



كأس مينا

**MINA CUP**

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## 1. RULES

The Mina Cup will be played in accordance with applicable sections of the IFAB Laws of the Game and FIFA rules. When subject to interpretation of FIFA rules or regulations, the English text applies.

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## 2. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The Mina Cup Tournament Committee will include representatives of the CB Football Management and local football stakeholders. The Committee will handle any grievances and sanction matters. The decisions of the Committee are final and cannot be appealed.

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## 3. THE MINA CUP ORGANISER

CB Football Management, Performance, Education and Management Services.

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## 4. COMPETITION RULES

4.1 Participating teams from outside the UAE must belong to a club or academy that is a registered with its national FIFA affiliated association. All players must be registered with the club they are playing for. Please note that players cannot belong to a club from a country where the player is not residing.

4.2 The teams are divided into groups of four teams for the first stage. The selection of teams for each group will be made by the Mina Cup Committee. Consideration will be given to ensure teams from differing nations will be paired in the same group.

The order of fixtures will also be decided with the final group positioning determined according to the points system. 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.

If two or more teams finish with the same number of points, their final group standing will be decided in the following order:

1. **Goal difference**
2. **Highest number of goals scored**
3. **Results in the match(es) between teams with equal points (head to head)**
4. **Penalty shoot-out according to the FIFA rules**

4.3 Mina Cup Schedule

For the full Mina Cup Schedule, contact [support@minacup.com](mailto:support@minacup.com)

## 5. 2021 AGE CATEGORIES

U18 - Boys born 1/1-03 or later (11-a-side)  
 U16 - Boys born 1/1-05 or later (11-a-side)  
 B14 - Boys born 1/1-07 or later (11-a-side)  
 B12 - Boys born 1/1-09 or later (9-a-side)

## 6. PLAYING PERIOD

U12 (9-a-side) 2 x 20 min / 10 min HT  
 U14 (11-a-side) 2 x 25 min / 10 min HT  
 U16 (11-a-side) 2 x 25 min / 10 min HT  
 U18 (11-a-side) 2 x 25 min / 10 min HT

## 7. PLAYERS AND SUBSTITUTIONS

7.1 There is no limit to the number of players in each team. In each 11-a-side match, a maximum of sixteen (16) players may be used. This equates to five (5) substitutes. For 9-a-side matches, a maximum of twelve (12) players may be used, equating to three (3) substitutes.

A substituted player may be reintroduced during a match. Substitutions can only take place during a break in play (free kick, corner, throw-in).

All substitutes entering or leaving the field of play, should do so from the teams technical area or at the centre line. The player that will be substituted must leave the field before the new player can enter the field. Substitutions which are not made correctly will be punished with a yellow card.

7.2 It is permitted to use a player from the same club in several teams but not in the same age group. This player has to be on the participant list of all teams he will play for. The player must also be present during the age control check for each team the player plays for. There is no maximum number of players on the participant list.

## 8. TEAM MASTER LISTS

Teams must submit a final list of players and staff two weeks prior to their arrival. This list will be used for the age control check and any player not listed will be deemed ineligible unless replacing an injured player with proof of injury.

## 9. PROOF OF AGE AND CONTROL

Each team must submit a list of players to the Mina Cup administration before their first match in the tournament. All players MUST be able to identify themselves and to certify their age with a valid passport. ID documents which expired after May 1st are also considered to be valid. Please note, a copy of the passport or ID document is not accepted.

The age control will take place at the team hotel during a pre-agreed time. All players must be in attendance for the age control check. Any player not present will be deemed ineligible to play in the Mina Cup. The team must also have a staff member responsible for age control and they must also attend the check.

## 10. MATCH ARRANGEMENTS

### 10.1 Team Sheets

A team sheet template will be made available at the welcome information session. This must be completed and handed over to the referee before every match.

The number each player has on the team list must be the same as the number of the shirt.

All players on the team list are considered as if they have participated in the game.

Random controls of team list and participant lists will be carried out.

All team officials (maximum 6) have to be indicated with their names on the team list.

Only these officials are allowed to be in the technical area. If there are no markings for the technical area it is considered to be an area of 8 meters along the sideline where the substitutes are located.

### 10.2 Player kit

Teams should identify colour of their kit in advance and any secondary options available.

All team shirts must be numbered, and the numbers must correspond to the numbers on the team list. Numbers must be on the back of the shirts. Two players may not use the same number in any given match.

The Mina Cup will recommend colour of each team in advance but if the referee decides that one team should change shirts due to similarity to the opposing team's shirts, the team appearing last in the match schedule has to change.

10.3 Before, during and after the game

All teams should be ready at the field no later than 15 minutes before kick-off.

The team manager must make sure that his players are adequately insured.

Please note that per IFAB Laws of the Game number 4, the wearing of shin guards by players is mandatory.

No player will be allowed to play without shin guards.

The teams are responsible for their supporters' and parents conduct. Inappropriate supporters' behaviour or conduct can result in team's exclusion from the tournament or future tournaments.

The responsible team official (coach) must sign the referee's match card after the match to confirm the result, red cards and other events during the game. Failure to sign may result in a notification to the Mina Cup Committee.

10.4 Match Balls

All games will be played with an official size 5 Umbro ball.

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## **11. 9-A-SIDE CHANGES**

Under 12 play the 9-a-side format (one goalkeeper and eight outfield players). The same rules as in 11-a-side are applicable, note that the offside rule is applicable just as in 11-a-side football. The size of the goals is the same as in 11-a-side football. The size of the field is reduced and dimensions will be communicated in advance of play.

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## **12. MATCH OFFICIALS**

The match officials will be appointed by the Mina Cup Committee and will be of an excellent standard with adequate experience. Assistant referees will be used for all games.

## 13. PROTESTS AND SANCTIONS

13.1 Any and all protests must be made in writing and delivered by a responsible official to the Mina Cup Committee no later than 90 minutes after the match is finished. A protest fee of AED 500 applies which will be refunded should the protest be successful. Only protests that concern the Laws of the Game and ineligible players will be considered. All decisions will be in the best interest of football and may not be appealed.

The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with the game are final. (FIFA rule no. 5). No measures will be taken on protests on decisions made by the referee.

13.2 Cautions and Red Card Offences

Any player or official given a straight red card is automatically suspended from participation in the following match. Any player or official given two cautions during one match will be only receive an automatic one match suspension if this occurs at any stage before the final four.

At the final four stage, two cautions in one match will not result in suspension. The tournament committee will review any serious incidents and can impose a further suspension should it be deemed necessary. Yellow cards are not accumulated.

Each team has the responsibility that a suspended player does not participate in a game (or games) where he/she is suspended. Severe offences will be reported to the FA of the nation concerned.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: If a player that is suspended or ineligible participates in a game, the team in question will see the player suspended and a 0-3 loss will be incurred for the match in question.**

## 14. NO SHOWS, ABANDONED MATCHES

14.1 Any team not appearing at the appointed time and place for a match can be declared the loser by a score line of 0-3. If a team fails to appear at a second game, they will be excluded from the tournament.

14.2 If a match is interrupted for some reason and can't be played to the end, the committee will decide which of the following action will take place;

The game has to be replayed

The game is decided by penalty shoot-out

The game is restarted from the minute when it was interrupted  
The result will be confirmed based on the score at the moment of interruption

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## 15. MATCH FIELDS

All the playing fields are grass and located at the JA Sports Centre.

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## 16. MATCH

The Organising Committee has the right to change the groups, times and fields up to March 21st.

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## 17. REGULATIONS FOR ACCOMMODATION, TRANSPORT AND TOURNAMENT PROPERTY

The team manager, as indicated on the participant list, is responsible for any damage caused by his players.

Consumption of alcoholic beverages is forbidden for all players.

Smoking is prohibited in the hotel rooms.

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## 18. INSURANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY

18.1 By registering to participate in Mina Cup, the registrant (who is the team manager in charge or someone else tasked by the team manager in charge) verifies that the team manager in charge has been made aware of these stipulations and that the team manager in charge has the necessary authority and permission from the participants, the participants' guardians and the registered association. Participation in the tournament is at the participants' own risk and the team manager in charge is responsible for all participants whom the team manager has registered, which should be included in the list of participants.

18.2 The team manager in charge is obligated to ensure that all participants are insured on the pitch. Each participant is responsible for his/her personal insurance off the pitch. Participants from countries that have no medical insurance agreement with the UAE must have personal medical insurance. Neither Mina Cup nor the organizer has collective insurance to cover injuries, illness, theft or damages.

Neither Mina Cup nor the organizer is responsible for compensation and they are also not responsible for financial losses or damages that may occur due to events outside the control of Mina Cup or the organizer, such as war-like events, fire, flood, interruptions in public transport connections, government actions, strike or other similar circumstances.