



West Wales Football Association

(Affiliated to the Football Association of Wales)

RULES OF THE WEST WALES JUNIOR U.14 CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION

- 1. Trustees.** The Trustees of the Association shall be the legal owners of the Cup in trust for the Association.
- 2. Title.** The Cup shall be known as the West Wales Junior U.14 Challenge Cup and Clubs in the area of the West Wales Football Association, whom the Council shall select, shall compete annually for the Cup, which shall never become the permanent property of any Club.
- 3. Control.** The Council of the West Wales Football Association, herein after called the Council, shall have the entire control and management of the Competition.
- 4.** Each Club, **which must play in the Under 14 Division of its respective League**, desirous of competing shall give notice to the Secretary of the Association, on or before 1st August in that season in which the Club proposes to compete. Clubs may enter more than one team. Affiliation and payment of the entry fee as determined by the WWFA will be made via Comet.
- 5.** Each competing team shall consist of eleven bona-fide players, and, they must have been playing members of their Club and registered on Comet at least 48 hours preceding the match. **Players registering with competing Clubs on or after the 1st February will not be eligible to play.** They must not have attained the age of 14 years before the first day of September in the current season. Players are not transferrable between teams of the same Club.
- 6.** All Clubs shall be drawn together irrespective of geographical position for the First Round in which all byes shall be drawn.
- 7.** The duration of each match shall be 70 minutes. **In the event of the scores being equal at the end of 70 minutes, the penalty-kick procedure shall apply in all rounds including the Final. There is NO extra time**
- 8.** The Referee in all Under 14 Cup competition matches shall not belong to either competing club, must be affiliated to the Association and shall be appointed by the Council of the Association. The Referee in all rounds prior to the Final shall be paid a fee of £25.00 plus 45 pence per mile travelling expenses. In the Final Tie the Referee shall be paid a fee of £30.00, receive a memento plus 45 pence per mile travelling expenses.
Assistant Referees for the Semi-Final and Final Ties, or any subsequent rounds where necessary, shall be appointed by the Association. The fee for the Semi-Finals and Final being £15.00 plus 45 pence per mile travelling expenses, and for the Final Tie, the Assistant Referees shall receive a memento.
A Fourth Official for the final tie shall be appointed by the Association and shall receive a fee of £15.00, a memento plus 45 pence per mile travelling expenses.
Match Officials **MUST** be in attendance at the ground at least 45 minutes prior to kick-off. Referees must advise the Association of their late arrival and/or the late arrival of Assistant Referees.
Referees who fail to acknowledge an appointment within the stipulated period will be fined £10.00 for not answering correspondence.
- 9.** A Club who has four or more players selected to play in a representative Schoolboy match or away on an official school trip on the same day, may request a postponement, provided that at least 7 clear days notice is given to the Association. Confirmation should also be provided by the school(s) listing the players involved. Any Club requesting a postponement that has sufficient registered players left to play a match, must fulfil its obligations to its respective League on the same day.
- 10.** A Club may nominate a maximum of **five** substitute players, whose names **must** appear on the team sheet provided, which must be handed to the Referee prior to the match.
A Club may at its discretion, use **ALL** of the nominated substitute players, except to replace a player who has been suspended from the match by the Referee. A Player who has been substituted may **not** again take part in the match. The substitution can only be made when play has been stopped and with the permission of the Referee. Rolling substitutions are not permitted.
- 11.** The Home Club must provide the match ball (size 5). No two Clubs shall play in similar colours. If the colours are similar, the **HOME** Club shall make a change, unless mutually agreed.
- 12.** Visiting teams are responsible for their own travelling expenses, and the Home team is responsible for the match expenses, including the match Referee. For the Semi Final ties the Association will determine and meet the cost of the ground hire and the competing clubs will be equally responsible for the match officials fees and expenses and provide 2

footballs for the match. Each club to deposit their share of the cost with the Match Delegate at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of play.

13. In addition to the Cup, the Council will present to the winners 16 mementos, and to the runners-up 16 mementos for the nominated players and substitutes together with 1 for both the team managers, or other suitable souvenirs as they may determine.
14. Except as specifically varied by the foregoing Rules, the rules of the West Wales Intermediate Cup Competition shall apply to this Cup Competition.