

TOURNAMENT RULES

26. Copa Cataluña 2013

1. Implementation of the tournament shall be incumbent on promoter and will be organized in compliance with the tournament regulations and the rules of the game stipulated by UEFA or FIFA.
2. The promoter shall appoint a tournament committee.
3. The promoter shall appoint a field manager for all several playing grounds. This manager is responsible for the organisation of the matches referring to the game schedule.
4. Referees appointed by the promoter shall be holders of a valid licence.
5. **Those entitled to play**
 - A. All players entitled to play for the club, team or select team do so in accordance with the regulations which apply in their homeland and in compliance with FIFA regulations.
 - B. The original document entitling the player to participate (a valid player's pass, copies are not accepted, or if necessary a passport/national identity card) and the game report sheet have to be submitted 30 minutes before the game starts to the field leader who shall then be responsible for checking them. In each match a maximum of 18 players are allowed.
 - C. If a club registers more than one team in one age group, the players shall only be permitted to play for the same team within that age group. Therefore the team has to present the registration form to the tournament committee before the tournament begins. Where no registration list is submitted, the first match report shall serve as registration list.

6. Game report sheet

Prior to each match, the match report sheet has to be filled in with the first names, surnames and birth dates of the players in order of their shirt numbers. The sheet has to be signed by the coach or supervisor. After the match, the match report sheet is to be completed and signed by the referee. The tournament committee and both teams will receive a completed copy.

7. Age group division/qualifying date regulation

Under 19:	01.01.1994 - 31.12.1995
Under 17:	01.01.1996 - 31.12.1996
Under 16:	01.01.1997 - 31.12.1997
Under 15:	01.01.1998 - 31.12.1998
Under 14:	01.01.1999 - 31.12.1999
Under 13:	01.01.2000 - 31.12.2000
Under 12:	01.01.2001 - 31.12.2001
Under 11:	01.01.2002 - 31.12.2002
Under 10:	01.01.2003 - 31.12.2003
Under 09:	01.01.2004 - 31.12.2005

Special regulation for every boys category: In each junior age group, two players who are at most 1 year older (e.g.: U19 = 2 players born in 1993, etc) are allowed to be added to the match report for each game and are permitted to play! In each junior age group younger players are permitted to play.

Under 17-Girls:	01.01.1996 – 31.12.1997
Under 15-Girls	01.01.1998 – 31.12.1999

Special regulation for every girls category: In each junior girls age group, two girls who are at most 1 year older (e.g.: U17 = 2 girls born in 1995, etc) are allowed to be added to the match report for each game and are permitted to play! In each junior girls age group younger girls are permitted to play.



8. Substitutes

Up to five substitutes can be made in each match of the tournament. Each substitution has to be signalled to the referee and can only be done during a time out. A player who has been substituted can participate in the same match again (within the limit of five substitutions). This rule does not apply to seven aside games. In these games, unlimited changes are permitted. However, all substitutions must still be notified to the referee.

9. Playing time

Under 19, Under 17, Under 16, Under 15, Under 14, Under 13	2 x 20 minutes
Under 17-Girls / Under 15-Girls	2 x 20 minutes
Under 12, Under 11, Under 10, Under 09	2 x 15 minutes

10. Penalties

- caution (yellow card)
- time penalty (5 minutes)
- sending-off (red card)

If a player is sent off the field (red card), he/she is suspended for the next game minimum. It is up to the tournament committee to decide on a higher penalty. Major disciplinary offences (also away from the pitch) may be punished with suspension or exclusion from the tournament.

11. Group division

Games shall be played in groups of four teams (in exceptional cases groups of three or five teams).

12. Scoring

- Scoring of games shall be done according to points and goals. If two teams have the same number of points, the goals ratio will count according to the subtraction method, the number of goals scored having priority (e.g.: 2:2 is better than 1:1, 5:3 is better than 3:1!). The scoring is in accordance with the system of the FIFA: win: 3 points, draw: 1 point, defeat: 0 points.
- If two teams have an equal number of points and scored the same number of goals in the preliminary round, the result of the game in which they played each other shall decide the winner. If, in this case, they have an equal score, the winner shall be selected by drawing lots.
- To determine the best second, third, fourth or fifth in a group of three or five teams within an age group, the number of points of each team is to be divided by the number of matches played by each team (quotient). Teams will be ranked according to their quotient, beginning with the highest one.
- If no winner has been determined during the qualifying/final games in regular playing time, penalty kicks in line with FIFA rules shall determine the winner (Attention: Only players who are on the field at the final whistle will be allowed to take a penalty kick (This rule does not apply to seven aside games). No player is allowed to take two penalties before the rest of his team have taken one).
- Teams must arrive at the field 30 minutes before the start of the game. If a team arrives more than, at most, 15 minutes after the official game start time or fails to appear at all, the game shall be awarded as a 0:2 loss. However, if a team fails to appear through no fault of their own (transport problems, traffic congestion, etc.) the tournament committee shall adjudicate on whether a replay should take place. If a game is abandoned due to the misbehaviour of a team, it shall be awarded as a 0:2 loss. It is within the discretion of the tournament committee whether or not to notify the national association of the team in question. This also applies for a lack of sportsmanship away from the pitch.
- In case matches are cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, the results of these matches will be drawn at random (2:0 or 1:1 or 0:2). This applies only for an interruption not a discontinuation of the tournament.

13. Special Rules

With the Under 12-/ Under 11-/ Under 10-/ Under 09-age group (seven players aside) the following special rules do apply:

- size of the goal: 6 x 2 meters (or, if necessary, smaller)
- penalty kick: from 9m
- The goalkeeper can kick-off using his hands and the ball does not have to be touched again before reaching the half-way line.
- the offside rule is waived.
- the 6-second rule for goalkeepers is waived
- the pass-back rule to the goalkeeper is waived
- any number of players may be brought on repeatedly.

14. The designated “home” team in each game must have a change of shirts ready in case their opponents are wearing similar colours.

15. Disputes must be submitted to the tournament committee in written form within one hour of the game finishing. The appeal fee is € 25,00. A decision will be made and announced within the subsequent 24 hours.

The tournament committee does not accept any complaints concerning the referee’s factual decisions.

16. All participating clubs shall accept these tournament regulations. Offences may result in disqualification of the team in question. All teams are responsible for their own clothing, equipment and other possessions.



Changes are possible !

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