

WHEATLEY WANDERERS JFC TOURNAMENT RULES 2018



Teams & Competition

The U7's and U8's teams will be 5 a side. The U9's to U16's teams will be 7 a side. All players must be of the correct age group as of Season 2018/2019. No overage or academy players. Maximum squad sizes are as per DDJSFL rules. All players will receive a tournament medal, winners of their respective National groups or finals will receive a trophy.

The teams will play two group stage leagues, followed by the two National Cup leagues each made up of 4 or 5 teams. Please see your age group page for how each team is split into the World and Euro Cup. If teams are on equal points then they will be decided by the note below. For age groups with one group then all teams will play a group stage followed by two national cup finals. The world cup final will be made up of the group winners playing 2nd place and the euro cup final made up of the 3rd and 4th place team.

Match Duration

The matches will be 12 minutes one way for U7, U8, U9, U10 and U14. The U11, U12 and U16 will be 15 minutes one way. The U13's will be 10 minutes each way or unless otherwise indicated or at the discretion of the organiser depending on the age group to accommodate maximum playing time. A coin toss will decide the direction of play and who kicks off. Games being played one way, if for adverse weather conditions give an advantage to one team then the play will be split into two equal halves, swapping ends at each half. In this case there will be no stoppages at half time.

Points & Ranking

Points awarded are: 3pts a win and 1pt for a draw. Team's level on points will be decided firstly by goal difference, then by goals scored, then by number of wins, then by head to head result if they played each other. If teams are still level then a penalty shoot-out will take place to decide the highest ranked team. A series of five kicks from the penalty spot shall be taken by each team against the opponent's goalkeeper with the teams taking alternate kicks. FA Rules for penalty kicks shall apply and the Referee shall decide which goal is to be used. Should each team score the same number of goals in this series of kicks from the penalty spot then sudden death shall apply. Only players on the field of play at full time are eligible to take a penalty, unless at sudden death all players on the field of play have taken a penalty then the remaining team players will take a penalty. In the national cup finals if the games are equal at full time a period of 50% of the scheduled match time of extra time will take place and if teams are still level then a penalty shootout will take place to decide the winner, as per rules above.

Rules

Players can only play for one team throughout the tournament. Any team found using a player who has played for another team will have their points deducted and a 3-0 win awarded to the opponents. Managers are responsible for ensuring their team is ready to play. Failure to attend on time could result in the team forfeiting the match with a 3 goal advantage to the opposition. If a team fails to attend its fixture then the result will be awarded to the opposing team by a score of 3-0 and 3 points.

Normal small sided mini soccer rules will apply to all games as per DDJSFL rules. All ages will follow the retreat to half way line rule for goal kicks and no goal can be scored from a centre kick. Additionally the U12's to U16's will follow mini soccer rules for games along with there will be no off side rule; goal keepers must throw or roll the ball out, as kicking out of hands is not permitted otherwise a direct free kick will be awarded to the opposing team on the edge of the box in line with the foul. Subs will be roll on roll off, but only when there is a break in play and have the referee's permission. No time wasting!

Players receiving a yellow card will miss the next game. Players receiving a red card will not be allowed to participate any further in the tournament. The referee's decision is final on the field of

play; please remember the code of conduct for managers, players and spectators, which should be adhered to for the whole tournament.

The management reserves the right to change order of play and format depending on attending teams. Management decisions are final and irreversible.

Spectators are reminded to stand behind the respect barriers at all times and remain the responsibility of the manager.