

## Warwick Active 5-side League Rules

### **1. Organisation**

a) The league will be organised by Warwick Active in partnership with the league organiser, who will have the final say on all matters of the league.

### **2. Squads**

a) All players must register to the league via Warwick Sport

b) Teams must submit a squad of between 6 and 20 players. Matches will be 5-a-side.

e) The original squad may be added to throughout the season, up to this limit, with the following provisos:

i. Players may be registered for only 1 team at any one time, a player must first de-register before registering with another team

ii. No team may use more than 20 players in a season, other than in exceptional circumstances and with the permission of the league organisers.

f) A points system will operate to restrict the number of University of Warwick Men's Football Club players that are on the pitch at any time. Up to 6 points in team players may be fielded at any time, with a maximum of 3 team players in total. First team players are classified as 4 points, second as 3, third as 2, and fourth as 1 point. In a dispute, classifications will be decided by the organisers in conjunction with the Men's Football Club Captain.

g) Any team found to be in breach of these rules will forfeit the match 5-0.

### **3. General Rules**

a) Unless otherwise stated, the rules of the International Football Association Board will apply at all times.

b) Fixtures will be determined upon the number of teams registered. Each League will be split into groups before knockout stages. Knockouts will be split into a Cup and Plate tournament.

c) 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 for a draw and 0 for a loss.

d) Up to 4 "rolling" substitutes may be used in a game by each team.

e) Both teams are expected to be responsible for providing a match ball. Warwick Sport will provide bibs for each game. Each team must ensure that a Captain clearly wears his/her armband during games.

f) Games will be self-refereed with no offside rule in place. Captains should take responsibility for helping the smooth running of games and any disputes should be settled between Captains. Any unresolved issues are to be brought to the organiser.

g) All games will be played with RESPECT and Captains will be responsible for this <http://nav.thefa.com/sitecore/content/TheFA/Home/Leagues/Respect>

#### 4. Fixtures

- a) Teams unable to fulfil a fixture must give at least 2 days' notice in advance to both a league organiser and the opposing team's captain. In any case, fixtures may be postponed without penalty no more than 1 time during the season.
- b) Teams failing to fulfil a fixture without obeying the above procedures will forfeit the match 5-0. For postponements after the notice period, or other rule breaches, penalty appeals will be considered at the discretion of the league organiser.
- c) The date, time and location of a fixture can be changed in agreement between the two Captains. The game must be played within 7 days of the original fixture unless agreed otherwise with the League organiser.

#### 6. Results

- a) Match results should be sent to the league organiser who will update the results on the Top Tournament league web pages. This should be done within 48 hours of the game taking place.

#### 7. League Position

- a) League position will be decided on the following basis:
  - i. Points
  - ii. Goal difference
  - iii. Goals scored
  - iv. Match result
  - v. Tossing of a coin.

#### 8. Disputes

- a. In the case of a dispute teams should first contact the league organiser.
- b. If there is disagreement with the decision of the organisers, the matter shall be referred to the Sports Development Coordinator, whose ruling is final.

#### 9. Conduct

- a. Should a team, or players from a team, indulge in any actions that are deemed by the organisers to be detrimental to the good spirit of the league, then the organisers are entitled to take whatever action is deemed appropriate. This may include, but is not limited to, suspension of players, loss of points or exclusion from the competition. Such penalties are subject to the approval of the Sports Development Coordinator, whose decision is final.

***We wish you the best of luck.***