

Annexure 23

Women's

State Cup

Article 1 - General

1. All rules contained within the Football West Competition Rules and Annexures 3 & 9 of those rules are applicable to the Women's State Cup unless otherwise specified in this document.
2. Where a rule in the Football West Competition Rules or Annexures 3 & 9 of those rules appears to conflict with these rules, the rule in this document takes precedence.

Article 2 - Competition Format

1. Entry is compulsory for all clubs in the Women's Premier and State League. Teams in Women's Metropolitan League may enter through the process stipulated by Football West, provided that the team does not already have a team in the Women's State League.
2. A Metropolitan League team that enters the Women's State Cup may NOT also enter the Women's Metropolitan Cup.
3. The clubs competing in each round of the competition will be drawn in pairs at random. The pairs will play a fixture subject to the Laws of the Game and the Competition Rules and relevant Annexures and the winner of each fixture will compete in the next round and be drawn in the same manner. This procedure will be continued until the final of the competition.
4. Substitutes in the Women's State Cup are not bound by the condition in Law 3 of the Laws of the Game forbidding further participation in the match. All substitutes in the Women's State Cup are able to be substituted on and off the field of play on multiple occasions.
5. A preliminary round may be held to ensure that the following rounds can be played by the correct number of teams to ensure that only two teams remain at the end of the competition.
6. After the draw of each round, participating clubs will be informed of the fixture date, time and venue.
7. In all fixtures, should scores be level at the full-time whistle, the outcome of the fixture will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark as described in the FIFA Laws of the Game.

Article 3 - Players

1. A player may not play for a team in the Women's State Cup if, in the same season, she has previously played for:
 - a) a different team in the Women's State Cup

Penalty for Breach **Forfeit**
2. To be eligible to participate in a semi-final or final, a player must have played in a minimum of 50% of different matches for the club in question prior to that semi-final or final in either the Premier League first or reserves or State League team.

Penalty for Breach **Forfeit**
3. 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 fixture. Football West's decision on any application is final.

Penalty for Breach **Forfeit**

Article 4 - Match Officials

1. For circumstances in which a match official is allocated to a fixture involving teams from different divisions, the match official will be paid the fee to which he is entitled for the higher ranking team.

2. Football West will pay match official fees for the Women's State Cup Final.

Article 5 - Squad Lists

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