



ADMINISTRATION RULES

1. Name of Competition

TWIN OAKS FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL PROJECT

2. Organisers

- a) Twin Oaks Football.
- b) The Competition will be governed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of The Football Association and the Sussex County Football Association. Matches shall be played in accordance with The Laws of Small Side Football as laid down by The Football Association and set out within these rules.
- c) The competition, all teams and players and other persons shall be subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Football Association.
- d) The relevant County Football Association shall deal in accordance with. Breaches of the Laws of the Game/Laws for Small Side Football and the Rules and Regulations of The Football Association,

3. Teams Eligible to Enter and Entry Fee

- a) The qualification dates for the competition shall be as follows:
UNDER 14's – (Boys only) The player must be under the age of 15 and over the age of 13 as of midnight before the competition starts.
UNDER 15's – (Boys only) The player must be under the age of 16 and over the age of 14 as of midnight before the competition starts.
UNDER 16's – (Boys only) The player must be under the age of 17 and over the age of 15 as of midnight before the competition starts
UNDER 17's – (Boys only) The player must be under the age of 18 and over the age of 16 as of midnight before the competition starts
- b) The competition shall be open to teams by application to the Organisers. All teams will be given a Contact Registration Form (for all team correspondence) and Player Registration forms prior to the league starting by post or by downloading from the organisers website. Teams must complete the forms and send them in to Twin Oaks Football, 129 Hawkins Road, Tilgate, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 5NP at least 2 weeks before the league starting. Failure to do so will result in the team's expungement from the competition. Twin Oaks Football reserves the right to produce various forms throughout the season for teams and players to complete.
- c) Entry to the competition is FREE
- d) Match fees are £3 per player per night (minimum 2 x 30 minute matches) and payable at least 15 minutes before the match commences to the competition organisers.
- e) If a team is unable to play a game (e.g. absence, lateness (over 5 minutes), not enough players etc.) then the opposition shall be awarded the match 5 goals to 0.

4. Management of the Competition and Powers

- a) The Competition Organisers shall have the power to apply, act upon and enforce the rules of the competition and shall have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the competition, including any not provided for in these rules. The Organisers shall also adjudicate in all cases of dispute, protest and complaint.
- b) All questions of eligibility, qualification of players or interpretation of the rules shall be referred to the Organisers whose decision shall be final.

5. Copies of These Rules

A copy of these rules shall be given to all participating teams and are binding on the teams taking part. It is the responsibility of the Lead Person/Contact to make sure **all team players are aware of the rules.**

6. Arrangement of the Competition

- a) The Competition shall be played on a league basis. Fixtures will be arranged by the Organisers and notified to the competing teams prior to the commencement of the Competition, also available at www.twinoaksfootball.co.uk. Three points will be awarded for a win and one for a draw in the event of two or more teams being equal on points the team with the best goal difference shall take precedence. In the event of goal difference being equal, goals scored shall take precedence.
- b) The league shall consist of divisions of 5 or 6 teams.

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- c)
- d) If you are entering an existing league, you will be placed in a division where a space is available or at the discretion of Twin Oaks Football.
- e) No Team must enter this Competition in the name of an affiliated club.
- f) No team can change their name without prior agreement from the Organisers. Any team changing their name without the consent from the committee will not be allowed to enter the league. Any team that has a nucleus of five players that have played together within the league before will not be able to start a new team in a lower league.
- g) The competition shall run all year round. Each period shall run for 10 weeks as set out by the Organisers.
- h) Matches will be played on Friday evenings at the time listed below.
UNDER 14'S & U15'S – 8-9PM
UNDER 16'S & U17'S – 9-10PM
If the match day is changed then all participating teams will be given prior notice.
Each match shall be approx. 15 minutes each way.
- i) Teams in a division of 6 will play each other once over a 10 week period. At the end of each period, the two highest ranked teams in each division (except the top division) shall be promoted to the division above. The two lowest ranked teams in each division (except the bottom division) shall be relegated to the division below. The league tables will be re-set at this point and the next 10 week period will commence.
- j) The Organisers shall review all abandoned matches and in all cases where it is to the advantage of the competition, and does no injustice to any of the teams, the Organisers shall be empowered to order the score at the time of the abandonment to be recorded as the result.
- k) Prior to the start of a match all players taking part must pay the match fee of **£3** to the organisers to obtain their registration card that **MUST BE** handed in to the match referee before the game commences.
The amount of players that a team can have signed on at any time is 10.
- l) Up to a maximum of three points may be deducted from the total gained by any team found to be responsible for causing the abandonment of a match as a result of the conduct of its players/officials and spectators.
- m) In all cases where the Organisers are satisfied that a game has been abandoned through the fault of one of the teams, the match shall be awarded to their opponents.
- n) In all cases where the Organisers are satisfied that a game has been abandoned through the fault of both teams, the match shall be declared null & void.
- o) In the event of a game being abandoned through any other extreme cause not provided for above, one point shall be awarded to each team.
- p) No re-arrangement of fixtures is permitted where a match is abandoned or where a team is responsible for failing to fulfil a fixture, other than by the Organisers themselves.
- q) In the event of a team withdrawing or being removed from the league their record will be expunged. If a team withdraws or is expelled during any 10 week period of the competition, a team on the waiting list may replace them for the next 10 week period at the discretion of the Organisers.
- r) The Organisers shall entertain no objection to the format of the league.

Note: A team is not considered to have withdrawn from the competition unless the Organisers have been formally notified by the registered Lead Person/Contact or have been removed by the Organisers themselves.

7. Reporting of Results.

The referee shall be responsible for reporting the result of the game to the Committee at the conclusion of each game.

8. Referees.

Referees shall be appointed by the Competition.
All referees will be affiliated to the F.A.

9. Trophies/Prizes.

The following trophies will be awarded: -

Winners of each Division:
Winner's trophies for all registered players. (8 Max)



Runners up of each Division:

Runners up trophies for all registered players. (8 Max)

10. Right to Cancel.

The Organisers reserve the right to cancel, postpone or rearrange any games and to adjust the pricing scale from time to time. A refund or credit will be allowed following any such cancellations as appropriate.

11. General Conduct.

ONLY PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE MATCH SHOULD BE ON THE TURF/PITCH WITH ALL SPECTATORS AND NON PARTICIPANTS STANDING ON THE HARD SURFACE BEHIND THE BARRIERS FOR HEALTH & SAFETY & INSURANCE REASONS.

Games will be played in a public area. Hence the highest standards of behaviour are expected from all participants. All participants are expected to show appropriate respect and courtesy towards opponents, team mates and officials alike. Offensive, insulting or abusive language will not be tolerated and players are reminded that such behaviour is a sending off offence. No jewellery or watches may be worn during matches.

Important Note:

All participants entering into sporting activities do so entirely at their own risk and the organisers, their servants or agents do not accept any liability for any personal injury or loss/damage to property howsoever caused.

Public Liability Insurance does not cover injury arising from personal accident or person-to-person incidents. All participants should be encouraged to take out there own insurance to cover such eventualities.