



CUP COMPETITIONS

(1) The Competitions shall be known as the Mid Lancashire Colts Junior Football League Challenge/Subsidiary Cup Competitions and these rules shall govern said Competitions.

(2) The Management Committee of the Mid Lancashire Colts Junior Football League shall have the entire control and management of both the Challenge & Subsidiary Cup Competitions.

(3) Each competing team shall consist of only bonafide playing members of their Club, but no individual shall play for more than one team in all Challenge and Subsidiary Cup Competitions. Any player who has played for a team in either the Challenge or Subsidiary Cup Competitions shall be termed 'cup-tied' and shall be ineligible to play for any other team.

(4) To be eligible to play in any round of the Challenge or Subsidiary Cup Competitions up to the 'semi-final' stage, a player must be registered for the TEAM a minimum of fourteen days prior to the date of the fixture. For semi-final and final ties, all players must also have played a minimum of three games in the league or cup competition for the team in the competition.

(5) Where a Club has two teams entered in the same cup competition, two separate squads must be submitted to the appropriate Registration Secretary.

(6) Any player(s) whose name(s) appear on the team sheet for a match shall be deemed as having taken part in the game. If the same name appears against two different numbers on the team sheet, that team will be fined the sum of £10 for the offence. Any team found guilty of playing ineligible players in the Challenge & Subsidiary Cup Competitions shall be disqualified from the competition. In addition the offending team(s) shall be fined the sum of £25 for each ineligible player.

(7) All matches in the Challenge & Subsidiary Cup Competitions shall be played in accordance with the laws of Mini-Soccer, except as otherwise stated in the rules FA 10B, E and G. In all 'Knockout' ties, if the scores are level at the end of normal time, 14 minutes 'extra-time' shall be played which shall be divided into two equal halves. In the event of the scores remaining level after 'extra-time' then the tie will be decided by the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the laws of the game.

(8) The Club drawn first in each tie, up to and including the 'Semi-Finals', shall choose the ground on which the tie is to be played and shall also be responsible for all referee's fees, travelling expenses and gate money. If assistant referees are provided by the League, the away team shall be responsible for their fees and travelling expenses. The 'Final' ties shall be played on neutral grounds. The Management Committee shall be responsible for gate money, match official's fees and travelling expenses for all 'Final' ties.

(9) Any team reaching a Challenge or Subsidiary Cup Final must be available to play on the scheduled date. All competing teams in the Challenge and Subsidiary Cup Finals and their spectators must not arrive at the venue until 45 minutes before the scheduled kick-off time. In the Final tie, both teams shall provide a good quality match ball to the referee 10 minutes prior to the commencement of the game.

(10) The referee in all ties up to the 'Semi-Final' stage shall be a registered referee provided by the home team. If there is no 'home' registered referee available then a registered referee from the away team shall be used. Each Club shall provide an assistant referee for all ties. Referees' fees shall be £12 plus travelling expenses. Travelling expenses shall be standard class public transport or private car expenses of 10p per mile.



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(11) When the winners have been ascertained, the trophy shall be handed to a representative of that Club who must undertake to find safe custody. If lost, stolen or damaged, the said Club must replace the trophy as stated in rule FA 18. The trophy shall be presented at the end of the 'Final' tie. Individual winners and runners-up trophies shall be presented at the League Annual Presentation evening.

(12) The trophy shall be held for one year by the winners and shall not become the permanent property of any Club. Any Club who resigns from the League must return all trophies to the League within seven days of their resignation.

(13) All questions of eligibility and qualification of players, interpretation of the rules and other matters of dispute shall be referred to the Management Committee whose decision shall be final, subject to appeal as stated in rules FA 5(E) and FA 16.

(14) Any Club or player infringing these rules shall be liable to be dealt with by the Management Committee.

(15) All protests & complaints must be submitted in accordance with rules FA 15(A-E).



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