Rule Changes for Season 2019-20

**TROPHY**

**13**. (A) The following agreement shall be signed on behalf of the winners of the cup or trophy:-

“We A [name]and B [name], the Chairman and Secretary of [ ] FC(Limited), members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of [ ] cup or trophy, and it having been delivered to us by the Competition, do hereby on behalf of the Club jointly and severally agree to return the cup or trophy to the Competition Secretary on or before [ ]. If the cup or trophy is lost or damaged whilst under our care we agree to refund to the Competition the amount of its current value or the cost of its thorough repair.”

Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

At the close of each Competition awards may/shall be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.

1. It is the responsibility of a Club having been presented with a League or Sportsmanship Cup or Trophy to have it engraved, at its own expense, with the name of the Club and the year of presentation in conformity with any existing engraving before returning it to the Competition. Any Club failing to comply with this instruction will be fined £25 and the cost to the Competition for having the item engraved. Any Club failing to return a Cup or Shield by the last day of February in the year following presentation will be fined (in accordance with the Fines Tariff), followed by an additional fine for each subsequent delay of 14 days or part thereof. Pewter-based trophies (League Winners) should only be cleaned using warm soapy water - metal cleaners or other abrasives MUST NOT BE USED. **Both above rules removed as trophies no longer returnable.**

**QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS**

**18** A) (i) A Player is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has:-

1. ***registered through WGS.***

**If a Club attempts to register a player via WGS but does not fully and correctly complete the necessary information via WGS, the registration will not be processed.**

**For Clubs registering Players via WGS (under Rule 18 (A) (i) (c)) Clubs must access WGS in order to complete the registration process.**

signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink, countersigned by his /her parent or guardian and by an Officer of the Club, and who has been registered with the (Registrations) Secretary at least 4 days prior to the Player playing and whose completed registration ID card has been received by the Club prior to playing in a Competition Match. The registration document must incorporate emergency contact details of the Player’s parents or guardians. These details must be available at matches and training events the Player attends within the management of the Club or Competition;

Any registration form which is sent by means set out at Rule 18(A) (i)(a) above that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the Club unprocessed.

For Clubs registering Players under Rule 18(A) (i) (a) registration forms will be provided in a format to be determined by the Competition. **( Adopted WGS Registrations )**

The registration document must incorporate two current passport-size photographs of the Player seeking registration together with confirmation that the Player’s proof of date of birth has been checked by the Club and is accurate. **( Adopted WGS Registrations )**

Any Player without a photo / **WGS registration** ID card shall not be able to take part in any Competition Match

(D) A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff shall be paid by each Club/Team for each Player

 registered, if applicable.

 Photo copy forms will not be accepted. Each batch of registration forms must be sent to the Registration Secretary together with a first class stamped self-addressed envelope. Where a batch of registration forms are not accompanied by a SAE of sufficient value, this will result in the defaulting Club being fined per batch. Failure to correctly complete the Registration Form and/or failure to provide proof of date of birth where applicable will result in a fine per form. It is the responsibility of the relevant Club Officer to ensure registration counterfoils are correct and have been returned to the club by the Registration Secretary. The Registration Secretary will return photo cards to Clubs in the self-addressed envelope showing the first day the player can play.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff ) **( Adopted WGS Registrations )**

(H) Subject to compliance with FA Rule C2(a) when a Club wishes to register a player who is already registered with another club it shall submit a transfer form (in a format as determined by the Competition) to the Competition accompanied by a fee as set out in the Fees Tariff. Such transfer shall be referred by the Competition to the club for which the player is registered. Should this club object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the Competition and to the player concerned within 3 days of receipt of the notification. Upon receipt of the Club’s consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within 3 days, the Secretary may, on behalf of the Management Committee, transfer the player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club after receipt of the Players ID Card.

*(M) A Team shall not include more than [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11] Players who has/have taken part in [ ] or more senior Competition Matches during the current Playing Season unless a period of 21 days has elapsed since they last played.*

For the purpose of this Rule a senior competition(s) is /are [ ]. **Rule not used in this Competition**

**PLAYING SEASON. CONDITIONS OF PLAY, TIMES OF KICK-OFF, POSTPONEMENTS, SUBSTITUTES**

**20**

(I) Teams may on one occasion prior to Christmas and one occasion after Christmas (excluding Easter Sunday and the Sunday after Christmas, which shall be automatically free of cast fixtures) during the Season request release from fixtures on specific dates by writing to the Fixtures Secretary at least **21** **14** days prior to the requested date. Each application will be treated on merit and whilst every consideration will be given, it does not follow that automatic release from a fixture will be granted.