		SURREY YOUTH LEAGUE
		2023-2024 SEASON
1.	DEFINITIONS	
(A)	In these Rules:-	
	"Affiliated Association"	means an Association accorded the status of an Affiliated Association
		under the rules of The FA.
	"AGM"	means 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 Surrey Youth 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.
	"Goal Difference"	there is no provision for Goal Difference in this Competition and it shall
		have no bearing in the Competition. It is not recognised as a deciding
		factor in determining the outcome of any Division or Championship.
	"Ground"	means the ground on which the Club's Team(s) plays its Competition Matches.
	"Management	means in the case of a Competition which is an unincorporated
	Committee"	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"	<u> </u>
	"Non Contract Player"	means those participating at ages Under 7s to Under 10s. means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to
	Non Contract Flayer	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	"Player Registration System" means The FA system to register players as
	System"	determined by The FA from time to time.
	"Playing Season"	means the period between the dates 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.

	"Prawn Sandwich" ("PS")	means the Prawn Sandwich administration system and the procedures for		
		the operation thereof as determined by the Competition from time to		
		time.		
	"Rules"	means these rules under which the Competition is administered.		
	"Sanctioning Authority"	means the Surrey County Football Association Limited.		
	"Scholarship"	means a Scholarship as defined in The FA Rules.		
	"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 (1) Team in the Competition in accordance with the Rules.		
	"The FA"	means The Football Association Limited.		
	"WGS"	means the Whole Game System and the procedures for the operation		
		thereof as determined by The FA from time to time.		
	"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)		rms referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term		
	in the singular applies to the	e piurai and vice-versa.		
2	GOVERNANCE RULES	CONSTITUTION		
2.	The Competition will be less			
(A)	1	own as the Surrey Youth League (or such other name as the Competition		
	1	cipating in the Competition must be members of the Competition. A Club which ceases to be entitled to play in the Competition for any reason		
		a automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.		
(B)		ist of not more than ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (180) Clubs and/or ONE		
(5)	•	(1200) Teams approved by the Sanctioning Authority.		
(C)	·	a covered by the Competition for EXISTING Clubs shall be within the		
(0)	1	Management Committee. Existing Clubs must play within the area unless		
	1 7	s granted in advance in writing by the Management Committee. All home		
	matches must be p	layed at the nominated venue as listed on Prawn Sandwich unless		
	Competition dispensa	ation is granted. Clubs who fail to comply with this Rule may be denied		
	Competition Matches	at this venue and the Club dealt with as the Management Committee deem		
	fit. If in doubt we ask	that the Club speak to the Competition at the earliest opportunity to seek		
	 	cation for the dispensation.		
	' ' " " ' '	covered by the Competition for NEW Clubs shall be within the parameters		
	set by the Manageme			
(D)		ompetition under these Rules will be carried out by the Competition acting		
	I .	ecifically mentioned herein) through the Management Committee in		
/ E\		regulations and policies of The FA.		
(E)		e Rules. Every Club shall be deemed, as a member of the Competition to		
	1	d to have agreed to abide by the decisions of the Management Committee		
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(F)		he Standard Code of Rules for Youth Competitions ("the Standard Code")		
(G)	determined by The FA from	time to time. d to an Affiliated Association and their names and particulars shall be		
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		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					
		of Clubs may be grouped in Divisions, each not exceeding TWELVE (12) in number					
(H)	Inclusi	vity & 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.					
	(iv)	Clubs must comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA which are adopted by the					
		Competition including but not limited to, England Football Accredited and RESPECT					
		programmes. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines					
		Tariff.					
(1)	(i)	The Competition embraces all aspects of the Respect Programme utilising best practice,					
		education and potential sanctioning as defined in the FA Respect Codes of Conducts for					
		Players, Spectators, Managers and Officials. The Competition will utilise the Standard Code of					
		Youth Rules as adopted by the Competition and further will use the England Football					
		Accredited Respect Tool Kit Publication.					
	(ii)	Clubs will be required to ensure that a Parent or Official Carer for EVERY player in the					
		Competition, signs the FA Respect Codes of Conduct as published on the Competition's Web					
		Site upon applying for membership to a Club. These Codes of Conduct must be retained by					
		the Club and produced if so requested by the Management Committee.					
	(iii)	The Competition shall require all Participants to have signed the FA's Respect Codes of					
		Conduct and produce these if so requested by the Management Committee.					
	(iv)	Each home Club shall make arrangements for the provision of designated areas for spectators.					
		This area can be marked by a roped off area or by use of a temporary spectator barrier. The					
		area for spectators should ideally be on one side of the pitch and the other used for coaches					
		/ substitutes etc. Ideally this would be 1-2 metres from the touchline. It is recognised,					
		however, that the alignment of some pitches does not allow for this arrangement in which					
		case exemption must be sought from the Management Committee prior to the					
		commencement of the Playing Season. Failure to comply with these provisions may incur a					
		fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff or otherwise be dealt with as the Management					
		Committee see fit.					
	(v)	The Management Committee view the good reputation of the Competition as paramount and					
		therefore the Management Committee shall have the authority to convene a meeting and					
		require a Club, Club Official or individual to attend that meeting to answer and to deal with					
		allegations of breaches of the Respect Programme Codes of Conduct.					
	(vi)	Club / Team Respect Programme Fair Play Marks will be submitted by each Team as part of					
		the Result Card notification marking of the opponents. The Club / Team Respect Programme					
		Fair Play Marks will be monitored throughout the Season by the Management Committee. A					
		low mark is an indication that a Club / Team has fallen below the acceptable standard of the					
		Competition. Therefore a Club / Team whose mark is deemed to be in this category may be					
		required to attend a Disciplinary Sub-Committee Meeting (see Rule 6 Powers of Management)					
		or may receive written notice of their mark with a warning that, should it not improve, they					
							

(I) 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 a total of ONE (1) County FA or FA Competition) except with the written consent of the Management Committee. NOTE this includes ANY football format e.g. Futsal etc. Club Secretaries are responsible for informing the Competition which Teams have been entered into which County Cup Competition by 31st July in each year. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (L) At the AGM or 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. (M) As an FA Charter Standard League this Competition requires all its Clubs to have achieved FA Charter Standard status or be regarded by their Parent County FA as obeing in a position whereby they have a realistic chance of achieving it. The Management Committee will review the FA Charter Standard status of all member Clubs and those who have not achieved FA Charter Standard status by 30th March in each year or who are regarded by their Parent County FA as not being in a position whereby they have a realistic chance of achieving it by the 20th day of May in each year may have their Application for the forthcoming season rejected and will not be considered for re-election to the Competition for the forthcoming season. (N) The Competition has the right to decline Applications for Membership to this Competition for the forthcoming season or ejected and will not be considered for re-election to the satisfaction of the Management Committee a commitment to achieving the award and / or the Club is regarded by its Parent County FA as being a Club in a position whereby they have a realistic chance		
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- (C) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the Entry Fee, Annual Subscription and Deposit (if required) has been paid.
- (D) Clubs must advise annually to the Secretary in writing by 1st September in each year 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.
- (E) 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), 2N & 2H and provided the team has obtained approval from its Sanctioning Authority.

5. MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION

- (A) The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition.
- (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 31st May 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 (2) Clubs, not later than 30th April 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 (3) calendar months shall pass between each meeting.

 On receiving a requisition signed by TWO-THIRDS (2/3rds) 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 through their Club Secretaries or Chairs 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 Club Secretary or Chairs and sent to the Secretary.

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

6. POWERS OF MANAGEMENT

(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.

The Management Committee may appoint a Disciplinary Sub-Committee with powers to determine and deal with disputes or complaints regarding interpretation of Competition Rules, the behaviour of Clubs and alleged misconduct regarding activities connected to the Competition. It will consist of the Disciplinary Secretary plus a minimum of TWO (2) and up to a maximum of FIVE (5) further members of the Management Committee. The Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall elect a Chairman for each of its hearings and meetings. All decisions of the Disciplinary Sub-Committees shall be ratified by the Management Committee.

The Management Committee may appoint a Sub-Committee to interview Officers of all new Clubs applying to the Competition including Clubs who were previous members of the Competition but whose membership has lapsed. Attendance at this Sub-Committee Meeting for such new Clubs will be obligatory. It will consist of either the General Secretary, Chair or Treasurer plus a minimum of TWO (2) and up to a maximum of FIVE (5) further members of the Management Committee. The Sub-Committee may require evidence of authorisation of the Club to apply to the Competition by production of the Club Minute Book, Membership and financial arrangements. Where appointed, the Sub-Committee shall assess all entries and report to the Management Committee.

(B)	The Management Committee shall appoint an Executive Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman, General Secretary and TWO (2) Members of the Management Committee. It shall have the full powers of the Management Committee and will only be convened for matters of urgency which have to be resolved prior to a Management Committee Meeting or Special General Meeting. The decisions of the Executive Sub-Committee shall be reported to the Management Committee. The cost of any venue and any expenses incurred by the Competition or Management Committee Officers attending any such Meeting may be borne in part by Club(s) involved at the discretion of the Management Committee. Subject to the permission of the Sanctioning Authority having been obtained the Management					
(5)	Commi the fun have w	ttee may order a match or matches to be played each Season, the proceeds to be devoted to ds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call upon each Club (including any Club which may ithdrawn during the Season) to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any ncy at the end of the Season.				
(C)	Manag vote or there n In the	Member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all ement Committee meetings and have ONE (1) vote thereat, but no member shall be allowed to any matters directly appertaining to such Member or to the Club so represented or where may be a conflict of interest. (This shall also apply to the procedure of any Sub-Committee). event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chairman of the Management Committee are a second or casting vote.				
(D)	also ha be take With t Commi SEVEN	enagement Committee shall have powers to apply, act upon and enforce these Rules and shall ve jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Competition. Any action by the Competition must en within TWENTY EIGHT (28) days of the Competition being notified. The exception of Rules 6(I), 8(H) & 9, for all alleged breaches of a Rule the Management ttee 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 SEVEN (7) days, the Management Committee 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 or reply of the Club as more fully set out above. Hearings may be conducted personally or virtually. Having considered the reply of the Club (whether in writing or at a hearing), the Manage Committee shall make its decision and, in the event that the charge is accepted or proven, decide the appropriate penalty (with reference to the Fines Tariff where applicable). The maximum fine permitted for any breach of a Rule is ONE HUNDRED POUNDS (£100.00) and, setting any fine, the Management Committee must ensure that the penalty is proportional to 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 was accordance with FA Rules by the appropriate Association.					
(E)	accorda Decisio	cisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal in ance with Rule 7. In sof the Management Committee must be notified in writing to those concerned within EEN (14) days.				

(F)	FIVE (5) of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Management
	Committee and THREE (3) of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by
	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.
(1)	Subject to a Club's right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7 below, all fines and charges must be paid
	within FOURTEEN (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 FOURTEEN (14) days will result in fixtures being withdrawn until such time as the
	outstanding fines are paid.
(1)	Subject to a Club's right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7 below, all fees and charges due to the
	Competition must be paid within FOURTEEN (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 fee
	including the additional fine within a further FOURTEEN (14) days will result in fixtures being withdrawn
	until such time as the outstanding fees and fines are paid. In the case of a Player Registration Fee or
	Player Transfer Fee remaining unpaid after FOURTEEN (14) days the Management Committee will have
(14)	the power to cancel the registration of the Player or Players relative to that Fee.
(K)	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.
(L)	The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the
(L)	membership of the Competition between the AGM or SGM called to decide the constitution and the
	commencement of the Playing Season.
(M)	The business of the Competition as determined by the Management Committee shall be transacted by
(,	electronic mail.
	Clubs applying for membership of the Competition must provide a valid and active e-mail address for
	the receipt of Competition correspondence. It is the responsibility of each Club to update any changes
	to such e-mail address on the Competition's website as soon as practicable throughout the Season.
	Any Club failing to do so will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
(N)	Clubs must update any changes of their Club Officers (including Club Welfare Officer) on WGS. Any
	Club failing to do so will be fined (in accordance with the Fines Tariff).
(O)	Any document or Notice served under these Rules will be served personally or by first class post,
	registered post, facsimile transmission or e-mail. In the absence of proof to the contrary, any document
	or Notice served by first class post or by registered post shall be deemed to have been served on the
	third day after the date of posting or, in the case of any document or Notice served by facsimile
	transmission or e-mail, it will be deemed to have been served on that day.
(P)	The Secretary shall have the power on behalf of the Management Committee to convene a Meeting of
	the Disciplinary Sub-Committee and request the attendance of a Club, Club Officer, Player, Participant
	or Individual who has been formally charged. Any Club Officer, Player, Participant or Individual having
	been given SEVEN (7) days' notice to attend a Disciplinary Sub-Committee Meeting and failing to attend
	may have the matter heard in their absence and fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff or otherwise
(6)	dealt with as the Management Committee may determine.
(Q)	The Management Committee will consider an accumulation of cautions and/or sending offs
	attributable to a Club / Team as conduct of an unacceptable level and will have the power to instruct
	the Disciplinary Secretary to request the attendance of any such formally charged Club, Team, Club
	Officer, Participant or Player to attend a meeting of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee or a meeting
	convened by the General Secretary for that purpose. Any Club Officer, Player, Participant or Individual
	having been given SEVEN (7) days' notice to attend a Disciplinary Sub-Committee Meeting and failing
	to attend may have the matter heard in their absence and fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff or

	Mana previo	wise dealt with as the Management Committee may determine. At such a meeting the gement Committee will have the power to consider the disciplinary record, overall behaviour and bus conduct of the Club / Team. The Club / Team will have the opportunity to offer an explanation e record and outline measures for future improvement. Subject to Rule 7 (APPEAL).					
(S)	Marks will ha impro be div given absen Mana The D Team for fur Seaso There conne	The Disciplinary Sub-Committee will have the power to consider the Respect Programme Fair Play Marks, disciplinary record, overall behaviour and previous conduct of the Club / Team. The Club / Team will have the opportunity to offer an explanation for the poor record and outline measures for future improvement. The individual mark awarded by each Team will be deemed as confidential and will not be divulged under any circumstances. Any Club, Team, Club Officer, Participant or Player having been given SEVEN (7) days' notice of such a Meeting and failing to attend may have the matter heard in their absence and may be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff or be otherwise dealt with as the Management Committee may determine. The Disciplinary Sub-Committee will have the power to recommend to the AGM that any such Club / Team which has failed to satisfactorily answer for their record and/or failed to make a satisfactory plan for future improvement may be considered for non-election into the Competition for the forthcoming Season. There shall not be more than THREE (3) persons elected to the Management Committee who have connections with the same Club.					
7.	PROT	ESTS, CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS					
(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)	found Comp excep is a m	t in cases where the Management Committee decide that there are special circumstances, sts and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are ed) must be lodged with the Secretary within SEVEN (7) days (excluding Sundays) of the etition Match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn t by permission of the Management Committee. A member of the Management Committee who ember of any Club involved shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of their when such protest or complaint is being determined.					
(C)	Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined. 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 be shared by the parties.						
(D)		rties to a protest or complaint must receive a copy of the submission and must be afforded portunity to make a statement at least SEVEN (7) days prior to the protest or complaint being .					
	(i)	All parties must have received SEVEN (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 FIFTY POUNDS (£50.00) and indicate such when forwarding the written response.					
(E)	expen	Management Committee shall also have power to compel any party to the protest to pay such uses as the Management Committee shall direct.					
(F)	Autho	ppeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning prity within FOURTEEN (14) days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing opeal, accompanied by a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff), which may be forfeited in the event of opeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary. The procedure					

	for the	e appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, in such respect the Sanctioning				
		ity 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				
	· · ·	peal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.				
(G)		peal can be lodged against a decision taken at an AGM or SGM unless this is on the ground of				
(-,	unconstitutional conduct.					
8.		AL GENERAL MEETING				
(A)	The AC	6M shall be held not later than the end of June in each year. At this meeting the following				
	busine	ss shall be transacted provided that at least FIFTY PER CENT (50%) of Members are present and				
	entitle	d 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 (as recommended by the Management Committee);				
	(iv)	constitution of the Competition for the ensuing Playing Season;				
	(v)	election of Officers of the Competition and the Management Committee;				
	(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. Due notice shall be defined as having been sent to the Secretary in writing at least				
		FOURTEEN (14) days prior to the AGM.				
(B)	A copy	of the duly audited/verified Balance Sheet, Statement of Accounts and Agenda shall be				
	forwar	arded to each Club at least SEVEN (7) days prior to the meeting together with any proposed Rule				
	change	S.				
(C)	A signe	ed copy of the duly audited/verified Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts shall be sent to				
		nctioning Authority within FOURTEEN (14) days of its adoption by the AGM.				
(D)	Each C	lub shall be empowered to send TWO (2) delegates to an AGM. Each Club shall be entitled to				
) vote only. SEVEN (7) days' notice shall be given of any AGM.				
(E)		who have withdrawn their membership of the Competition during the Playing Season being				
		ded or who are not continuing membership shall be entitled to attend but shall vote only on				
		s relating to the Season being concluded. This provision will not apply to Clubs expelled in				
		ance with Rule 12.				
(F)		ng shall be conducted by a show of voting cards unless a ballot be demanded by at least FIFTY				
	+	NT (50%) of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chairman so decides.				
(G)		ividual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than ONE (1) Club.				
(H)	-	ntinuing Club must be represented at the AGM. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a				
/:>	-	accordance with the Fines Tariff.				
(1)		s of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote				
/ 13		GM but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a Club (see Rule 8 (G)).				
(1)		a Competition is an incorporated entity, the Officers of the Competition shall ensure that the				
	Article	s of Association of the Competition are consistent with the requirements of these Rules.				
9.	SPECIA	L GENERAL MEETINGS				
(A)		receiving a requisition signed by TWO THIRDS (2/3rds) of the Clubs in membership the Secretary all a SGM.				
(B)	The M	lanagement Committee may call a SGM at any time.				
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(C) 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. (D) Each Club shall be empowered to send TWO (2) delegates to all SGMs. Each Club shall be entitled to ONE (1) vote only. (E) Any Club failing to be represented at a SGM shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (F) Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all SGMs but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a Club (see Rule 9 (D)). **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:-Where a Club is an unincorporated association, the Club Chairman and Secretary; or 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. 11. **CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP, WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB** (A) Any Club intending or having a provisional intention to withdraw a Team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing at least THIRTY (30) days before the AGM. This does not apply to a Club moving in accordance with Rule 22(B). Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. The Management Committee shall have the discretion to deal with a Team being unable to start or (B) complete its fixtures for a Playing Season, including but not limited to, issuing a fine in accordance with A Club shall not be allowed to withdraw any or all of its Teams from the Competition after the Annual General Meeting. Any Club infringing this Rule shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ONE HUNDRED POUNDS (£100.00) per Team. (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 FIFTY POUNDS (£50.00), the Management Committee shall be empowered to refer the debt under The FA Football Debt Recovery provisions. (D) The Membership for the ensuing Season having been decided at the AGM or SGM held for that purpose the Competition shall have the right, irrespective of other provisions in this Rule, to refuse to permit a Club to withdraw its Team(s) in order to join another Competition and may hold the Club to its engagements. (E) Where a Team or Club takes a new name, the Management Committee shall have discretionary powers to consider them as an existing Team or Club, providing that the playing membership is at least SEVENTY FIVE PER CENT (75%) of the previous Season's registered players. (F) A Club shall not be allowed to withdraw any or all of its Teams from the Competition after the AGM for the forthcoming Playing Season. Any Club infringing this Rule shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and shall also be liable for its share of any call which may be made under Rule 6(B).

(G)	The Management Committee can advise non-inclusion of Clubs or individual teams to Members at the AGM.							
12.	EXCLUSION OF CLUBS OR TEAMS, MISCONDUCT OF CLUBS, OFFICERS, PLAYERS, MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE							
(A)	having been duly circulated on the Agenda by direction of the Management Committee, the accre 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 (2/3rds) of those present and voting 							
	Voting on this point shall be condu which is the subject of the vote being	-	_	ommittee or Club				
(B)	At the AGM, or at a SGM called faccredited delegates present shall Competition any Club or Team who supported by more than TWO THIR be conducted by ballot. A Club who from voting.	or the purpose in accordance I have the power to exclude se conduct has, in their opinio DS (2/3rds) of those present a	with the provisio from further pa n, been undesirab nd voting. Voting	rticipation in the le, which must be on this point shall				
(C)	Any Officer or member of a Club pr of inducing or attempting to induce shall be liable to such penalty as a G Club shall also be liable to expulsion Rule.	a Player or Players of another (General Meeting or Manageme	Club in the Compet nt Committee may	tition to join them decide, and their				
13.	ТКОРНУ							
(A)	The following Agreement shall be significant to the Country of the winning Club and be in a clear as directed by the Secretary by the return the cups or trophies by the day a Club failing to return any cup or the trophy in addition to the above-return the cups of the country of the cups of the cup of the cups of the cup of the cups of the cups of the cup of the cups of the cups of the cup of the cups of the cup	Competition in good order and an and presentable state. They also day of February in the Plue date they shall receive a fine rophy will be responsible for the	correctly engrave must be returned aying Season. Who e in accordance with	d with the details to those Officers ere a Club fails to th the Fines Tariff.				
	"We A [name] and B [name], the representing the Club, having been to us by the Competition, do hereby or Shield to the Competition Secret under our care we agree to refund the thorough repair."	declared winners of [] Cup or yon behalf of the Club jointly a ary on or before []. If the Cup	Shield, and it having a severally agree or Trophy is lost o	ng been delivered to return the Cup or damaged whilst				
	Failure to return a correctly compaccordance with the Fines Tariff.	eleted agreement by the last	day of June will r	esult in a fine in				
(B)	At the close of each Competition at the Competition permit.	wards may be made to the wir	ners and runners-	up if the funds of				
		11 v 11	16 Awards					
		9 v 9	13 Awards					
(6)		Mini Soccer (i.e. U9 & U10)	10 Awards					
(C)	Non-attendance of a Trophy Ceremony without giving a satisfactory explanation in writing to the Secretary within TWENTY EIGHT (28) days of the Trophy Ceremony will result in a Club receiving a charge for breach of Competition Rules and the Club may forfeit their right to the trophies or awards. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.							

(D) In addition a Team attending with less than EIGHT (8) players for 11v11, SEVEN (7) players for 9v9 shall be deemed not to have attended for the purposes of this Rule and will be subject to the same penalties. (E) Clubs must return Cups / Shields by the last day in February as directed by the Secretary. The Cups / Shields must have been suitably engraved with the details of the winning Club and be in a clean and presentable state. Failure to return the Cups / Shields by the due date will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Cups / Shields must be returned to the Competition in good order and correctly engraved. Failure to do so will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (F) A Club failing to return any Cup / Shield will be responsible for the full replacement cost of such Cup / Shield in addition to the above-mentioned fines. Any Club / Team not continuing in the Competition for the following season, having won any cup or (G) trophy in the preceding season must return the same fully engraved and in a clean and presentable state before the next Competition AGM. (H) Non-attendance at an Awards Collection Event by ONE (1) representative of the Club without providing a satisfactory explanation in writing to the Secretary within FOURTEEN (14) days of the Awards Collection Event will result in the Club receiving a charge for breach of Competition Rules and the Club may forfeit their right to the trophies or awards. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. 14. **ALTERATION TO RULES** 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 except in exceptional circumstances and approved by the Sanctioning Authority and The FA. Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the AGM shall be submitted to the Secretary by 1st April in each year. The proposals and proposed amendments thereto shall be circulated to Clubs by email prior to the AGM. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of SEVENTY FIVE PER CENT (75%) of those present, entitled to vote and voting are in favour. 15. **FINANCE** The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds (A) of the Competition will be lodged. All expenditure in excess of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS (£1,000.00) shall be approved by the (B) Management Committee. (C) The financial year of the Competition will end on the last day of February. The Books, or a certified Balance Sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be (D) audited/verified annually by a suitably qualified person(s) who shall be appointed at the AGM. 16. **INSURANCE** (A) All Clubs must have valid public liability insurance cover of at least TEN MILLION POUNDS (£10,000,000.00) 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. Failure to comply with Rule 16(A) or 16(B) will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. **17.** DISSOLUTION (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. In the event of the dissolution of the Competition, the members of the Management Committee are (B) 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
	(1)	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.
	MATO	CH RELATED RULES
18.	QUAL	IFICATION OF PLAYERS
(A)		yer is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has been registered correctly and had the
	_	ration approved by the Surrey Youth League in line with the FA Player Registration procedure.
	-	egistration that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the Club unprocessed and
	-	layer classed as unregistered. The registration application must incorporate a current passport-
	-	hotograph of the Player seeking registration, an email address for the player or their parent /
	_	lian if under 16 at the time of registration together with confirmation that the Player's proof of
		of birth has been checked by the Club and is accurate. Failure to comply with this Rule will result
		ne in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
		ib attempts to register a player via the FA Player Registration System but does not fully and correctly complete the ary information via the Player Registration System, the registration will not be processed
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	INOIL	the Player's Birth Certificate or Passport.
	NOTE	(ii) NOTE: A Player remains ineligible to play in the Competition until the FA Player
		Registration process above has been completed and approved by the League Registration
		Secretary and the Player appears on the FA Player Registration Team Sheet. For the
		avoidance of doubt merely submitting the player's registration details onto the system is
		not deemed as completing the process. Any player who plays in any match in this
		competition in such circumstances will be deemed as "unregistered or ineligible".
		No registration approvals will be effected by the Registration Secretary between 12.00
		p.m. (noon) on Friday and 9.00 a.m. on Monday
	Failure	to comply with any part of Rule 18 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 TEN (10) and over crossing borders including Wales, Scotland and
	,	Ireland.
		A Player registered with a Premier League or EFL Academy under the Elite Player
		Performance Plan contained within Youth Development Rules will not be permitted to play in this Competition except for those in the Under 11 Age Group and below where
		consent has been given by the relevant Premier League or EFL Academy (such consent
		can be withdrawn at any time). Trial Players are not considered to be registered with a
		Premier League or EFL Academy for these purposes and therefore the prohibition on
		playing in the Competition does not apply to them. The relevant Premier League/EFL
		Academy remains responsible for managing the frequency of the Player's playing time.
		Details of the Youth Development Rules are published on The FA website. A Player
		registered with an FA Emerging Talent Centre or an FA Professional Game Academy may
		play in this Competition subject to the FA Girls' Emerging Talent Centre Operating Criteria
		and Professional Game Academy Youth Development Rules.
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(iii)		Each Team must have the following number of Players registered FOURTEEN (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 Ru	ule will result in	n a fine in acco	rdance with the Fines Tariff.			

(C) A child who has not attained the age of SIX (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 their age as at midnight on 31 August of the relevant Playing Season i.e. children who are aged SIX (6) as at midnight on 31 August in a Playing Season (together with those who attain the age of SIX (6) during the Playing Season) will be classed as Under SEVEN (7) Players for that Playing Season. Children who are aged SEVEN (7) as at midnight on 31st August in a Playing Season will be classed as Under EIGHT (8) Players for that Playing Season, and so on.

Notwithstanding the above, a child is permitted to play up in the age group above their chronological age group, irrespective of any changes of format or competition structure, save that a child who attaiins the age of SIX (6) after 31 August is permitted to play only in the Under SEVEN (7) age group, and may not play in the Under EIGHT (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. For the purposes of this Rule 18(C), provisions relating to playing in specified age groups shall include participating in training as well as playing in matches. 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	Mavimus		Minimum Pitch Sizes		Maximum Pitch Sizes		Recommended Goal Sizes	
	Playing Season	Groups	Format	Yards	Metres	Yards	Metres	in feet	Ball Size
	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		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	4
		Under 14	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	
	13	Under 14	11/11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	100 x 60	91.44 x 54.9	21 x 7	4
		Under 15	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5

			Undan 15		0050	02.245.75	110 70	100 50 64	240	1	1
		14	Under 15		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75		100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5	
	1		Under 16	11v11	90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75	110 x 70	100.58 x 64	24 x 8		_
		15	Under 16		90 x 50	82.3 x 45.75		100.58 x 64	24 x 8	5	
		13	Under 17	11v11				118.87 x 91.44			
			Under 18					118.87 x 91.44			
		16	Under 17					118.87 x 91.44		5	
		10	Under 18	11v11				118.87 x 91.44			
			Open Age		100 x 50	91.44 x 45.75	130 x 100	118.87 x 91.44	24 x 8		
(E)	transferred. Player Registration Fees including Transfer Fees will be invoiced to Clubs periodic throughout the Season. Failure to pay the Invoice within FOURTEEN (14) days of issue may result the Player Registration to which the Invoice relates being cancelled. Any Player Registration cancer in such circumstances effectively means that the Player WILL NOT be permitted to play in Competition Match until such time as the fee and any associated fine has been paid and Registration Secretary has re-approved the Player Registration. Any Competition Matches not played as a result of a lack of players due to this Rule 18(D) will attach penalties as that particular Rule may attract.					cally alt in elled ANY the tract the ority shall ation					
		Rule 18		eptions se	t out in	Rule 18(E)	(III) belo	w or where	the Competit	ion ad	opts
	(iii)	A Playe	er is only pe	ermitted to	registe	for more	than ON	E (1) Club p	rovided that:-		
		(a) t	the Team(s) in which t	the Playe	er plays are	not in t	he same ag	ge group; or		
			Except for t 18(C).	the purpos	se of a tr	ansfer and	the Pla	yer meets t	the requireme	nts in	Rule
(F)	It shall be	e a breac	ch of these	Rules for a	Player t	0:-					
	(i)			Play for more than ONE (1) Team in the same age group in the Competition in the same Playing Season without first being transferred or in conjunction with Rule 18 J							
	(ii)			Having registered for ONE (1) 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 or where the Competition adopts Rule 18 (P).							
				Submit a registration via WGS 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)		suspend t	he regis	tration of a	any Play	er, the exer	ver to refuse, cise of such potential to the contract to the c	wer b	eing

		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 decise pursuant to the above power, it may apply, in its absolute discretion					
		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 TWELVE				
		(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				
		pute and will in any event be subject to an appeal to the Sanctioning				
	-	cisions must include the period of restriction. For the purpose of this Rule,				
		to disrepute can only be considered where the Player has received in excess				
	of ONE HUNDRED AND TWELVE (112) days' suspension, or TEN (10) matches in match based discipline					
	in any competition (and is not restricted to the Competition) in a period of TWO (2) years or less fro the date of the first offence.					
(H)		FA Rule C (FA Regulations Concerning Approaches to Non Contract Players				
		en a Club wishes to register a Player who is already registered with another				
		er request in a format as determined by the Competition to the Registration				
		shall be referred by the Competition to the Club for which the Player is				
	_	b object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the				
	-	yer concerned within THREE (3) days of receipt of the notification. begins on the date when the Registration Secretary sends the transfer				
	-	Club the Player is transferring from.				
		consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within THREE (3) days,				
	1 .	may, on behalf of the Management Committee, transfer the player. The				
	player shall be deemed elig	gible to play for the new Club following the approval by the Registration				
		layer will appear on the new Club's Team Sheet.				
	-	to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee				
	for a decision.	s set out in the East Tariff and must be noted in several area with Duly 400				
		s set out in the Fees Tariff and must be paid in compliance with Rule 18D. I for a Club is cancelled or transferred for any reason whatsoever cannot,				
	_	Management Committee, return to their original Club until a minimum of				
		sed from the date of the cancellation or transfer.				
		of FA Regulations mentioned above at 18 (H), below:				
	FA Rule C - FA Regulations Co	oncerning Approaches to Players without Written Contracts				
	1 7 7	The Association under regulation 3 of the "Regulations for the Sanction and Control				
	of Competitions" may make th	eir own regulations for the approach of Players between Clubs of the Competition;				

(ii) during the current season any Club wishing to approach a Player known to be registered with or having played for any other Club must give to the secretary of each such Club, seven days' formal written notice of the intention to approach the Player; Formal written notice of approach need be given by:-(A) A Saturday Club only to all Saturday Clubs; (B) A Sunday Club only to all Sunday Clubs; and (C) A midweek Club only to all midweek Clubs; (iii) The written notice must be sent by special delivery or recorded post, or a written acknowledgment otherwise obtained from the Secretary or Chairman of the Club approached. Facsimile or e-mail transmission may be used provided a receipt of acknowledgment is also obtained; (iv) Following the date of posting of the written notice of approach, or receipt of an acknowledgment: (A) The Player may be registered on or after the eighth day; and (B) The Player must have been registered on or before the 21st day; (v) The approaching Club:-(A) May not approach the same Player a second time in the same playing season; (B) May approach only ONE (1) Player at a Club at any time subject to Rule C2 (a) (ix) below; (C) May not approach another Player at the same Club within 28 days of an earlier notice of approach or acknowledgment; (vi) if an approach is made by a Player to another Club during the current season, that Club shall give the Club(s), for which the Player is known to be registered or has played, seven days' notice of approach as set out in Rule C2(a)(i) to (v) above before registering the Player; (vii) a Club which is the subject of a complaint alleging failure to give notice in accordance with this Rule may be subject to a charge of Misconduct pursuant to FA Rule E1(b); (viii) a Club proved to have breached the provisions of this Rule may have its current registration of the Player cancelled and be subject to such other penalty as The Association or appropriate Affiliated Association deems appropriate, in accordance with relevant regulations of The Association from time to time in force; and (ix) During the current season a maximum of TWO (2) Players may be approached in the manner described above if invited to trial at a licensed academy or "Centre of Excellence" of The Association, The FA Premier League or The Football League. *A current season runs from 1st July to the following 31st May (1) A Player may not be registered for a Club or Team after the last day of **February** nor transferred to another Club / Team in the Competition after the last day of February except by special permission of the Management Committee. NOTE Special permission will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Shortage of players through injury, unavailability or de-registration alone or collectively would not necessarily constitute exceptional. (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. Under 12 to Under 18 (i) 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 (1) Team only. A Player so registered will be allowed to play for their Club in a younger or older age group within the provisions of Rule 18(C) but must be registered to that Team within the provisions of Rule 18(A) (i). (ii) A Player must be registered to a specific team and if their Club has multiple teams at that age group, the player cannot play for another team without effecting a transfer. An inter-Club transfer does not attract a fee. Under 8 to Under 11 A Player need not be registered to a specific team and can play in any team at the age group to which they are eligible and registered for their Member Club.

(K)	A register containing the names of all Players registered for each Club, with the date of registration, shall be kept by the Registration 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 their status to that of a Contract Player with the same							
		other Club in the Competition or with a Club in another Competition their registration as a Non Player will automatically be cancelled and declared void unless the Club conforms to the						
		n detailed in Rule 18(B) (i).						
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(N)	Subject to Rule 18(N) (ii), any Club found to have played an unregistered or ineligible Play in a Competition Match or Matches where points are awarded shall have the points gain from that Competition Match deducted from its record, up to a maximum of TWELVE (2 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 unregistered or 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;						
		(b) Levy penalty points against the Club in default; and/or						
		(c) Order that such Competition Match or Matches be replayed (on such terms as are						
	decided by the Management Committee).							
	(The followi football):-	ng Clause applies to Competitions involving Players in full-time secondary education but does not apply to Under 17/Under 18						
(O)	(i)	Priority must be given at all times to the activities of schools and school organisations. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.						
	(ii)	The availability of children must be cleared with their Head Teacher (except for Sunday League Competitions).						
	(iii) A child under the age of FIFTEEN (15) as at midnight on 31 August in a Playing Season, so not be permitted to play in a Competition Match during that Playing Season where any of Player is older or younger than that child by TWO (2) years or more.							
(P)	FA's elect either appelied to the eligible to	wishes to cancel a Player's registration within the Competition, it must make a request via The stronic Player Registration System giving the reason for the request. The Competition may oprove or decline the request. If a Player's registration is cancelled, the Player will not be so play in the Competition for a period of 10 days from the date of cancellation. No Deted Player may re-Register after the last day of February. A De-Registered Player wishing to						
	play for another Club / Team within the Competition will be treated as a transfer. PLEASE NOTE that							
	such Player may be Cup tied. Player Registration Players from Teams that disband following the							
	commencement of the Playing Season are automatically de-registered unless an internal Transfer to a							
	Team at the same Club is effected within SEVEN (7) days of the Competition receiving notification that							
	the Tean Fines Tai	n has disbanded. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the riff.						
(Q)		duction, security and accuracy of the Player Registration System Team Sheet is the						
	responsi must be accurate	bility of the Club to which the Player is registered. The Player Registration System Team Sheet in a satisfactory condition suitable for purpose and must, at every Competition Match, ly reflect the squad registered on the day of the Competition Match. The Player Registration Team Sheet must be reproduced to reflect any new Player Registration, any Player Transfer (in						
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or out) and any Player De-Registration. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

19. CLUB COLOURS

(A) Every Team must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the Secretary by 31st August in each Playing Season in each playing season 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 FIVE (5) days before the Competition Match.

If, in the opinion of the referee, TWO (2) 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.

All Shirts must be numbered uniquely (but the numbering of the goalkeeper's shirt is optional), 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.

The Secretary may request shirts to be submitted if complaints are received as to lack of distinguishing colours and the Management Committee may refuse to permit any shirts or shorts as they think fit.

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

20. PLAYING SEASON. CONDITIONS OF PLAY. TIMES OF KICK-OFF. POSTPONEMENTS. SUBSTITUTES

(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, The FA The Mini-Soccer and Youth Futsal Handbook or, for 9v9 football, The FA's Guide to 9v9 Football.

Clubs must take all reasonable precautions to keep their Grounds in a playable condition. All Competition Matches shall be played on pitches deemed suitable and APPROVED 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.

Artificial 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 (https://footballfoundation.org.uk/3g-pitch-register). All Football Turf Pitches used must be tested (by a FIFA accredited test institute) every THREE (3) 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.

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

Overhead netting is allowed for 5v5 and 7v7 mini soccer if the overhead netting height is at a minimum of SIX (6) metres. No overhead netting is allowed for 9v9 and 11v11 Competition Matches. Overhead wires used to support pitch divider netting are ideally removed for Competition Matches but, if they cannot be removed, discretion is given to the Match Official to restart the Competition Match in accordance with The Laws of the Game.

All Competition Matches shall have a duration as set out below unless a shorter time is mutually arranged by the TWO (2) 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 & Under 8	5	10	10	20	40	60	Development focused with a maximum of 3 trophy events per season over 2- week periods (6 weeks)
	Under 9 & Under 10	10	12.5	20	25	60	90	Development focused 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 focused 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 & Under 14	N/A	N/A	25	35	100	150	Any varieties including one season long league table
	Under 15 & Under 16	N/A	N/A	25	40	100	150	Any varieties including one season long league table
	Under 17 & 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.

With the exception of Competition Matches arranged by the Management Committee any kick off prior to 10.00am or after 2.00pm on Sundays must be mutually agreed by both Teams and the Match Officials. Once the kick-off time has been notified to the opposing Team, it cannot be changed by more than ONE (1) hour except by mutual consent or by order of the Management Committee. Any Competition Match not played as a consequence will be treated as an unplayed fixture.

Referees must order Competition Matches to commence at the appointed time and must report all late starts to the Competition. Any Club failing to commence at the appointed time may be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

If the appointed kick off is delayed by the absence of ONE (1) Team, the referee and the opposing Team are required to remain in the vicinity of the pitch until THIRTY (30) minutes has elapsed after which it will be treated as an unplayed fixture. Both Clubs and the referee shall report the facts to the Competition as required under League Rules.

If the Management Committee consider a delayed kick off to be the result of a deliberate act by any Club / Team, the Club shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

The home Team must provide properly secured goal nets, corner posts and flags, set of linesman's flags and at least TWO (2) 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.

Each Team shall provide adequate First Aid equipment at every Competition Match. A Team not complying with any part of this Rule shall be fined in accordance of the Fines Tariff. (B) Except by permission of the Management Committee all Competition Matches must be played on the dates originally fixed, priority shall be given to The FA and parent County Association Cup Competitions. NOTE: This is limited to a total of ONE (1) FA OR County FA Competition per Playing Season. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a Competition Match with the consent of the Age Group Fixture Secretary. Any Clubs that are aware that their pitches are not available in September, April or May due to Council Permit restrictions or ground availability issues must inform the Secretary as soon as this is known by the Club and in any event by 1st August for fixtures up to the 31st December and by 1st January for fixtures up to the third week of May. This is to help Fixture Secretaries where possible to plan home & away matches allowing for these factors. Any Clubs stating that pitches are not available in September, April or May that have not so advised the Secretary and where the reverse fixture has already taken place will be reported to the Management Committee who may at their discretion order the Competition Match to be played on the opponent's home ground or a neutral ground at the defaulting Club's expense where applicable and actual costs have been incurred. The Management Committee may also at its discretion where the circumstances warrant it award the points for the match to opponents of the defaulting Club. In cases where both Clubs are deemed at fault the Management Committee may render the Competition Match null & void. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (C) In the case of a revised fixture date, the Clubs must be given by the Competition FIVE (5) clear days' notice of the Competition Match (unless otherwise mutually agreed). Where there are no free Sundays remaining in the Playing Season and there remain Competition Matches to be played the Fixture Secretary may order Competition Matches to be played on days other than Sundays, provided that FIVE (5) days' notice is given or may order the playing of TWO (2) Competition Matches between the TWO (2) Clubs / Teams on the same day ("double header"). These will be of shorter duration of TWO (2) equal halves, only to be played if the home and away Competition Matches remain as unplayed. The Fixture Secretary will decide upon which ground the TWO (2) Competition Matches shall be played. Note: If the date for a Competition Match is set to other than Sunday by the Fixture Secretary, this date may be changed upon agreement of both Teams concerned with the consent of the Fixture Secretary. However where that Competition Match is not played because Teams cannot reach agreement the Management Committee may render the match null & void or award the match to either Team as they deem fit in the circumstances. A "Double Header" will be of shorter duration of TWO (2) equal halves, only to be played if the home and away fixtures remain as unplayed. The Fixture Secretary will decide upon which ground the TWO (2) Competition Matches shall be played. For clarification, a "double header" is TWO (2) separate Competition Matches of equal halves. For the purposes of recording the result, the first Competition Match will be considered the home Team's "home" Competition Match and the second Competition Match will be considered the away Team's "home" Competition Match. The minimum playing time for each Competition Match is defined in Competition Rules. Any Competition appointed Referee will be deemed as covering both Competition Matches otherwise Teams will agree upon a referee as per Competition Rules with both Teams sharing the cost of the referee as per Rule 23. Any Club failing to comply with the Rules relating to Double Header Competition Matches will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and/or otherwise be dealt with as the Management Committee deem fit. (D) An Officer of the home Club 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 FIVE (5) 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. The away Club shall acknowledge receipt

		h particulars to the home Club within 24 hours of receipt of the same. Failure to comply with this							
 >		result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.							
(E)	The mini	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								
					POWER PLAY RULE				
		T	HIS IS	ENCOUR	AGED IN ALL 5v5 & 7v7 COMPETITION MATCHES				
	At the Ur	ider 7,	8,9&:	10 develo	pment age groups, Teams who have less than the full numl	ber of P	layers		
				_	d to follow The FA's Power Play Rule (see below) The spir	it of this	s Rule		
					nce for Players and to facilitate development.				
PP 1	_	•		-	when the goal difference reaches FOUR (4), the losing Te				
				•	he goal difference reaches SIX (6), the losing Team may	tield Of	NE (1)		
PP 2					ng the total up to TWO (2) additional Players). nce falls to FIVE (5) the losing Team must withdraw ON	Γ /1\ of	thair		
PP Z			_		· , ,				
	additional Players. This does not need to be ONE (1) of the Players who was introduced Additional Player.					uuceu	as all		
PP 3	-			differenc	e falls to THREE (3) the losing Team must withdraw their f	inal			
11 3			_		ot need to be ONE (1) of the Players who was introduced a				
		nal Player.							
PP 4	-			ample be	elow:-				
	Team		ore	Team	Procedure	5v5	7v7		
	Red	3	0	Blue	No Change	5v5	7v7		
	Red	4	0	Blue	Blue Team introduce ONE (1) additional Player	5v6	7v8		
	Red	4	1	Blue	Blue Team remove ONE (1) additional Player	5v5	7v7		
	Red	5	1	Blue	Blue Team introduce ONE (1) additional Player	5v6	7v8		
	Red	6	1	Blue	No Change	5v6	7v8		
	Red	7	1	Blue	Blue Team introduce ONE (1) further additional Player	5v7	7v9		
	Red	7	2	Blue	Blue Team remove ONE (1) additional Player	5v6	7v8		
	Red		3	Blue	No Change	5v6	7v8		
	-	7			-				
	Red	7	4	Blue	Blue Team remove ONE (1) further additional Player	5v5	7v7		
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The maximum number of players permitted to be registered to each team must not exceed the following:-						

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		ι	Jnder 11	9v9	18 Players		
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		ι	Jnder 14	11v11	22 Players		
		ι	Jnder 15	11v11	22 Players		
		ι	Jnder 16	11v11	22 Players		
		ι	Jnder 18	11v11	30 Players		
	In Youth	Football only (L	Jnder 12-Under	18), the referee	shall be informe	d of the names of the	
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(1)	minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee. All Teams 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. If the participating						
	Players are considered to be too young to take on this role a member of the team coaching staff should						
	provide this support. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.						
(J)		tely prior to the	commencemen	t of the Competit	ion Match a Club	Representative of each	
(-)	Immediately prior to the commencement of the Competition Match a Club Representative of each Team must be in possession of the WGS Team Sheet of their Team and substitutes to be used at each						
					-	the opposition's Club	
		•		•	•	n all Teams must line up	
			•	•	•	ative from the opposing	
	Team (except where this task is carried out by a Management Committee Officer). Any Team that fails to correctly check the eligibility of Players through this process will be fined in accordance with the						
	Fines Tariff.						
	PLEASE NOTE that it is ESSENTIAL that this procedure is followed at EVERY Competition Match regardless of familiarity with the opposition. PLEASE NOTE that the WGS Team Sheet MUST be a physical "hard copy" and MUST NOT be produced via an electronic device (e.g. mobile phone, tablet). PLEASE ENSURE that the WGS Team Sheet is accurate and current at EVERY Competition Match in accordance with Rule 18 (Q). Failure to comply is a SERIOUS breach of Competition Rules and a Team						
	will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.						
(K)	In the event that the WGS Team Sheet is not produced, the OPPOSING team's Senior Official MUST,						
	prior to kick off, witness the completion of the Team Check Form (available for download from the						
	Competition's website) by the Team who do not have the WGS Team Sheet available. The following process must be strictly followed:-						
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	any doubts about Player authenticity. This Form MUST be sent by the OPPOSING team to
	the Registration Secretary within THREE (3) days of the date of the Competition Match. Any Team (whether the Team without the WGS Team Sheet OR the opposition Team witnessing the Form) that fails to comply with any of the above processes shall be fined in accordance with the Fines
	Tariff. Any Team that fails to produce the WGS Team Sheet or refuses/fails to complete or witness and submit the Team Check Form as required in this Rule shall be charged with bringing the Competition
	into disrepute.
(L)	Upon request by a Management Committee Officer, all WGS Team Sheet(s) relevant to a Competition Match must be made available for inspection. Any Team failing to do so without good cause will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff and reported to the Management Committee.
(M)	Applications for leave of absence from the Competition for such reasons as Easter Tours etc. must be made by e-mail to the (Fixtures) Secretary provided that a minimum of TWENTY ONE (21) days' notice has been given for such Application. The granting of 'Leave of Absence' is at the discretion of the Management Committee and will only be permitted to a Club / Team on TWO (2) separate occasions in any one Season.
(N)	Teams must make every effort to fulfil their Competition Match on the day of the Competition Match. Where the home Team is unable to supply a venue to fulfil its appointed Competition Match, no matter what the reason, they shall inform the Age Group Fixture Secretary as soon as possible and MUST offer their opponents the opportunity to play the Competition Match at the opponent's Ground or at an alternative venue. The opponents must have the opportunity to organise a pitch provided that travelling time and a minimum of THIRTY (30) minutes of warm up are taken into consideration when announcing a new kick off time (which must be before 2pm on day of the Competition Match). If the opponents are advised of a change on the day of the Competition Match, the opponents have THIRTY (30) minutes to organise a pitch. If a pitch is organised, both Teams need to agree a referee or an appointed person as per Rule 23 to act as a referee. Note: The emphasis is to make sure the Competition Match is played on the day of the Competition Match and we expect all Teams to make sure that if there is any reason why the Competition Match may not be played at any time, the opposition must be informed. In these circumstances, if the Competition Match is reversed and neither Team have played each other, it will be classed as the opponent's home fixture. We do not expect Clubs to cancel the Competition Match with their own Players etc until after this avenue has been explored and both Teams agree the Competition Match cannot be reversed. Communication between the Teams is key to this and the Competition will take into account any suspected deliberate lack of communication (unanswered phones texts emails etc) when deciding on the outcome of the Competition Match. Competition Matches not played in these circumstances will be referred to the Management Committee who may at their discretion award the points to either Team or order the Competition Match to be replayed depending on the circumstances.
(O)	Failure to comply with this Rule will be dealt with as an unplayed Competition Match. A Club who having TWO (2) or more Players from ONE (1) Team selected for a County or School Representative Match may apply for a postponement of League or Cup Competition Matches. The interest of the Competition will always be paramount and any decision of the Management Committee shall be final.
(P)	Where breaches of Rule 20(E) are found proved the following criteria will be used to determine the appropriate level of punishment:-
	(i) Clubs who are unable to fulfil a Competition Match with less than SEVEN (7) days' notice will be referred via the Fixture Secretary to the Disciplinary Secretary.
	(ii) Clubs who are unable to fulfil a Competition Match having notified the relevant parties prior to 8.00 pm 5 days prior to the Competition Match (usually Tuesday) will incur no fine. The points for the Competition Match may be awarded to the opponents of the Team causing the unfulfilled Competition Match at the discretion of the Management Committee.

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	(iii)	Clubs who are unable to fulfil a Competition Match that notify the relevant parties later than 8.00 pm 5 days prior to the Competition Match (usually Tuesday) will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and the points for the Competition Match may be awarded to the opponents of the Team causing the postponement at the discretion of the Management Committee.					
	(iv)	Unless there are exceptional circumstances, Clubs who are unable to fulfil a Competition Match that advise the relevant parties AFTER 12 noon on the day preceding the Competition Match will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and the points for the Competition Match shall be awarded to the opponents of the Team causing the postponement.					
	Shortage of Players through illness, injury or suspension will not be an acceptable reason for failing to fulfil a Competition Match.						
(Q)	Club Secr or any Co Committe	retaries MUST immediately inform the Secretary of any Club suspension imposed by The FA unty Football Association. Any Club in breach of this Rule will be reported to the Management ee. Any Competition Match which is unfulfilled as the result of such Club suspension not being 3pm on the Thursday preceding the Competition Match shall be awarded to the opponents.					
(R)	Any Tean Playing S	n failing to fulfil their Competition Matches on more than THREE (3) occasions in any ONE (1) eason will be treated as misconduct to be dealt with by the Management Committee who action they deem necessary.					
21.	•	NG RESULTS					
(A)	Both Tea Competit whatever Match Of by the Co issue of a arrive wit accordan submitte NOTE: Th Competit	ms must submit by 23:59 hours on the day of the Competition Match the result of each ion Match whether played or postponed for any reason whether played or postponed for reason in the prescribed manner. This must include the forename(s) and surname of the ficials and also the referee markings required by Rule 23 and any other information required impetition. Failure to do so will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Following the fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff, the Result Card as above MUST still be submitted to thin SEVEN (7) days of notification of the fine, failing which the Club will incur a further fine in ce with the Fines Tariff for every SEVEN (7) days or part thereof that the Result Card is not d. The prescribed manner means the submission of a fully completed Result Card onto the ion's designated on line system or designated online platform					
(B) (C)	appointe	ch result notification, correctly completed, shall be submitted by a Club Officer or person d by the Club. Failure to complete the Match Result Card ACCURATELY will result in a fine in ce with the Fines Tariff.					
(D)	The Com Competit abide by Rule will	petition and Clubs are permitted to collect but NOT publish results or any grading tables for ion Matches involving Under 7s, Under 8s, Under 9s & Under 10s. Any Competition failing to this Rule will be dealt with by the Sanctioning Authority, and any Club failing to abide by this be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. The Competition and Clubs are permitted to ad publish results for Trophy Events.					
(E)	The Com	petition may require a Club to confirm that a set Competition Match has been played. A fine dance with the Fines Tariff) may be imposed for a breach of this Rule.					
(F)	the home	y Cup & FA Cup results, abandonments or postponements must be communicated by BOTH and away Clubs to the relevant Fixture Secretary by 19:00 on the day of the match. A Team will be fined (in accordance with the Fines Tariff).					
22.	DETERMI	NING CHAMPIONSHIP					
(A)	points wi	etitions where points are awarded, Team rankings within the Competition will be decided by th THREE (3) points to be awarded for a win and ONE (1) point for a drawn Competition Match. as gaining the highest number of points in their respective Divisions at the conclusion shall be the winners. Competition Matches must not be played for double points.					

(B)		nt of TWO (2) or more Teams being equal on points, Team rankings will be determined by gement Committee by the following sequence of factors:-					
	(i)	the Team winning the most Competition Matches;					
	(ii) If Teams still remain equal, only the results of the Competition Matches playe these Teams shall be considered, ranking determined by the number of C Matches each Team has won or drawn;						
	(iii) If still equal, the aggregate number of goals scored in the Competition Matches between these Teams shall be taken into consideration;						
	(iv)	If the Team rankings remain equal after the foregoing, the Shield will be shared for half the holding period each.					
(C)	Matches for be expung	nt of a Team withdrawing from the Competition before completing 75% of its Competition or the Playing Season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting Team shall ed from the Competition table. For the purposes of this Rule 22 a completed Competition II include any Competition Match (es) which has (have) been awarded by the Management etc.					
23.	MATCH OF	FICIALS					
(A)	approved Competition FA Qualified notify their of their ov	ed & FA Registered Referees for all Competition Matches shall be appointed in a manner by the Management Committee and by the Sanctioning Authority. In cases where the on has not been able to appoint a Referee, the Home Club MUST engage the services of an ed & FA registered Referee. If the Home Club is unable to appoint such a Referee they MUST opponents of the facts and allow their opponents the opportunity to engage the services who FA Qualified & FA registered Referee. Note: For the avoidance of doubt, a Referee by the Competition takes precedence over any appointment made by a Club or Team.					
(B)	In cases where there are no officially appointed Match Officials in attendance, the Clubs MUST 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. Competition Matches that are NOT PLAYED because both or either Team(s) cannot agree a Referee as						
	described above will be reviewed by the Management Committee who may render the Competition Match null and void or award the points for the Competition Match to either Team depending on the circumstances.						
NOTE: for the avoidance of doubt the Competition expect Competition Matches to be Rule not to be used as an excuse to not play a Competition Match.							
(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. Note: The Management Committee may, if they consider it desirable, or upon application by either of the TWO (2) competing Teams, appoint Assistant Referees. In this instance the costs should be shared by the competing Teams.						
(D)	Matches a	nted Referee shall have power to decide as to the fitness of the Ground in all Competition nd that decision shall be final, subject to the determination of the Local Authority or the a Ground which must be accepted.					
	have the p	petition Match is in doubt due to unfit pitches, it is the responsibility of the home Club to itch inspected early on the day of the Competition Match and advise their opponents not to ding an inspection. The Home Club must contact the Referee to request an early inspection					

	or contact a local Referee or their nearest Competition Officer if the appointed Referee is not available and confirm with their opponents the result of the pitch inspection. Failing to comply with this Rule
(E)	will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the Sanctioning Authority, Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a Fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff.
(F)	Match Officials will be paid their Fee by the home Club immediately after 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.
(G)	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 FULL Fee from the home Team. Where a Competition Match is not played owing to ONE (1) Club being in default, that Club shall be ordered to pay the Match Officials, if they attend the Ground, their FULL Fee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
(H)	A Referee not keeping their 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.
(1)	Each Club shall, in a manner prescribed from time to time by The FA, award marks to the Referee for each Competition Match and provide the CORRECT and FULL name of the Referee and the marks awarded shall be submitted to the Competition via the Competition's Match Result Card. 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.
(J)	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. Any Club/Team marking a Referee between 0 & 50 inclusive must e-mail a report giving the reasons for low marking to the League Secretary within SEVEN (7) days after the Competition Match. Clubs failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
(K)	The Competition appointed or Club appointed Referee or person appointed as such to a Competition Match shall submit an electronic Report Form, supplied by the Competition, giving the result of the Competition Match, the number of Players in each Team, Fair Play Marks, notification of Cautions, Sendings Off, Misconduct, RESPECT breaches and the time of kick-off to the Competition within TWO (2) days of the Competition Match. Failure to do so may result in the Referee being reported to the County FA and being advised they can no longer officiate at Competition Matches.
(L)	Match Officials shall be supplied, each Playing Season, with a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge.
(M)	Match Officials shall have undertaken a RESPECT briefing offered by The FA/County FA or the Competition.
(N)	Clubs/Teams failing to make contact with a Competition appointed Match Official at least THREE (3) days prior to the Competition Match will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
(O)	Each Club will keep a register of Club appointed Match Officials. The onus will be on the Club to have checked that the individual is both registered and qualified as a Referee with the Football Association and has the necessary Safeguarding and CRC qualifications in place. Any complaints regarding a Club appointed Referee will be referred to the Management Committee who may order that the individual is no longer permitted to take charge of Competition Matches.
(P)	Clubs will be required to provide details of Club appointed Match Officials to the Secretary by 30th September in each Season and update the Competition as required on an ongoing basis. This is not to appoint them to Competition Matches, but in order that their details may be added to the PS Referees List to facilitate the Competition making contact with them on anything pertinent to Competition business.
24.	CUP COMPETITIONS AND DEVELOPMENT FOOTBALL TROPHY EVENTS

(A)	CON	TROL OF CUP COMPETITION				
		Cup Competitions and Development Football Trophy Events will be governed by the Competition				
	Rule	s where appropriate, with the addition of the following:-				
	(i)	The Cup Competitions shall be competed for annually on a knockout basis by all Teams within				
		membership of the Competition.				
	(ii)	The Cup Competitions and Development Football Trophy Events, including the configuration,				
		organisation and draw for ties, shall be carried out by the Management Committee and their				
		decision shall be final on all matters, the right of appeal to the Surrey County Football Association				
	NOT	being reserved.				
	II .	E: for the avoidance of doubt ALL Competition and Cup Rules unless specifically mentioned below apply to all Football Development Trophy Events irrespective of the age group or classification of				
		event.				
(B)		LIFICATION OF PLAYERS				
(i)		y U12 –U18 Cup Competition no player may play for more than one Team in any Cup Competition				
(1)	II .	y one season. (The Challenge Cup and the Invitation Cup at all Age Groups are deemed to be one				
		petition.) This means, once transferred, a player will be deemed to be cup-tied if he has played in				
		er Competition at any Age Group.				
(ii)		y U12 –U18 Cup Competition a Player or nominated substitute shall not be ineligible to play in the				
	semi	-final or final round of the competition unless he has played in a previous round or he has played				
	at le	ast TWO League and/or County Cup matches in the current season. Participants who were named				
	subs	titutes in previous matches but didn't play are considered as having played for the purposes of				
	this					
(iii)		In any U12 –U18 Cup Competition A Player registered or transferred after the last day of February may				
,, ,		participate in a League/Invitation Cup Final.				
(iv)		ayer will only be permitted to play for ONE (1) team in a specific Development Football Trophy				
		t and will for the purpose of that specific event be effectively cup tied if they were to move to				
		her Club or Team within the same Club for that event only. Where in some age groups a 2 nd or 3 rd				
	II .	ball Development Trophy Event is staged in the same Season, then the Team for which the player gistered on the first day of the Event will be the only Team they can play for in that specific Event.				
		:: The purpose of this rule is to prevent Clubs with multiple teams in an age group moving the best				
	I .	ers around to enhance their chances of winning an event at the detriment of the existing team				
		ers, the development of all the players in the age group and the ethos of such Development				
		ball Trophy Events.				
(v)	Any	Club found to have played an unregistered or otherwise ineligible Player in any Cup Competition				
	-	ch or Development Football Trophy Event match shall be removed from that competition and				
	have	levied upon it a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff).				
(C)	PLAYING OF TIES & DRAWN MATCHES					
(i)	In ar	y U12-U18 Cup Competition all ties shall be played on the first-named Team's ground on a date				
	spec	ified by the Fixture Secretary. In the event of the first-named Team not having a ground available				
	I .	ne determined date, the second-named Team shall have the option of staging the Competition				
		ch on that date and shall assume status of the home Team.				
(ii)		y knock-out or final stage of any Development Football Trophy Event match in the event of level				
	I .	es at full time the match will be decided by a format as defined by the Management Committee in				
/***		rdance of the Laws of the Game.				
(iii)		by U12 –U18 Cup Competition match in the event of level scores at full time the match will be				
		ded on Penalties Kicks from the Penalty Mark subject to the Laws of the Game:-				
		s from the Penalty Mark				
		Both Teams take FIVE (5) kicks				
	•	The kicks are taken alternately by the Teams				

	 If, before both Teams have taken five kicks, one has scored more goals than the other could score, even if it were to complete its five kicks, no more kicks are taken If, after both Teams have taken five kicks, both have scored the same number of goals, or have not scored any goals, kicks continue to be taken in the same order until one Team has scored a goal more than the other from the same number of kicks.
(iv)	Postponed Competition Matches shall take place as directed by the Fixture Secretary.
(v)	In the event of the Teams having the same colours, the first-named team will be required to change.
(vi)	In finals the admission fee, venue & kick off time will be decided by the Management Committee. All
	expenses will be met by the League and the proceeds will be retained for League funds.

SCHEDULE A

FEES TARIFF

RULE NO	DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM FEE
4 (A)	NEW Club Entry Fee	£100.00
4 (B)	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	
	Youth Football U11 - U18	£25.00 per Team
	Mini Soccer U9 - U10	£20.00 per Team
	Mini Soccer U7 - U8	FREE
4 (B)	Late Entry Supplement (existing Clubs only after AGM)	£10.00 per Team
	PROTEST APPEAL FEES	
7 (C)	Protest Deposit	£20.00
7 (D) (ii)	Personal Hearing Deposit	£50.00
7 (F)	Appeal	£25.00
18 (D)	PLAYER REGISTRATIONS	
	Under 7 & Under 8	FREE until 1 st December £3.00 thereafter
	Under 9 – Under 18	£2.00 until 31st July £3.00 from 1st August until 22nd August £5.00 from 23rd August until 11th September £3.00 thereafter
18 (H)	TRANSFER FEE	
	Inter-Club	FREE
	Club to Club	£10.00 per Player
23 (E)	MATCH FEES	To be set by SCFA
	Mini-Soccer	
	U11 - U12	
	U13 - U14	
	U15	
	U16 - U18	
	Assistant Referee (9v9)	
	Assistant Referee (11v11)	

FINES TARIFF				
RULE NO	DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM		
		FINE		
2 (G)	Failure to Affiliate	£100.00		
2 (I) (i)	Failure to Comply with FA Initiatives	£100.00		
2 (I) (viii)	Failure to Provide RESPECT Barrier	£25.00		
2 (K)	Unauthorised Entry of Teams into Competitions	£100.00		
2 (K)	Failure to Advise which FA or County Cup Competition Entered	£25.00		
3	Failure to Obtain Consent for Change of Club Name	£30.00		
4 (E)	Failure to Provide Affiliation Number/Details	£100.00		
5 (E)	Communications Conducted by Persons Other Than Chair / Secretary	£25.00		
6 (H)	Failure to Comply with an Instruction of The Management Committee or Attend to Competition Business	£100.00		
6 (I)	Failure to Pay a Fine within 14 Days	Double		
		Original Fine		
6 (J)	Failure to Pay a Fee within 14 Days	£50.00		
6 (M)	Failure to Notify Change of E-Mail Address	£20.00		
6 (N)	Failure to Notify Club Officer Changes	£50.00		
6 (P)	Failure to Attend Disciplinary Meeting	£40.00		
6 (Q)	Failure to Attend RESPECT Meeting	£40.00		
6 (R)	Failure to Attend Sportsmanship Mark Meeting	£40.00		
8 (H)	Failure to Attend AGM	£100.00		
9	Failure to Attend SGM	£100.00		
10	Failure to Submit Required Written Agreement or Notify Changes to Signatories	£25.00		
11 (A)	Failure to Resign Within 30 Days of AGM	£100.00		
11 (B)	Failure to Commence or Complete Competition Matches	£100.00		
11 (F)	Withdrawal of Team after AGM	£100.00		
13 (A)	Failure to Submit Required Written Agreement Regarding the Cup / Shield	£25.00		
13 (C)	Non-Attendance at Presentation Ceremony	£50.00		
13 (D)	Failure to Attend Presentation Ceremony with Minimum Number of Players	£50.00		
13 (E)	Failure to Return Cup / Shield by 1 st March	£35.00		
13 (E)	Failure to Engrave Cup / Shield & Failure to Clean Cup / Shield	£20.00		
13 (H)	Non-Attendance at Awards Collection Event	£50.00		
16 (A)	Failure to Have Required Insurance	£100.00		
16 (B)	Failure to Have Required Insurance	£100.00		
18 (A)	Failure to Correctly Register a Player	£50.00		
18 (B) (iii)	Failure to Register Required Number of Players Prior to Commencement of Playing Season	£25.00		
18 (F)	Registering or Playing For Multiple Clubs or Inaccurate Submission of a Registration	£25.00		
18 (G) (ii)	Registration Irregularities	£100.00		
18 (N)	Playing an unregistered or Ineligible Player	£100.00		
18 (O) (i)	Failure to Give Priority to School Activities	£50.00		
18 (Q)	Failure to be in Possession of Accurate, Good Condition WGS Team Sheet	£50.00		
19 (A)	Failure to Number Shirts - £10.00 per Shirt	£30.00		
19 (A)	Failure to Uniquely Number Shirts - £10.00 per Shirt	£30.00		
19 (A)	Displaying Player Names on Shirts - £10.00 per Shirt	£30.00		
19 (A)	Delaying Kick Off due to Not Having Change of Colours	£30.00		
19 (A)	Failure to Number Shirts Differently - £10.00 per Shirt	£30.00		

19 (A)	Using Shirts with Players names thereon - £10.00 per Shirt		£30.00
	FINES TARIFF CONTIN	UED	
RULE NO	DESCRIPTION		MAXIMUM
			FINE
19 (B)	Failure to Obtain Consent for a Change of TEAM Team Colours		£30.00
20 (A)	Delaying Kick Off		£30.00
20 (A)	Lack of Appurtenances or First Aid - per item		£30.00
20 (A)	Deliberately Delaying Kick Off		£50.00
20 (B)	Failure to Play Matches on Date Fixed		£100.00
20 (B)	Failure to Comply with Double Header Rules		£50.00
20 (C)	Failure to Provide or Acknowledge Details of a Competition Match	1	£50.00
20 (D)	Failure to have Minimum Number of Players to Constitute a Team		£100.00
20 (E) (ii)	Failure to Notify all Parties of Postponed/Cancelled Fixture		£30.00
20 (E) (ii)	Failure to Complete Match Result Card for Postponed/Cancelled F	ixture	£10.00
20 (E) (iii)	Failure to Agree New Date for Postponed/Cancelled Fixture		£30.00
20 (H)	No Captain's Armband		£10.00
20 (I)	Failure to Exchange/Check WGS Player Registration System Team	Sheet(s)	£50.00
20 (J)	Failure to Correctly Complete Team ID Check Form / Failure to Ser	nd to Registration Secretary	£20.00
20 (K)	Failure to Produce Player Registration System Team Sheet(s) to Management Committee Officer		£20.00
20 (P) (iii)	Postponement after 8.00pm 5 days prior to Competition Match		£50.00
20 (P) (iv)	Postponement after 12.00 NOON Saturday		£100.00
21 (A)	Failure to Complete Match Result Card	First Offence	£5.00
	Failure to Complete Match Result Card	Subsequent Offence	Up to £404.00
21 (C)	Failure to Accurately Complete Match Result Card		£20.00
21 (D)	Failure to Comply with Rules Regarding Publication of Results		£50.00
21 (E)	Failure to Notify County Cup Result	First Offence	£20.00
	Failure to Notify County Cup Result	Subsequent Offence	Up to £40.00
23 (C)	Failure to Supply Club Assistant Referee		£25.00
23 (D)	Failure to Arrange Early Pitch Inspection		£25.00
23 (E)	Failure to Pay Match Officials' Fees		£25.00
23 (F)	Failure to Pay Match Officials if Match is not Played		£25.00
23 (H)	Failure to Provide Accurate Referee's Name		£20.00
23 (I)	Failure to Provide Report to Secretary for Low Marking of Referee (0-50 inc)		
23 (N)	Failure to Contact League Appointed Official 3 days prior to Competition Match		
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