SOUTHERN VETERANS FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Southern Veterans Football League is committed to providing non-discriminatory football for all qualifying participants, regardless of any criteria not specifically related to skills and ability.

The Southern Veterans Football League is also committed to fostering sportsmanship, fellowship, competitiveness, and enjoyment of association football.

Our mission is to encourage all participating Clubs, players, coaches, and supporters to participate and compete in a sporting and respectful manner to ensure an enjoyable and safe environment for all the participants in our competitions.

The Southern Veterans Football League is committed to compliance of the regulations governing sanctioned competitions of the Football Association and the London Football Association.

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SOUTHERN VETERANS

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Season 2026–2027

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SVFL Committee, AGM & Full Council Meeting Dates: 2026-2027

Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Tuesday 11th August 2026**
Full Members Meeting	**All Officials & Clubs**	**Wednesday 2nd September 2026**
Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Thursday 8th October 2026**
Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Thursday 10th December 2026**
Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Thursday 11th February 2027**
Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Thursday 8th April 2027**
Committee Meeting	**All Officials**	**Thursday 3rd June 2027**
Annual General Meeting	**All Officials & Clubs**	**Thursday 17th June 2027**

Emergency Committee Meetings may be called should the need arise.

Emergency Full Council or Special General Meetings may be called should the need arise. Unless otherwise informed, all meetings will be held on the dates mentioned and start at 7:30pm.

All League & Club Officials are required to attend the relevant meetings as listed, and those who cannot attend must notify the League Secretary in advance.

Premier Division

AFC Greenwich Borough

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Catford Wanderers (2008) FC:

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Colours: (H) Black & White Striped Shirts, Black Shorts & Socks (A) Red & White shirts, Red shorts & Red socks or (Yellow shirts, Yellow shorts, and Black socks)
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London South United Masters (LFA)

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Colours: (H) Sky Blue shirts (A) Black & Grey
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Metrogas Vet (KFA)

Contact: Katie Marshall, 07365 268 669 conferences@metrogasclub.co.uk
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Championship Division

Barnhurst Vets (LFA)

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Burrage Worboyes

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Cudham United (KFA)

Contact: Richard Sparkes, 07525 219 059, rs74@outlook.com
Colours: (H) Green & Black striped shirts, Black shorts, Green socks (A) Orange shirts, Black shorts & socks
Ground: Cudham Recreation Ground, Cudham Lane South, Cudham, TN14 7QB

Independent Vets Black (LFA)

Contact: Raymond Peart 07908210609 raypeart@yahoo.co.uk
Contact: Andrew Kubeyinje 07913 947 123 akubeyinje@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) Red & Black Stripe shirts (A) Navy Blue (Black & White stripes)
Ground: Griffin Sports Club, 12 Dulwich Village, London SE21 7AL

Johnson & Phillips (LFA)

Contact: Ted Chambers 07453 957 069 edwardchambers1953@icloud.com
Colours: (H) Dark Blue (A) Red & White stripe shirts
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Segas FC Vets (LFA)

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Sporting Santos (LFA)

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Warlingham Vets (SFA)

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Colours: (H) Black/White Striped Shirts Black Shirts & Socks (A) Maroon
Ground: Warlingham Sports Club, Church Lane, Warlingham, CR6 9PR 01883 622943

First Division

Baldon Sports

Contact: Marc Dolby, 07883 029 444 baldonsports@gmail.com
Colours: (H) All Yellow (A) Blue & Black
Ground: Eltham Town FC Starbuck Close, Eltham, London SE9 2TD

Bexley Vets

Contact: Lorraine Peck, 07903 109 110, lorraine@capital-roofing.co.uk
Colours: (H) Yellow & Black (A) Blue
Ground: Sidcup Conservative Club, Oxford Road, Sidcup, Kent DA14 6LW

Ex Blues 1st Vets (KFA)

Contact: Chris Bufton, 07799 767 717, goonerbuf@gmail.com
Contact: Sean Tee, 07810 184 888, tee82@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) Blue & Black striped shirts (A) Red shirts, Black shorts & socks
Ground: Ex-Blues Club, 118-120 Pickhurst Rise, West Wickham, BR4 0AW 0208 7779904

Farnborough Old Boys Vets FC (KFA)

Contact: Ian Couchman 07970 798 132 Ian.couchman1958@gmail.com
Colours: Yellow & Blue (A) Blue
Ground: Farnborough (Kent) Sport Club, Farrow Fields, High Street, Farnborough, Kent BR6 7BA

FC Dynamo Vets

Contact: Jadie Kerr, 07903 399 077 jadiekerr8@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) Red, White & Blue (A) Volt & Navy Blue
Ground: The Oaks, Starbucks Close, Eltham, London SE9 2TF

London South United Mavericks (LFA)

Contact: Ben Cascoe, 07530 517 391 (WhatsApp ONLY) or 07741688328 ca55a@hotmail.co.uk
Colours: (H) Navy Blue (A) Sky Blue
Ground: Footscray Rugby Club, 239A Footscray Road, New Eltham, SE9 2EL

New Park Veterans (LFA)

Contact: Lee Speirs, 07795 343974 Lee.speirs@jrlplant.com
Colours: (H) All Navy Blue, (A) Yellow shirts, Navy shorts & socks
Ground: Footscray Rugby Club, 239A Footscray Road, New Eltham, SE9 2EL, 0208 850 4698

Ten Em Bee Vets

Contact: Daniel Reeves, 07368 154 193, TENEMBEEVETS@yahoo.COM
Colours: (H) Yellow Shirts, Blue Shorts & White socks (A) Blue shirts & shorts, White socks
Ground: Ten Em Bee, The Pavillion, 120a Old Bromley Road, BR1 4JY

Second Division

Athenlay Vets FC
Contact: Paul Parker, 07415 232 083 paulparker@athenlay.com
Colours: (H) Blue & Yellow
Ground: Dulwich Park, Dulwich Park, College Road, London SE21 7BQ

Blythe Hill (LFA)
Contact: Pat Glavin, 07956 300 515, pglavin@live.co.uk
Colours: (H) Green & White Shirts, Shorts & Socks (A)White shirts, Black Shorts, socks
Ground: St Dunstans The Jubilee Ground, Canadian Avenue Catford SE6 4SW 0208 690 1111

Catford Wanderers (2008) Old Boys (LFA)
Contact: Andrew Griffith, 07454 391 924, andrewgriffith22@gmail.com
Colours: (H) White & Black stripe shirts, Black shorts & socks (A) Red & White stripe shirts, Red shorts & socks
Ground: Catford Wanderers Sports Club, Beckenham Hill Road, Catford, London, SE6 3NU

Greenwich Challenge Veterans XI (LFA)
Contact: Brian Kennedy, 07956 597 475, Greenwichchallenge@gmail.com
Colours: (H) Yellow & Black shirts, Yellow shorts & socks (A) White & Gold shirts, White shorts & socks
Ground: Footscray Rugby Club, 239a, 241 Footscray Road, Eltham, London SE9 2EL

London South United Seniors (LFA)
Contact: Ben Cascoe, 07530 517 391 (WhatsApp ONLY) or 07741688328 ca55a@hotmail.co.uk
Colours: (H) Navy Blue (A) Red
Ground: St Dunstans, Jubilee Ground, Catford, London, SE6 3BB

Parkwood Rangers Vets (LFA)
Contact: Dan Harrington, 07984 671 929 dannyharrington@rocketmail.com
Colours: (H) Yellow/Blue Shirts, Blue Shorts/Socks (A) None
Ground: Bexley Park Sports & Social, Calvert Drive, Dartford, Kent DA2 7GA, 01322 527 923

Seymour Villa FC (LFA)
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Contact: Thomas Proxa, 07831 591 438 thomas.proxa@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) All Royal Blue (A) Yellow shirts, Royal Blue shorts
Ground: Kent House Fields, Harris Girls Academy, Lennard Road BR3 1QR (Entrance next to 110)

Sydenham Sports (KFA)
Contact: Mark Jordan, 07786 566 631, markjordan1011@hotmail.com
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Colours: (H) Maroon/Sky shirts shorts (A) Blue
Ground: Sydenham Sports, Cricket Lane, Kent House Lane, BR3 1LF 0208 7788421

West Wickham
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Ground: West Wickham Playing Fields,Corkscrew Hill, Corkscrew Hill, West Wickham BR4 9BB

Third Division

AFC Green Court
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Colours: (H) Grey shirt/Black shorts (A) Red/Black Stripe tops, Black shorts & socks
Ground: Waller Park Pavillion, Wood Lane, Dartford DA2 7LR

Crayford Arrows New Vets: (LFA)
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Colours: (H) Red/Black stripes & Black Shorts & Red socks (A) Black/White Stripes, Black Shorts, Black Socks
Ground: Crayford Arrows Sports Club, Bakersfield, Perry Street, DA1 4RL 01322 555450

Farnborough Old Boys Vets FC (KFA)
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Colours: (H) Yellow & Red (A) Blue
Ground: Farnborough Sports Club, Farrow Fields High Street Kent BR6 7BA

John Fisher Old Boys Vets FC
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Colours: (H) Blue & Yellow (A) Black & Yellow
Ground: John Fisher School the Old Boys Association, 190 Limpsfield Road, Warlinqham, CR69RD

Longlands Athletic (LFA)
Contact: Tony Bally 07740 195 737 longlands@gmail.com
Colours: (H) Royal Blue, black trim (A) Red, black trim
Ground: Loring Hall Sports Ground, 4 Water Lane, Sidcup DA14 5EJ

SP Athletic Vets LFA)
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Colours: (H) Royal Blue top and socks, Navy shorts (A) Red top and socks, Black shorts
Ground: St Dunstans Jubilee Ground, Canadian Avenue, Catford, SE6 4SW

South East Athletic FC
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Colours: (H) All Yellow (A) All Blue
Ground: Mick Northwood Ground, Dursley Road, Kidbrooke SE3 8BP 0208 8561051

Sporting Club Thamesmead Vets FC
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Ground: Thamesmead Town, Baylis Avenue, SE28 8NL

Westerham FC Seniors (KFA)
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Colours: (H) Blue & Red
Ground: King George Playing Field, Costells Meadow, Westerham, Kent 01959 561 106

Fourth Division

Chipstead FC (KFA)

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Colours: (H) Red Shirts/Blue/Shorts, (A) All Blue kit.
Ground: Chipstead Recreation Ground, Chevening Road, Chipstead, Kent. TN13 2S

Hayden Youth Vets (KFA)

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Ground: Haydon Youth Association, 64 Leyton Cross Road, Wilmington, Dartford, Kent DA2 7AN

Independent Vets Red (LFA)

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Contact: Raymond Peart, 07908 210 609 raymond@a-picture.co.uk
Colours: (H) Red/Black Stripe top Black shorts and socks (A) Navy Blue
Ground: Griffin Sports Club, 12 Dulwich Village, London SE21 7AL

London South United Super Vets

Contact: Contact: Ben Cascoe, 07530 517 391 (WhatsApp ONLY) or 07741688328 ca55a@hotmail.co.uk
Colours: (H) Navy Blue (A) Red
Ground: Crofton Albion Sports & Social Club, Weigall Road, Lee, London, SE12 8HF

Long Lane JFC Vets (LFA)

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Colours: (H) Blue and Black Stripes (A)
Ground: The Northwood Ground, Dursley Road, Kidbrooke, London SE3 8PB.

New Eltham Spartans FC (LFA)

Contact: Paul Staines, 07867 482 847, quazer666@gmail.com
Colours: (H) Red/Black (A) Blue/Black
Ground: Merdian Sports Club, Charlton Park Lane SE7 8QS

Petts Wood Seniors

Contact: Bill Banks, 07733 001 116, BBanks_mail@yahoo.co.uk
Colours: (H) All Maroon
Ground: Barnet Wood Road, Bromley BR2 7AA, 020 8462 6362

Riverview Veterans (KFA)

Contact: Anthony Payne, 07583 963 579, **riverviewfc@hotmail.com**
Colours: (H) All Royal blue (A) All Pink
Ground: Cascades Leisure Centre, Thong Lane, Gravesend, DA12 4LG

Warlingham Supervets (SFA)

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Contact: Steve Rolfe, 07595 431 558, na5h@hotmail.com
Colours: Black/White Striped Shirts, Black Shirts/Socks (A) All Blue
Ground: Warlingham Sports Club, Church Lane, Warlingham, CR6 9PR 01883 622943

Fifth Division

AFC Walcountians Vets

Contact: Katrina Carney, 07866 679 630, afcwcs@gmail.com
Colours: (H) Navy blue / Yellow quartered jersey / navy blue shorts / navy blue socks (A) Red jersey / red shorts / red socks
Ground: Walcountians Sports Club, Carshalton Road, Woodmansterne, Banstead, SM7 3HU

BEXLEY UTD VETS

Contact: Mike Small, 07388 663 551, mike.small@directws.com
Colours: (H) Yellow and royal blue (A) Blue and white
Ground: Conservative Club, Oxford Rd, Sidcup, DA14 6LW

Bow Street Runners Legends

Contact: John Forbes 07786 076 600 john.forbes29@btinternet.com
Colours: (H) Orange and Black tops, Orange shorts and socks (A) All White
Ground: The Warren, Met Police Sports Club, The Warren, Croydon Road, Hayes, BR2 7AL 0208 4621266

Eversley Rangers FC Vets (LFA)

Contact (Secretary): Lloyde Berks, 07960 576 543, lloydberks@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) White/Red (A) None
Ground: Hall Place Playing Fields, Bourne Road Bexley DA5 1PQ

Longlands Athletic Supervets (LFA)

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Colours: (H) Royal Blue, black trim (A) Red, black trim
Ground: Loring Hall Sports Ground, 4 Water Lane, Sidcup DA14 5EJ

Orpington Veterans (KFA)

Contact: Paul Wade, 07496 234 167, paul.a.wade@outlook.com
Colours: (H)Amber & Black (A) Blue & Black
Ground: Goddington Park Goddington Lane, Orpington BR6 9DH

Petts Wood Seniors

Contact: Bill Banks, 07733 001 116, BBanks_mail@yahoo.co.uk
Contact: Simon Reardon, 07585 001 559, simon.reardon@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) Maroon & Gold
Ground: Barnet Wood Road, Bromley BR2 7AA, 020 8462 6362

Seymour Villa Supervets FC (LFA)

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Contact: Thomas Proxa, 07831 591 438 thomas.proxa@hotmail.com
Colours: (H) Royal Blue / Royal blue shorts (A) Yellow top / Royal blue shorts
Ground: Kent House Fields, Harris Girls Academy, Lennard Road BR3 1QR (entrance next to 110)

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HOW TO DECIDE ON THE REFEREE'S MARK

The following questions focus on the key areas of a referee's performance. They are intended as an "aide memoire", are not necessarily comprehensive and need not be answered individually. It is, however, worth considering them before committing yourself to a mark for the referee.

Control And Decision Making

- How well did the referee control the match?
- Were the players' actions recognised correctly?
- Were the Laws applied correctly?
- Were all incidents dealt with efficiently/effectively?
- Were all the appropriate sanctions applied correctly?
- Was the referee always within reasonable distance of incidents?
- Was the referee well positioned to make critical decisions, especially in and around the penalty area?
- Did the referee understand the players' positional intentions and keep out of the way accordingly?
- Did the referee demonstrate alertness and concentration throughout the match?
- Did the referee apply the use of the advantage to suit the mood and temperature of the match?
- Was the referee aware of the players' attitude to advantage?
- Did the referee use the assistants effectively?
- Did the officials work as a team, and did the referee lead and manage them to the benefit of the match?

Communication And Player Management

- How well did the referee communicate with the players during the match?
- Did the referee's level of involvement/profile suit this particular match?
- Did the referee understand the players' problems on the day – e.g. difficult ground/weather conditions?
- Did the referee respond to the changing pattern of play/mood of players?
- Did the referee demonstrate empathy for the match, allowing it to develop in accordance with the tempo of the match?
- Was the referee pro-active in controlling of the match?
- Was the referee's authority asserted firmly without being officious?
- Was the referee confident and quick thinking?
- Did the referee appear unflustered and unhurried when making critical decisions?
- Did the referee permit undue questioning of decisions?
- Did the referee deal effectively with players crowding around after decisions/incidents?
- Was effective player management in evidence?
- Was the referee's body language confident and open at all times?
- Did the pace of the match, the crowd or player pressure affect the referee negatively?

Final Thoughts

- Always try to be objective when marking. You may not obtain the most objective view by marking immediately after the match.
- Judge the performance over the whole match. Don't be too influenced by one particular incident.
- Don't mark the referee down unfairly because your team was unlucky and lost the match or some disciplinary action was taken against your players

GUIDE TO MARKING REFEREES

Marking Scheme for Clubs

The FA Referees Committee has approved the following rules to the marking of referees by clubs. They are designed to simplify the system and to encourage clubs to think carefully about the marking of referees.

The 1-100 marking scheme will be sub-divided into four categories as follows:

Mark Range	Comment
100-86	The referee demonstrated very accurate decision-making and controlled the match very well using management and communication skills effectively to add value to the match.
85-76	The referee demonstrated accurate decision-making and controlled the match well using management and communication skills to contribute positively to the match.
75-61	The referee demonstrated reasonably accurate decision-making and despite some short comings generally controlled the match well.
60 and below	the referee demonstrated shortcomings in the accuracy of decision-making and control which affected the match.

Club officials should use the full range of marks within each category to help distinguish between different performance levels e.g. within the 85-76 category a mark of 84 indicates a better performance than a mark of 77.

Whilst some referees may have poor matches there will usually have been some positive aspects of their performance so extremely low marks should be very rare.

When club officials are marking a referee, they should always look at **the match as a whole** and not isolated decisions. The result of the match should not influence the mark, and disciplinary action should be judged objectively.

Referee marks of sixty or less must be accompanied by a letter explaining the low mark to the Referee Secretary, within four days of the match. The purpose of this explanation is to assist referees to improve their performance levels so the comments should be as helpful as possible

GUIDE TO FA FULL-TIME: MATCH RETURNS GUIDE

FA FULL-TIME: MATCH RETURNS GUIDE

QUICK REFERENCE | CLUB SECRETARIES & TEAM MANAGERS

REQUIREMENT: All clubs must submit match results, referee marks, and team statistics following the conclusion of every fixture. Ensure this is completed within your league's designated deadline to avoid standard fines.

01 ACCESSING THE ADMIN PORTAL

ACTION	INSTRUCTIONS
1. Log in	Go to fulltime-admin.thefa.com. Log in using your registered email address and password. If you lack access, request a login invite link from your League Administrator.
2. Locate fixtures	From your Admin Home dashboard, click Results or Enter Results. Use the filters to find the specific matchday fixture requiring completion.

02 ENTERING MATCH DATA — THREE-PAGE PROCESS

PAGE	WHAT TO COMPLETE
Page 1: Match & Referee Marks	Scores: Enter the final full-time score and click to lock the result. Referee Marks: Rate the Match Official out of 100. Important: Any score of 60 or below strictly requires a written constructive explanation in the comments box. Compulsory Metrics: Complete the mandatory RESPECT benchmarks and the Pitch Markings / Facilities score.
Page 2: League Marks	Complete any league-specific mandatory questions or compliance checkboxes if applicable.
Page 3: Player Statistics	Click on Quick Stat Entry or Simple View. Check the boxes to assign starting line-ups, substitutes used, goals scored, assists, and any yellow/red cards or sin-bins. Click Update to save player stats.

03 IMPORTANT COMPLIANCE & TROUBLESHOOTING

ISSUE	GUIDANCE
Locking status	Once details are submitted, the status will show as Submitted. If a league administrator locks the fixture, you will no longer be able to edit it without contacting them directly.
Postponed / abandoned matches	Do not leave these blank. Update the match status dropdown on Page 1 to reflect the proper abandonment or postponement reason code.
Missing players	If a player does not appear on your Page 3 roster, check that they are fully registered and approved on the FA Whole Game System (WGS) and integrated into Full-Time.

NEED FURTHER ASSISTANCE?

Detailed support documentation and visual walkthroughs can be found on the official FA Grassroots Technology Portal at grassrootstechnology.thefa.com

MATCH CARD COMPLETION GUIDE

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01 BEFORE THE MATCH — COMPLETE BEFORE KICK-OFF

ITEM	INSTRUCTIONS
Division	Tick the relevant column: Premiership / Championship / One Division / Two / Three / Four / Five
Team Name	Enter your full club name clearly
Shirt No	List the shirt number for each player starting the match
Players Name	Print full first name and surname for each player — legibly
10 Procedure Completed	Tick Yes or No to confirm the registration check has been carried out
Opponents Managers Signature	Opposing manager signs to confirm agreement with details
Name of Referee	Print the match official's full name

02 AFTER THE MATCH — COMPLETE IMMEDIATELY ON SITE

SECTION	INSTRUCTIONS
Sportsmanship (mark out of 100)	Award a mark reflecting your opponent's conduct — out of 100
Club Markings for above	Enter marks if applicable
Referee	Out of 40 — Overall decision making Out of 30 — Management of Major Decisions Out of 30 — Overall Control Total Score
Date	Enter date the match was played
Result — Home / Away	Enter final score. Include Score FT (Full Time), AET (After Extra Time), and Penalties where relevant
Comments	Add brief notes — e.g. cautions, dismissals, incidents or exceptional circumstances

03 SUBMISSION — WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

REQUIREMENT	DETAILS
Deadline	Completed card must be sent to the League Secretary within 3 working days of the match
Retention	Keep a copy for your own club records before sending
Accuracy	Check all names, scores and marks are correct before signing/sending. Amendments cannot be accepted once submitted
FA Full-Time	Also enter results online — refer to separate FA Full-Time Guide

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THE
SOUTHERN VETERANS
Veterans Football League
STANDARD CODE OF RULES

This document contains the Standard Code of Rules developed by The Football Association for open age football (the "Standard Code").

The Standard Code is mandatory for: (a) all Competitions at Regional NLS Feeder League level and below, and (b) all competitions at Tier 7 and below of The FA Women's Pyramid, and (c) all mixed adult football Competitions authorised by The FA.

1. DEFINITIONS

1.A	In these Rules: "**Affiliated Association**" means an Association accorded the status of an Affiliated Association under the rules of The FA. "**AGM**" shall mean the annual general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition. "**Club**" means a club for the time being in membership of the Competition. "**Club Portal**" means the system used by Clubs to affiliate teams as determined by The FA from time to time; "**Competition**" means the Southern Veterans Football League. "**Competition Match**" means any match played or to be played under the jurisdiction of the Competition. "**Contract Player**" means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play under a written contract of employment with a Club. "**Deposit**" means a sum of money deposited with the Competition as part of the requirements of membership of the Competition. "**Fees Tariff**" means a list of fees approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Management Committee for any matters for which fees are payable under the Rules, as set out at Schedule A. "**Fines Tariff**" means a list of fines approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Management Committee for any breach of the Rules, as set out at Schedule A. "**Ground**" means the ground on which the Club's Team(s) plays its Competition Matches. "**Management Committee**" means in the case of a Competition which is an unincorporated association the management committee elected to manage the running of the Competition and where the Competition is incorporated it means the Board of Directors appointed in accordance with the articles of association of that company. "**Match Officials**" means the referee, the assistant referees and any fourth official appointed to a Competition Match. "**Non Contract Player**" means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play for a Club but has not entered into a written contract of employment. "**Officer**" means an individual who is appointed or elected to a position in a Club or Competition which requires that individual to make day to day decisions. "**Participant**" shall have the same meaning as set out in the rules of The FA from time to time. "**Player**" means any Contract Player, Non Contract Player or other player who plays or who is eligible to play for a Club. "**Player Registration System**" means The FA system to register players as determined by The FA from time to time. "**Playing Season**" means the period between the date on which the first competitive fixture in the Competition is played each year until the date on which the last competitive fixture in the Competition is played. "**Rules**" means these rules under which the Competition is administered. "**Sanctioning Authority**" means The London Football Association Limited "**Scholarship**" means a Scholarship as defined in The FA rules. "**Season**" means the period of time between one AGM and the next AGM "**Secretary**" means such person or persons appointed or elected to carry out the administration of the Competition. "**SGM**" means a special general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition. "**Team**" means a team affiliated to a Club, including where a Club provides more than one team in the Competition in accordance with the Rules. "**The FA**" means The Football Association Limited. "**Virtual Meetings**" means meetings held electronically "**written**" or "in writing" means the representation or reproduction of words or symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods, whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.

1.B	Unless stated otherwise, terms referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term in the singular applies to the plural and also the other way around

GOVERNANCE RULES

2. COMPETITION NAME, CONSTITUTION

2.A	The Competition will be known as Southern Veterans Football League (or such other name as the Competition may adopt). The Clubs participating in the Competition must be members of the Competition. A Club which ceases to exist or which ceases to be entitled to play in the Competition for any reason whatsoever shall automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.
2.B	This Competition shall consist of not more than 63 Clubs and/or 63 Teams approved by the Sanctioning Authority.
2.C	The geographical area covered by the Competition membership shall be WITHIN the boundaries of London Boroughs of Greenwich, Bromley, Lewisham, Bexley, North and East Croydon, South and East Southwark and the Kent areas of Dartford and North – West Sevenoaks.
2.D	The administration of the Competition under these Rules will be carried out by the Management Committee in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of The FA.
2.E	All Clubs shall adhere to the Rules. Every Club shall be deemed, as a member of the Competition to have accepted the Rules and to have agreed to abide by the decisions of the Management Committee in relation to them subject to the provisions of Rule 7.
2.F	The Rules are taken from the Standard Code of Rules (the "Standard Code") determined by The FA from time to time. In the event of any omissions from the Standard Code then the requirements of the Standard Code shall be deemed to apply to the Competition.
2.G	1. All Clubs must be affiliated to an Affiliated Association and their names and particulars shall be returned annually by the appointed date in a manner prescribed by the Sanctioning Authority and must have a constitution approved by the Sanctioning Authority. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

	2. This Competition shall apply annually for sanction to the Sanctioning Authority and the constituent Teams of Clubs may be grouped in divisions, each not exceeding 11 in number.
2.H	Inclusivity and Non-discrimination: 1. The Competition and each Club must be committed to promoting inclusivity and to eliminating all forms of discrimination and should abide and adhere to The FA Equality Policy and any legislative requirements (including those contained in the Equality Act 2010). 2. This Competition and each Club must make every effort to promote equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and by providing access and opportunities for all members of the community, irrespective of age, gender, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability or otherwise. 3. Any alleged breach of the Equality Act 2010 legislation must be referred to the appropriate Sanctioning Authority for investigation.
2.I	Clubs must comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA which are adopted by the Competition including, but not limited to, England Football Accredited and RESPECT programmes. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
2.J	All Participants shall abide by The Football Association Regulations for Safeguarding Children and Regulations for Safeguarding Adults at Risk as determined by The FA from time to time.
2.K	Clubs shall not enter any of their Teams playing in the Competition in any other competitions (with the exception of FA and parent County Association Cup Competitions) except with the written consent of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. A Club must immediately inform the Competition of the details of any fixture(s) in any other competition in which the Club has entered, for which written consent of the Management Committee has been obtained.
2.L	At the AGM or an SGM called for the purpose, a majority of the delegates present shall have power to decide or adjust the constitution of the divisions at their discretion. When necessary, this Rule shall take precedence over Rule 22.

2.M	Only one Team from a Club shall be permitted to participate in a single division unless there is no viable alternative because of logistical issues and/or reasons linked to participation and geographical boundaries in which case the Competition will obtain the prior approval of the Sanctioning Authority. This Competition will ensure that, where permission is given, Teams from a Club operating in the same division are run as separate entities with no interchange of players other than by transfers of registration in accordance with these Rules.

3. CLUB NAME

3.A	Any Club wishing to change its name must obtain permission from the Sanctioning Authority following consultation with the Competition. In the event that permission is granted, the Club must advise the Competition Secretary. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

4. ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT

4.A	Applications by Clubs for admission to the Competition or the entry of an additional Team(s) from the same Club must be made in writing to the Secretary *by 1st of June* and must be accompanied by an Entry Fee for each Team as set out in the Fees Tariff, which shall be returned in the event of non-election. Applications, of which due notice has been given, will be received at the AGM or an SGM if confirmed by a majority of the accredited voting members present. When Rule 22.B is applied or a Team seeks a transfer or, is compulsorily transferred to another division, no Entry Fee shall be payable
4.B	The annual subscription shall be payable, in accordance with the Fees Tariff for each team payable at a date agreed at the AGM or set by the Competition.
4.C	In the event of any issue concerning the membership of any Club with the Competition the Management Committee may require a Deposit to be paid (in accordance with the Fees Tariff) by or on behalf of the Club on such terms and for such period as it may in its entire discretion think fit. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
4.D	A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the entry fee, annual subscription and deposit (if required) have been paid.
4.E	Clubs must advise the Secretary annually in writing by 31st July of its Sanctioning Authority affiliation number for the forthcoming Playing Season. Clubs must advise the Secretary in writing, or on the prescribed form, of details of its headquarters, its Officers and any other information required by the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

5. MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION

5.A	The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition and 10 members who shall all be elected at the AGM.
5.B	Retiring Officers shall be eligible to become candidates for re-election without nomination provided that the Officer notifies the Secretary in writing not later than the 1st of June in each year. All other candidates for election as Officers of the Competition or members of the Management Committee shall be nominated to the Secretary in writing, signed by the secretaries of two Clubs, not later than 1st June in each year. Names of the candidates for election shall be circulated with the notice of the AGM. In the event of there being no nomination for any office by the date stated in the earlier part of this Rule , nominations may be received at the AGM.
5.C	The Management Committee shall meet a minimum of twice a season or as and when required, On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Management Committee the Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Management Committee.
5.D	Except where otherwise mentioned all communications shall be addressed to the Secretary who shall conduct the correspondence of the Competition and keep a record of its proceedings.
5.E	All communications received from Clubs must be conducted through their Officers and sent to the Secretary. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

6. POWERS OF MANAGEMENT

6.A	The Management Committee may appoint sub-committees and delegate such of their powers as they deem necessary. The decisions of all subcommittees shall be reported to the Management Committee for ratification. The Management Committee shall have power to deal only with matters within the Competition and not for any matters of misconduct that are under the jurisdiction of The FA or Affiliated Association.

6.B	Subject to the permission of the Sanctioning Authority having been obtained, the Management Committee may order a match or matches to be played each Season, the proceeds to be devoted to the funds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call on each Club to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any deficiency at the end of the Season.
6.C	Each member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all Management Committee meetings and have one vote at all such meetings but no member shall be allowed to vote on any matters directly relating to that member or to the Club so represented or where there may be a conflict of interest. (This shall also apply to the procedure of any sub-committee).
6.D	In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chair shall have a second or casting vote.
6.E	The Management Committee shall have powers to apply, act upon and enforce these Rules and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Competition. Any action by the Competition must be taken within 28 days of the Competition being notified. With the exception of Rules 6.J, 8.H, and 9, for all alleged breaches of a Rule the Management Committee shall issue a formal written charge to the Club concerned. The Club charged shall be given 7 days from the date of notification of the charge to reply. In such reply a Club may: (i) Accept the charge and /or submit in writing a case of mitigation for consideration by the Management Committee; or (ii) Accept the charge and notify the Competition SVFL notify the Competition Discipline Secretary that it wishes to put its case of mitigation at a hearing before the Management Committee; or (iii) Deny the charge and submit in writing supporting evidence for consideration by the Management Committee; or (iv) Deny the charge and notify the Competition SVFL notify the Competition Discipline Secretary that it wishes to have a hearing before the Management Committee. Where the Club charged fails to respond within 7 days, the Management Committee shall determine the charge in such manner and upon such evidence as it considers appropriate. Having considered the reply of the Club (whether in writing or at a hearing), the Management Committee shall make its decision and, in the event that the charge is accepted or, proven, decide on the appropriate penalty (with reference to the Fines Tariff where applicable). Where required, hearings shall take place as soon as reasonably practicable following receipt of the reply of the Club as more fully set out above. With the exception of Teams playing at Regional NLS Feeder League of the National League System, the maximum fine permitted for any breach of a Rule is £250 and, when setting any fine, the Management Committee must ensure that the penalty is proportional to the offence; taking into account any mitigating circumstances. The maximum fine permitted for a breach of a Rule by a Team playing at Regional NLS Feeder League level is £500. No Participant under the age of 18 can be fined. All breaches of the Laws of the Game, or the Rules and Regulations of The FA shall be dealt with in accordance with FA Rules by the appropriate sanctioning Association.
6.F	All decisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7. Decisions of the Management Committee must be notified in writing to those concerned within 7 days.
6.G	A minimum of 4 of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Management Committee or any of its subcommittees
6.H	The Management Committee, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.
6.I	A Club must comply with an order or instruction of the Management Committee and must attend to the business and/or the correspondence of the Competition to the satisfaction of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
6.J	Subject to a Club's right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7 below, all fines and charges must be paid within 14 days of the date of notification of the decision. Any Club failing to do so will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Further failure to pay the fine including the additional fine within a further 14 days will result in fixtures being withdrawn until such time as the outstanding fines are paid.
6.K	A member of the Management Committee appointed by the Competition to attend a meeting or Competition Match may have any reasonable expenses incurred refunded by the Competition.
6.L	The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the membership of the Competition between the AGM or SGM called to decide the constitution and the commencement of the Playing Season, subject to the provisions of the National League System Regulations or Women's Football Pyramid Regulations (which shall take precedence if applicable).
6.M	The business of the Competition as determined by the Management Committee may be transacted by electronic mail or facsimile.
6.N	The Competition shall not cancel, postpone, or withdraw an entire programme of Competition Matches (e.g. all Competition Matches, or all Competition Matches within a single division, taking place over a single day/week) without prior written approval from the Sanctioning Authority, except in exceptional circumstances of a serious nature (in which event, the Competition must provide notification of cancellation, postponement or withdrawal to the Sanctioning Authority at the same time as affected Teams).

7. **PROTESTS, CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS**

7.A	1. All questions of eligibility, qualification of Players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Management Committee or a subcommittee duly appointed by the Management Committee. 2. Objections relevant to the dimensions of the pitch, goals, flag posts or other facilities will not be entertained by the Management Committee unless a protest is lodged with the referee prior to the commencement of the Match.
7.B	**Except in cases where the Management Committee decide that there are special circumstances** (playing ineligible players), protests and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are founded) must be lodged with the Secretary within 7 days (excluding Sundays) of the Competition Match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn except by permission of the Management Committee. A member of the Management Committee who is a member of any Club involved shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of his Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined.
7.C	No protest of whatever kind shall be considered by the Management Committee unless the complaining Club shall have deposited with the Secretary a sum in accordance with the Fees Tariff. This may be forfeited in whole or in part in the event of the complaining or protesting Club losing its case. The Competition shall have power to order the defaulting Club or the Club making a losing or frivolous protest or complaint to pay the expenses of the inquiry or to order that the costs to be shared by the parties.
7.D	All parties to a protest or complaint must receive a copy of the submission and must be afforded an opportunity to make a statement at least 7 days before the protest or complaint being heard.

	1. All parties must have received a minimum of 7 days' notice of the hearing should they be instructed to attend. 2. Should a Club elect to state its case in person then it should indicate such when forwarding the written response.
7.E	The Management Committee shall also have power to compel any party to the protest to pay such expenses as the Management Committee shall direct.
7.F	An intention to appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority, with a copy sent to the Secretary, within 7 days of the Management Committee providing written notification of its decision. A notice of appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing the appeal, accompanied by a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff), which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, and the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to): 1. invite submissions by the parties involved; 2. convene a hearing to hear the appeal; 3. permit new evidence; or 4. impose appropriate deadlines. Any appeal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.
7.G	No appeal can be lodged against a decision taken at an AGM or SGM unless this is on the ground of unconstitutional conduct
7.H	All protests, claims or complaints relating to these Rules and appeals arising from a Player's contract shall be heard and determined by the Management Committee, or a sub-committee duly appointed by the Management Committee. The Clubs or Players protesting, appealing, claiming or complaining must send a copy of such protest, appeal, claim or complaint and deposit a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff) which shall be forfeited in the event of the protest, appeal, claim or complaint not being upheld, and in these circumstances may, in addition, be ordered to pay the costs at the direction of the Management Committee. All such protests, claims, complaints and appeals must be received in writing by the Secretary within 14 days of the event or decision causing any of these to be submitted.

8. **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

8.A	The AGM shall be held not later than the 1st of July in each year. At this meeting the following business (in the following order) shall be transacted provided that at least 27 members are present and entitled to vote: - 1. Confirm the minutes of the last AGM. 2. Adopt the annual report, balance sheet and statement of accounts from the previous season or accounting period. 3. Election of Clubs to fill vacancies. 4. Constitution of the Competition for the ensuing Season. 5. Election of Competition Officers and Management Committee members. 6. Appointment of auditors/verifiers. 7. Alteration of Rules, if any (see Rule 14). 8. Agree the date for the beginning of the Playing Season and kick off times applicable to the Competition. 9. Agree the date for the end of the Playing Season (save for Regional NLS Feeder League which shall be determined by the FA). 10. Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted by the Chair as being relevant to an AGM. 11. Clubs currently in membership of the Competition shall be entitled to vote on items 1 to 3 above. Those clubs set to be accepted as Clubs in accordance with item 3 above shall be entitled to attend the AGM but cannot vote on items 1-3 above. All Clubs (i.e. those Clubs currently in membership of the Competition and those accepted as Clubs in accordance with item 3) shall be entitled to vote on items 4 to 10 above.
8.B	A copy of the duly audited/verified balance sheet, statement of accounts and agenda shall be forwarded to each Club at least 14 days prior to the meeting, together with any proposed Rule changes.
8.C	A signed copy of the duly audited/verified balance sheet and statement of accounts shall be sent to the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of its adoption by the AGM.
8.D	Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to an AGM. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. 14 days' notice shall be given of any AGM.
8.E	Clubs who have withdrawn their membership of the Competition during the Playing Season being concluded or who are not continuing membership shall be entitled to attend but shall vote only on matters relating to the Season being concluded. This provision will not apply to Clubs expelled in accordance with Rule 12.
8.F	All voting shall be conducted by a show of hands, or count of email or virtual responses (for virtual meetings), unless a ballot be demanded by at least 50% of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chair so decides.
8.G	No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Club.
8.H	Any continuing Club must be represented at the AGM. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
8.I	Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an AGM, but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a club (See Rule 8.G)
8.J	Where a Competition is an incorporated entity, the Officers of the Competition shall ensure that the Articles of Association of the Competition are consistent with the requirements of these Rules.

9. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

9.A	On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Clubs in membership the Secretary shall call an SGM.
9B	The Management Committee may call an SGM at any time
9C	At least 7 days' notice shall be given of a meeting under this Rule, together with an agenda of the business to be transacted at such meeting.
9D	Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all SGMs. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only.
9E	Any Club failing to be represented at an SGM shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

9F	Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all SGMs, but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a club (See Rule 9.D)

10. AGREEMENT TO RULES OF THE COMPETITION

10.A	Membership of the Competition shall constitute an agreement between the Competition and a Club to be bound by and comply with these Rules (including any decision of the Management Committee made pursuant to these Rules).
10.B	Any change of Chair, Secretary or Directors of the Club must be notified to the parent County Football Association to which the Club is sanctioned and to the Secretary of this Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

11. CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP, WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB

11.A	Any Club intending, or having a provisional intention, to withdraw a Team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing of such intention by 30th April of each season. This does not apply to a Club moving in accordance with Rule 22.B. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
11.B	The Management Committee shall have the discretion to deal with a Team being unable to start or complete its fixtures for a Playing Season, including, but not limited to, issuing a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
11.C	Not withstanding the powers of the Management Committee pursuant to Rule 6.I, in the event of a Club failing to discharge all its financial obligations to the Competition in excess of £50, the Management Committee shall be empowered to refer the debt under The FA Football Debt Recovery provisions.

12. EXCLUSION OF CLUBS, TEAMS. MISCONDUCT OF CLUBS, OFFICERS, PLAYERS, MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

12.A	At the AGM or SGM called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9, notice of motion having been duly circulated on the agenda by direction of the Management Committee, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to: (1) remove a member of the Management Committee from office; (2) exclude any Club or Team from membership. both of which, must be supported by more than two thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A member of the Management Committee or Club which is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.
12.B	At the AGM~~,~~ or at an SGM called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9~~,~~ the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude from further participation in the Competition any Club whose conduct has, in their opinion, been undesirable, provided this is supported by more than two-thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A Club whose conduct is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting
12.C	Any Officer or member of a Club found guilty of either a breach of Rule, other than field offences, or of inducing or attempting to induce a Player or Players of another Club in the Competition to join them shall be liable to such penalty as a General Meeting or Management Committee may decide, and their Club shall also be liable to expulsion in accordance with the provisions of 12.A and/or 12.B of this Rule.

13. 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 Chair and Secretary of [ ] FC (Limited), members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of cup or trophy, and the cup or trophy 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.
13.B	*At the close of each Competition awards shall be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.*

14. ALTERATION TO RULES

14.A	Alterations, for which consent has been given by the Sanctioning Authority, shall be made to these Rules only at the AGM or at an SGM specially convened for the purpose called in accordance with Rule 9. Any alteration made during the Playing Season to these Rules shall not take effect until the following Playing Season, except in exceptional circumstances and approved by Sanctioning Authority or The FA.
14.B	Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the AGM shall be submitted to the Secretary by 1st June in each year. The proposals, together with any proposals by the Management Committee, shall be circulated to the Clubs by 1st June and any amendments to these proposals shall be submitted to the Secretary by 8th June. The proposals and proposed amendments to these proposals shall be circulated to Clubs with the notice of the AGM. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of those present and entitled to vote and voting are in favour.
14.C	A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the AGM or SGM shall be submitted to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA (as applicable) at least 28 days prior to the date of the meeting.

15. FINANCE

15.A	The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds of the Competition will be lodged.
15.B	All expenditure in excess of £1000 shall be approved by the Management Committee. Cheques shall be signed by at least two Officers nominated by the Management Committee.
15.C	The financial year of the Competition will end on 30th May.
15.D	The accounting records or a certified balance sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be verified annually by a suitably qualified person(s) who shall be appointed at the AGM.

16. INSURANCE

16.A	All Clubs must have valid Public Liability Insurance cover for a minimum of ten million pounds (£10,000,000) at all times.
16.B	All Clubs must have valid personal accident cover for all Players registered with them from time to time. The Players' Personal Accident Insurance cover must be in place prior to the Club taking part in any Competition Match and shall be at least equal to the minimum recommended cover determined from time to time by the Sanctioning Authority. In instances where The FA is the Sanctioning Authority, the minimum recommended cover will be the cover required by the Affiliated Association to which a Club affiliates.
16.C	Failure to comply with Rules 16.A or 16.B will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

17. DISSOLUTION

17.A	Dissolution of the Competition shall be by resolution approved at an SGM by a majority of three quarters (3/4) of the members present and shall take effect from the date of the relevant SGM.
17.B	In the event of the dissolution of the Competition, the members of the Management Committee are responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the Competition.
17.C	The Management Committee shall deal with any surplus assets as follows: 1. Any surplus assets (save for a trophy or any other presentation)~~,~~ remaining after the discharge of the debts and liabilities of the Competition shall be transferred only to another Competition or Affiliated Association or The Football Association Benevolent Fund or to such other charitable or benevolent object in the locality of the Competition as determined by resolution at or before the time of winding up, and approved in writing by the Sanctioning Authority. 2. If a Competition is discontinued for any reason a trophy or any other presentation shall be returned to the donor if the conditions attached to it so provide or, if not, dealt with as the Sanctioning Authority may decide.

18. QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

18.A	A Player is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has: (i) Registered through the Player Registration System and received approval from the Competition. For any players registered on the day of a match, a Club Officer must email the Competition with details of the registration 1 hour prior to the scheduled kick off time in order for the player to be eligible to play in that match. The Player shall not play again in any subsequent match in the Competition until the Club has registered the player through The FA Player Registration system and is in possession of the approval from the Competition. A maximum of 50 Players may be registered in this

	manner. For Clubs registering Players under this Rule 18. (A)(i), Clubs must access the Player Registration System in order to complete the registration process. Or (ii) Signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink on a match day prior to playing which is countersigned by an Officer of the Club and witnessed by an Officer of the opposing Club, and submitted to the Competition within two days (Sundays excluded) subsequent to the Competition Match. The Player shall not play again on a in a subsequent match in the Competition until the Club has registered the player through The FA Player Registration System and is in possession of the approval 22 from the Competition. A maximum of [ ] Players may be registered in this manner. For Clubs registering Players under this Rule 18. (A) (ii). registration forms will be provided in a format to be determined by the Competition. Any registration that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the Club unprocessed and the player classed as unregistered. If a Club attempts to register a player via the Player Registration System but does not fully and correctly complete the necessary information via the Player Registration System the registration will not be processed. For Clubs registering Players under Rule 18. (A)(ii). registration forms will be provided in a format to be determined by the Competition. For Clubs registering Players by the Player Registration System, Clubs must access the Player Registration System in order to complete the registration process. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

18.B	1. Contract players are not permitted in this Competition with the exception of those Players who are registered under Contract with the same Club who have a team operating at Steps 1 to 6 of the National League System. or Tiers 1-4 of the Women Pyramid System. 2. It is the responsibility of each Club to ensure that any Player registered to the Club has, where necessary, the required International Transfer Certificate. Clearance is required for any Player aged 10 and over crossing borders including Wales, Scotland and Ireland. 3. Each team must have at least 12 Players registered 14 days before the start of each Playing Season. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. 4. In the event of a Non Contract Player changing their status to that of a Contract Player with the same Club, or with a Club in another Competition their registration as a Non Contract Player will automatically be cancelled and declared void unless the Club conforms to the exception detailed in Rule 18.B.1. 5. Players aged under 18 are not permitted to play in a mixed adult football Competition.
18.C	A Player that owes a Football Debt (as defined under the Football Debt Recovery Regulations) shall be permitted to register for a Club but will be suspended from football activities if the Player does not comply with the terms of the Football Debt Recovery Regulations in respect of that Football Debt.
18.D	A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff shall be paid by each Club/Team for each Player registered.
18.E	The Management Committee shall decide all registration disputes. In the event of a player signing a registration form or having a registration submitted for more than one Club in the Competition the valid registration submitted first shall take precedence. The Secretary shall notify the Club last applying to register the player of the fact of the previous registration.
18.F	It shall be a breach of Rule for a Player to: 1. Play for more than one Club in the Competition in the same Playing Season without first being transferred. 2. Having registered for one Club in the Competition, register for another Club in the Competition in that Playing Season except for the purpose of a transfer, *or where the Competition adopts rule 18.P* 3. Submit a signed registration form as per Rule 18 A.2 or submit a registration through the Player Registration System that the Player had willfully neglected to accurately or fully complete. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

18.G	1. The Management Committee shall accept the registration of any Player subject to the provisions of Rules 18.G.2 , 18.G.3 and 18.G.4 below (as applicable). 2. The Management Committee shall have power to refuse, cancel or suspend the registration of any Player or may fine any Player, at their discretion (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) who has been charged and found guilty of registration irregularities (subject to Rule 7). 3. The Management Committee shall have power to make application to refuse or cancel the registration of any Player charged and found guilty of undesirable conduct (subject to Rule 7) subject to the right of appeal to the Sanctioning Authority. Application should be made to the parent County of the Club the Player is registered or intending to be registered with. 4. In respect of a mixed adult football Competition, the Management Committee shall refuse the registration of any Player that is not aged 18 or above. Undesirable conduct shall mean an incident of repeated proven misconduct, which may deter a Participant from being involved in this Competition. A Player who has previously had a registration removed in accordance with Rule 18.G.3 but has a registration accepted at the expiry of exclusion will be considered to be under a probationary period of 12 months. Whilst under a probationary period, should the Player commit a further act of proven misconduct under the jurisdiction of the Competition, (excluding standard dismissals), the Competition may consider a further charge of bringing the Competition into disrepute. (*Note:* Action under Rule 18.G.3 shall not be taken against a Player for misconduct until the matter has been dealt with by the Sanctioning Authority, and then only in cases of the Player bringing the Competition into disrepute and will in any event be subject to an appeal to the Sanctioning Authority or The FA. All decisions must include the period of restriction. For the purpose of this Rule, bringing the Competition into disrepute can only be considered where the Player has received in excess of 112 days' suspension, or 10 matches in match based discipline, in any competition (and is not restricted to the Competition) in a period of two years or less from the date of the first offence.)
18.H	Subject to compliance with FA Rule C when a Club wishes to register a player who is already registered with another club it shall submit a transfer notification to the Competition via the Player Registration System. ~~.~~A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff *may* be required. 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 from such date or 3 days after receipt of such transfer. In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee for a decision.
18.I	A Player may not be registered for a Club nor transferred to another Club in the Competition after 1st March except by special permission of the Management Committee
18.J	Registrations are valid for one Playing Season only.
18.K	A Player shall not be eligible to play for a Team in any special championship, promotion or relegation deciding Competition Match (as specified in Rule (22.A) unless the Player has played 2 Competition Matches for that Team in the current Playing Season.
18.L.	Clubs with more than one team in the competition are permitted to transfer up to 3 players to a lower division team each week. If transferring more than 3 players to lower division teams, they must be transferred to more than 1 lower division team to maintain a maximum of 3 in any one lower division team each week. For the purpose of clarity and monitoring the week commences on Saturday at 4PM Transfers to teams in a higher division is unlimited. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

18.M	1. Subject to Rule 18.M.2 any Club found to have played an ineligible Player in a Competition Match or Matches where points are awarded shall have the points gained from that Competition Match deducted from its record, up to a maximum of 12 points, and have levied upon it a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff). 2. The Management Committee may vary the sanction as relates to the deduction of points set out at Rule-18.M.1 only in circumstances where the ineligibility is due to the failure to obtain an International Transfer Certificate or where the ineligibility is related to the Player's status. Where a Club is found to have played an ineligible Player in accordance with Rule 18.M.1 above, the Management Committee may also, at its discretion order one or more of the following (if appropriate): a) Award the points available in the Competition Match in question to the opponents, subject to the Competition Match not being ordered to be replayed; and/or b) Deduct points from the record of the Club in default up to a maximum of 3 points; and/or c) Order that such Competition Match or Matches be replayed (on such terms as are decided by the Management Committee).
18.N	The following clause applies to Competitions involving Players in full-time secondary education: 1. Priority must be given at all times to activities of schools and school organisations. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. 2. The availability of children and young people must be cleared with the Head Teachers or Principals (except for Sunday leagues competitions). 3. To play open age football the player must have achieved the age of 16.
18.O	*A Player who has played for a Team 6 times or more shall not in that Playing Season be eligible to transfer to a lower division unless a period of 21 days has elapsed since the player participated in the leagues competitions all other instances must be by permission of the Management Committee.*
18.P	If a Club wishes to cancel a Player's registration within the Competition, it must make a request via The FA's electronic player registration system giving the reasons for the request. The Competition may either approve or decline the request. If a Player's registration is cancelled, they will not be eligible to re-register in the Competition for a period of 30 days from the date of cancellation

19. CLUB COLOURS

19	Every team must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the Secretary by 31st August and the Competition Secretary shall decide as to their suitability.
19.B	Any team wishing to change the colour(s) and/or design(s) of its shirt(s) and short(s) during the Playing Season must obtain permission from the Competition Secretary in advance of making that change.
19.C	Goalkeepers must wear colours which distinguish them from all other Players and the Match Officials.
19.D	No Player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.
19.E	Any Team not being able to play in its normal colours as registered with the Competition shall notify its opponents of the colours in which they will play (including the colours of the goalkeeper's jersey) at least 3 days before the Competition Match.
19.F	If, in the opinion of the referee, two Teams have the same or similar colours, the AWAY Team shall make the change. Should a Team delay the scheduled time of kick off for a Competition Match by not having a change of colours they will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
19.G	Shirts must all be numbered and no two shirts shall have the same number, failing which a fine will be levied in accordance with the Fines Tariff

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

20.A	All Competition Matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as determined by the International Football Association Board. Clubs must take all reasonable precautions to keep their Grounds in a playable condition. All Competition Matches shall be played on pitches deemed suitable by the Management Committee. If through any fault of the home Team a match has to be replayed, the Management Committee shall have power to order the venue to be changed. The Management Committee shall have power to decide whether a pitch and/or facilities are suitable for Competition Matches and to order the Club concerned to play its Competition Match(es) on another ground. Artificial Football Turf Pitches (3G) are allowed in this Competition provided they meet the required performance standards and are listed on the FA's Register of Football Turf Pitches - https://footballfoundation.org.uk/3g-pitch-register. All Football Turf Pitches used must be tested (by a FIFA accredited test institute) every three years and the results passed to The FA. The FA will give a decision on the suitability for use and add the pitch to the Register. The home Club is also responsible for advising Participants of footwear requirements when confirming match arrangements in accordance with Rule 20.C. Within Regional NLS Feeder Leagues, all Competition Matches shall have a duration of 90 minutes. All **other** Competition Matches shall have duration of 90 minutes unless a shorter time (not less than sixty (60) minutes) is mutually arranged by the two Clubs in consultation with the referee prior to the commencement of the match, and in any event shall be of equal halves. Two matches involving the same two Teams can be played on the same day providing the total playing time is not more than 120 minutes. The times of kick-off shall be agreed at the AGM and can only be altered by the mutual consent of the two competing Clubs and the Competition. Referees must order matches to commence at the appointed time and must report all late starts to the Competition. Saturday Kick Off times 1st Sept – 28th October 2:30pm - games are permitted to kick off earlier or later, light permitting or floodlit provided all parties agree. (including Officials) 29th October – 30th March 2:00pm - games are permitted to kick off earlier or later light permitting or floodlit provided all parties agree. (including Officials) 31st March – End of Season 2:30pm- games are permitted to kick off earlier or later light permitting or floodlit provided all parties agree. (including Officials) Midweek games kick off times from 6pm but no later than 8pm AND MUST BE AGREED BY BOTH TEAMS. The home Team must provide goal nets, corner flags and at least two footballs fit for play and the referee shall make a report to the Competition If not provided. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. No overhead netting is allowed for 9v9 and 11v11 affiliated matches <u>Regional NLS Feeder Leagues:</u> Overhead wires used to support pitch divider netting are removed for all affiliated matches at Regional NLS Feeder League level <u>For those leagues which are not Regional NLS Feeder Leagues</u>: Overhead wires used to support pitch divider netting are ideally removed for affiliated matches but if they cannot be removed then discretion is given to the match official to restart the match in accordance of the laws of the game.
20.B	Except by permission of the Management Committee all Competition Matches must be played on the dates originally agreed but priority shall be given to The FA and parent County Association Cup Competitions. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a Competition match with the consent of the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. In the case of a revised fixture date, the Clubs must be given by the Competition 5 clear days' notice of the match (unless otherwise mutually agreed).

20.C	An Officer of the HOME CLUB must give notice of full particulars of the location of, and access to, the Ground, time of kick-off and kit colours (including goalkeeper) to the Match Officials and an Officer of the opposing Club at least 5 clear days prior to the playing of the Competition Match. The opposing Club must confirm receipt and give notice of its kit colours (including goalkeeper) at least 4 days prior to the playing of the Competition Match. If either is not provided, the relevant Club shall seek such details and report the circumstances to the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

20.D	In accordance with the Laws of the Game, the minimum number of Players which will constitute a Team for a Competition Match is 7. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
20.E	(i) Home and away matches shall be played. In the event of a Club failing to keep its engagement the Management Committee shall decide whether it should either. a) award the points from the Competition Match in question to the Club's opponent (without the awarding of goals). Or b) order the Competition Match to be rescheduled. The Management Committee shall also have the power to order the rescheduled Competition Match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent Club's Ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances. In addition, the Management Committee may at its discretion order one or more of the following (if appropriate): a) impose a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff), b) deduct points from the defaulting Club, c) order the defaulting Club to pay any reasonable expenses incurred by the opponents. (ii) Any Club with more than one Team in the Competition shall always fulfil its fixture, within the Competition, in the following order of precedence: - First Team, Reserve Team, A Team. (iii) Any Club unable to fulfil a fixture or where a Competition Match has been postponed for any reason must, without delay, give notice to the Competition Fixtures Secretary, the secretary of the opposing Club and the Match Officials. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (iv) In the event of a Competition Match not being played or being abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Competition Failing such agreement and notification to the (Competition within 7 days the Competition shall have the power to order the Match to be played on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition. The Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of an abandonment to stand. Providing gate money is taken and retained the visiting Club shall receive their actual standard class rail or bus fares or the equivalent for 18 persons, or car allowance at 50 p per mile for transporting 4 persons, or hire charge of a coach (receipt to be submitted). The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two Clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and Match Officials charges. The home Club shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second Competition Match. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. (v) The Management Committee shall review all Competition Matches abandoned in cases where it is consequent upon the conduct of either or both Teams. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition and does no injustice to either Club, the Management Committee shall order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. In all cases where the Management Committee are satisfied that a Match was abandoned owing to the conduct of one Team or its Club member(s) they shall award the points for the Match to the opponent. In cases where a Match has been abandoned owing to the conduct of both Teams or their Club member(s), the Management Committee shall rule that neither Team will be awarded any points for that Match and it shall not be replayed. No fine(s) can be applied by the Management Committee for an abandoned Match. (vi) If a Competition Match is abandoned, each participating Clubs must, give notice of the abandonment to the Competition by the deadline set out in Rule 21(B). Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. The Management Committee shall review any Match that has taken place where either or both Teams were under a suspension imposed upon them by The FA or Affiliated Association. In each case the Team that was under suspension would be dealt with in the same manner as if they had participated with ineligible players in accordance with Rule 18.(M) above. Where both Teams were under suspension the game must be declared null and void and shall not be replayed.

20.F	A Club may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use substitute Players in any Competition Match. A Club may name up to 7 substitute Players of whom not more than 7 may be used. *A Player who has been substituted becomes a substitute and may replace a Player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football.* *Where a Competition does allow return substitutes, a* –Team *may use up to 7 substitute Players] in a Competition Match.* The referee [and a representative of the opposing Club] shall be informed of the names of the Players taking part in the Match (including the substitutes) not later than 15 minutes before the start of the Competition Match and a Player not so named may not take part in that Competition Match. A Player who has been named as a substitute before the start of the Competition Match but does not actually play in that game shall not be considered to have been a Player in that Competition Match within the meaning of Rule 18 of this Competition.
20.G	The half time interval shall be of 10 minutes' duration, but it shall not exceed 15 minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.
20.H	The Teams taking part in a Competition Match shall identify a Team Captain who must wear an armband and shall have a responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of their teammates. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff
20.I	Where a suspension imposed in relation to: (i) a Football Debt (as defined under the Football Debt Recovery Regulations); or (ii) The Football Association Regulations for Safeguarding Children or Regulations for Safeguarding Adults at Risk upon a Club or team by The FA or Affiliated Association is not lifted, and/or the Club does not provide confirmation from The FA or Affiliated Association that such suspension is lifted to the Competition Secretary by 9pm 2 days before a fixture, that fixture will be treated as an unfulfilled fixture and dealt with in accordance with Rule 20(E).

21. REPORTING RESULTS	
21.A	The Competition Results Secretary must receive within 7 days of the date played, the result of each Competition Match in the prescribed manner. This must include the forename(s) and surname of the Team Players (in block letters) [*and also the referee markings required by Rule 23, or any other information required by the Competition]. All relevant information must be entered on the Leagues Full-Time website within 7 days of the fixture by a team administrator.* Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
21.B	The Home Clubs shall use telephone/SMS/email/ FA Full Time / FA Matchday as directed by the Competition to notify the result of each Competition Match to the Results Secretary by 8pm on the date of the fixture]. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff
21.C	The match result notification, correctly completed, shall be signed by an Officer of the Team, or as prescribed by the Competition. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
22. DETERMINING CHAMPIONSHIP	

22.A	Team rankings within the Competition will be decided by points with three points to be awarded for a win and one point for a drawn Competition Match. The Teams gaining the highest number of points in their respective divisions at the end of the Playing Season shall be adjudged the winners. Competition Matches must not be played for double points. In the event of two or more Teams being equal on points at the end of the Playing Season, rankings shall be determined by the following criteria, in the order of priority in which they appear: 1. Goal difference (where the goals scored against each Team shall be deducted from the goals scored by that Team and the Team with the most favourable goal difference shall be placed highest). 2. In the event of two or more Teams being equal, the Team which has scored the most goals during the Playing Season shall be placed highest. 3. In the event of two or more Teams being equal, the Team that has won the most matches during the Playing Season shall be placed highest. 4. In the event of two or more Teams being equal, the Team which has the better playing record against the other Team in their head-to-head Competition Matches during the Playing Season will be placed highest. 5. One-off fixture or play-off games as determined by the League management committee.
22.B	*Automatic promotion shall be applied for the first 2 Teams, and automatic relegation shall be applied for the last 2 Teams in each division except as provided for below subject to the provisions of Rule 2.L.* *1. Should one or more Teams withdraw from any one division after the Playing Season has commenced an equal number of Teams to those withdrawing in that division shall not be automatically relegated.* *2. Vacancies occurring after the conclusion of the Playing Season may be filled in any of the following ways:* *a. retention of otherwise relegated Team(s); or* *b. additional promotion of the next ranked Team(s) from the division below; or* *c. election.* *3. The last 2 Teams in the lowest division shall retire, but be eligible for re-election except as below, and be subject to the conditions of Rule 22.B.1 above.* *4. When a senior Team is relegated to a lower division of which its reserve Team is a member, or entitled to be a member, such reserve Team must accept relegation to, or retain its position in, the next lower division; and should the senior Team be relegated to the lowest division its reserve Team automatically retires from the Competition.* *5. Should either or both of the leading Teams in any of the divisions have its senior Team in the next higher division, promotion shall fall, at the discretion of the General Meeting, to the next highest Team or Teams in the division concerned.*
22.C	*In addition to the Team(s) automatically promoted under Rule 22.B, a maximum of one further Team shall be promoted by virtue of being the winner of a play-off match or series of matches (the "Play-Offs). The eligibility criteria and format of the Play-Offs are as follows.*
22.D	In the event of a Team withdrawing from the Competition before completing 75% of its fixtures for the Playing Season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting Team shall be expunged from the Competition table. For the purposes of this Rule 22.D a completed fixture shall include any Competition Match(es) which has been awarded by the Management Committee.
22.E	Where a promotion and/or relegation link exists between Clubs, providing they meet the appropriate grading criteria, will be eligible to make application to the Competition at the AGM. Should the champion Club not wish for promotion or, alternatively, not have the necessary grading criteria, then the 2nd or 3rd placed Club will be eligible under the same conditions

23. MATCH OFFICIALS

23.A	Registered referees (and assistant referees where approved by The FA or County FA) for all Competition Matches shall be appointed in a manner approved by the Management Committee and by the Sanctioning Authority.

23.B	1.In the event of the non-appearance of the appointed referee the appointed senior assistant referee shall take charge and a substitute assistant referee appointed by the competing Teams. 2. In cases where there are no officially appointed Match Officials in attendance, the Clubs shall agree upon a referee. An individual thus agreed upon shall, for that Competition Match, have the full powers, status and authority of a registered referee. Individuals under the age of 16 must not participate either as a referee or assistant referee in any Competition Match.
23.C	Where assistant referees are not appointed each Team shall provide a Club assistant referee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
23.D	Regional NLS Feeder Leagues: No Club shall postpone a Competition match on account of the apparent state of the ground. In the event that such circumstances prevail, Clubs should comply with procedures provided for in the document published by The FA "Recommended procedure for the guidance of Clubs and Referees in determining the suitability of grounds in adverse weather conditions". Should the ground be declared unfit it is the responsibility of the home Club to immediately advise the Competition, the Appointing Authority, the visiting Club and the Match Officials. For those leagues which are not Regional NLS Feeder Leagues: The appointed referee shall have power to decide as to the fitness of the Ground in all Competition Matches and that decision shall be final, subject to the determination of the Local Authority or the owners of a Ground, which must be accepted.
23.E	Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the Sanctioning Authority, Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a match fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff [and travel expenses of [ ] per mile/ or inclusive of travel expenses]. Match Officials will be paid their fees and/or expenses by the home Club before/immediately after the Competition Match. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
23.F	In the event of a Competition Match not being played because of circumstances over which the Clubs have no control, the Match Officials, if present, shall be entitled to *full fee only*. Where a Competition Match is not played owing to one Club being in default, that Club shall be ordered to pay the Match Officials, if they attend the Ground, their full fee. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Full Fee for Referee and Assistant Referees is £50 and & £35 for normal play and any extra time. Double Header two matches of mininmum 60 minutes each - £70 and £50
23.G	A referee not keeping their engagement and failing to give a satisfactory explanation as to their non-appearance, may be reported to the Affiliated Association with which he or she is registered.
23.H	Each Club shall, in a manner prescribed from time to time by The FA, award marks to the referee for each Competition Match and the name of the referee and the marks awarded shall be submitted to the Competition on the prescribed form provided. Clubs failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to be fined (in accordance with the Fines Tariff) or dealt with as the Management Committee shall determine.
23.i	The Competition shall keep a record of the markings and, on the form provided by the prescribed date each Season, shall submit a summary to . the Sanctioning Authority.
23.J	*The referee shall submit a report form, supplied by the Competition, giving the result of the Competition Match, the number of Players in each Team and the time of kick-off to the (Registration) Secretary within two days of the Competition Match.*
23.K	*Match Officials shall be supplied, each season, with a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge.*
23.L	*Match Officials shall comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA and/or Sanctioning Authority adopted by the Competition*

24. EMBEDDED COMPETITIONS RULES

24.A	The Senior Cup is solely for Member Clubs constituted in Divisions Premiership & Championship with no entrance fees being payable.
24.B	The SVFL John Forbes Junior Cup is solely for Member Clubs constituted in Divisions 1, 2 & 3 with no entrance fees being payable.
24.C	The Southern Veterans Chris Tapping Memorial Cup is solely for Divisions 4 & 5 with no entrance fee being payable.
24.D	A Player having played in a League Cup Competition shall be cup tied to that team and not be permitted to take part in any of the other League Cup Competitions for any other team or club in the current season.
24.E	A player shall be considered as cup tied when they have played in a League Cup fixture according to rule 24 (d)
24.F	Except when prior permission of the Management Committee has been granted. A Player shall not be permitted to take part in either a semi-final or final tie, without having first played for the relevant team on at least 2 occasions in SVFL competition matches prior to the semi-final tie,
24.G	Any Club playing an ineligible player shall be struck out of the competition, the Tie awarded to their opponents and fined in
	accordance with the fines tariff. Any Club being struck out of the competition who had already lost the tie will be fined in accordance with the fines tariff.
24.H	The Management Committee shall make the draws for the various rounds, fix the dates for ties to be played, times of kick off, and the Ground at which the final tie shall be played.
24.I	In the Semi-Final ties, the team deemed to be the home team shall be responsible for provision of the Ground and other facilities.
24.J	In all ties of the Competition (excepting the final tie) the ground expenses and Match Officials Fees are to be shared by both teams, with the home team being responsible for the delivery of the Fees to the Match Officials.
24.K	Emergency Registrations shall not be permitted in any rounds of the Southern Veterans Football League Cup competitions unless by specific permission of the Management Committee.
24.L	Immediately prior to, during or after any Tie, the Management Committee require teams participating to provide players and substitute players full names, signatures and dates of birth, on pro-forma documents provided by the Southern Veterans Football League.
24.M	In all ties up to and including the quarter finals in the event of a draw at the end of normal time a penalty competition will be held to decide the result of the tie, from the semi-final onwards in the event of a draw at the end of normal time extra time will be played and if the scores are still drawn after extra-time a penalty competition will be held to decide the result of the tie.
24.N	In addition to the above-mentioned cup competitions Clubs will only be permitted to enter 1 County cup competition. Clubs that enter more than 1 County Cup competition will be withdrawn from their league cup competition if they refuse to withdraw from the County cup competition(s) that take them above 1 or ignore the request from the fixtures secretary to do so.

SCHEDULE A

FEES TARIF :		
RULE No	Description	MAX FEE
4 A	CLUB ENTRY FEE	FREE
4 B	CLUB/TEAM ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	£100
4 C	DEPOSIT (Goodwill Bond)	£100
7 C, 7 E, 7 G	PROTEST FEES	£50
18 D	PLAYER REGISTRATION FEE	FREE
18 H	TRANSFER FEE	FREE
23 E	REFEREE FEES	£50
23 E	ASSISTANT REFEREE FEES	£35

FINES TARIFF		
RULE No	DESCRIPTION	MAX FINE
2 G	FAILURE TO AFFILIATE	£20
2 I	FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH FA INITIATIVES	£20
2 K	UNAUTHORISED ENTRY OF TEAMS INTO COMPETITIONS	£20
3	FAILURE TO OBTAIN CONSENT FOR A CHANGE OF CLUB NAME	£20
4 C	FAILURE TO PAY A DEPOSIT	£N/A
4 E	ENSURE TEAMS ARE RECORDED AS AFFILIATED IN THE CLUB PORTAL	£20
5 E	COMMUNICATIONS CONDUCTED BY PERSONS OTHER THAN NOMINATED OFFICERS	£10
6 I	FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN INSTRUCTION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	£20
6 J	FAILURE TO PAY A FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£20
8 H	FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT AGM	£50

9E	FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT SGM	£50
10	FAILURE TO NOTIFY CHANGES TO SIGNATORIES	£N/A
11 A	FAILURE TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL BEFORE DEADLINE	£50
11 B	FAILURE TO COMMENCE/COMPLETE FIXTURES	£50
13 A	FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED WRITTEN AGREEMENT REGARDING THE TROPHY	£N/A
16 C	FAILURE TO HAVE THE REQUIRED INSURANCE	£20
18 A	FAILURE TO CORRECTLY REGISTER A PLAYER	£20
18 B 3	FAILURE TO HAVE THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF REGISTERED PLAYERS PRIOR TO THE SEASON COMMENCING	£20
18 F	REGISTERING OR PLAYING FOR MULTIPLE CLUBS, OR INACCURATE COMPLETION OF A REGISTRATION FORM	£20
18 G 2	REGISTRATION IRREGULARITIES	£20
18 K	FIELDING MORE THAN THE PERMITTED NUMBER OF PLAYERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN SENIOR COMPETITION MATCHES	£20
18 L/M	PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER	£50
18 N	FAILURE TO GIVE PRIORITY TO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	£N/A
19 F	DELAYING KICK OFF DUE TO NO CHANGE OF COLOURS	£20
19 G	FAILURE TO NUMBER SHIRTS	£20
19 G	FAILURE TO HAVE DIFFERENT NUMBER SHIRTS	£20
20 A	DELAYING KICK OFF DUE TO FAILURE TO PROVIDE REQUIRED EQUIPMENT	£20
20 B	FAILURE TO PLAY MATCHES ON THE DATE FIXED	£50
20 C	FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE **and failing to send acknowledging receipt within 24 hours**.	£20
20 D	PLAYING MATCH WITH LESS THAN REQUIRED NUMBER OF PLAYERS	£20
20 E 1 & 4	FAILURE TO PLAY FIXTURE	£50
20 H	NO CAPTAIN'S ARMBAND	£20
21 A	LATE RESULT NOTIFICATION FORM and or failing to input required teamsheet information on full-time	£20
21 B	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT	£20
21C	RESULT NOTIFICATION NOT SIGNED BY APPROPRIATE SIGNATORIES	£20
23 C	FAILURE TO PROVIDE CLUB ASSISTANT REFEREE	£20
23 E	FAILURE TO PAY MATCH OFFICIALS' FEES AND EXPENSES	£20
23 F	FAILURE TO PAY MATCH OFFICIALS WHERE A MATCH IS NOT PLAYED	£20

23 H	FAILURE TO PROVIDE REFEREE'S MARK	£20

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SCHEDULE A

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SOUTHERN VETERANS LEAGUE HONOURS LIST

Division One

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2001-02	Old Lessanians	Reginald
2002-03	Reginald	Beaverwood
2003-04	Reginald	Ten Em Bee
2004-05	Ten Em Bee	Reginald
2005-06	Ten Em Bee	Reginald
2006-07	Sporting Santos	Reginald
2007-08	Baldon Sports	Reginald
2008-09	Baldon Sports	Reginald
2009-10	Sporting Santos	Edenstone
2010-11	Sporting Santos	Waterloo Sports
2011-12	Phoenix Sports	Sporting Santos
2012-13	Metrogas FC	Phoenix Sports
2013-14	Metrogas FC	Phoenix Sports
2014-15	Phoenix Sports	Long Lane
2015-16	Long Lane	STC Tudor
2016-17	Crayford One Bell	Defiance
2017-18	Crayford One Bell	Peckham Town FC
2018-19	Crayford One Bell	VCD Veterans
2019-20	Crayford One Bell	VCD Veterans

2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Charcoal Vets FC	Glebe FC
2022-23	Charcoal Vets FC	Independent Vets
2023-24	London South United	Hollington Vets

Division Two

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2002-03	Campion Costin	Old Addeyans “A”
2003-04	St. Nicholas	Long Lane
2004-05	Bow St Runners	Petts Wood
2005-06	Montrose	Campion Costin
2006-07	Baldon Sports	Borough Utd.
2007-08	Long Lane	Bow Street Runners
2008-09	Baldon Sports	Reginald
2009-10	Baldon Sports	Stella Athletic
2010-11	Eltham Palace	Phoenix Sports
2011-12	Phoenix Sports	Sporting Santos
2012-13	Warlingham A FC	Sporting Hackney
2013-14	Defiance FC	STC Tudor
2014-15	Bow Street Runners A	Belvedere FC
2015-16	Club Langley	Bridon Ropes
2016-17	Borough United	Kingshill
2017-18	Cudham United	Johnson & Phillips

2018-19	New Park FC	Norwood Lakers FC
2019-20	Leone Stars	Bromleians
2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Sporting Santos FC	Independent Vets FC
2022-23	Hollington Vets	Warlingham Vets
2023-24	FC Kawooya Vets	Bow Street Runners

Division Three

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2004-05	Montrose	Sporting Santos
2005-06	Baldon Sports	Borough Utd
2006-07	Tudor Sports	Villacourt Rovers
2007-08	Petts Wood	SELVETS
2008-09	Baldon Sports	Reginald
2009-10	Baldon Sports	Reginald
2010-11	Westerham	Bridon Ropes
2011-12	Meridian	Glaxo Wellcome
2012-13	All-Type Roofing	Bow Street Runners B
2013-14	Sydenham Sports	Club Langley
2014-15	Old Bromleians	Crayford Arrows

2015-16	Cudham United	Clifton FC
2016-17	Warlingham	Fleetdown Vets
2017-18	New Park	Shirley Town Seniors
2018-19	Eltham Palace Vets	Sydenham Sports Vets
2019-20	London South United B	Kingsdale
2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Hollington FC Vets	FC Kawooya
2022-23	Bromley Vets	Gravesham Borough
2023-24	Johnson & Phillips Vets	Hayden Youth Vets

Division Four

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2009-10	Westerham	Club Langley
2010-11	NatWest	Halls Athletic
2011-12	All-Type Roofing	Bow Street Runners B
2012-13	Sydenham Sports	Crayford Arrows
2013-14	Chipstead FC	Old Bromleians FC
2014-15	Clifton FC	Cudham United
2015-16	Warlingham	Fleetdown Vets
2016-17	Ex-Blues	New Park FC
2017-18	Kingsdale Vets	Bromley FC

2018-19	London South United B	Parkwood Rangers
2019-20	Gravesham Borough	Catford Wanderers
2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Groundhoppers FC	Fleetdown FC
2022-23	Baldon Sports	South East Athletic Vets
2023-24	Sydenham Sports	Greenway Aces Vets

Division Five

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2015-16	Crayford One Bell	Peckham Town Vets
2016-17	Clapham Old Xaverians	Kingsdale Vets
2017-18	South East Athletic Vets	Hall Athletic Vets FC
2018-19	ASIRU	Cameroon Lions Vets
2019-20	Hayden Youth	Crayford Arrows New
2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Aztech Vets FC	Swanscombe Tigers
2022-23	Catford Wanderers Vets OB	Sporting Croydon
2023-24	AFC Kumazi Strikers Vets	Old Pepys Vets

Division Six

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2019-20	Swanscombe Tigers Vets	Crayford Arrows 2010

2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Croygas Pheonix	Sporting Croydon
2022-23	Old Pepys Vets	Greenways Aces Vets
2023-24	Segas Vets Super	South East Athletic Vets

Division Seven

Season	Winners	Runners Up
2020-21	No competition	-
2021-22	Greenways Aces	Old Pepys Vets FC
2022-23	Welling Park Vets	Segas Vets Super
2023-24	Seymour Villa Vets	Farnborough Old Boys

Chris Tapping Memorial Cup

Season	Winners	Score	Runners Up
2005-06	Bow Street Runners	5–2	Halls
2006-07	Claremont CC A	4–1	Rutland
2007-08	Bow Street Runners	3–0	Blythe Hill
2008-09	Bow Street Runners	2–5	Overhill
2009-10	Tudor Sports	–	Rutland Sports
2010-11	Ten Emm Bee	–	Petts Wood
2011-12	VFC Carp	–	Bow Street Runners A
2012-13	Bridon Ropes	2–1	Warren Athletic
2013-14	Halls	1–0	Tanber
2014-15	Warren Athletic	7–0	Longlands

2015-16	Crayford One Bell	3–0	Cudham United
2016-17	Shirley Town	6–3	Fleetdown Vets
2017-18	Sevenoaks Town FC	–	Catford Wanderers Vets
2018-19	Blythe Hill	4–2	Warren Athletic
2019-20	Competition not completed	–	–
2020-21	No competition	–	–
2021-22	Old Pepys VFC	3–1 aet	Sydenham Sports
2022-23	Greenways Aces	5–2	Cudham United
2023-24	Segas Vets	4–2	Bromley Supervets

SVFL John Forbes Junior Cup

Season	Winners	Score	Runners Up
2007-08	Overhill	6–2	Eltham Town
2008-09	Overhill	–	Westerham
2009-10	Phoenix Sports	–	Club Langley
2010-11	Bridon Ropes	–	Old Addeyans
2011-12	Club Langley	–	All Type Roofing
2012-13	Tanber	2–0	All Type Roofing
2013-14	Sydenham Sports	3–1	Bexley Pumas
2014-15	Chipstead	4–2	Phoenix Ultras

2015-16	Crayford One Bell	3–0	Cudham United
2016-17	New Park FC	2–0	Sydenham Sports
2017-18	Bromley FC	–	New Park FC
2018-19	Cameroon Lions Vets	4–0	Leone Stars
2019-20	Competition not completed	–	–
2020-21	No competition	–	–
2021-22	TBC	–	–
2022-23	Gravesham Borough	6–3	Bromley FC
2023-24	–	–	–

Challenge Cup

Season	Winners	Score	Runners Up
2001-02	Beaverwood	2–1	Reginald
2002-03	Reginald	5–2 aet	Beaverwood
2003-04	Blythe Hill	2–1	St. Nicholas
2004-05	Sporting Santos	3–0	Montrose
2005-06	Baldon Sports	2–0	Reginald
2006-07	Claremont C.C. A	1–0	Reginald
2007-	Competition discontinued	–	–

Senior Cup

Season	Winners	Score	Runners Up

2007-08	Overhill	6–2	Eltham Town
2008-09	Overhill	–	Westerham
2009-10	Phoenix Sports	–	Club Langley
2010-11	Bridon Ropes	–	Old Addeyans
2011-12	Club Langley	–	All Type Roofing
2012-13	Tanber	2–0	All Type Roofing
2013-14	Sydenham Sports	3–1	Bexley Pumas
2014-15	Chipstead	4–2	Phoenix Ultras
2015-16	Crayford One Bell	3–0	Cudham United
2016-17	New Park FC	2–0	Sydenham Sports
2017-18	Bromley FC	–	New Park FC
2018-19	Cameroon Lions Vets	4–0	Leone Stars
2019-20	Competition not completed	–	–
2020-21	Competition not completed	–	–
2021-22	Glebe FC	2–1	Catford Wanderers
2022-23	London South United	W/O	Charcoal
2023-24	AFC Kumazi Strikers	2–1	Croygas Phoenix

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