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# Tower Hamlets Community Cup

## Five-a-side Football Tournament • Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010

### Rules & Regulations

#### General Rules:

1. All matches shall be played according to the laws of the game as settled by the tournament organisers.
2. All teams are responsible for their players & spectators conduct both on and off the pitch.
3. Abusive language & threatening behaviour towards any officials will not be tolerated.
4. Any players found making any racial remarks or comments towards their opposing players or officials will be expelled from the tournament.
5. Any player guilty of violent conduct will automatically be expelled from the tournament.
6. Any team playing with unregistered players shall be expelled from the tournament.

#### Game Rules:

1. The competition will consist of a group stage and a knockout stage.
2. Teams will be selected on a first come first serve basis.
2. A maximum of 8 players can be registered.
3. A minimum of 5 players must be registered.
4. Standard rules of the FA shall apply to tournament play as described by the referee on the day.
5. The offside law does not apply.
6. All decisions made by the referees are final.
7. Any team not appearing at the appointed time and place for a match without a valid excuse will automatically be declared loser by 3-0.
8. If a team repeatedly fail to appear at the game, the team may be excluded from the tournament.
9. In special cases, the tournament jury may decide to exclude a team at the first offence. I.e. if a deliberate WO favours the own team or is unfair to another team in

the group.

**Group Stage** - The teams are divided into groups of four or five where all the teams will meet in a round robin series. Three points will be awarded for a win and one point for a draw. If two or more teams have the same number of points, the order will be decided as follows:

1. Goal difference.
2. Highest number of goals scored.
3. Results of match between teams with equal points.
4. Penalty kick contest according to FIFA rules.

**Knockout Stage** - The top two from each league will go through to the knockout stages. In the event of a draw no extra time shall be played. Standard rules of the F.A shall apply in the event of a penalty shootout.

### **Age Categories and Proof of Age:**

Each team must submit a list of players to the tournament organisers before the deadline date indicated. All players must be able to identify themselves and to certify their age. Acceptable forms of identification include the following:

- Passport
- Medical Card
- Birth Certificate
- School Pass (Photo ID)

There will be four age categories. They are as follows:

- Year 10 & 11: Boys born between 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 1993 to 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1995
- Year 8 & 9: Boys born between 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 1995 to 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1997
- Year 7 & 8: Boys born between 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 1996 to 31 Aug 1998
- Year 5 & 6: Boys and Girls born between 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 1998 to 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2000

### **Tournament Entry & Player Registration:**

Team application form, payment of entry fee and copies of IDs for all registered players need to be submitted to the tournament organisers by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2010 by 8pm.**

If you like further information the please contact Abdal Ahmed on 020 7247 8080 or 07706 000 782.