

# Annexure 16

## Amateur Night Series

## Article 1 - General

---

1. All rules contained within the Football West Competition Rules and Annexure 4 of those rules are applicable to the Amateur Night Series unless otherwise stipulated in this document.
2. Where a rule in the Football West Competition Rules or Annexure 4 of those rules appears to conflict with these rules, the rule in this document takes precedence.

## Article 2 - Competition Format

---

1. The teams will be organised into 3 groups of 4.
2. Matches will be played at venues determined by Football West.
3. The teams from each group will play every other team in the same group once.
4. Teams will be ranked in their groups according to the number of competition points they accrue over the series. Points are accrued in accordance with Article 3 - .
5. The winner of each group and highest placed runner up will qualify for the semi-finals and will play those semi-final matches in a pre-determined draw.
6. The winners of each semi-final will play each other in the final.
7. Should scores be level at the full-time whistle in the semi-finals or final, the outcome of the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark as described in the FIFA Laws of the Game.
8. Once a player has taken the field of play for a team during the competition, he may not appear on the team list for any other team in the competition.  
**Penalty for Breach      Forfeit**
9. A player who has played in either the NPL Night Series or the Men's State League Night Series, may not appear on the team list for any team in the competition.  
**Penalty for Breach      Forfeit**

## Article 3 - Competition Points & Team Ranking

---

1. Three points will be awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a defeat.
2. If two or more teams from the same group are equal on points on completion of the group matches, the following criteria are applied in order to determine the higher ranking team.
  - a) the team with the superior goal difference
  - b) the team with the higher number of goals scored
  - c) the number of points gained in matches between the teams concerned
  - d) the team with the lower number of red cards
  - e) the team with the lower number of yellow cards
  - f) the drawing of lots

## Article 4 - Interchangeable Substitutes in Group Matches

---

1. This article 4 applies to group matches only.

Substitutes in the group stages of the Amateur Night Series are not bound by the condition in Law 3 of the FIFA Laws of the Game forbidding further participation in the match but may be substituted on and off the field of play on multiple occasions subject to the provisions of these Rules .

2. No more than five named interchangeable substitutes may be listed on the team list. All listed interchangeable substitutes may be used in any one match.
3. Except under the provisions of paragraph 5, no Interchange Events are permitted after the completion of 80 minutes. For the avoidance of doubt, the referee is the sole judge of whether 80 minutes have elapsed.
4. If, in the opinion of the referee, a player is injured after the completion of more than 80 minutes of a match and is unable to continue, the referee may permit the injured player to be substituted.
5. Only 1 injured player may be substituted under the provisions of paragraph 4.

## Article 5 - Player Rosters

---

1. The participating clubs may nominate a maximum of 20 players on a Player Roster, any of whom may be used during the competition.
2. Changes may be made each week of the competition before 1:00pm each Friday.

## Article 6 - Match Official Escorts

---

1. The participating clubs must each appoint match official escorts who must escort the match officials on and off the field before the game commences, at half time and at the end of each match.
2. The participating clubs must each provide at least two match official escorts for each match.

**Maximum Penalty for Breach \$100**

## Article 7 - Match Officials

---

1. The participating clubs will pay 50% of the match official fees for all matches in which they participate.
2. Football West reserves the right to appoint a Match Commissioner to any match. Match Commissioner fees will be paid by Football West.

## Article 8 - Match Equipment

---

1. Three match balls will be supplied to the host venues.
2. Should match balls be lost during the competition, Football West will arrange replacement match balls at the direct cost of the host club.

## Article 9 - Admission

---

1. No entry fee may be charged at any of the host venues.