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BY LAWS

FOR

SEASON 2017 / 18



FA STANDARD CODE OF RULES FOR YOUTH COMPETITIONS

The EMJFL adopts the Statutory FA Rules for Youth Football for Season 2017/18. These can be found on the EMJFL web site.

EMJFL BY LAWS

For Season 2017/18 the following By Laws will be observed by all participating Member Clubs and teams

PLAYING, BY LAWS

Age Groups, Playing Times, Ball Sizes Etc.

U7's. 5 a-side, 15 minutes each way, size 3 ball

U8's. 5 a-side 15 minutes each way, size 3 ball

U9's. 7 a-side, 20 minutes each way, size 3 ball

U10's 7 a-side, 20 minutes each way, size 4 ball

U11's 9 v 9. 30 minutes each way, size 4 ball

U12's 9 v 9 30 minutes each way, size 4 ball

U13's 11 v 11 35 minutes each way size 4 ball

U14's 11 v 11 35 minutes each way size 4 ball

U15's 11 v 11 40 mins each way size 5 ball

For U7's, 8's teams are allowed unlimited numbers of registered players but on match days only 8 players per team

For U9's and 10's teams are allowed unlimited numbers of registered players but on match days only 12 players per team

For U11's, U12's, 13's, 14's and 15's teams will be allowed to register unlimited numbers of players but only 5 substitutes will be allowed for matches

At all age groups substitutes will be roll on roll off at the referee's discretion, any player substituted then becomes a substitute themselves



Rules of Play

Under 7's, 8's, 9's and 10's

All matches shall start with a kick off on the half way line, the ball can be passed forward or backwards and there must be at least two touches of the ball before a goal can be scored After a goal is scored the match is restarted as above. Throw ins and corner kicks are as per 11 a-side. All free kicks are direct, Opposing players must retreat 6 yards at all set pieces. The goalkeeper cannot handle the ball from a back pass, if he does a free kick shall be awarded on the edge of the penalty area nearest to where the offence to place All goal kicks shall be taken with the ball on the ground. The goalkeeper cannot score a goal from within the goal area The Retreat Line rule will be applied at the above age groups

U11's, U12's

As per 11 a-side rules including the off side rule but with a size four ball and 16 x 7 goal posts. 3 points for a win and one point for a draw (except U11's where results will be kept but not published)

U13's U14's and U15's

Full FA 11 a side rules will apply.

All Age Groups (where applicable)

Teams playing an ineligible player shall have the points deducted from those games

Championships will be decided on points gained, if two or more teams finish on equal points a play off shall decide (Play offs will be at the Leagues discretion ie venues etc)

The Referee's decision is final

Player Registrations

All player registrations will be via The Whole Game system. It will be the responsibility of each Club (Team) to ensure that every player is registered on the system, only then will the EMJFL verify and complete each registration. For players already registered with the League (Season 2016/17) no further proof of age will be required, for all others proof of age (passport, birth certificate) will have to be provided before verification can take place.

On match days it will be the responsibility of Team Managers to have the relevant team sheets with them for player identification purposes, these can be requested by opposition Managers or EMJFL Officials, failure to be able to produce team sheets could result in matches being forfeited or points deducted. For clarification see note at foot of document.



Manager / Coach Registration

All Managers / Coaches must have in their possession on match days an EMJFL ID Badge whenever on the touchline during a match. Failure to comply, for whatever reason, will result in the person being asked to leave the touchline and stand in the spectator section. All Managers / Coaches should wear Club colours whenever matches are being played and only two Managers / Coaches per team will be allowed on the touchline during matches. If technical areas are provided all Managers / Coaches must remain in them during matches. Managers / Coaches should refrain from going onto the pitch unless invited to do so by the Referee.

Postponement of Matches

Each Team will be allowed to apply for one postponement per Season using the correct form, which must be received fourteen days prior to the match. Priority will be given to school activities but letters from schools advising which players will be unavailable will be required fourteen days prior to the match concerned. No postponements will be allowed for Cup games.

Cup Competitions

All Cup matches will be concluded on the day, if the scores are level in regulation time a penalty shoot out will decide the tie. U7's, 8's, 9's and 10's will take 3 penalties before sudden death, U11's, 12's 13's, U14s and U15's will take five penalties before sudden death. There will be no postponements allowed for Cup games, teams with insufficient players can either play with a shortage of players or forfeit the tie. **For the above teams will not be allowed to play with any more than two players short of the regulation number of players.** The end of season Festival of Football (Cup Finals) shall constitute part of the season and all Teams shall be available for these.

League Fees and Payment

U7's and U8's £330.00

U9's, and U10's £420.00

U11's U12's £800.00

U13's, U14's and U15's £100.00

Each team must pay a minimum of £100.00 by 14/8/2018 which is non refundable

After the initial £100.00 the remaining fees can be paid in three equal instalments 14/10, 14/12 and 14/2

Teams not making the initial payment by 14th Aug will not be permitted to start the Season, teams missing subsequent payments will have fixtures suspended and/or could be fined



On Arrival at Venue's

All car parking regulations must be adhered to at all times

Each venue may have its own rules and regulation (non smoking etc)

No dogs or pets allowed at any venue (on car parks only)

Teams should arrive 15 minutes prior to kick off times

Pitch allocations will be available and checked on arrival at the venue and teams assemble on the correct pitch prior to the match being played

Players should not enter the playing area until the previous match has finished.

Managers should always have their player ID sheets available for inspection

All teams must be in provide a suitable match ball

Managers / Coaches must be able to produce the EMJFL ID cards upon request

All players should wear the appropriate foot wear (no metal studs on 3G surfaces) and have shin pads

The Centre Coordinator will be on hand to answer any queries

Central Venue Codes of Conduct

The FA Codes of Conduct for Players, Managers and Spectators shall be adhered to at all times

Each match must be preceded by the Respect Handshake

After the Respect Handshake the match will start immediately (no more team talks)

Players not taking part in a particular match should be outside the playing cages (stood with parents etc)

No footballs, except the match ball, shall be used during periods of play

All post match debriefs must take place off the playing area

All litter must be taken from the pitches and surrounding areas, particularly plastic bottles and bottle tops, no hot drinks or food to be taken onto pitches etc

All parents and supporters to remain in the designated area's

When teams have a colour clash the away team (as designated on the fixtures list) must change or provide bibs



11 V 11 Match Day Rules And Regulations

For teams playing on a home and away basis the home team must confirm the fixture with both the opposition Manager and Referee (Details of Managers contact numbers can be found on the Fulltime Web Site, Referees contact details will be distributed before the season) a minimum of 3 days prior to the match. We will be using the SMS system for reporting results, details of which can be found on the web site and a completed match card must be e-mailed to the Match Secretary no longer than 4 days after the match, again match cards can be found on the web site.

For 11 v 11 teams playing at Astley Sports College the EMJFL will notify referees.

It is the home teams responsibility to pay the referee his fee (£30.00) prior to kick off except for Cup fixtures when the fees will be shared

List of Fines and Administration Charges

No County Affiliation or Membership Number - £50.00

Non Payment or Late Payment of League fees - £50.00

Non Payment of Fine within 14 Days £50.00

Non Attendance at AGM £25.00

Non Attendance at League Meeting £20.00

Non Notification of Intent by 31st March £50.00

Resignation from League after AGM £50.00

Transfer of Player £15.00

Application for Postponement 14 days notice FOC, 14 to 7 days £10.00 less than 7 days £20.00

Non Return of Trophy by 31st March 2017 £75.00

Non Fulfilment of Fixture £20.00

Failure to Deal with League Business £10.00



PLAYER REGISTRATIONS

MATCH DAY PROCEDURE

On match days it will be the responsibility of each Team Manager to have a full colour paper copy (not on a mobile phone) of the relevant team sheet (via WGS) for player identification purposes. These must be exchanged between Managers before commencement of the game. EMJFL Officials may at any time before, during or after a game also request to see team player registration sheets. Failure to produce a valid team sheet will result in the match being forfeited or points deducted.. Should any opposition Manager not be able to produce a team sheet, you should notify the Referee prior to commencement of the game and he/she will report this to the EMJFL, who will implement the rule.

In the event of the above occurring the said match can still take place as a friendly fixtures provided both teams and Referee agree prior to the commencement of the game.

