



Lancing Rangers Football Club 2009 Six-a-Side Competition Rules



- All age groups are 6 a side
- Rolling substitutions are permitted for all age groups

- 1) The competition shall consist of ten age groups, Under 7, Under 8, Under 9, Under 10, Under 11, Under 12, Under 13, Under 14, Under 15 and Under 16. All age groups will play to the laws of the games of small sided football with pitches being marked accordingly. Rules for small sided football can be accessed on the Sussex County FA Website - <http://www.sussexfa.com/GetIntoFootball/Small+Sided+Tournaments/>
- 2) The winners and runners up in each age group will receive trophies, with the exception of the Under 7's and 8's, where there will be no winners or runners up but all the players will receive a memento of the day.
- 3) All players must have been under their respective age groups on the 31st August 2008. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification of the entire offending team.
- 4) Managers, with their team declarations must report to the control centre prior to kick-off. Any teams failing to do so may be disqualified from the competition. A player may only be registered and play for one team; there will be no transfers.
- 5) All managers are to provide a change of shirts, to avoid a colour clash, and a suitable ball (size 3 for under 7 & 8, size 4 for 9 - 14 age groups, and size 5 for 15 -16 age groups).
- 6) The winners are responsible for the engraving of trophies. The trophies shall remain the property of Lancing Rangers FC and are to be returned to the Club Secretary by the 30th April 2010.
- 7) **LANCING RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB DO NOT ACCEPT ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURY, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY BY SPECTATORS OR PLAYERS, HOWEVER CAUSED, DURING THE COMPETITION OR WHILST ON THE LEISURE CENTRE PREMISES.**
- 8) **NO DOGS ARE PERMITTED ANYWHERE ON THE LEISURE CENTRE PREMISES.**
- 9) Any player being sent off will be suspended from the rest of the competition. Players cautioned or sent from the field of play or reported for misconduct MUST be reported by the Match Official to the Sussex County Football Association.
- 10) The duration of play is as follows:
 - a) Under 7 and 8: 5 minutes each way.
 - b) Under 9 to under 16: 6 minutes each way.
 - c) quarter finals - will be 6 minutes each way, semi-finals and finals shall be 7 minutes each way.
 - d) In the event of a draw in a quarter final, semi-final or final, THREE minutes each way extra time will be played.
 - e) If the match is still a draw after extra time then FIVE penalties will be taken by each side. In the event of it still being a draw, sudden death penalties will decide the result.
- 11) Scoring and Penalties.
 - a) In the league section, THREE points are awarded for a win, one for a draw and no points for a loss, (scoring will be by goals, corners do not count).
 - b) Any team failing to complete a match will forfeit the points to their opponents and a result of 0 - 0 will be used for completing the table.
 - c) In the event of teams being equal on points, league placing's will be decided as follows;
 - i) Goal Difference,
 - ii) Then the team who scored the most goals.
 - iii) If both conceded the same number of goals, then the team that won the respective league match against each other will qualify.
 - iv) If the match was drawn then a FIVE penalty, and if necessary sudden death, shoot-out will decide.



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12) Penalties:

- a) Five of the six players who were still playing at the end of the game will take the first five kicks; the names in order will be given to the referee. If a sudden death is required the sixth player will take the first kick, then the two substitutes, before starting in the same order with the first taker.
- b) A coin shall be tossed to determine the sequence of kicks.
- c) Kicks shall be taken alternatively by the participating teams. All the players (except the other goalkeeper) have to be behind the half way line while the kicks are being taken.

13) Players cannot score direct from a kick off.

14) The first named team is the "HOME" team.

15) The "HOME" team shall provide the match ball. The "AWAY" team is to change in the event of a colour clash.

16) Each team will supply one linesperson with a flag. The linesperson is to report to the referee before the start of the match. Official Linespersons will be provided for the semi-finals and finals where possible.

17) The referee will be the sole arbiter on points of dispute and shall be empowered to interpret the rules governing six-a-side football, bearing in mind the best interests of all parties concerned. The winning team, or in the case of a draw, the "HOME" team is to return the result card to the control centre.

18) Any other decisions required will be adjudicated upon by the Competition Committee.

19) Footwear with either Studs or Blades **MUST NOT** be worn on the Leisure Centre Astro turf pitches. Trainers or Astro-Trainers are the acceptable forms of footwear to be used. Players not complying with this Regulation will not be allowed to take part in the tournament.

20) PRIVATE BARBECUES ARE NOT PERMITTED ANYWHERE AT THE TOURNAMENT.

21) This competition is sanctioned by the Sussex County Football Association and that clubs have the right of appeal against decisions of the competition committee in accordance with SCFA Rule 12.