

## WEEKLEY ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB

### 6 A SIDE TOURNAMENT RULES 2012

1. All team managers are to register their teams on arrival at least 30 minutes before their first fixture by submitting a team registration form to the Control Point.
2. All players must be in the age group played in the season 2011/12 – ie the correct age as of the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011. Players may only register for one team per day. Photo ID or age verification as demanded by the FA must be carried by the team manager/coach and must be available for inspection if requested.
3. For the U9 – U15 age groups the tournament will be arranged as follows:
4. Each squad will consist of six players and four substitutes. All substitutes may be used at any time during the game on a roll on – roll off basis. The treatment of injuries is at the discretion of the referee with highest priority being given to player safety.
5. Each age section will be split into groups of teams who will play each other on a league basis.
6. Points will be awarded on the following basis:
  7. 3 points for a win
  8. 1 point for a draw
  9. 0 points for a loss
10. If teams are equal on points then the team with the better goal difference will qualify
11. If the teams are equal on goal difference then the team with the highest number of goals scored will qualify
12. If the teams are equal on goals scored the teams will take part in a penalty shoot-out with each player taking one penalty (6 per team). If the teams are still tied after 6 penalties then sudden death will apply.
13. Quarter finals will be played in all leagues where numbers permit. Otherwise semi-finals will be the first round after the league stage.
14. League games will be 8 minutes long with no half-time. All quarter finals will be 8 minutes long with no half-time. All semi-finals will be 10 minutes long with no half time. All finals will be 12 minutes long – with half time.
15. If the result of the quarter final, semi final or final is a draw at full time a period of 3 minutes of extra time will be played. If the game is still tied the teams will take part in a penalty shoot-out with each player taking one penalty (6 per team). Only players on the field of play after extra time can take part in the penalty shoot out. If the teams are still tied after 6 penalties then sudden death will apply.
16. There will be no off-side.
17. All goal kicks are to be taken from the goal line (back line) for U9 – U15. Age groups U7-U8 are to be taken from the penalty area line.
18. No drop kicks or kicks from hand are allowed. The opposing team are awarded an indirect free kick in the event of such a kick. Age groups U7-U8 are allowed to kick from hand without penalty.

19. Back passes are not allowed to be picked up by goalkeepers. Age groups U7-U8 goalkeepers are allowed to pick up back passes.
20. In the event of a colour clash the first named team will change. Please bring bibs for this purpose.
21. The first named team is to supply a match ball. Size 3 for the U7s and U8s and a size 4 ball for all U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s, U13s and U14s and size 5 for U15s.
22. A player cautioned by the referee will automatically be ineligible for the team's next game.
23. A player sent off by the referee will take no further part in the competition. No substitute will be allowed for the player sent off during the game in which the offence took place.
24. The manager of the winning team, or in the event of a draw the first named team, will take the result form to the Control Point immediately at the end of the match.
25. Any disputes will be decided by the tournament committee whose decision will be final on the day.
26. Any rules not covered in the above will be as the Laws of Association Football
27. For the U7 and U8 age groups only the Tournament will be based on the FA Guidelines for Mini-Soccer and as such the tournament will be played on a non-competitive round robin basis.
28. Each group will consist of a set number of teams and each side will play each other at least once during the day. Each game will be played on a friendly, non-competitive basis and points will not be awarded on the result of each game.
29. All other rules will be as stated above.
30. Managers are advised that the FA stipulates that players of the U7 and U8 age group should not play more than 45 minutes a day, and for U9 and U10 age groups 60 minutes, and that substitutions/replacements should be arranged to ensure this limit is not exceeded. It is the responsibility of each team manager to ensure that any player in their teams does not exceed these time limits.

**WEEKLEY ROVERS IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY, LOSS OR DAMAGE TO THE PERSON OR PROPERTY OF ANY PERSONS ATTENDING THE TOURNAMENT HOWEVER CAUSED**

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