

LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION

FEES & FINES TARIFF – SAME AS LEAGUE WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS		
RULE NUM	DESCRIPTION	FEE
4 (B)	TEAM ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	£ 25

OFFICERS - The Competition shall be vested in the control of a Sub-Committee comprising of the Officers of the League.

RULES - All Rules as per League Rules with the following exceptions and additions

RULE 1 - DEFINITIONS

“Competition” means the Stroud & District Football League Cup Competition.

RULE 2 - COMPETITION NAME, CONSTITUTION

(B) The competition shall be divided into sections. The Senior section shall be reserved for invited teams who play in the Gloucestershire County League and the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League, whose lower classified teams are also members of the Stroud & District Football League. All other sections are reserved for Stroud & District Football League teams and all clubs must enter the section for which they are eligible.

RULE 4 - ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT

(B) Every club must pay an Annual subscription per team as per the Fees Tariff to the Competition. All subscriptions must be paid no later than 30th June.

RULE 13 - TROPHY

Fifteen individual trophies shall be awarded to the winners and runners-up of each section, including one designated for the Team Manager.

RULE 15 - FINANCE

(E) At the conclusion of the competition, the proceeds (after deduction of general expenses and the cost of mementoes for the winners and runners-up of each Section and for the Officials in each Final) shall be distributed to local charities as determined by the League’s Management Committee.

RULE 18 - QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

(A) To be eligible to play in the Competition a player must be registered with that Club in the League(s) in which it participates.

(B) No player may play for more than one Club, and a player having competed in a Senior Section may not play in a lower Section during that season, unless he has played in at least half of that team's League and Cup fixtures that season.

Any Team playing an ineligible player shall be deleted from the Competition for that season, and liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

A Team losing a tie in which an ineligible player took part for the winning team shall be awarded the game providing the losing team has not included an ineligible player.

The player(s) concerned will be suspended from all sections of the competition for the remainder of the season.

(C) In Semi Final and Final matches, players must have already played for the Team concerned, in the appropriate section, or have played in at least one quarter of that Team's League and Cup fixtures that season to qualify for inclusion, except in special circumstances, where permission has been granted by the Management Committee.

RULE 20 - PLAYING SEASON. CONDITIONS OF PLAY, TIMES OF KICK-OFF. POSTPONEMENTS. SUBSTITUTES

(A) Ties shall be drawn, the dates fixed, and the matches played as the Management Committee may determine. Immediately after each draw, the League Fixture Secretary shall intimate to each of the Clubs drawn, the name of the Team it is drawn against and the time within which the tie is to be played.

In the event of a fixture being reversed by mutual consent of both Clubs, the team actually playing at home shall be deemed to be the home team and subsequently be responsible for the usual home expenses.

In the event of a Club not being able to play the game on its own ground on the date fixed, the game must be played on the ground of their opponents. Any Club refusing or failing to play the Club against which it has been drawn on the date set for the tie, shall be adjudged to have lost the match, and will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff

Where possible, Semi Final ties will be played at a neutral venue and the competing Clubs will be equally responsible for the ground hire and referee fees.

For all Semi Final and Final ties, each competing team shall be required to provide 3 match balls fit for play to the match referee at least 15 minutes before kick-off, for use during the game.

(B) No extra time is to be played, and if the scores are level at the end of agreed time, the tie shall be decided by kicks from the penalty mark to decide the tie (in accordance with the International Board decision of 27th June 1970). The duration of each game shall be not less than seventy minutes in each round, except for the Semi-Finals and Finals which shall be of ninety minutes duration, equal time being played in each half.

RULE 23 - MATCH OFFICIALS

(E) In Semi-Final matches where Assistant Referees are appointed, the Referee and Assistant Referee's fees will be shared by both clubs and paid as per League Rule 23(E).

KICKS FROM THE PENALTY MARK COMPETITION

The following regulations shall be strictly adhered to:

1. The Referee shall choose the goal, at which all of the kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken
2. The Referee shall toss the coin and, the team whose captain wins the toss shall take the first of five kicks from the penalty mark. The two teams shall alternate in the taking of kicks from the penalty mark against the opposing team goalkeeper until five kicks by side shall have been taken.
3. Each kick shall be taken by a different player of the same team from amongst those already in the team at the end of the match, and these shall be the eligible players for the purpose of the Competition.
4. If after each Team has taken five kicks and each has scored the same number of goals, the taking of kicks from the penalty mark shall continue, in the same team order, until such time as each team has taken the same number of kicks and one team has scored a goal more than the other. Not until all eligible players of any team, including the goalkeeper, have taken a kick may a player of the same team take a second kick.
5. Any player who was on the field at the end of the match may change places with his goalkeeper at any time during the taking of kicks from the penalty mark.
6. All players, other than the two goalkeepers and the player taking the kick shall remain within the centre circle whilst the taking of the kicks from the penalty mark is in progress.
The goalkeeper who is a colleague of the player taking the kick shall take up position outside the penalty area, behind the line which runs parallel with the goal line, and at least ten yards from the penalty mark.
7. During the kicks from the penalty mark Competition substitutes may be used in accordance with International Board Conditions laid down 27th June 1970. P132 F.A. Handbook.