

Hertfordshire FA Charity Cup 2018-19

Guidance Notes for Match Officials

PLEASE NOTE: The following provides extracts of Competition Rules and Instructions for the above Competition. Match Officials should, therefore, refer to the Hertfordshire Football Association Handbook (available on hertfordshirefa.com) for a full clarification of rules.

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT BY HOME CLUB

The Home Club in each Tie is responsible for notifying the Match Officials of exact details of the location of the ground, date of match and kick-off time. Match Officials are required to acknowledge details of the match arrangements with the Home Club. In the final tie, the Association will confirm the match details.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPOINTMENT

Match Officials are required to acknowledge all appointments to **Richard Dowden**, preferably by email to rdowden@hotmail.co.uk

DRESS CODE – Arrival at Ground

Match officials should arrive at the ground at least 60 minutes before the scheduled kick-off time. Match officials should be suitably dressed on arrival to, and departure, from the ground, e.g. jacket, shirt, tie, trousers, shoes etc.

DRESS CODE – For the game

Match Officials appointed to County matches must wear either an all-black kit or a black kit with white collars and cuffs. Match Officials are also expected to be of smart appearance. In all County Cup Competitions, Match Officials must wear the current Hertfordshire County Football Association Badge.

DURATION OF MATCH

In all matches prior to the semi-finals round (inc pre-season matches) will be of 90 minutes duration, with no Extra Time. Kicks from the penalty mark will decide the winning team if the scores are level as per Laws of the Game.

Subsequent Rounds: In the semi-final and final rounds, extra time will be played if necessary. Penalty kicks will decide the winning team if the scores are level after extra time. There are no replays in this competition.

TEAM SHEETS

Clubs must list players taking part in the game, including substitutes, on the official Hertfordshire Football Association triplicate Team Sheet and exchange copies with the Referee and their Opponents, in the presence of the Referee, at least 45 minutes before kick-off time. Referees will report to Paddy Donovan any club failing to comply with this instruction.

Referees must, within two days of the match being played, forward their copy of the team sheets to: Paddy Donovan, 9 Smallwood Close, Wheathampstead, AL4 8TW. The Referee should report any cases where a team sheet has been amended by a Club after being originally exchanged.

HALF TIME

The half time interval shall not exceed 15 minutes which may only be altered with the consent of the Referee.

SUBSTITUTES

Three substitute players may be used in County Cup ties from five names given to the Match Referee prior to the kick off.

COLOURS

In event of a clash of colours, the away team must change.

FEES

Match Official Fees for this Competition are as follows:

Referee:	£35.00
Assistant Referees:	£25.00

The above are entitled to claim standard class public transport expenses or private car expenses of 40 pence per mile. Match Officials are encouraged to share travel to reduce costs.

If a match is not played owing to causes over which neither club has control, the Match Officials attended shall be entitled to claim standard class public transport expenses or private car expenses of 40 pence per mile.

POSTPONED MATCHES

In the event of a match being postponed, the same Match Officials remain appointed for the rearranged game.

ABANDONED MATCHES

If the Referee abandons a match due to ground conditions, it becomes void and must be replayed. If abandoned due to misconduct, a written misconduct report will be necessary from the Referee and sent to the Association Headquarters.

If abandoned through no fault of either team after the completion of normal time but before the end of extra time, then the game shall be played again on the ground of the away team.

MISDEAMEANOURS OF CLUBS

Referees are to report all cases of late match confirmations, late kick-offs, etc. Access to the online report form will be via www.hertfordshirefa.com

Important Addresses

All Administration enquiries should be directed to:

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All Referee enquiries should be directed to:

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All Competition enquiries should be directed to:

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