



The Rules- TOTAL FOOTBALL!!

- 1: Matches are 6 or 7 minutes each way. 2 minutes maximum interval!!*
- 2: The ball can go above head height but no headers are allowed! Free kick violation*
- 3: The keeper cannot kick the ball from his hands. Free kick violation*
- 4: The keeper must roll the ball out below the height of his shoulder (underarm).*
- 5: Sliding tackles are **not** allowed.*
- 6: When a goal is scored, play is restarted from the keeper.*
- 7: No players are allowed in the goalkeepers' area (penalty offence for defensive side). See rule 19!*
- 8: Substitutes are roll on, roll off. Inform the referee first!*
- 9: All free kicks are indirect and players must be two yards from the kicker. Referees are instructed to advance play an additional two yards should this not be observed.*
- 10: When the ball goes out of play, restart with a kick in.*
- 11: All kick ins are indirect.*
- 13: Back passes to the keeper are allowed, but only if the ball has touched two or more players after leaving the keeper.*
- 14: Swearing at the referee is an automatic sending off offence. See point 3 in extra rules below.*
- 15: The referee has sole authority of the match.*
- 16: **Penalties are awarded for cynical/dangerous challenges regardless of where they occur on the field of play!***
- 17: Players or teams can be ejected from tournament for violent/aggressive conduct physical or verbal. See point 4 in extra rules below*
- 18: ALL players SHOULD wear shin pads- for their own protection*
- 19) **Rush goal keeper- anyone can be in goal- but only one player allowed in the area at a time- see rule 7!***
- 20: Players are not allowed to support themselves by holding on to the fencing. Free kick awarded for violation.*

The Extra Rules

- 1) Sudden Death penalties will decide any games that end in a draw (knock out rounds only) (sudden death from the 1st player)*
- 2) Group positions will be decided by Points, then goal difference, then goals scored, then goals against, then the result against that team in the group. In the unlikely event that teams are still equal when all this is taken into account, then progression to the knockout stages shall be settled with a sudden death penalty shoot-out.*
- 3) Red or yellow cards may lead to disqualification. See point 14 above.*
- 4) The organisers reserve the right to remove any team from the tournament at any time. See point 17 above.*