







Sonali Othith Masters Cup 2011 Tournament Rules

1. Registration

- (a) For each team 12 active football players may be registered
- (b) The minimum age of the players is 35 years on the day of the tournament
- (c) Proof of age will be required in the form of a photo id (either passport or driving license)
- (d) Any teams wishing to object/query a player must do so **before** a match
- (e) A player having registered for a team once cannot register and play for a different team in future
- (f) Entry fee per team is £60.00

2. Match Rules

- (a) Match duration will be 10 minutes each half (20 minutes total)
- (b) At most **seven** players including the goal keeper will be allowed on the pitch at any one time
- (c) Only **two** non-Bengali players may be allowed on the pitch at any one time
- (d) Players may be continuously substituted from the list of registered players
- (e) Substitutions are only to be carried out from the side line and the substituted player must leave the pitch before the replacement player comes on
- (f) All games will be played on Astro Turf pitch
- (g) Where the game takes place inside a caged pitch, the ball will remain in play unless the ball rebounds off the wall and travels through the goal
- (h) First round will be in groups of 3, 4, 6 or as many teams as required
- (i) For each game won the winning team will receive 3 points. A drawn game will count as 1 point for each team.
- (j) The placing of teams in the group shall be determined by their points total followed by goal difference and then followed by goals scored
- (k) If two or more teams still have the same placing after (j), the result of the games between the equally placed teams will be decisive
- (I) If team placing is still not decisive after (j) and (k) then a penalty shoot out will establish the order
- (m) The top two placed teams from each group shall go through to the next round automatically

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- (n) Any additional teams as required for the second round will be selected from the next highest placed teams in the table
- (o) If a team concedes a game or does not appear within 5 minutes after the scheduled start of the game, the game will be forfeited to their opposition with a score of 1-0
- (p) The offside rule is suspended, and the back pass rule is applied. All free kicks are considered as indirect free kicks.
- (q) A ball which leaves the field of play at the side must be thrown in either under or over head
- (r) All games must be played in order that placements can be decided

3. Kit & Equipment

- (a) Each team must bring at least two sets of kits and the shirts should be numbered. The team named first in the fixture will be required to change colour in case of a colour clash.
- (b) Each team member must have the same kit apart from the goal keeper
- (c) This Football Tournament is played as "small field" tournament
- (d) All teams must provide at least one match ball which must comply with FIFA rules and regulations

4. Referees

- (a) The organiser will allocate all referees
- (b) The referee's decision will be final

5. Suspension of a Player & Discipline

- (a) A player, who has to leave the field because of a straight Red Card, is automatically suspended from the next game. If ordered from the field again, he is suspended from the remaining games of the tournament.
- (b) The organisers reserve the right to suspend/expel any individual or a team from the tournament for any severe misconduct

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