

BCJSC TOURNAMENT RULES

UNDER 6's, 7's, 8's, 9's & 10's

1. The tournament will be a seven-a-side competition for under 9's and 10's. The under 6's, 7's & 8's will be a seven-a-side 'Festival of Football', with all participants receiving a momentum of the day.
2. All teams must register at least 30 minutes prior to their first game.
3. All teams entered must be affiliated to their Football Association.
4. Age qualification as per the 2009 - 2010 season.
5. Players under contract with FA Academy or Centre of Excellence **will not** be permitted to play in this tournament. Teams playing such players will be disqualified from the competition.
6. Normal FA rules apply except for the following:
 - a. The back pass rule will not apply. Goalkeepers will also be allowed to **drop kick** the ball back into play including goal kicks
 - b. All opponents must retreat at least **five metres** from all free kicks.
7. Teams to register a maximum of **9** players. A maximum of **7** to be on the pitch at any one time. **Rolling substitutions** will be allowed with the normal permission of the referee.
8. All matches will be 10 minutes one way, including the Semi Final and Final.
9. A point system of 3 points for a win, 2 points for a score draw and 1 point for a goal-less draw will operate. League winners & runners up will progress to the knockout stages. If teams finish level on points, the winner will be decided by:

[a] Goal difference [b] Goals scored [c] A penalty shoot-out (three pen's each team then sudden death). In the knockout stages if scores are level, **4** players will remain on the pitch for **5** minutes one way/golden goal. If level a penalty shoot-out will take place (3 pen's each team then sudden death).
10. In the event of team colours being similar, the first named team to change.
11. First named team to provide match ball.
12. Any player sent off or receiving two cautions during the competition will be disqualified from the rest of the tournament. Any player, official or spectator cautioned or dismissed will be reported to their County Association for further action as deemed necessary.
13. **The referee's decision relating to all playing matters will be final.**
14. All other points or disputes will be decided by the Tournament Committee. **Their decision will be final.**
15. The organisers will not be deemed responsible for any injury/damage to any person/property however caused throughout the duration of the tournament.
16. Our objective is to make the day as enjoyable as possible for everyone involved, and we expect all participants to approach the tournament with similar attitude

PLEASE NOTE: 'NO DOGS' ARE PERMITTED AT THE TOURNAMENT, AND 'NO BBQ'S' WILL BE PERMITTED ON SITE