



GIBRALTAR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION (the “GFA”)

RULES OF
THE PEPE REYES CUP COMPETITION
(the “Cup”)



1. NAME OF CUP

- 1.1 The Cup shall be called “The Pepe Reyes Cup” (hereinafter referred to as “The Cup”)

2. CUP OWNERSHIP

- 2.1 The Cup is property of the Gibraltar Football Association (“hereinafter referred to as “the GFA”).
- 2.2 The Champions trophy shall be presented to the winner of the Cup Final (the “Winner”) at the trophy ceremony. At the conclusion of the trophy ceremony, the GFA will retain the Champions Trophy and present the Winner with a replica trophy which the Winner is entitled to keep.
- 2.3 The Governance & Strategy Board of the GFA (hereinafter referred to as (“the GFA Board”)) may in its sole discretion present to the Team and its players who have won the Cup for and/or been runners up thereof replica miniature cups, medals or other prizes. When a Player Member taking part in the final of the competition is ordered to leave the field or play for misconduct, the medal or other prize (if any) to which he may entitled may be withheld at the discretion of the Management Board.

3. CONTROL OF COMPETITION

- 3.1 The ownership, organisation, control and management of the Competition shall be vested entirely and exclusively in the GFA.
- 3.2 The GFA Board shall have the power to make, delete and amend the rules for the organisation, control and management of the Competition as it from time to time deems expedient (hereinafter referred to as “The Competition Rules”).
- 3.3 All Teams participating in the Competition shall be bound by and shall comply with these Rules as may from time to time be amended by the GFA Board.
- 3.4 In relation to any matter not specifically mentioned in these Rules, the GFA Board shall have the power to take such action and make such decisions, orders, ruling’s and impose such penalties as it deems necessary and follow such procedures as it considers appropriate.
- 3.5 The GFA shall itself be exclusively entitled, or to authorise others, to use sell of otherwise exploit all marketing and commercial rights associated with the Competition without limitation.

4. ELIGIBLE TEAMS

- 4.1 The match shall be played between the 2018/2019 First Division Champion and the 2018/2019 Gibtelecom Cup Champion.

5. LAWS OF THE GAME

- 5.1 The Match will be played in conformity with the Laws of the Game promulgated by the International Football Association Board (“IFAB”), and the GFA Rules & Regulations as amended from time to time.

6. TEAM COLOURS

- 6.1 Where the colours (shirts, shorts or stockings) of two competing Teams are similar, the Team playing away must change unless the competing Teams mutually agree alternative arrangements.
- 6.2 Teams’ colours must not clash with the outfit being worn by the Cup officials appointed for the fixture.
- 6.3 Players’ shirts must be clearly numbered on the back and must be in accordance with the name of the Player Member stated in the Team Sheet submitted before the commencement of the fixture and there must be no change of numbers during the match. The Captain shall wear a distinguishing arm band to indicate his status. Only the name of the Player Member wearing the shirt can be displayed on the shirt.
- 6.4 Advertising is permitted as per the Gibraltar FA League Rules.

7. DURATION OF MATCHES

- 7.1 The duration of the Match shall be one and a half hours. The referee shall allow for time wasted or lost time through accident or other cause. The referee shall be the sole judge of allowance of time whether lost through accident or other cause and his/her decision on this matter shall not be subjected to appeal.
- 7.2 The half time interval shall be fifteen minutes.
- 7.3 If the Match ends in a draw after the final whistle, the outcome shall be determined by the taking of kicks from the penalty mark in accordance with the procedure adopted by the International Football Association Board.

- 7.4 The GFA Board shall have power to vary the arrangements provided in this Rules if it is deemed necessary.
- 7.5 If the match is cancelled, it shall be played as directed by the GFA Board. If a match is abandoned prior to full time due to weather conditions or the state of the pitch it shall be replayed in accordance with the GFA Disciplinary Rules.

8. PROVISIONS FOR WITHDRAWING FROM THE COMPETITION

- 8.1 Any Team intending to withdraw from the Competition must give written notice of their intention to do so to the secretary of the opposing Team and to the Disciplinary Regulations Officer of the GFA not less than 72 hours before the date fixed for playing.
- 8.2 Any Team failing to comply with rule 8.1 shall be liable to misconduct in accordance with the GFA Disciplinary Regulations.
- 8.3 Teams failing to give satisfactory reason for withdrawing shall not be allowed to enter the Competition the following season. The GFA Board shall determine whether the reason for withdrawal is satisfactory.

9. PROVISION CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- 9.1 The Cup shall be competed for annually in accordance with these Rules as from time to time amended.
- 9.2 Players for each Team in the Competition shall be duly registered as Players in accordance with the Rules of the GFA.
- 9.3 Each Team shall abide by the Home Grown Player Rules set out in the Gibraltar FA Senior League Rules.
- 9.4 If the GFA Board have any doubt as to the qualifications of any Player Member taking part in this Competition, they shall have power to call upon such Player, or to the Team to which he belongs, of for which he played to prove that he is Qualified according to these rules and failing satisfactory proof being given, the GFA Board may disqualify such Player, and remove the Team from the Competition and impose such other penalty as they may think.

10. REFEREES AND ASSISTANT REFEREES

- 10.1 In all matches the referees and assistant referees shall be appointed by the GFA Referee Department.
- 10.2 The duties of the referees and assistant referees shall be defined in the Laws of the Game and these Rules.

11. PROVISION RELATING TO PROTESTS

- 11.1 All disputes or complaints by a Team regarding another Team in relation to any matter applicable to this Competition, shall be dealt in accordance with the GFA Disciplinary Rules.

12. MATCH DAY

- 12.1 The referee appointed for the match shall be the sole authority to decide all questions referring to the fitness or otherwise of the ground at the time of the scheduled kick-off of the said fixture.
- 12.2 The first named Team in the fixture shall be known as the Home Team and the second shall be the Away Team.
- 12.3 Compliance on the requirements of Team Sheets shall
- 12.4 A Team sheet must be composed in accordance with Article 14 of the Gibraltar FA League Rules.
- 12.5 All other rules pertaining to Home Grown Players, Team Sheets, Player Eligibility and Checking of Identity shall be identical to the GFA League Rules.

13. NOTICES

- 13.1 All notices required to be given to the GFA Board by any of these rules shall be addressed to the General Secretary of the GFA via email.

14. INTERPRETATION OF RULES

- 14.1 The GFA Board shall be deemed to be the sole authority for the interpretation of these rules and the decision of the GFA Board upon any question or matter relating to the administration and organisation of the Competition which is not provided for herein shall be final and binding on all Teams and/or players.

19 DISPUTES AND COMPLAINTS

- 19.1 Any dispute or complaint by a Team regarding another Team in relation to any matter applicable to the Competition, shall be dealt in accordance with the GFA Disciplinary Rules.

20 POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

- 20.1 The following Statutes, Policies and Regulations apply to these Rules and all GFA Members must adhere to them during their participation in the League and as long as they are Members of the GFA :-

- 20.1.1 Anti-Doping Regulations;
- 20.1.2 Social Media Policy;
- 20.1.3 Referee Regulations;
- 20.1.4 GFA Disciplinary Rules;
- 20.1.5 Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players;

It is the responsibility of each Club to ensure their registered players and coaches are fully aware of the repercussions in the event of a breach of one or more of the above rules and regulations.

21 BREACH OF RULES



- 21.1. Any breach of these Rules will be dealt with by the GFA Disciplinary Regulations

22 APPLICABILITY OF RULES

- 22.1 These Rules have been adopted by the Board of Directors to regulate the 2019/2020 League Season.

SCHEDULE 1

PRIZE MONEY

The prize money for the Competition shall be distributed as follows :

£5,000 - for the Champions.

£3,000 - for the Runners-up.

£1,500 - for each of the two losing semi-finalists.

£700 - for each of the four losing quarter-finalists.

£600 - for each of the eight losing second round participants.

£500 - for each of the three losing first round participants



*Payment of the prize money shall be made once the Cup has concluded.

