

Rules of the Ramadan 7 a-side Tournament

1. Competition Format

- 1.1. This Competition is called Ramadan 7 a-side Tournament and is sanctioned by the Herts FA
- 1.2. 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.

2. Age Groups, Squads & Player Qualification

- 2.1. Players must be 16 years or older (eligible for Adult football)
- 2.2. Age groups will relate to the 20/21 season.
- 2.3. Each team shall register a squad of players on the day of the competition.
- 2.4. Each team may register a squad of up to 10 players.
- 2.5. Each registered player shall only play for one team throughout the duration of the tournament.
- 2.6. 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.
- 2.7. All players must wear shin pads and appropriate footwear.

3. Duration of Matches & Balls

- 3.1. All matches will be 10 minutes in duration.
- 3.2. There shall be no half-time.
- 3.3. Match balls will be provided, and will all be size 5.
- 3.4 In the event of a clash of colours, the second named team should wear bibs provided.

4. Scores & Results

- 4.1. Scores will be recorded by the organiser.
- 4.2 Referees will report the final scores to the organiser upon the final whistle.
- 4.3 Win = 3 pts | Draw = 1 pt | Loss = 0 pts
- 4.4 Goals scored shall be recorded in the event that the final table at the end of the evening is tied. The team with the most goal scored shall be deemed the champions.
- 4.5 In the event the table is still tied, a penalty shootout shall decide the winner between the joint top 2 teams.

5. Playing Rules

- 5.1. The Laws of association football will apply.
- 5.2. 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.

6. Players, Officials and Supporters Conduct

- 6.1. This competition uses the yellow and red card system.
- 6.2. An accumulation of two yellow cards on a single day in the competition will result in the player being suspended from the next match.
- 6.3. Two yellow cards in one match equals a red card and the player will be sent off.
- 6.4. 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.
- 6.5. All cautions and red cards will be dealt with on the day of the match.
- 6.6. Any misconduct from the tournament will be reported to Herts FA by the referee as normal.

7. Reporting Results

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

8. Protests and Appeals

- 8.1. 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.

9. Referees

- 9.1. Referees shall be appointed by the Competition.

10. Trophy

- 10.1 The following will receive a trophy: Champions