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<p>Please refrain from ringing League Officers after 8.00pm</p>	



Full Management Committee (MC) meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the venue circulated in the Agenda or virtually over zoom. Virtual web meetings are also held as and when required between sub-committee members. All meetings are minuted

Scheduled Meeting Dates:

18th August 2021
15th September
20th October
17th November
15th December
18th January 2022
16th February
16th March
20th April
18th May

Agenda:

1. Apologies for absence
 2. Previous minutes
 3. Matters arising
 4. Hon General Secretary's Correspondence
 5. Officers Reports
- Secretary including Charter Standard
 - Treasurer
 - Discipline
 - Fixtures
 - Registrations
 - Referees
 - Results
 - Cups
 - Club Liaison

Discipline Meetings

All discipline meetings will be held at a venue, or virtually as agreed by the SDFL Discipline Committee. The Discipline Committee (DC), consists only of non-club allegiance members.

SDFL Sub-Committees

Finance: Hon Treasurer & General Secretary
Cups: Cup Secretary & Fixture Secretary
Discipline: Discipline Secretary, Fixture Secretary & Referees Secretary

The League President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Life-Vice President, Treasurer and the Secretary are ex-officio members of all Sub-Committees.

SDFL Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 16th June 2022 @ 7:15pm
Coleview Community Centre, Towcester Road, Stratton St Margaret, Swindon

Clubs are reminded of rule 8 (H) "Any continuing Member Club failing to be represented at the Annual General Meeting without satisfactory reason will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. If you are unable to attend and cannot arrange for somebody to attend on your behalf you must send a written apology to the League Secretary.

Interested in joining the Management Committee?

Get a proposer and a seconder, (Club secretaries), with a description what role and responsibilities you would be interested in, to the League Secretary in writing. Job descriptions for the Senior Committee roles are posted on the League website.



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GERARD BUXTON (WOOTTON BASSETT)	01793 853880 Grass & FA approved 3G
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SWINDON CENTURIONS

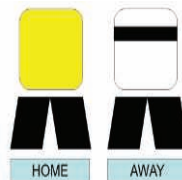
Secretary: SCOTT CANNIFORD 07730 404334 scott.canniford@gmail.com



ASHTON KEYNES (X-WIL1924)

Ground: Bradstone Sports Field

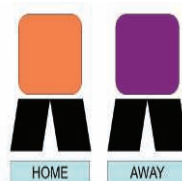
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Away: white black



BASSETT BULLDOGS (X-WIL1742)

Ground: Beversbrook

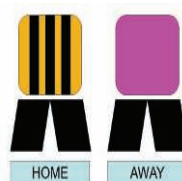
Colours Home: orange shirts black shorts orange socks
Away: purple shirts black shorts black socks



BLUNSDON (X-WIL1754)

Ground: Sutton Park

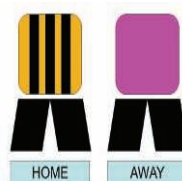
Colours Home: amber black shirts black shorts
Away: pink shirts black shorts socks



BLUNSDON DEVELOPMENT (X-WIL1754)

Ground: Sutton Park

Colours Home: amber black shirts black shorts
Away: pink shirts black shorts socks

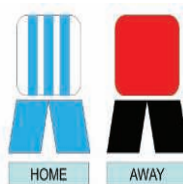




CHISELDON (X-WIL1731)

Ground: Chiseldon Rec

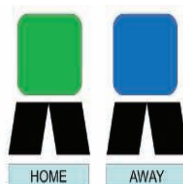
Colours Home: blue white
Away: red black



CRICKLADE TOWN RESERVES (X-WIL1806)

Ground: Cricklade Leisure Centre

Colours Home: green shirts black shorts socks
Away: blue shirts black shorts socks



DOWN AMPNEY (X-GLO4618)

Ground: Down Ampney, Broadleaze

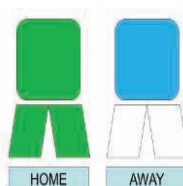
Colours Home: Navy and white striped shirts, red socks
Away: red and black



HATHEROP (X-GLO4550)

Ground: Hatherop Park

Colours Home: Green
Away: Blue white

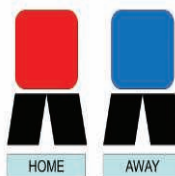




HIGHWORTH TN DV (X-WIL1736)

Ground: Elms Rec

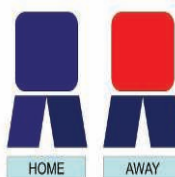
Colours Home: red shirts black shorts red socks
 Away: blue shirts black shorts blue socks



INTEL (X-WIL1741)

Ground: Gerard Buxton

Colours Home: blue shirts shorts red socks
 Away: red white shirts blue shorts red socks



KO PLASTERING (X-WIL1894)

Ground: Grange Drive

Colours Home: Yellow shirts, blue shorts, yellow socks
 Away:



LOWER STRATTON (X-WIL1729)

Ground: Grange Drive

Colours Home: grey shirts black shorts and socks
 Away:

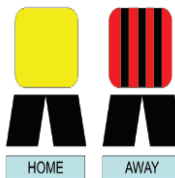




MOREDON (X-WIL1834)

Ground: Penhill

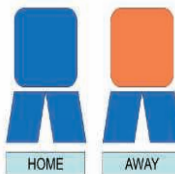
Colours Home: Yellow Shirts, Black Shorts & Socks
 Away: Red & Black Striped Shirts, Black Shorts & Socks



NALGO (X-WIL1764)

Ground: Nalگو

Colours Home: blue shirts shorts socks
 Away: orange shirts blue shorts socks



NATIONWIDE (X-WIL1746)

Ground: Nationwide

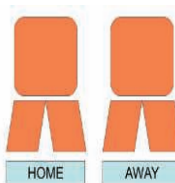
Colours Home: red blue shirts black shorts and red socks
 Away: blue shirt black shorts blue socks



NINE ELMS (X-WIL1926)

Ground: Meadowcroft

Colours Home: orange
 Away: orange

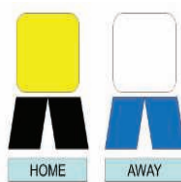




NORTH SWINDON (X-WIL1842)

Ground: Swindon Academy

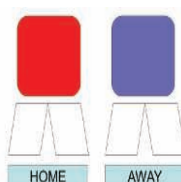
Colours Home: yellow black
Away: white blue



PARAGON (X-WIL1932)

Ground: Penhill

Colours Home: red
Away: purple



PEWSEY VALE DV (X-WIL1886)

Ground: The Rec, Ball Rd

Colours Home: black and white stripes black shorts socks
Away: yellow shirts shorts socks



PRIORY VALE (X-WIL1748)

Ground: New College 3G

Colours Home: green shirts black shorts socks
Away: purple & black shirts black shorts socks





RAMSBURY (X-WIL1833)

Ground: Hilldrop Lane

Colours Home: blue white stripes blue shorts socks
 Away: red shirts black shorts red socks



REDHOUSE (X-WIL1840) Ground:

Southbrook

Colours Home: Tie dye multi colour
 Away: volt green turquoise



REDHOUSE RESERVES (X-WIL1840)

Ground: Southbrook

Colours Home: gold shirts black shorts and socks
 Away: gold shirts black shorts and socks



SHIELD & DAGGER (X-WIL1752)

Ground: Penhill

Colours Home: navy white
 Away: navy white





SIDDINGTON (X-GLO4667)

Ground: Hoopers Field, Wanborough

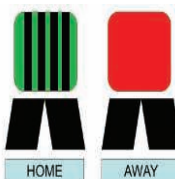
Colours Home: red
Away: white blue



SPECTRUM (X-WIL1725)

Ground: Nalgo

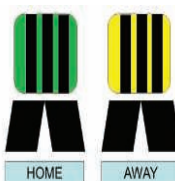
Colours Home: green black
Away: red black



SPORTZ CENTRAL (X-WIL1800)

Ground: St Josephs

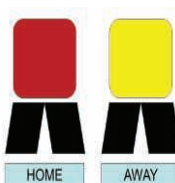
Colours Home: green black stripes
Away: black yellow stripes



SWINDON AFC (X-WIL1798)

Ground: St Josephs

Colours Home: maroon shirts black shorts maroon socks
Away: yellow tops black shorts yellow socks





SWINDON CENTURIONS (X-WIL1837)

Ground: Penhill

Colours Home: red black stripe shirts black shorts
Away: black white stripe shirts black shorts





Central Swindon North Parish Council are responsible for the Sevenfields, and Southbrook pitches used by the Saturday District League. All pitches must be paid for by 12 noon on the Thursday prior to your Saturday fixture, either with a credit card over the phone, or BACS payments, being the preferred payment options. If the payment is not received by then it will be deemed by the Council that the booking has not been made and therefore the fixture cannot go ahead. Enhanced pitch maintenance to Sevenfields, and Southbrook continues. We hope that with this work and a co-ordinated balance between supply and demand to prevent these pitches being overplayed, will help improve the drainage and playing surfaces for your enjoyment.

The Parish Council contact number is 01793 466499 at Pinetrees Community Centre. Please coordinate your pitch bookings with the League Fixture Secretary throughout the season.

The League will:

- Submit forms to the Parish Council on Monday morning on who used what pitch and changing room so this can be cross referenced with bookings and payments.

The Council will:

- Ensure that the grass cutting, line marking and all other pitch maintenance and re-instatement work are carried out in accordance with our standards of service
- Provide and erect permanent adult goal posts at the start of the playing season. At the Sevenfields site, the pitch closest to the changing rooms will have the use of portagoals. These must be put back and locked securely after use.
- Provide sufficient nets, pegs, and corner flags. One set of 20 net pegs will be provided to each team.
- Provide keys / key-codes to enable secure access to the facility
- No longer provide a Duty Groundsman

The Club will:

- Be responsible for and return any keys issued to the facility
- Erect nets and corner flags and remove at the end of the game, with all net pegs intact and responsible for the replacement of the pegs if lost.
- Brush out the changing rooms immediately after use and turn off all water / lighting etc;
- Ensure that the changing rooms are kept locked and secure at all times during the match period, and compound locked securely, before leaving the site.
- That the ground and changing rooms are vacated no later than 1 hour after the completion of the match.

A valid receipt and proof of official club position or letter from the club secretary will be required before a refund or re-booking is issued. Before arriving to play, team secretaries should be fully aware of Central Swindon North parish Council's terms and conditions of pitch hire and make sure all team members and officials comply fully with them.

Kick Off Times

All Saturday League Fixtures KO at 2:30pm, Cup Fixtures at 2:00pm.

Except for November, December & January - League Fixtures: 2.00pm, Cup Fixtures: 1:30pm.

Midweek Fixtures

Midweek fixtures are subject to arrangement by the Fixture Secretary with the agreement of the two clubs concerned. Both Club Secretaries must notify the Hon. Referee's Secretary at least 14 days prior to the fixture.

Health & Safety

Always follow Covid 19 HMG guidelines when using a Parish Council pitch.

Please remove all litter from around the pitch before you leave.

Defibrillators will be installed at Penhill and Southbrook



		H	A		
Player Registration				See section Registration of players ,	
	In advance			If you know weeks in advance a number of your players are going to be away together preventing you from fulfilling a fixture, please let the Fixture Secretary, Pete Mildenhall, know. 01793 726855	
	Before			See section Council pitch hire SBC/Parish Council pitches to be booked by 12 noon on the Thursday before your match 01793 466499	
Contact your referee				<p>Look on Full Time / or contact Referee Secretary, Mark, for name and number of referee 07847 210619 markparishaines@gmail.com</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Referees can be added at the last minute. When the League appoints a referee, then that is the official for the match. The league will look at disciplining defaulting clubs if considered appropriate? In the event that a referee cannot be found for the fixture, clubs must agree on a stand in replacement. 	see fines tariff
				<p>HOME Club If a Referee has been assigned to the game contact them by Thursday before the match and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> confirm location, kick off time and Ref costs. Ask for their post code if you want some idea of travel cost? (Covid 19 Guidance: ask referee if they would accept a Bank transfer payment, & request Bank details. Contact opponents and advise them their portion of the fee) 	
				<p>HOME Club. Contact opposition secretary and advise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> kick off time location of pitch club colours (home team changes if there is a clash) their portion of the cost of referee and agree payment method (Covid: Bank transfer payment, or prepare sealed envelope) 	see fines tariff
Match Day				<p>If ground location or kick off time changes before match day, home club must inform :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ref Secretary, Mark, 07847 210619 markparishaines@gmail.com Fixture Secretary, Pete Mildenhall, 01793 726855 If you are unable to contact them let another of the Management Committee know immediately. your opponents your referee 	see fines tariff
				<p>In bad weather, meet the groundsman (not for Council pitches) and your assigned Referee for pitch inspection. With SBC/Parish Council pitches you will be advised the day before the match if the pitch is unplayable. In bad weather Parish Council pitches may need a referee inspection on Saturday mornings. In the event of a POSTPONEMENT contact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the opposition your assigned Referee and the Referee Secretary the Fixture Secretary. 01793 726855 	see fines tariff



		<p>Follow FA Covid 19 Guidelines. Club Covid Officers list all attendees, for track and trace purposes. Adhere to all Risk Assessments in place for the venue. Arrange to pay Ref by Bank Transfer or sealed envelope</p>	
		<p>Always split the cost of the referee fees with your opposition. Be prepared that the fee can change to that agreed, e.g. referee can be diverted at last minute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● home team pay the referee their fee before the start of the match. 	see fines tariff
Match Day		<p>The Player Recognition System (PRS) is intended to be operational during the 2021-2022 share squad images and complete team sheets with the names of your players & substitutes WRITTEN IN FULL before the match starts. Covid 19: photo and send to your opponents & referee (Under normal circumstances ● swap yellow copy with your opposition)</p>	
Post-Match	team sheets	<p>Complete the remainder of your team sheet with Marks & Scorers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mark the referee for performance out of 100. Any mark below 60 to be supported with a written explanation to Referee Appointment Officer. ● Mark your opposition for sportsmanship ● Identify the scorers 	see fines tariff
by 6pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Image and Whatsapp the team sheet (with scorers & team marks) to 07970 567237 or email ian_rosewell2002@hotmail.com This MUST be with the Registration Secretary by 3 days of the match. ● Text Full Time with your result. 	see fines tariff
	Enter FA Full Time Statistics	<p>On the Full Time main page click on Sign In (top right hand corner), enter User Name and Password Go to Home Admin Page Click on Results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Then the Results and Stats Button highlighted in Grey ● Locate the Date of the Match you require and click on the Red results button to Enter information eg: DD / MM / YYYY ● View Team Admin Result Entry page, find your fixture and click on Statistics (highlighted in blue) next to your team. <p>Click on the Statistics button (blue) Taken to page headed STATISTICS Markers Team – Swindon District F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mark the Referee out of 100, which is broken down in 3 sections. ● Enter the Respect Marks and Pitch Marks ● THEN Click the RED Update button at the foot of the page, <u>if any of the above is incomplete you will be unable to progress to the next stage.</u> <p>Then back at the TOP of the page and under the page heading STATISTICS and next to FA Marks is Player Statistics (Click on this) to be taken to list of Registered Players who are eligible to play in the match.</p> <p>Quick Stat Entry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Place a tick in each box, in the required sections. Minimum Started, Bench Used and Goals. Yellow, Red cards, sin bins, captain and other stats can be added. ● Once all the relevant boxes are ticked, click the RED Update Stats For Players at the foot of the page. ● Finally click the Back button at the foot of the page next to the update button and that should return you to the results page. ● You can then Sign Out, top right of the page. JOB DONE!!! 	



The below par mark has been adjusted to 60 for next season in line with new FA guidelines.

Please use the following guide to help with your marking.

The mark awarded by a club must be based on the Referee's overall performance. It is most important that the mark is awarded fairly and not based upon isolated incidents or previous games. The Referee's performance should be determined by the table below which should act as a guide for the overall mark which should fall within the mark range for each standard of performance.

Mark Range Comment

100-86

The Referee demonstrated very accurate decision-making and controlled the game very well using management and communication skills effectively to add value to the game.

85-76

The Referee demonstrated accurate decision-making and controlled the game well using management and communication skills to contribute positively to the game.

75-61

The Referee demonstrated reasonably accurate decision-making and despite some shortcomings generally controlled the game well.

60 and below

The Referee demonstrated shortcomings in the accuracy of decision-making and control which affected the game. Notes

- Club officials should use the full range of marks within each category to help distinguish between different performance levels, for example, within the 85-76 category a mark of 84 indicates a better performance than a mark of 77.
- While some Referees may have below average performances, 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 game as a whole and not isolated decisions. The result of the match should not influence the mark and disciplinary action should be judged objectively.
- When a mark of 60 or lower is awarded, an explanation must be provided in writing to the Competition. The purpose of this is to assist Referees to improve their performance levels, so the comments should be as helpful as possible. -

Home teams, please contact your appointed referee no later than 8pm on the Thursday before your game.



Date	Match or Item	IN	OUT	Match fees owed (£5?)	Balance	Owed	Comments
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PLAYER REGISTRATIONS The players League Registration Form **MUST** be submitted to the Registration Secretary **fully** Completed by 6pm on the **THURSDAY** prior to playing and whose Registration has been added to PRP in WGS. A player also cannot play if his name does not appear on **FULL TIME** at the time of the match. The Registration Secretary is there to help you, add him to your PRP as Club Registration Secretary.

TRANSFERRING A PLAYER - NOTICE OF APPROACH The approaching club should submit a 7-day notice of approach to the served club to make it clear that they would like to complete a transfer for their player. This is not completed from within The FA player registration frameworks. This can be done through an email or an instant message but proof of the approach should be retained in the event that a league or county FA need to investigate the grounds of the approach. The served club can end the 7-day period if they agree to "waive"; the notice period. This means that, rather than waiting for the full 7 days to pass, the players current club can allow an approach to be made immediately. After the 7 days has passed, or the notice of approach has been waived, clubs can begin the transfer process. A Fee of £5.00 must be paid into the District League Bank Account before the process begins

CLUBS WITH MORE THAN ONE TEAM .Unless the Management Committee gives special dispensation, any player who plays 5 or more games in a current season for a team in the Swindon & District League is ineligible to play for another team from the same Club in any lower Division match of the Swindon & District League during the same season." Club secretary is responsible for monitoring their players games played if they have more than one team in the league for player eligibility.

SENIOR PLAYERS - League games - a team shall not include more than 2 players who has taken part in **4** or more senior competition matches during the current playing season,

CUP GAMES - check players have not played in Senior competitions, this prevents them playing in **ANY** Cup matches. Always check rules relevant to the Competition..

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Each team must have at least 11 Players registered 5 days before the start of each Playing Season, with the deadline being 6pm Monday before playing season starts. Further registrations can be made after your first game has been completed. No further registrations can be made after the last day in February.

PLEASE

Get registration details to the Registration Secretary by Thursday 6pm if you want them to play that weekend.

The Club Secretary must check that the player is **NOT** Suspended or Sine Die before they sign as they will not be able to play.

Players must be registered by 31-December to play in cup semi-finals onwards, but always check rules relevant to the Competition.

To play in cup semi-finals onwards players must have **PLAYED** in 4 games, but always check rules relevant to the Competition.

The Full Time web site shows when players have been registered, under "players season totals" ..

Don't risk forfeiting the game and the points if a player is not correctly registered.



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Clubs are reminded of the following Registration Deadlines

31-December : Registration Deadline for Cup Semi & Final eligibility

29-February : Player Registration & Transfer Deadline



Discipline Record

1. All members of the club shall conduct themselves so that the affairs and reputation of the club are carried out in accordance with:

- a. The Rules and Regulations of the Football Association, and the County Football Association'
- b. The Rules and Regulations of the Competitions in which the club competes
- c. The Club's own Codes of Conduct and Policies.

A player on & off the field will always

- Adhere to the laws and the spirit of the the game
- Promote fair play
- Abide by the match officials decisions
- Never engage in public criticism of match officials
- Never engage in offensive insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on spectators
- Never engage in bullying, intimidation or harassment
- Speak to my team mates, the opposition and Manager with respect.
- Win or lose with dignity

2. Keep track of your bookings and suspensions here.

3. Keep track of fine payments here.

a. Players **MUST** pay their own fines direct to the WFA.

b. All fines must be paid within 10 days.

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Key : C = Competition League (L), Cup (C), Friendly (F), MoM - Man of the Match

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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 all Competitions at Step 7 of the National League System and below, and The FA Women’s Pyramid excluding FA Women’s Super League and FA Women’s Championship.

Competitions seeking sanction must draft their Rules in conformity with the Standard Code, using the same numbering and standard headings.

The mandatory rules are printed in normal text and the optional rules in italics.

It should be noted that in many cases rules are so printed because they are alternatives and the procedure to apply should be retained and the others omitted.

In all cases where a [] is shown the necessary name, address, number or wording to complete that rule must be inserted.

Competitions may add to the core of the Standard Code, which is mandatory, providing the additions are approved by the Sanctioning Authority and do not conflict with the mandatory rules or any relevant principles and policies established by The FA. Guidance from the Sanctioning Authority should be sought in advance if there is any doubt as to the acceptability of additional rules.

1. DEFINITIONS

(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.

“**Competition**” means the [Swindon and District 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 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 FA] [the Wiltshire County Football Association Limited].

“Scholarship” means a Scholarship as set out in Rule C 3 1.1 of the rules of The FA.

“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.

- (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.

2. GOVERNANCE RULES COMPETITION NAME, CONSTITUTION

- (A) The Competition will be known as [“The Swindon & District 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 thereupon automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.
- (B) This Competition shall consist of not more than [120] Clubs approved by the Sanctioning Authority.
- (C) The geographical area covered by the Competition membership shall be a 25 mile radius from the Town Hall, Swindon.
- (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.
- (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.



- (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.
- (G) (i) 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.
- (ii) 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 16 in number*.

This competition and its clubs shall support the FA’s Respect program. As such it recognises that everyone in football has a collective responsibility to create a fair, safe and enjoyable environment in which the game can take place. A Respect League valued the contribution of match officials, players and spectators and ensures that they are treated with courtesy and fairness by opposing player, club officials and spectators. The League and its clubs will seek to play fixtures in a fair, competitive but not antagonistic environment.

(H) Inclusivity and Non-discrimination

- (i) 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).
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) Any alleged breach of the Equality Act 2010 legislation must be referred to the appropriate Sanctioning Authority for investigation.
- (I) Clubs must comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA which are adopted by the Competition including, but not limited to, Charter Standard and RESPECT programmes. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

All new clubs elected into the League must apply for Charter Standard through the Wiltshire FA CS team no later than their second year in the League.

- (J) All Participants shall abide by The Football Association Regulations for Safeguarding Children as determined by The FA from time to time.
- (K) Clubs shall not enter any of their Teams playing in the Competition in any other competitions (with the exception of FA and County FA 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.
- (L) At the AGM or a 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.
- (M) Only one Team from a Club shall be permitted to participate in a single division Team 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

Any Club wishing to change its name must obtain permission from the Sanctioning Authority. 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

(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 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 SGM if confirmed by a majority of the accredited voting members present.

If a new team application is received after the AGM in June and there are vacancies then the decision will be taken by the management committee. If there are no vacancies at this time then the team will go on a reserve list.

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.

(B) The annual subscription shall be in accordance with the fees tariff, for each Club payable on or before 30th June in each year.

(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 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. Each club shall within 14 days of election pay a deposit in accordance with the fees tariff per Team that shall be returnable to clubs on leaving the Competition provided they have fulfilled their fixtures and complied with all orders of the Management Committee.

(D) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the entry fee, annual subscription and deposit (if required) have been paid.

(E) Clubs must advise the Secretary annually in writing by 30th June 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 fine tariff.

(F) In the event of clubs failing to comply with the above Rule E, clubs will be given a further 4 weeks (31st July) to provide the league of its County Affiliation number for the coming season. Failure to provide this could result in their league application being withdrawn after which their place could be taken by a team on the reserve list. In the event that affiliation is then completed within the extended deadline the League would consider paying back the fine to the Club.

5. MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION

(A) The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition and 5 members who shall all be elected at the AGM.

(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 31st May 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 30th April 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.

At the discretion of the committee, no person shall hold more than one position on the Management Committee.

At the discretion of the Committee, Officers who fail to attend at least 50% of Management Committee meetings or who fail to submit a written report in lieu of their non-attendance, during the current season, shall have to seek re-election for the following season, by nomination of two Member Clubs.

- (C) The Management Committee shall meet a minimum of twice a season or as 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.
- (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.
- (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

- (A) The Management Committee may appoint sub-committees and delegate such of their powers as they deem necessary. The decisions of all sub-committees 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.

The President, Chairman, Life-Vice president, General Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of all sub-committees.

- (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.
- (C) Each member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all Management 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.

In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chair of the Management Committee shall have a second or casting vote.

- (D) 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(I), 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 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 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 Step 7 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 Step 7 of the National League System 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.

- (E) 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.

- (F) A minimum of 60% of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Management Committee or any sub-committee.
- (G) The Management Committee, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill , any vacancies that may occur in their number.
- (H) 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.
- (I) 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.

The presentation of a cheque which is subsequently dishonoured by the Bank or Building Society, will incur a fine in accordance with the fines tariff, plus any associated bank charges accrued.

- (J) 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.



(K) 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.

(L) The business of the Competition as determined by the Management Committee may be transacted by electronic mail or facsimile.

7. PROTESTS, CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS

(A) (i) All questions of eligibility, qualification of Players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Discipline Secretary of the Management Committee via email or other auditable means of communication only (verbal phone call is insufficient for these purposes).

(ii) 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. Any Club lodging such protest and not proceeding with it shall be deemed guilty of a breach of this rule and shall be dealt with by the Management Committee.

(B) Except in cases where the Management Committee decide that there are special circumstances, protests and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are founded) must be lodged with the Discipline Secretary within 3 days (excluding Sundays) of the Competition Match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn except by the person lodging such protest or complaint and with the approval of the Management Committee. A member of the Management Committee who is a member of any Club involved or potentially likely to be involved (e.g. cup competitions) shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of his Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined.

Any dispute occurring between Clubs in the Competition shall be referred for determination by the Management Committee whose decision shall be binding upon all parties.

(i) The Management Committee shall also have the power to compel any party to the protest to pay such expenses as the Management Committee shall direct.

(C) No protest of whatever kind shall be considered by the Management Committee unless the complaining Club shall have deposited with the Discipline Secretary a sum of £5. Confirmation of receipt will be sent by auditable means of communication to the Discipline Secretary and the complainant. 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.

(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. *This should be to the Discipline Officer who will collate and present to the Committee at the next applicable meeting.*

(i) All parties must have received a minimum of 7 days' notice of the hearing should they be instructed to attend.

(ii) Should a Club elect to state its case in person then it should indicate such when forwarding the written response *to the Discipline Secretary.*

(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.

(F) Any 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 fines 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, the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to):

- (i) invite submissions by the parties involved;
- (ii) convene a hearing to hear the appeal;
- (iii) permit new evidence; or
- (iv) impose appropriate deadlines.

Any appeal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.

- (G) No appeal can be lodged against a decision taken at an AGM or SGM unless this is on the ground of unconstitutional conduct.
- (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 the party not succeeding 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 fourteen days of the event or decision causing any of these to be submitted.

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (A) The AGM shall be held not later than 30th June in each year. At this meeting the following business shall be transacted provided that at least two thirds of members are present and entitled to vote:-
 - (a) Confirm the minutes of the last AGM.
 - (b) Adopt the annual report, balance sheet and statement of account from the previous season or accounting period.
 - (c) Election of Clubs to fill vacancies.
 - (d) Constitution of the Competition for the ensuing Season.
 - (e) Election of Competition Officers and Management Committee members.
 - (f) Appointment of auditors/verifiers.
 - (g) Alteration of Rules, if any (see Rule 14)
 - (h) Agree the date for the beginning of the Playing Season and kick off times applicable to the Competition.
 - (i) Agree the date for the end of the Playing Season (save for Step 7 which shall be determined by The FA).
 - (j) Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted by the Chair as being relevant to an AGM.
- (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.
- (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
- (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.



- (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.*
- (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.
- (G) No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Club.
- (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.
- (I) Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an AGM.
- (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

On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Clubs in membership the Secretary shall call an SGM.

The Management Committee may call an SGM at any time.

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.

Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all SGMs. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only.

Any Club failing to be represented at a SGM shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all SGMs.

No committee member shall be allowed to vote on any matters appertaining to such member, or to the club so represented or where there may be a conflict of interests.

10. AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED

Each Club shall complete and sign the following agreement which shall be deposited with the Competition together with the application for membership for the coming Season.

"We, (A) (name) [] of (address) [] (Chair)/(Director) and (B) (name) [] of (address) [] (Secretary)/(Director) of [] Football Club (Limited) have been provided with a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the [] Competition and do hereby agree for and on behalf of the said Club, if elected or accepted into membership, to conform to those Rules and Regulations and to accept, abide by and implement the decisions of the Management Committee of the Competition, subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7."

The agreement shall be signed :

- (i) Where a Club is an unincorporated association, the by Club Chair and secretary; or
- (ii) Where a Club is an incorporated entity, by two directors of the Club.

Any change of Chair, Secretary or Directors of the Club as named on the above agreement must be notified to the [] County Football Association to which the Club is sanctioned and to the Secretary of the 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

- (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 31st March 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.
- (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.
- (C) Notwithstanding 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.
- (D) A Club which for any reason ceases to operate at any time during the Playing Season may have its playing record expunged, from the date of the withdrawal no further payment shall become due to them. From the date of the withdrawal, the Club shall cease to be a member of the Competition.
- (i) A Club shall not be allowed to withdraw any or all of its teams from the Competition after the Annual General Meeting for the following Season.
- (ii) Any Club infringing this Rule shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the fines tariff, per team and shall also be liable for its share of any call that may be made under Rule 5(B).
- (iii) Any Club infringing this Rule and not disbanding before the fixtures have commenced shall be liable to a fine of £10 per team.
- (E) The Membership for the coming season having been decided at a Special General Meeting held for that purpose or Annual General Meeting, Clubs wishing to withdraw its team(s) in order to join another Competition will have £10 taken from their deposit.
- (F) In the event of a Member Club, which is an un-incorporated association, withdrawing and/or disbanding, it shall be immediately liable to discharge all its financial and other obligations to the Competition.

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

- (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: (i) remove a member of the Management Committee from office; (ii) 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.
- (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 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.
- (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 (B) of this Rule.

- (D) Any Club or Team failing to complete its fixtures in any season shall (unless the conditions are beyond their control, or the accredited delegates present at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting decide otherwise by a majority of two-thirds of the votes cast) be debarred from membership the following season.

13. TROPHY

- (A) *At the close of each Competition awards shall be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.*
- (B) *The divisional winners and runners-up trophies shall be presented to the winning clubs. The Management Committee will be responsible for having the winning clubs name and year engraved on the trophy, the cost of which will be invoiced to the winning clubs.*

14. ALTERATION TO RULES

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.

Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the AGM shall be submitted to the Secretary by 31st January in each year. The proposals, together with any proposals by the Management Committee, shall be circulated to the Clubs by 8 weeks prior and any amendments to these proposals shall be submitted to the Secretary by 2 weeks prior. 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.

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 14 days prior to the date of the meeting.

15. FINANCE

- (A) The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds of the Competition will be lodged.
- (B) All expenditure in excess of £100 shall be approved by the Management Committee. Cheques shall be signed by at least two Officers nominated by the Management Committee.
- (C) The financial year of the Competition will end on 30th April.
- (D) The accounting records, or a certified balance sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be *audited* annually by a suitably qualified person(s) who shall be appointed at the AGM.

16. INSURANCE

- (A) All Clubs must have valid public liability insurance cover for a minimum of ten million pounds (£10,000,000) at all times.
- (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.



Failure to comply with Rule 16(A) or 16(B) will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

17. DISSOLUTION

- (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.
- (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.
- (C) The Management Committee shall deal with any surplus assets as follows:
 - (i) 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.
 - (ii) 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.



MATCH RELATED RULES

18. QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

(A) A Player is one who, being in all other respects is eligible, has:

- (i) Registered through the Player Registration System and received approval from the Competition except in the case of a Player who has been registered on the day of the match. 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 their 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 2 players may be registered in this manner.

Or

signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink, 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 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 from the Competition. A maximum of 2 players can be registered in this manner.

The Competition registration Form MUST be submitted to the Registration Secretary fully completed by 6pm on the THURSDAY prior to playing and whose completed Registration has been added to Full Time prior to playing

Any registration form that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the Club unprocessed and the player classed 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) or 2), 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 WGS in order to complete the registration process.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (B) (i) 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.

- (ii) 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.

While serving in any branch of Her Majesty's Regular forces, a player must first obtain the consent of his Association Secretary before signing a registration form to play for a club.

- (iii) Each team must have at least 11 Players registered 5 days before the start of each Playing Season, *with the deadline being 6pm Monday before playing season starts*. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the



finest tariff and the points for that match, plus any subsequent matches being awarded to their opponents.

- (iii) *Only a goalkeeper can be registered up to the day before the match if cleared by the League Registration Secretary, but can only be used as the position of a goalkeeper for the duration of the Competition. Sanctioning for use in Cup matches is only at the discretion of the League and Cup Committee.*
 - (iv) *The Player Recognition System (PRS) is intended to be operational during the 2021-2022 season. PRS is to be implemented to enhance the existing registration process. The PRS will use bespoke technology (Whole Game (WGS) player profiles) to validate eligibility for League and Cup Competitions. Team sheets will still be in use.*
- (C) A Player that owes a Football Debt (as defined under the Football Debt Recovery Regulations) shall be permitted to register and play for a Club but [will/may] 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.
- Non- football related debt (i.e. player subscriptions, signing on fees), is a private matter between club and player, and cannot hold up a transfer request.*
- (D) A fee in accordance with the fees tariff shall be paid by each Club/Team for each Player registered.
- Clubs who return unused forms to the Treasurer by 31st March each year will be eligible for a rebate.
- (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, priority of registration shall decide for which Club the Player shall be registered. The Registration Secretary shall notify the Club last applying to register the player of the fact of the previous registration.

- (F) It shall be a breach of Rule for a Player to:-
- (i) Play for more than one Club in the Competition in the same Playing Season without first being transferred.
 - (ii) 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.
 - (iii) Submit a signed registration form as per rule 18 A.2 or submit a registration through the Player Registration System that the Player had wilfully neglected to accurately or fully complete.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (G) (i) The Management Committee shall have the power to accept the registration of any Player subject to the provisions of Rules 18(G) (ii) and (iii) below.
- (ii) 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).
- (iii) 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.

Undesirable conduct shall mean an incident of repeated proven misconduct, which may deter a Participant from being involved in this Competition.



- (iv) A Player who has previously had a registration removed in accordance with Rule 18G (iii) but has a registration accepted at the expiry of exclusion will be considered under probationary period of 12 months. Whilst under the 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 dispute.

(Note: Action under Rule 18G 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 dispute 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 dispute can only be considered where the player has received in excess of 112 day's suspension, or 10 matches in matched 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)

- (H) Subject to compliance with C2(a) when a Club wishes to register a player who is already registered with another club it shall submit a transfer notification (in a format as determined by the Competition) to the Competition via the Player Registration System. A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff will 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 2 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.

Except when specific approval has been given by the Management Committee, a club cannot sign or transfer more than one player from another Club at any one time, unless a period of 14 days has elapsed between each signing.

- (I) Player may not be registered for a Club nor transferred to another Club in the Competition after the last day of February except by special permission of the Management Committee.
- (J) Registrations are valid for one Playing Season only.

In the event of a Non Contract Player without a written contract changing his status to that of a Contract Player with the same Club, another Club in the Competition 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)(i).

- (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 6 Competition Matches for that Team in the current Playing Season.

A player who has played for a team in the Swindon and District Senior Division five times or more shall not in that season be eligible to play in a lower division except by permission of the Management Committee.

- (L) *A Team shall not include more than 2 Players who has/have taken part in 4 or more senior Competition Matches during the current Playing Season. To clarify further, the Wiltshire Premier League is Step 7, Hellenic Premier League is Step 5 and Hellenic League Division 1 is Step 6, however Hellenic League Division 2 is the same status as our own.*



For the purpose of this Rule a senior competition(s) is defined as one in which each of the competing clubs play in step 7 or above in the FA NLS or registered as such with its County FA, or a team (other than youth team), attached to a club employing players under written contract.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (M) (i) Subject to Rule 18(M)(ii), 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).
- (ii) The Management Committee may vary the sanction as relates to the deduction of points set out at Rule 18(M) 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.
- (iii) Where a Club is found to have played an ineligible Player in accordance with Rule 18(M)(i) above, the Management Committee may also, at its discretion:
- Award the points available in the Competition Match in question to the opponents, subject to the Competition Match not being ordered to be replayed; or
 - Levy penalty points against the Club in default; or
 - Order that such Competition Match or Matches be replayed (on such terms as are decided by the Management Committee).
- (N) The following clause applies to Competitions involving Players in full-time secondary education.
- Priority must be given at all times to activities of school and school organisations. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- The availability of children and young people must be cleared with the Head Teachers or Principals, (except for Sunday leagues competitions).
 - To play open age football the player must have achieved the age of 16.
- (O) Unless the Management Committee gives special dispensation, any player who plays 5 or more games in a current season for a team in the Swindon & District League is ineligible to play for another team from the same Club in any lower Division match of the Swindon & District League during the same season."

19. CLUB COLOURS

- Every team must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the Secretary by 30th June and the Competition Secretary shall decide as to their suitability.
- Any team wishing changing its colours during the Playing Season must notify the Competition immediately.
- Goalkeepers must wear colours which distinguish them from all other Players and the Match Officials.
- No Player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.
- 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 goalkeepers jersey) at least 7 days before the Competition Match.
- 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.



- (G) Shirts must be numbered, 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

- (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.

Clubs shall not be allowed to compete in the League unless they are able to provide suitable changing and showering / washing facilities.

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. 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 the National League System ("NLS") all Competition Matches shall have a duration of 90 minutes. All Competition Matches outside of the NLS 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.

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.

- (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).

- (C) The Secretary of the home Club must give notice of full particulars of the location of, and access to, the Ground and time of kick-off to the Match Officials and an Officer of the opposing Club at least 2 clear days prior to the playing of the match. If not so provided, the away 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.



- (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.
- (E) (i) Home and away matches shall be played. In the event of a Club failing to keep its engagement the Management Committee shall have power to impose a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff), deduct points from the defaulting Club, award the points from the Competition Match in question to the opponents, order the defaulting Club to pay any reasonable expenses incurred by the opponents or otherwise deal with them except by the award of goals. *Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Management Committee shall have power to order a Competition Match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent's Ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances.*
- (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, [Fixture Secretary, and Referees Appointments 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 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 14 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 [] persons, or car allowance at [] p per mile for transporting [] 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 Competition Match to the opponent. In cases where a Competition 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) *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(N) above. Where both Teams were under suspension the game must be declared null and void and shall not be replayed.

- (vii) Any Club without just cause failing to fulfil an engagement to play a Competition match on the appointed date shall for each offence be liable to expulsion from the Competition and/or such other disciplinary action the Management Committee may determine, including the deduction of up to a maximum of three points from the offending Club's record, any expenses incurred by their opponents, and a fine in accordance with the fines tariff.
- (viii) In the event of a Club being in breach of the previous paragraph of this Rule then the Management Committee may award points to the Club not at fault as if the match had been played and the League table shall reflect the position as if the match had been played with the result awarded by the Management Committee.
- (ix) Clubs are requested to have a mobile telephone or an email address operational at all times. These will be listed in the Competition Handbook unless a Club requests otherwise.
- (x) The HOME team must pay all officials (Referees and any appointed assistants) their full fee at this time. Any club in breach of either exchanging team sheets or paying officials fees (Home team) BEFORE KICK OFF, may be fined in accordance with the fines tariff for each offence (potentially two fines for a home team) . Issues around ensuring eligibility of players are the responsibility of teams to both check with their players and will be dealt with under the rules pertaining to that section. Referees will play no part in issues around eligibility
- (xi) Any Club, responsible for postponing a game more than seven days prior to the date of the match, shall be fined in accordance with the fines tariff, and must notify their opponents of the postponement. A second offence by a club under this clause will attract a fine in accordance with the fines tariff, and each subsequent offence thereafter will attract an increase of £10 on the previous amount.
- (xii) Clubs can only postpone a maximum of 2 games per season under this rule and then will have to forfeit the game and points to opponents.
- (xiii) Any Club, responsible for cancelling a game seven days or less prior to the date of the match, shall be fined in accordance with the fines tariff, shall forfeit three points to their opponents and may be liable to a claim for compensation from their opponents. A second offence by a club under this clause will attract a fine of £25 and each subsequent offence thereafter will attract an increase of £10 on the previous amount.
- (xiv) Any Club responsible for failing to fulfil a fixture on the day of the match shall be fined in accordance with the fine tariff, shall forfeit three points to their opponents and may be liable to a claim for compensation from their opponents and the Referee. A second offence by a club under this clause will attract a fine in accordance with the fine tariff and each subsequent offence thereafter will attract an increase of £10 on the previous amount.
- (xv) Opponents must lodge a written claim for compensation with the League within three days of the date of the match, accompanied by proof of expenditure within 14 days. This also applies to the Referee if he/she attended the ground.
- (xvi) The League shall have the power to set aside legitimate claims for compensation from opponents or Match Officials.
- (xvii) Notice of postponement of any match must be given without delay by the postponing Club (or notice of a Club being unable to fulfil any match must be given 48 hours prior to the match by the Club) to the Fixtures Secretary, the Results Secretary, the Competition Referees Appointments Secretary, the Secretary of the



opposing Club and the match officials. Any Club failing to comply shall be dealt with by the Management Committee who may inflict any penalty it may deem suitable.

- (xviii) *Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Management Committee shall have power to order a match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponents ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances.*
- (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 and use up to 5 substitutes -
The referee shall be informed of the names of the substitute Players 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.
- (G) The half time interval shall be of 10 minutes' duration. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.
- (H) The Teams taking part in a Competition Match shall identify a Team captain who *may* wear an armband and shall have a responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of his/her team mates. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (I) The League shall require all players to have signed the FA's Respect Codes of Conduct and produce these if so required by the League management committee. The participating clubs taking part in the fixture shall identify a team captain designated with a captain's armband who has a responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of their team mates.

21. REPORTING RESULTS

- (A) The Competition must receive within 3 days of the date played (excluding Sundays), 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. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff*
- (B) Both Clubs shall use telephone/SMS/email/notify the result of each Competition Match to the Competitions Result Secretary by 18:30 for Saturday matches and 21:00 for midweek matches, together with the scorer of each goal. In any FA or Affiliated Association Competition, the home Club if two clubs are playing the tie, or the club if the match involves a team outside of the Competition, must also follow this procedure. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (C) a 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

- (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 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).

In the event of two or more Teams still being equal, the Team which has scored the most goals during the Playing Season shall be placed highest.

In the event of two or more Teams still being equal, the Team that has won the most matches during the Playing Season shall be placed highest.

In the event of two or more Teams still 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.

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 hereunder, subject to the provisions of Rule 2(L).

- (i) *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.*
- (ii) *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.*
- (iii) *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.*
- (iv) *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.*

(B) PYRAMID - Promotion to the Wiltshire County League

In order to be considered for promotion to the Wiltshire County League, a Club must finish in 1st position of the Premier Division of the Swindon & District League. If the Club finishing in 1st position does not wish to be promoted or fails to meet the ground grading / entry criteria, then the club finishing in 2nd position will be eligible for promotion. If the Club in 2nd position does not seek promotion or fails to meet the ground grading / entry criteria then Clubs down to 3rd position may be considered for promotion provided that they meet the appropriate ground grading / entry criteria.

Clubs finishing below 3rd position will not be considered for promotion. Only one Club is allowed to be promoted to the Wiltshire County League in any one season.

Promotion to the Wiltshire Senior League is not mandatory for any Club finishing in a promotion position.

Please complete an Expression of Interest form and send it to the Hon General Secretary of the Wiltshire Senior League with a copy to the Hon General Secretary of the Swindon and District League by 15th April to be considered for promotion. On receipt of a completed Form, the Hon General Secretaries of the Wiltshire Senior League and your current District League will contact you to arrange an inspection of your ground and advise on any necessary improvements to facilities required in order to gain promotion.



23. MATCH OFFICIALS

- (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.
- (i) *When the League appoints a referee, then that is the official for the match. The league will look at disciplining defaulting clubs if considered appropriate?*
- (B) 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. 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.
- Should the Clubs fail to agree upon a Referee, *having arrived at the ground*, thus preventing the game being played, the appropriate Fixture Secretary must be informed, in writing, by both Clubs within three days of the date of the match and the reasons clearly stated therein. Failure to comply will result in the Club(s) being dealt with under the relevant section. The Fixture Secretary shall refer all cases to the Management Committee who will determine which Club(s) is/are in default. Club(s) thus determined to be in default of not mutually agreeing upon a Referee shall pay the ground expenses, the Referee's fee and travelling expenses for the rearranged fixture, the date of which shall be determined by the appropriate Fixture Secretary.
- (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.
- (D) 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. Should the ground be declared unfit it is the responsibility of the home club to immediately advise the competition, the Referee Appointments Secretary, Result Secretary and the Fixture Secretary
- (E) Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the Sanctioning Authority, Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a match fee and travel expenses in accordance with the Fees Tariff. Match Officials will be paid their fees and expenses by the home Club before the Competition Match. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (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 half the normal fee plus expense. When 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 and expenses. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (G) A referee not keeping his or her 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. Clubs should report such occurrences to the Referee Appointments Secretary
- (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).



- (I) The Competition shall keep a record of the markings and shall submit a summary to The FA/County FA on request
- (J) A representative of the home club must contact the referee to confirm the match, kick off and location, at the latest by 20:00 hrs two days before the match. Contact should be made by SMS, email or similar means that provide an audit trail. Should there be no confirmation from the referee, the club representative should ring the referee by 21:00hrs the same evening. The referee will confirm their full fee (including expenses) at this time to enable the home club to have such amount ready in full. Any Club responsible for failing to notify a referee of a change of location or time shall be liable to reimburse the Referee his full match fee and expenses should the referee attend at the location/time shown on full time. The Referee must submit any such claim to the Referee Appointments Secretary within three days of the match
- (K) The Management Committee may, if it consider it desirable, or upon application by the two competing Clubs ask the Referee Appointments Secretary to appoint neutral Assistant Referees, if available, to any match. Where clubs ask for neutral assistant referees they are liable for those match fees plus expenses.
- (L) *Where a club scores a Referee less than 60% of the maximum score, they must submit a report to the Referees Appointment Secretary with their reasons for the low score.*
- (M) Match Officials shall be supplied, each season, with a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge. Match officials shall comply with the provisions of any initiatives of the FA and/or sanctioning Authority adapted by the Competition.
- (N) *Match Officials shall have undertaken all mandatory training required by The FA/County FA or the Competition.*
- (O) *Referee should report (in line with these rules):*
- *Where a club records an objection to the pitch or facilities before the match*
 - *Where kick off is delayed due to a club not having a change of colours or for any other reason*
 - *Where two suitable (as per LOTG) footballs are not provided*
- (P) Match Officials may wear coloured shirts provided that:
- (i) the alternative shirts must be plain and the colour must not clash with the colours of either clubs or goalkeepers
 - (ii) when neutral assistant referees are appointed by the Competition, the colour of the alternative shirts worn by the referee and assistant referees must be the same at a given match.
 - (iii) Subject to match officials complying with the above, clubs should not ask referees to wear bibs or change the colour of their kit.



24. CUP COMPETITIONS. As defined in SCOR with the following additions.

NOMENCLATURE AND CONSTITUTION

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- (A). The Swindon & District League Cup Competition (formerly Swindon Advertiser Cup), the Trophy being the absolute property of the Swindon & District Football League and Cup Competitions and confined for annual competition to clubs who are members of the Swindon and District League.

The George Thomas/Don Rogers Cup Competition (the plate for the Swindon & District League Cup Competition), being the absolute property of Mr. A Vockins and family, confined for annual completion to those clubs that fail to win their opening game in the Swindon & District League Cup Competition.

ENTRY FEES

- (B). The entry fee for the Swindon & District League Cup Competition is in accordance with the published Tariff.
The entry fee for the George Thomas/Don Rogers Cup Competition is in accordance with the published Tariff.

QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

- (C). **ELIGIBILITY.** To be eligible to play at each stage of this competition a player
- (i) Must be registered for the competing club in the Swindon & District Football League on or **before 31st December** each season.
 - (ii) Must have been registered at least **72 hours prior to the original date** fixed for the round.
 - (iii) Must not have **played for another club** in any other Cup Competition controlled by the Swindon and District Football League during the current season.
 - (iv) Must not have played in any Competition (Cup or League) **SENIOR** to this (other than a County FA Junior Cup Competition), after the start of the current season, prior to playing in any game in the Competition. **For clarity, a player can play for a senior club BEFORE the SDFL season starts.**

To clarify further, the Wiltshire Premier league is step 7, Hellenic Premier League is step 5, Hellenic league Division 1 is step 6, however Hellenic league Division 2 is the same status as our own.

Clubs should advise players about eligibility for cup matches as soon as they sign on. The League will remind signatories to exclusions on registration forms.

- (v) To have played a game, players must have taken part in a match. Being named as substitute and not having played, does not count.
- (vi) Semi-Final eligibility. Subject to the above conditions a player may compete from the Semi- Finals onwards
 - (a) If he has taken part in at least **4 Swindon & District Cup or League games** for his competing club during the current season.
- (vii) Eligibility for postponed matches or replays
 - (a) In the case of postponed or replayed matches only players who were eligible to play on the date originally fixed for the tie shall be eligible to play.



- (b) Players also excluded will be those who were under suspension by the County FA, through suspension in any competition, when the original tie was due to have taken place.
- (viii) Where a team can prove to the satisfaction of the Management Committee that it has not been able to, or will not be able to, compete in at least 50% of its League fixtures up to the date of the Semi-Final, due to circumstances beyond its control, only players registered before 31st December each season and have played in at least two games in Competitions controlled by the Swindon & District Football League for that team, will be eligible to play in the Semi-Final.
- (ix) Any winning teams proven to have fielded ineligible players without reasonable excuse shall be eliminated from the Competition and the tie awarded to their opponents, otherwise a replay shall be ordered with a fine in accordance with the published Tariff and match day expenses for the replay awarded against the defaulting team.
- (x) Where a losing team is awarded a game and is also found guilty of playing an ineligible player, without good reason, it shall be eliminated.
- (xi) The losing team shall not be unduly disadvantaged by the date of the replay. The same principle shall apply to any team involved in a drawn game that requires a replay.
- (D) **CLUB COLOURS** -If playing on a neutral ground the management Committee shall decide on the colours. The second team "drawn out of the hat" will change in clash of colours for the Final.
- (E) **PLAYING SEASON, CONDITION OF PLAY, TIMES KICK OFF, SUBSTITUTES**
- (i) All matches must be played on the date fixed unless otherwise arranged by the Cups Secretary on behalf of the Management Committee.
- (ii) **Ground.** The club first drawn shall have the choice of ground up to the Quarter Finals.
- (iii) **Duration** In the event of a **MATCH BEING DRAWN AT THE END OF 90 MINUTES AN EXTRA 30 MINUTES (15 minutes each way) MUST BE PLAYED.** If a match is unresolved at the expiration of extra time, the match shall be decided by the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with FIFA conditions.
- (iv) **Match Expenses**
- (a) The cost of staging each tie up to the Final will be borne equally by both competing Clubs, unless otherwise directed by the Management Committee, and must be settled on or before the day of the match.
- (b) Any club found guilty of failing to reimburse its opponents with its share of the cost of staging the match, on or before the day of the match, may be fined in accordance with the published Tariff.
- (c) Where the Management Committee directs that the League will pay all or part of the expenses for staging any match, up to the Final, the competing clubs must submit an application to the League, together with legitimate proof of expenditure incurred, within a time limit specified by the Management Committee.
- (v) **The Final**
- (a) The Final tie shall be played on a ground chosen by the Management Committee and competing clubs shall bear their own travelling expenses.
- (b) Both competing teams shall provide two footballs suitable for match play. Failure to do so, or if the match official deems one or more unsuitable, the defaulting club(s) shall be fined in accordance with the published Tariff.



FEES TARIFF		
Rule	Description	Fee
4(A)	Application fee (New teams)	£15
4(B)	Annual League Fee (Not second teams)	£25
4(C)	Deposit	£50
7(C), 7(E), 7(G)	Protest/Appeal Fee	£5
18(D)	Player Registration Fee	£1
18(H)	Transfer Fee	£5
23(E)	Referee Fees	£25 + 34p/mile
23(E)	Assistant referee Fees	£20 + 34p/mile
	Cup Entry Fee	£25

FEES TARIFF (Cups)		
Rule	Description	Fee
24(A)	Swindon and District League Cup (formerly Swindon Advertiser Cup) entry fee	£25
24	George Thomas/Don Rogers entry Fee	n/a

FINES TARIFF –where a fine is mentioned but not specified in table below = £10.00		
Rule	Description	Max Fine
2(G)	Failure to affiliate – no fine, placed on reserve list	n/a
2(I)	Failure to comply with fa initiatives – no fine at present	Nil
2(K)	Unauthorised entry of teams into competitions	Nil
3	Failure to obtain consent for a change of club name	Nil
4(C)	Failure to pay a deposit - no fine, not accepted in league	Nil
4(E)	Failure to provide affiliation number/details form	£10
5(E)	Communications conducted by persons other than nominated officers – no fine at present. (noted) not actioned	Nil
6(H)	Communications conducted by persons other than nominated officers – no fine at present. (noted) not actioned	tbc
6(I)	Failure to pay a fine within required time frame	£50
8(H)	Failure to be represented at AGM	£10
9	Failure to be represented at SGM	£10
10	Failure to submit the required written agreement Or to notify changes to signatories - no fine at present	Nil
11(A)	Failure to provide notice of withdrawal before deadline	Forfeit deposit
11(B)	Failure to commence/complete fixtures	Forfeit deposit
11(D)(ii)	Ceases to operate during playing season	£10
16(A)	Failure to have the required insurance	Suspend club
16(B)	Failure to have the required insurance	Suspend club
18(A)	Failure to correctly register a player – player cannot play	Nil
18(B)(ii)	Failure to have the required number of registered players prior to the season commencing	£10
18(F)	Registering or playing for multiple clubs, or inaccurate completion of a registration form- player cannot play	Nil



18(G)(ii)	Registration irregularities - player cannot play	Nil
18(M)	Fielding more than the permitted number of players who have participated in senior competitions matches points awarded	tbc
18(N)	Playing an ineligible player – points awarded	tbc
19	Delaying kick off due to no change of colours	£10
19	Failure to number shirts	n/a
20(A)	Delaying kick off due to failure to provide required equipment	£2 per £5 min
20(C)	Failure to provide details of a fixture	£10
20(D)	Playing match with less than required number of players	£1 per player
20(E)(xi)	Failure to play fixture (more than 7 days notice)	£10
20(E)(xiii)	Failure to play fixture (less than 7 days notice)	£15
20(E)(xiv)	Failure to play fixture (on day of match)	£20
21(A)	Late result notification form	£10
21(B)	Failure to provide result	£10
21(C)	Result notification not signed by appropriate signatories	£10
23(D)	Failure to confirm fixture 2 days before match	£5
23(F)	Failure to provide club assistant referee	£5
23(H)	Failure to pay match officials fees & expenses before game	£10
23(H)	Failure to provide referee's mark	£5
23(I)	Failure to pay match officials where a match is not played	£10

FINES TARIFF (Cups)–where a fine is mentioned but not specified in table below = £10.00

Rule	Description	Max Fine
24(C)(ix)	Fielding ineligible players	£25 elimination
24(E)(v)	Failure to supply footballs	£25



After consulting with the clubs the committee confirmed that because of the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2020-21 season would finish with a round robin competition of 4 groups followed by a knockout for the **Your Sport Swindon Cup** and **Plate** sponsored by **Don Rogers**

Group A	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Globe	4	3	0	1	5	9
Nalگو	4	2	2	0	7	8
Highworth	4	2	1	1	5	7
Bassett Bulldogs	4	1	1	2	-5	4
Chiseldon	4	0	0	4	-12	0

Group B	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Priory Vale	5	3	1	1	17	10
Supermarine	5	3	1	1	8	10
Marlborough	5	3	1	1	8	10
Ashton Keynes	5	3	1	1	6	10
Moredon	5	1	0	4	-19	3
Centurions	5	0	0	5	-20	0

Group C	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Hatherop	5	4	1	0	23	13
Redhouse	5	4	1	0	13	13
Intel	5	2	0	3	5	6
Lower Stratton	5	2	0	3	-7	6
North Swindon	5	2	0	3	-9	6
The Regent	5	0	0	5	-25	0

Group D	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Blunsdon	5	5	0	0	20	15
Swindon AFC	5	4	0	1	7	12
Ramsbury	5	3	0	2	6	9
Spectrum	5	2	0	3	-9	6
Paragon	5	1	0	4	-11	3
Cricklade	5	0	0	5	-13	0

Your Sport Swindon Cup

Supermarine	0
Blunsdon	5
Hatherop	3
Nalگو	2
Globe	3
Swindon AFC	0
Priory Vale	4
Redhouse	2

Blunsdon	3
Hatherop	1

Blunsdon	4
Globe	0

Globe	7
Priory Vale	1

Plate sponsored by Don Rogers

Intel	1
Bassett Bulldogs	2
Ramsbury	2
Ashton Keynes	6
Lower Stratton	1
Marlborough	4
Highworth	8
Spectrum	0

Bassett Bulldogs	1
Ashton Keynes	2

Ashton Keynes	3
Marlborough	0

Marlborough	3
Highworth	2



League Awards

Secretary Award	PHIL HARRIS (Bassett Bulldogs)
Senior Referee	SAM WALKER
Junior Referee	CONOR LAW
Fairplay	Covid-19 Season curtailed. No award
Golden Boot – Premier League	Covid-19 Season curtailed. No award
Golden Boot - Division 1	Covid-19 Season curtailed. No award

Presidents Address to the AGM

Pete Mildenhall welcomed the 30 attendees consisting of clubs, old and new, referees, and Management Committee to the “Virtual” 131st meeting. We don’t know what the future holds, and the Management Committee are determined to get a full fixture list completed for the first time in 3 seasons.

The last fifteen months has seen an unprecedented upheaval in all our personal, social and working lives. The SDFL was not left untouched as the last two league seasons were curtailed with our usual Cup competitions not even starting, and the County Junior Cup competition was also cancelled.

However, with vaccinations came hope and when grassroots football was given the green light to start in April the committee felt that we had to give something for the clubs to get going again.

A series of options were given to the clubs on what their thoughts were and they decided that to complete the league season was impractical but a new format for a cup tournament would give them some football back with some meaning, not just friendlies.

Once the format was known with group matches moving into a knockout stage, similar to the World Cup, more and more teams wanted to be involved and in the end 23 teams started (in total 67 games over 6 weeks - no mean feat).

The league was extremely grateful for the sponsorship of Your Sport Swindon, and Don Rogers Sports in supporting this competition and also to New College with their facilities of a 3G pitch for the Finals.

I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work and keeping their enthusiasm going in such a stop and start last 12 months and the club secretaries for keeping their clubs going as your significant contribution lead to the overall success of the YSS Cups.

Finally, I would like to mention a few positive changes that will be coming next season. A District League with 3 divisions, with league fixtures taking priority, followed by a Cup competition. The League has also taken the initiative to introduce a referee training scheme partnering with the County FA. So, I am more than just hopeful of a successful season next year.



Premier Division

2008/09	FRATELLOS
2009/10	QUEENSFIELD
2010/11	QUEENSFIELD *
2011/12	FRATELLOS
2012/13	FRATELLOS *
2013/14	FRATELLOS *
2014/15	AVTAR CONSTRUCTION *
2015/16	TAWNY OWL *
2016/17	TAWNY OWL *
2017/18	TAWNY OWL
2018/19	RUBY REMOVALS
2019/20	Covid-19 truncated season
2020/21	Covid-19 truncated season

(*) League & Cup Double

2018/19

Division 1

PINEHURST ATHLETIC
CRUMPLED HORN
No competition
No competition
OLD TOWN UNITED
LOWER STRATTON *
KS MILTAX
SWINDON SPITFIRES
SPORT4PINEHURST
RUBY REMOVALS
BLUNSDON
Covid-19 truncated season
Covid-19 truncated season

Division 2

REDHOUSE

Pyramid promoted to WILTS COUNTY LEAGUE

2016/17	BASSETT BULLDOGS
2018/19	STRATTON JUNIORS

Swindon Advertiser Cup

2008/09	QUEENSTOWN
2009/10	OLD TOWN WANDERERS
2010/11	QUEENSFIELD
2011/12	QUEENSFIELD Ref:Kevin Small
2012/13	FRATELLOS / Mark Willis
2013/14	FRATELLOS / Chris Harris
2014/15	AVTAR CONSTRUCTION / M Ealey
2015/16	TAWNY OWL / Jeremy Moyse
2016/17	TAWNY OWL / Mark Niemirski
2017/18	BAKERS ARMS / Rory Peacey
2018/19	DORCAN / Mark Paris-Haines
2019/20	Covid-19 truncated competition

Chairman's Jubilee Cup

2003/04	WINDMILL
2008/09	RODBOURNE ARMS

Memorial Shield

2018/19	MOREDON vs. Chiseldon Ref: Colin Tewkesbury
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Your Sport Swindon Cup

2020/21	BLUNSDON / Ted Lewis
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George Thomas Memorial / Don Rogers Cup

MOONRAKERS
QUEENSTOWN
SWINDON AUTO ENGINE TUNE
SPECTRUM / Graham Dancer
FERNDALE / Adrian Povey
LOWER STRATTON / Brian Bennett Murdoch
OLD TOWN / B Bennett Murdoch
BASSETT BULLDOGS / Colin Tewkesbury
WROUGHTON Res. / B Bennett Murdoch
DORCAN / Leigh Treadaway
WHEATSHEAF / Keith White
Finalists NALGO & WROUGHTON RES.

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Swindon & District Football League Privacy Policy

We at the Swindon and District Football League, take your **privacy** very seriously, and this Privacy Notice sets out how we use and look after the personal information we collect from you. As the organisation (League) who is responsible for, and controls the processing of your personal data, we are the data controller, and sometimes the data processor and will take reasonable care to keep your information secure and to prevent any unauthorised access or use. We may update this Privacy Notice from time to time, and will inform you to any changes in how we handle your personal data.

Information we may collect from you - Personal data means any information about an individual from which that individual can be identified. We may collect, use, store and transfer some personal data of our participants, and other League members. The data we collect from participants may include: Name, date of birth and gender, contact information, such as home address, email address, and telephone numbers.

We may hold some health data or other special category data of some of our participants or members for the purposes of their health, well being and welfare, and safeguarding. Where we hold this data it will be with the explicit consent of the participant, or if applicable the participants parent or guardian..

Where we need to collect personal data to fulfil League responsibilities and you do not provide that data, we may not be able honour or administer your participation in football.

How is your personal data collected? - A participant may give us their personal data by filling in forms or by corresponding with us by post, phone, email, in person, via our website or otherwise. This will typically be provided by their clubs Secretary by inputting participant details into Whole Game System. Other participants, such as referees, may input their own data into Whole Game System.

How the League uses your personal data - We will use personal information only for the purposes for which we have been provided such with such information. The reason we need participants' and members' personal data is to be able to run the football league and arrange matches; to administer registration, and provide the league services you are signing up to when you register with the League as a club or participant. Our lawful basis for processing this personal data is that we have a contractual obligation to anyone as a participant or member to provide the services they are registering for. We have set out below, in a table format, a description of all the ways we plan to use personal data, and which of the legal bases we rely on to do so. We have also identified what our legitimate interests are where appropriate.

Purpose/ Processing Activity	Lawful Basis for processing under Article 6 of the GDPR.
To respond to your inquiry	Contractual
To administer the league	Contractual
To send information to you	Contractual
For research purposes	Why you no longer want to participate in the league?
To publish your views or comments on the Leagues social media	Legitimate interest - if a member does not want to do this they can object to this processing by contacting us via the details in the Contact Us section below
Sending out League information and update	Performance of a contract
Sharing data with other leagues, County Associations and other Competition providers for entry in events	Performance of a contract



Publishing club and league contact details in our annual handbook and social media	For the purpose of administering league and cups. This data is deleted each season and renewed with your with your annual consent.
processing registration forms	Performance of a contract
organising matches	Performance of a contract
to check compliance with our League criteria to participate in the League	Performance of a contract and Legitimate Interests. Our Legitimate Interests are that we need to ensure that participants meet the appropriate criteria to ensure that the matches that are organised are fair.
sharing data with referees	Performance of a contract
sharing data with the club you are a member of, county football associations and the FA	Performance of a contract
sharing data with committee members to provide information about league activities, registration renewals or invitation to social events	The League has a legitimate interest to maintain participant correspondence for league community purposes.
sharing data with third party service or facility providers	The League has a legitimate interest to run the organisation efficiently and as it sees fit. Provision of some third party services is for the benefit of the League and participants.
sharing anonymised data with a funding partner as condition of grant funding e.g. Local Authority	The League has a legitimate interest to run the organisation efficiently and as it sees fit. Application for funding is a purpose that benefits the League and participants.
publishing match and league results	Consent. We will only publish personal data in a public domain, including images and names, if we have your consent for us to do so. In the case of children under the age of 13 then only with written consent of parent/guardian
sending out marketing information such as newsletters and information about promotions and offers from sponsors	Consent. We will only send direct marketing if you are an existing member, participant or other associated individual and you have not previously objected to this marketing, or, you have actively provided your consent.
to ensure we understand possible health risks	Consent. We will only process details on anyone medical history with their consent.

Sharing your personal data - A club enters participant and / or member details onto Whole Game System, which is administered by the FA. We also pass your information to the County FA for affiliation purposes. Referees will also add their details on the whole Game System. We may share personal data with County FA, suppliers and sub-contractors such as, coaches or match organisers. We require all third parties to respect the security of your personal data and to treat in accordance of the law. These third-party service providers will only process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions. We may disclose personal information to third parties to comply with a legal obligation; or to protect the rights, property, or safety of our participants, members or affiliates, or others. The League's data processing may require personal data to be transferred outside of the UK. Where the League does transfer personal data overseas it is with the sufficient appropriate safeguards in place to ensure the security of that personal data.



Protection of your personal data - We are committed to protecting your privacy and we have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent personal data from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. However the nature of the internet is such that the data may in some circumstances flow over networks without full security measures and could be accessible to unauthorised persons.

Data Retention - We keep personal data on our participants, members and website users while they continue to be a participant or are otherwise actively involved with the League or any of our social media services. We will delete this data at the end of each season that an individual has ended their membership or has left or otherwise ended their registration, or sooner if specifically requested and we are able to do so. We may need to retain some personal data for longer for legal or regulatory purposes. The personal data that is stored on Whole Game System is subject to the FA's privacy policy so we advise you review that policy together with this notice. If anyone would like their personal data to be deleted from Whole Game System then please contact the County FA. In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal data (so that it can no longer be associated with you) for research or statistical purposes in which case we may use this information indefinitely without further notice.

Cookies - When you visit our website we may collect process and use informing about you which may not personally identify you but which may be helpful for improving the information of the website. Such information may be collected through "traffic data" and may entail the use of "cookies", "IP addresses" or other numeric codes used to identify your computer. You can delete cookies or configure your computer to reject them, although this may disable the website's ability to manage individual sessions.

Third party links - The website may contain links to other sites. Please be aware that we are not responsible for the privacy practices of these sites. We encourage our users to be aware when they leave this website and to read the privacy statements applicable on those sites. This privacy policy does not apply to information collected on third party sites.

Your rights - All data subjects have a right to: **Request access** to you personal data, **Request rectification** of the personal data that we hold about you, **Request erasure** of your personal data where there is good reason for us continuing to process it, **Object to processing** of your processing data for direct marketing, or where we are processing on the grounds of a legitimate interest or that interest is overridden by your rights and freedoms, **Request restriction** of processing of your personal data while we establish the data's accuracy, or verify an overriding interest to object to processing; where our use of the data has been unlawful but you do not want us to erase it; where you need us to hold the data to establish, exercise or defend legal claims.

Request the transfer of your personal data to you or to a third party, in a structured commonly used, machine readable format.

Withdraw consent at any time where we are relying on consent to process your personal data.

Complain at any time to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues (www.ico.org.uk) If participants have any questions about this Privacy Notice then please contact League Secretary.

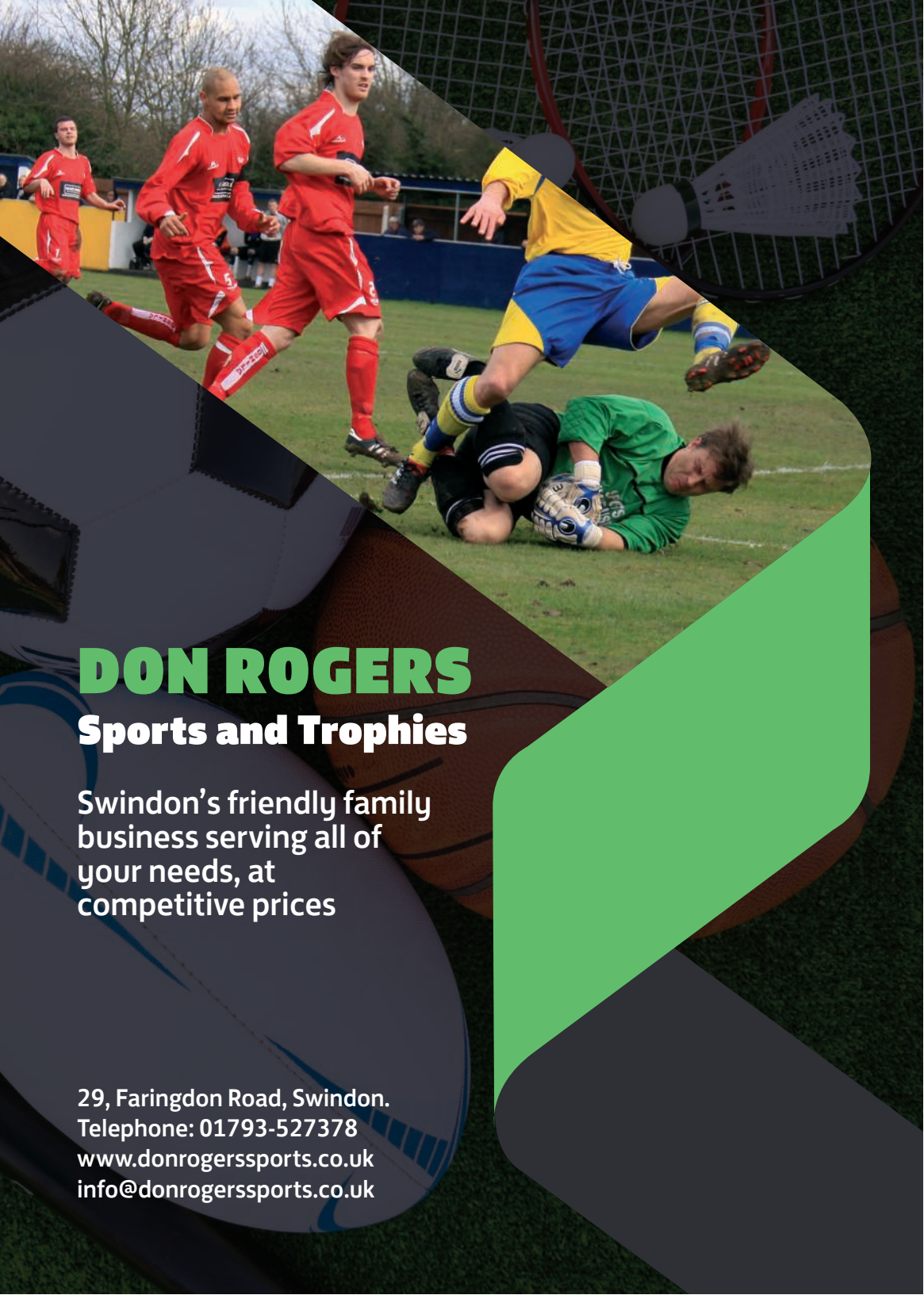


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Help us become an England Football Accredited League

Take the lead. Set the tempo. Raise the roof.

England Football Accredited Leagues and England Football Accredited Clubs set the standards, raise the bar and fly the flag of respect and diversity for football in England.

Being an Accredited League will help us attract more clubs, referees, increase divisions, players, coaches, and volunteers. With your engagement to become accredited, the League will become stronger, more sustainable, and more successful.

It will help us to deliver our vision of the future, by making our League the best in the area, and giving all our teams in all Divisions the best experience possible. We already have the name Premier Division and we need to ensure that it is and prepare those clubs that have ambition to go on and play in the National League, through the Pyramid.

Our goal has always been to raise standards of grassroots football in Swindon and its surrounding District, and to support the development of your clubs.

England Football Accredited Leagues and England Football Accredited Clubs lead the game by example. They're safer, stronger, more effective and more enjoyable places to play and enjoy football and why we want to attain that Accreditation.

When you're ACCREDITED, you're not just part of it, you're the beating heart of it. Existing FA Charter Standard Clubs will automatically become an England Football Accredited Club

Over the coming months, in partnership with the FA we will prepare you for the opportunities ahead with frequent updates on our League website.