

AUTUMN SERIES TOURNAMENT RULES

GAME OF TOURNAMENTS is hosting a **Football Tournament** at Downhill football Hub site

Squad size recommendations

U8s – 5V5 – Max 10 players

U9s & U10s – 7V7 – Max 12 players

U11s & U12s – 9V9 – Max 14 players

U13s– 11V11 – Max 16 Players

All players must be registered to your team, and you should have proof of these registered players in case questioned via the FA Whole Game System.

Guest Player Policy – Must meet the relevant level of the tournament & have sufficient identification in case questioned.

Failure to provide identity may lead to the team or player being disqualified.

No academy players are allowed, any team found to be fielding an academy player, will be disqualified from the event at whatever stage.

Any team found guilty of fielding ineligible players will be disqualified from the competition at whatever stage.

League games – 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw, 0 points for a loss.

There will be no offsides for U7s – U10s.

U11s – U13s offside rule applies as per FA Rules.

Corners and throw-ins shall be taken as normal.

At goal kicks the opposition **MUST** retreat to the half way line U7s – U10s.

U11s and above no retreat rule.

Quick goal kicks can be taken before retreat at goalkeeper's discretion.

All free kicks: the opposing team must be 5 yards away from the ball U7s – U10s.

U11s – U13s the opposing team must be 10 yards away from the ball

Back pass rule applies to all age groups apart from Under 7 category

Substitutions allowed:

- 3 Substitution slots per game allowed. Referee must be notified and ball out of play at time of sub

The following rules will decide which team goes forward to the next round:

1. Most points gained
2. Goal difference
3. Most goals scored for

4. Least goals conceded
5. Head to Head Result
6. If still level, a penalty competition will decide the final position.

Criteria for, and teams qualifying from group stage will be available to the managers whatsapp group

Under 7 – 10 : Size 3 ball

Under 11 - 13: Size 4 ball

Game Duration – Shall not surpass FA regulated playing time per format.

Any player sent off will NOT play again in this tournament.

All misconduct/discipline will be reported to the relevant County FA as per FA Rules.

All bookings and send offs will be reported by the referee.

Tournament Sin Bin offence is half of the duration on the game.

Foul and abusive language and/or violence will not be tolerated.

Foul and abusive language and/or violence from spectators and other club officials towards players and/or officials will result in your team being disqualified.

Should any team pull-out of the competition all previous games will be null and void.

Players can only play for the team they are registered with – any team found guilty of playing the same player for more than one team will be automatically disqualified.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE REFEREE – THEIR DECISION IS FINAL AND SHOULD NOT BE CONTESTED.

NO DOGS, SMOKING, ALCOHOL OR BBQs ARE ALLOWED ON THE PREMISES.

ANY QUESTIONS RELEATING TO ANY RULES, SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICIALS