

Date: 10th & 11th July 2021

COVID: Full COVID Risk Assessment in place (www.warefc.co.uk) **Location:** Ware Football Club, Wadesmill Road, Ware, SG12 0UQ. **Astroturf Pitch:** Footwear rules attached in this document.

Competition Format

This Competition is called Ware FC Academy Tournament and is sanctioned by the Hertfordshire FA.

Format of play

U6 & 7s: 5v5 with a maximum of 3 substitutes

U8 – U11S: 6v6 with a maximum of 3 substitutes

U12s: 7v7 with a maximum of 3 substitutes

The competition is by open-invitation. Applications will only be considered upon receipt of a fully completed entry form and cleared payment. Entries will be confirmed by the Tournament Organiser at least seven days prior to the tournament.

Age Groups, Squads & Player Qualification

3.1. Age groups will relate to the 2020/21 season.

3.2. Each team shall register a squad of players on the day of the competition.

3.3. Each team may register a squad of up to 10 players.

3.4. Each registered player shall only play for one team throughout the duration of the tournament.

3.5. Each team shall appoint a manager. The manager shall be responsible for their team being registered on arrival and being available to play on the correct pitch at the correct time. The manager is also responsible for adherence to the tournament rules and communication of the rules to their squads' players and supporters.

3.6. All players must wear shin pads and appropriate footwear. See footwear policy.

Duration of Matches & Balls

4.1. All matches will be 12 minutes in duration with no half time.

4.2. All teams are responsible for considering players' playing time does not

exceed the FA's guidelines on maximum playing time for children.

4.3. In each match the first named team will provide match ball.

4.4. In the event of a clash of colours, the second named team should provide alternative shirts / bibs.





Scores & Results

5.1. Group games will be given points, 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw, 0 points for a loss. If equal points, to go through to the quarter final or semi-final will be decided by goal difference and then goals scored.

5.2. The Quarter Final, Semi Final and Final will be decided by the teams scoring the most goals during normal time. If the score is equal after normal time, a penalty shootout will decide the winner.

Playing Rules

6.1. The Laws of association football will apply.

6.2. Regular mini soccer rules will apply during the tournament. All players must be eligible to play in the appropriate age group for the 2020/21 season. You must have ID for all players and if requested it must be shown.

6.3. Substitutes are roll on, roll off from those named on the registration form. A substituted player can return in the same match. Referee's must be informed of and allow substitutions. The number of substitutions made during a game is unlimited.

*Anybody without the appropriate footwear will not be allowed on the pitch.

Please find guidance attached regarding the footwear allowed on the surface.

This pitch has to be inspected and approved to FIFA standards every year so under no circumstances will blades, including rubber ones, or metal studs be allowed on the surface.

Recommended Footwear for Ware FC 3G pitch

1. Moulded Circular multi-stud boots. Boots with

moulded circular multi-studs are the recommended footwear for competitive training and matches on all 3G surfaces.

2. Astro or 3G Training Shoes – Astro or 3G training shoes with a dimpled sole are also recommended.

**All players are to wear shin pads whilst competing in their games, all teams are to have a designated DBS, first aider + first aid kit and coaches are responsible for ensuring that no player exceeds the maximum total playing time in a single day stated in the FA guidelines.

Players, Officials and Supporters Conduct

7.1. This competition uses the yellow and red card system.

7.2. An accumulation of two yellow cards on a single day in the competition will result in the player being suspended from the next match.

7.3. Two yellow cards in one match equals a red card and the player will be sent off.

7.4. A player who receives a red card (either straight red or for two yellow cards in the same match) will not be permitted to take any further part in the competition.

7.5. All cautions and red cards will be dealt with on the day of the match.

7.6. Any misconduct from the tournament will be reported to Herts FA by the referee as normal.

Reporting Results

8.1. The referee shall be responsible for reporting the result of the game to the result co-ordinator at the conclusion of each game.





Referees

9.1. Referees shall be appointed by the Competition.

9.2. All questions of eligibility, qualification of players or interpretation of Rules shall be referred to the Tournament Committee, but no objection relative to the dimensions of the playing area or other appurtenances thereon shall be entertained by the Committee unless a protest is lodged with the referee before the commencement of the game.

Medals and trophies

10.1 The following will receive a medal: Winners, Winners Trophy, Runners Up Medals of both Cup and Trophy competitions.

