

# Annexure 18

## State 18s Cup

## Article 1 - General

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1. All rules contained within the NPL Competition Rules, the Football West Competition Rules and Annexure 1 of those rules are applicable to the State 18s Cup unless otherwise specified in this document.
2. Where a rule in the Football West Competition Rules or Annexure 1 of those rules appears to conflict with these rules, the rule in this document takes precedence.

## Article 2 - Competition Format

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1. The 18s teams of every NPL-WA Club and every All Flags State League club will compete in the State 18s Cup. Entry is compulsory.
2. Matches will be played in a draw as specified by Football West.
3. Should scores be level at the full-time whistle, the outcome of the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark as described in the FIFA Laws of the Game.

## Article 3 - Players

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1. To be eligible to play in the State 18s Cup, a player must meet the following age criteria.
  - a) born in 2001, 2002, 2003 or 2004;
2. A player may not play for a team in the State 18s Cup if, in the same season, he has previously played for:
  - a) a different club in the Westfield FFA Cup, State Reserves Cup or State 18s Cup.  
**Penalty for Breach      Forfeit**
3. To be eligible to participate in a semi-final or final, a player must have played in a minimum of 50% of matches for the Under 18s team in question prior to that semi-final or final. This may include participation as a substitute or substituted player.  
**Penalty for Breach      Forfeit**
4. A player is exempt from the restriction specified in paragraph 2 if that player is a goalkeeper, and the club can establish to the satisfaction of Football West that no other eligible goalkeeper is available to participate. Absence due to injury must be accompanied by a medical certificate at least 2 business days before the match. Football West's decision on any application is final.  
**Penalty for Breach      Forfeit**
5. An unused substitute is deemed NOT to have played in a match.

## Article 4 - Match Officials

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1. For circumstances in which a match official is allocated to a match involving teams from different divisions, the match official will be paid the fee to which he is entitled for the higher ranking team.
2. Match Official Fees for the final will be paid by Football West.

## Article 5 - Admission

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1. Entry fees may be charged in accordance with the NPL-WA Competition Rules and Annexure 1 of the Football West Competition Rules.

2. Where an entry fee is charged, a maximum of 21 people from each visiting team will be provided with a free entry pass to the venue for any one match day for use by the players, club officials or a club's official guests only. The visiting clubs must inform the home club in writing the names to be granted free entry by noon on the last working day prior to the match.

## Article 6 - Squad Lists

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1. Football West reserves the right to request a squad list for each competing team in a match. If requested, such a list must be provided in writing 4 days prior to the match.