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1. TITLE

The Competition shall be known as the Sanlam Kay Motsepe Schools Cup in association with SASFA. The tournament is for boys 19 (nineteen) and under.

2. COMMITTEE, ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL

- 2.1 SASFA, and representatives from the Sanlam Kay Motsepe Schools Cup, shall appoint members to constitute the Cup Committee in terms of the constitution, rules and regulations of the Association.
- 2.2 The committee shall run the Competition with a Co-ordinator selected in the 9 Provinces.
- 2.3 The Committee shall be responsible for the administration and control of all matters pertaining to the Competition.
- 2.4 The Committee shall formulate the policy, rules and regulations of the Competition.
- 2.5 The Committee may co-opt persons to the Committee.
- 2.6 The Committee may delegate a Provincial Association, affiliated to SASFA, to administer and control, without hindrance from schools concerned, any issue pertaining to the competition.
- 2.7 The Committee shall act as Disciplinary Committee in any matter and impose any of the following appropriate action:
 - 2.7.1 Disqualify a school(s), player(s) or official(s) from the competition
 - 2.7.2 Suspend a school(s), player(s) or official(s) for a specified period or number of official games played
 - 2.7.3 Recommend to the parent organization or region to which the school is affiliated to suspend such a school, player and/or official.
- 2.8 The Committee may appoint a Disciplinary Committee to act on its behalf in any area.
- 2.9 The Committee shall ensure that proper accounts and records of the competition and financial affairs are kept at all times.
- 2.10 Provided the issue involved is one of bona fide urgency, the Committee shall have the sole discretion to take emergency decisions not governed by these Rules and Regulations.

3. REGISTRATION / CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry is open and free to all HIGH SCHOOLS in South Africa provided they adhere to the Rules and Regulations and accept that the competition is run under the policies of SASFA.
- 3.2 Participating schools shall complete a registration form and submit this via the Provincial Coordinator to:

The National Coordinator
Sanlam Kay Motsepe Schools Cup
PO Box 910
Johannesburg 2000
Fax: 011 494 4109
e-mail: tshabalalat@safa.net

- 3.3 Unless otherwise decided by the Committee the closing date for entries shall be 25 February 2011.
- 3.4 The Committee may reserve the right to allow the participation of schools in the Competition.
- 3.5 The names of the Provincial winner, Region, Physical address, Telephone and Fax Number, contact person and team list must be submitted to the National Project Manager before or on 28 June 2011.
- 3.6 All questions or queries cannot be directly addressed to the sponsor but to the immediate structure.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 All players shall be bona fide learners, i.e. shall be a learner attending full-time day school, in this case being a registered learner at the school and having not represented any other school since the start of the Competition in that particular year.
- 4.2 All players must be in possession of a playing card and an original ID document.
- 4.3 Players must have been born on or after January 1992.
- 4.4 Players must produce original documentation accompanied by the playing card before the commencement of the match.
- 4.5 The player who fails to produce the valid documentation (playing card and ID document) automatically disqualifies himself from participating in the match. No special arrangement can be entered into in this respect.
- 4.6 No member (player or official) shall be permitted to be registered with more than one school at any one time.
- 4.7 Should a school field a suspended or cup-tied player in the competition, the school will forfeit any points accumulated and the player shall be suspended for three consecutive games. The school may be summoned to appear before the DC (Disciplinary Committee).

5. FORMAT

- 5.1 All participating schools shall play against each other at the lowest level of the competition.
- 5.2 The Competition shall be played on a league format at district/zonal level until regional winners are produced.
- 5.3 Each school shall not play fewer than seven (7) games within the district/zone – depending on the venue of the area or number of schools.
- 5.4 No school may represent the Region at the inter-regional festival if the school has played fewer than seven (7) games in total.
- 5.5 The overall winner shall be determined by a points system and the team with the most points proceeds to the next round of the competition. The position shall be decided on goal difference.

- 5.6 If two or more teams end with the same number of points and the same goal difference, then the position will be determined by the team scoring the most number of goals.
- 5.7 If after this stage there is still a tie:
- 5.7.1 The result of the corresponding fixture will determine the position of the teams
- 5.7.2 The position will be determined by the taking of kicks from the penalty spot
- 5.8 Where the rules and regulations of the competition are silent, an issue of the rules and regulations of SAFA or FIFA, in that order, shall be involved.

6. MATCH PROCEDURE

- 6.1 Schools shall supply their own kit and match balls from area, cluster, zonal, district and regional levels.
- 6.2 Any player not properly attired (according to the laws of the game i.e. playing kit and playing boots) shall not be allowed to play.
- 6.3 In the event of a clash of colours, the “visiting” team will effect the necessary change.
- 6.4 All jerseys shall be properly numbered, failing which a player may not be allowed to participate. The referee is allowed discretionary powers in this regard.
- 6.5 Each captain shall before the start of the match, hand to the referee a list of names of players on the player’s form together with the playing cards and ID documentation of all players, substitutes and officials to the third official in the match.
- 6.6 Any player, whose name appears on the prescribed form, shall be assumed to have participated in the match.
- 6.7 A minimum of five (5) substitutes shall be allowed on the bench of which any three could be used. A player once substituted shall no longer take part in the game.
- 6.8 The duration of a match shall be two equals halves of 40 minutes each.
- 6.9 Interval shall not exceed 10 minutes.
- 6.10 All games must be played to a finish.
- 6.11 In a case where a winner must be produced (during knock-out matches) and a fixture ends in a draw the procedure shall be as follows:
- 6.11.1 Extra time of 10 minutes each way shall be played.
- 6.11.2 If the result is still a tie – the taking of penalties from the spot mark in accordance with the laws of the game shall be conducted.

7. FIXTURES AND GROUNDS

- 7.1 The district/zonal, regional or provincial Committee shall be responsible for the drawing up of fixtures.
- 7.2 The date, kick-off times and venue shall be decided by the respective committee and the decision thereof will be communicated in writing to the affected members.

- 7.3 Any school, which fails to fulfil any fixture, shall be in default and shall forfeit the points of the match. In addition, the school is guilty of an offence and liable to be dealt with.
- 7.4 Any school which fails to fulfil 3(three) consecutive fixtures shall be suspended with immediate effect for the remainder of the season.
- 7.5 The Association shall however have the discretion to decide whether the reasons for such non-fulfilment are sufficient to warrant the waiver of the penalties.
- 7.6 No school has the right to postpone or cancel a fixture without the consent of the relevant Coordinator.
- 7.7 Any school, player or officials who are found to be responsible for the match being abandoned, shall be guilty of an offence, and liable to be dealt with.
- 7.8 Any school or official who encourages or instigates a player to commit a breach of these rules and regulations shall be guilty of an offence.
- 7.9 Time shall be respected as stipulated in the fixture.
- 7.10 In the event of a school/team not being present or ready for kick-off time, the referee and the opponents shall allow a grace period of fifteen minutes.
- 7.11 Where the match is not played because of the late or non-arrival of a team, the opponents shall receive a walkover with full points or awarded the points.
- 7.12 In addition, disciplinary measures can be instituted against the school.

8. MATCH REPORTS

- 8.1 Schools must submit the results of matches to the relevant Coordinator within 72 hours of the date of the match.
- 8.2 Failing to comply may result in disciplinary action taken against the defaulting school.

9. MATCH OFFICIALS

- 9.1 Each school must supply a referee.
- 9.2 The appointment of match officials at district/zonal, regional, inter-regional level shall be the responsibility of the parties concerned.
- 9.3 It shall be the referee's duty to:
 - 9.3.1 Check and collect team lists and playing cards and ID documents of players and substitutes before the start of the match.
 - 9.3.2 Forward reports within 72 hours to the relevant coordinator.
- 9.4 In the event of a referee not reporting for duty, the host ("home team") shall supply a referee.
- 9.5 If the host ("home team") fails to supply a referee, it will forfeit the match and lose the points. In addition, disciplinary measures may be instituted against the home team.
- 9.6 The committee shall determine the referee's and assistant referees' fee.

10. CAUTIONS AND SEND-OFFS AND SUSPENSIONS

- 10.1 Any player or official cut off / red-carded shall serve an automatic two-match suspension.
- 10.2 Any player receiving four cautions (yellow cards) shall be suspended for one match.
- 10.3 The Committee may summon to appear before it or DC (Disciplinary Committee) any school, player or official it decides to have brought the competition, sponsors or SASFA into dispute or ridicule by way of conduct, action or utterances whether same be direct or indirect in Public, in the media (print or electronic), if found guilty, the Committee or DC (Disciplinary Committee) will have the right to exercise its powers as contained in the Rules and Regulations.
- 10.4 A player cautioned by the referee, or reported by any official may be summoned to appear before the Committee or DC (Disciplinary Committee) and if found guilty, be suspended. Sentences or cautions imposed on players shall be sent to the National Project Manager for the records. Cautions/suspensions/send-offs shall be taken into account by the Association and count towards the total bookings required to prevent a player from participating in future games.

11. PROTESTS

- 11.1 A protest may only be made on the question of the interpretation of the laws of the game but the referee's decision shall be found and shall be acted upon on the fields although under protest. Any protest relating to the ground, goal-posts offences of the game, shall not be entertained unless an objection has been lodged with the referee before the commencement of the match, unless the defect has a direct bearing on the result of the match.
- 11.2 Such protest must be formally intimated to the referee and the captain of the opposing team, at the time of the alleged violation taking place.
- 11.3 All protests must be followed up in writing and must be signed by the Principal of the school. All protest letters should include a protest fee of R500-00.
- 11.4 Written protests must be lodged with the relevant committee within 72 hours of the match, failing which it shall be deemed to have lapsed.
- 11.5 When such verbal protest has been lodged and not subsequently proceeded with, it shall be deemed as misconduct and disciplinary action might be instituted against the school.
- 11.6 In the event of a player, school or official deciding to withdraw a written protest, such player, school or official shall forfeit the protest fee.
- 11.7 All protests shall be lodged by the protesting team through its captain with the referee on the field of play before the final whistle.
- 11.8 All protests shall be handled by the relevant Committee or DC (Disciplinary Committee).
- 11.9 Protests against the appointment of venue shall not be considered unless they are submitted to the relevant Committee within 48 hours after the announcement of the fixture relating to it and the Committee decision in respect of such protest shall be final and binding on the school.

12. APPEALS

- 12.1 Any appeal against a decision of the Committee or DC (Disciplinary Committee) on any matter may be lodged with the National Executive Committee, through the Secretary of the region. Schools, players or officials should do so within 48 hours, (excluding Sundays and Public holidays) of the decision in question and provided that such notice of appeal is accompanied by an appeal fee of R1 500.00.
- 12.2 An appeal shall be heard by the National Executive Committee whose competition of such points shall be final and binding and no further communication/correspondence will be entered into.
- 12.3 The Appeal Board may order a complainant to deposit in advance of any hearing a sum covering the expenses of an appeal, over and above the Appeal fee, part or whole of which may, in the discretion of the Appeal Board, be refunded after the appeal is upheld.

13. DISPUTES

- 13.1 In the event of a dispute or differences arising between a school(s), player(s) or official(s), on the one hand, and the Association/Committee on the other hand at any time during the competition as to the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the decision of the Committee and/or a disciplinary committee and/or a Committee of the Association or as to any other matter or thing arising in connection with the Committee, the dispute or indifference shall be referred on the request of either party to the National Football Executive Committee. The award/decision of this Committee shall be final and binding and no further communication/correspondence will be entered into.

14. LIABILITY

- 14.1 Neither the Association nor the sponsors of the Sanlam Kay Motsepe Schools Cup and its staff shall be liable for any claims arising from the injury to any player and the payments made in respect thereof shall be regarded as gratuitous.
- 14.2 The Association and sponsors shall also not be liable to any person, school or official arising from loss suffered while participating in the activities of the Association.

15. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

- 15.1 Should there be any dispute on the matter not provided for in these rules and regulations then the National Executive Committee of the code or the organizing Committee shall have the power to rule on such matters in dispute. Such a decision shall be final and binding on all parties, provided that such a ruling/decision is not in variance with the Constitution of the Association.

16. PRIZE MONEY

- 16.1 All participating schools are subject to the Rules and Guidelines relating to prize money as amended from time to time. In particular, no prize money won shall be paid in cash nor shall any prize be transferrable.

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