty21@hotmail.co.uk	Navy Blue/Red
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Huncoat United - Black U9S	Mark	Hope	07817 376259	markhope8@hotmail.co.uk	Black & White Stripes
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Clitheroe Wolves - Yellow U10S	Steven	Pratt	07825 834782	stepratt.sp@gmail.com	Blue
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Clitheroe Wolves - Blue U11S	Ben	Mohatta	07805 362249	ben.mohatta@googlemail.com	Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Red U11S	Jordan	Young	07545 251213	25thofmay@gmail.com	Blue
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Great Harwood Rovers - Black U11S	Usman	Ahmad	07828 716869	uzi96@hotmail.com	Green & White
Great Harwood Rovers - Green U11S	David	Blezard	07432 016249	Dblezard@hotmail.com	Green & White





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Huncoat United - White U11S	Simon	Diggle	07814 886448	dig73@uwclub.net	Black & White
Junior Gardeners FC - U11S	Matt	Pilkington	07502 609614	Mattpilkington@me.com	Black & White
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Ribchester Juniors - Blues U11S	Callum	Willis	07724 930705	ck.willis@btinternet.com	Navy & Midnight Blue
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Rishton United - U11S	Callum	Singleton	07902 963153	calsingleton90@gmail.com	Light & Dark Blue
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Rosegrove FC - Rockets U11S	Jamie	Mason	07771 580411	jamiemason304@outlook.com	Red & Blue
Rossendale Valley - Wasps U11S	Garey	Atton	07806 631705	Gareyatton@gmail.com	Yellow & Black
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Wilpshire Wanderers - Blue U11S	Shaun	Berry	07916 533001	bez699@hotmail.com	Blue & Black
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Blackburn Eagles FC - Blue U12S	Mark	Bibby	07462 258044	markbibby30150436@gmail.com	Sky & Navy Blue
Burnley Town - U12S	Ryan	Bradley	07904 543969	Ryanspencerbradley@hotmail.co.uk	Claret & Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Blue U12S	Gareth	White	07921 457795	garethwhite81@yahoo.co.uk	Blue



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Clitheroe Wolves - White U12S	Danny	Anderson	07725 970185	daveboss32@yahoo.com	Blue
Glenside Juniors - Tigers U12S	Paul	Hough	07792 323590	TBC	Orange
Great Harwood Rovers - Green U12S	Stephen	Brotherton	07843 195310	steve.brotherton@pentland.com	Green & White
Huncoat United - Black U12S	Paul	Prestage	07882 816874	paulprestage35@gmail.com	Black & White
Huncoat United - White U12S	Chris	Sherratt	07807 303314	chris.sherratt@nltg.co.uk	Black & White
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Padiham FC Juniors - Red U12S	Robert	Johnson	07805 709076	melbarrett1983@hotmail.co.uk	Blue
Pendle Forest - Hawks U12S	Mark	Bannister	07867 452180	mark_bannister@hotmail.com	Green
Pendle Forest - Warriors U12S	Stephen	Kerrigan	07866 611071	stephen.kerrigan84@gmail.com	Green
Ramsbottom United JFC - Spartans U12S	Rob	English	07590 833573	robenglish1984@hotmail.co.uk	Royal Blue & White
Ribchester Juniors - U12S	Katy	Walker	07798 740658	Jimandkaty@btinternet.com	Navy & Midnight Blue
Rosegrove FC - Pumas U12S	Gary	Spencer	07540 069206	gary.spencer@hotmail.co.uk	Red & Blue stripes
Rossendale United JFC - Blues U12S	Mark	Harris	07802 902096	mark.harris@uuplc.co.uk	Blue
Stanhill Juniors - U12S	Andrew	Leaver	07988 784641	andyteam1@hotmail.com	Black & Royal Blue
Wilpshire Wanderers - Blue U12S	Anthony	Whitehead	07816 970138	Anthony@stoopsfarm.co.uk	Blue & Black
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AFC Ossy - U13S	Craig	Jenel	07720 855826	craig.jenel@hotmail.co.uk	Grey, Red & Blue
Blackburn All Stars - U13S	Lewis	Maher	07914 696665	Lewis Maher851@gmail.com	Navy & Teal
Burnley Town - U13S	Jonny	Neale	07850 504480	jonnyneale99@gmail.com	Claret & Blue
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Clitheroe Wolves - Red U13S	Lee	Farmer	07710 623648	leefarmer75.lf@gmail.com	Blue
FC WYA - Lions U13S	Saki	Iqbal	07855 741547	saki.iqbal@yahoo.co.uk	Lime Green & Grey
Fulledge Colts - Blue U13S	Dan	McGinty	07990 512283	danmc968@hotmail.com	Navy Blue & Red



Fulledge Colts - White U13S	Paul	Fay	07749 538633	Pafay@hotmail.co.uk	Navy Blue & Red
Glenside Juniors - Lions U13S	Brian	Mellor	07526 289865	BrianMellor7@hotmail.co.uk	Orange
Glenside Juniors - Panthers U13S	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	Orange
Globe Bullough Park FC - U13S	Ben	Taylor	07729 658934	tben822@gmail.com	Blue & Red
Great Harwood Rovers - Green U13S	Mark	Sheridan	07850 374239	marksheridan47@yahoo.com	Green & White
Junior Gardeners FC - U13S	Geoff	Wilkinson	07545 616492	geoffwilkinson1@hotmail.co.uk	Black & White
Junior Hoops - Saints U13S	Rob	Tomlinson	07540 333729	robt461@gmail.com	Green & White
Mill Hill Juniors - Red U13S	Mark	Pilling	07809 133522	mjp3012@yahoo.co.uk	Red
Padiham FC Juniors - Blue U13S	Andrew	Hodson	07843 661183	andrew.hodson@acewellelectronics.co.uk	Blue
Pendle Forest - Falcons U13S	Chris	Shapland	07919 923820	Chrisshappy@aol.com	Green
Pendle Forest - Warriors U13S	Reece	Roberts	07917 758159	Reecer@ericwright.co.uk	Green
Ribchester Juniors - U13S	Paul	Green	07989 566783	paulgreen43@live.co.uk	Navy & Midnight Blue
Rishton United - U13S	Nick	Foote	07594 282539	liz0302@hotmail.co.uk	Light & Dark Blue
Rosegrove FC - Vipers U13S	Dave	Evans	07738 930435	dave.evans01@hotmail.co.uk	Red & Blue
Rossendale Valley - Tigers U13S	Michael	Taylor	07904 152266	miketaylor_320@hotmail.com	Yellow & Black
Whalley Juniors - Black U13S	Dave	Lenehan	07792 043773	Davidjlenehan@gmail.com	Red & Black
Whalley Juniors - Red U13S	Paul	Turnock	07884 068859	paul.turnock@btinternet.com	Red & Black
Wilpshire Wanderers - Blue U13S	Dave	Haxton	07738 486632	david_haxton@sky.com	Blue & Black
Wilpshire Wanderers - Red U13S	Harry	Charalambous	07958 383209	harrycharalambous40@gmail.com	Blue & Black

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Blackburn Eagles FC - Black U14S	Jordon	Allison	07495 602531	Giffyallison@live.co.uk	Sky & Navy Blue
Brierfield Celtic - U14S	Rob	Wooley	07419 832162	robw23@hotmail.co.uk	Red & Black
Clayton Park Rangers - Phoenix U14S	Paul	Mosses	07956 739449	paul_mosses@hotmail.co.uk	Grey & Orange
Clayton Park Rangers - Pumas U14S	Daniel	Brown	07860 273765	danielbrown574@yahoo.com	Grey & Orange
Clitheroe Wolves - Green U14S	Mick	Frankish	07979 703467	michael.frankish@uk.gt.com	Blue & White
Clitheroe Wolves - Red U14S	Mark	Wilson	07765 841543	fizzle40@talktalk.net	Blue



FC WYA - U14S	Tahir	Mehboob	07791 290208	Tahirmehboob @hotmail.co.uk	Lime Green & Grey
Fulledge Colts - Red U14S	Chris	Jones	07718 990957	jones_c41 @yahoo.co.uk	Navy Blue & Red
Globe Bullough Park FC - U14S	Martin	Leach	07791 165260	martinleach77 @hotmail.co.uk	Blue & Red
Great Harwood Rovers - White U14S	Glen	Spencer	07985 350335	gspencer110 @sky.com	Green & White
Oswaltdtwistle St Mary's - U14S	Damien	Chamberlain	07377 803324	chamberlain1976.dc @googlemail.com	Black & White
Pendle Forest - Panthers U14S	Wayne	Dowell	07446 216329	Waynedowell @hotmail.co.uk	Green
Pendle Forest - Pumas U14S	Alban	Molloy	07712 259346	ajmolloy.elec @gmail.com	Green
Pendle Forest - Spartans U14S	Anthony	Clark	07736 029742	clakattack76 @googlemail.com	Green
Rishton United - U14S	Dan	Rushton	07795 560937	Liannegaynor @sky.com	Light & Dark Blue
Rossendale Valley - Pumas U14S	Ian	Brierley	07968 681459	lbrierley @yahoo.com	Yellow & Black
Rossendale Valley - Wasps U14S	Iain	Clements	07503 167547	iain.clements @hotmail.co.uk	Yellow & Black
Wilpshire Wanderers - U14S	Craig	Horrocks	07799 470094	craig.horrocks @cadentgas.com	Blue & Black

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AFC Clarets - U15S	Glen	Evans	07516 487311	anfield14.ge @gmail.com	Claret & Blue
Blackburn Eagles FC - Black U15S	Tony	Duxbury	07783 639897	tonyduxbury66 @hotmail.com	Sky & Navy Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Red U15S	Walter	Aspinall	07944 043117	walter.aspinall1978 @gmail.com	Blue
Fulledge Colts - U15S	Nick	Carter	07852 988162	nickcarter74 @hotmail.co.uk	Navy Blue & Red
Great Harwood Rovers - Black U15S	Dan	Flynn	07809 286954	sophieflynn2 @hotmail.co.uk	Green & White
Great Harwood Rovers - Green U15S	Nigel	Sutton	07932 690343	Suttonsix @sky.com	Green & White
Junior Gardeners FC - U15S	Jonny	Daniels	07954 425519	danielsjonathan738 @gmail.com	Black & White
Langho Juniors - U15S	Ibo	Erashin	07827 330963	ibo_ersahin @hotmail.com	Blue & Maroon
Mill Hill Juniors - Red U15S	Craig	Watson	07412 618995	craig_watson @live.co.uk	Red
Mill Hill Juniors - White U15S	Mick	Moir	07531 674059	Mickmoir @hyndburnttc.co.uk	Red
Pendle Forest - Wizards U15S	Jon	Anforth	07790 483794	Janforth @live.com	White
Ribchester Juniors - U15S	Paul	Hindley	07748 961476	paul.hindley1965 @gmail.com	Navy & Midnight Blue
Rishton United - Blue U15S	Paul	Smith	07787 597131	smithy-34 @hotmail.co.uk	Light & Dark Blue



Rishton United - Red U15S	Andy	Pendergast	07402 464866	andrew.pendergast@blackburn.gov.uk	Light & Dark Blue
Rosegrove FC - Warriors U15S	Craig	Lockett	07932 800114	Lockettfc@googlemail.com	Red & Blue
Rossendale United JFC - Blue U15S	Darren	Melvin	07776 134443	darren.melvin@icloud.com	Blue
Rossendale United JFC - Royals U15S	Luke	Hobson	07938 786313	lukehobson90@gmail.com	Blue
Rossendale Valley - Tigers U15S	Ed	Trueman	07561 009125	edward.trueman@apogeecorp.com	Yellow
Rossendale Valley - Wasps U15S	Andy	Lees	07780 448574	andy.lees@palatinepe.com	Yellow & Black
Wilpshire Wanderers - Blue U15S	Phil	Young	07946 730158	Phil@stonesyoung.co.uk	Blue & Black
Wilpshire Wanderers - Red U15S	Andy	Pickup	07874 210908	andypick40@gmail.com	Blue & Black

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Burnley Belvedere - Reds U16S	Ashley	Barker	07538 039933	ash19722011@hotmail.co.uk	Green
Clitheroe Wolves - Green U16S	Bryan	Pierce	07891 063686	bryanpierce69@googlemail.com	Blue
Clitheroe Wolves - Red U16S	Gary	Buchannan	07794 767930	Gazerb@hotmail.co.uk	Blue
Fulledge Colts - Blue U16S	James	North	07872 859740	jamesnorth68@sky.com	Navy Blue & Red
Globe Bullough Park FC - U16S	Jane	Moseley	07752 638037	janemoseley32@hotmail.com	Blue & Red
Huncoat United - Black U16S	David	Cockburn	07845 584416	cockburn.david@sky.com	Black & White Stripes
Junior Gardeners FC - White U16S	David	Berry	07528 766099	Bezzick.db@googlemail.com	Black & White
Junior Gardeners FC - Black U16S	Elmo	Bellusci	07834 465140	elmo1411@hotmail.co.uk	Black & White
Langho Juniors - U16S	Jamie	Livesey	07876 727538	Liveseyjamie@gmail.com	Blue & Maroon
Mill Hill Juniors - White U16S	Chris	Hinds	07711 092755	chris.hinds@blackburn.gov.uk	Red
Padiham FC Juniors - U16S	Martin	Healy	07540 123373	m.healy@james-hargreaves.co.uk	Blue
Rishton United - U16S	Mel	Carr	0798 8624728	m.carr90@yahoo.com	Light & Dark Blue
Wilpshire Wanderers - U16S	Kevin	Reedy	07717 513837	kevin.reedy@lancashire.gov.uk	Blue & Black



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Burnley Town - U18S	Alex	Holt	07881 453372	alexholt79@googlemail.com	Claret
Darwen Rangers JFC - U18S	Steven	Cosgrove	07824 772485	stecos25@gmail.com	Blue
Great Harwood Rovers - U18S	Alan	Wharton	07772 665113	Alanw@led-electical.co.uk	Green & White
Langho Juniors - U18S	Steve	Ready	07967 291533	Stephenready@yahoo.co.uk	Blue & Maroon
Padiham FC Juniors - U18S	John	Harrison	07703 523088	John_harrison_6@hotmail.com	Blue

