

Notes for the guidance of teachers taking teams

All Cup and League results should be e-mailed to the Cup & League Coordinator as soon as possible after the match.

Eligibility of Players

1. Seniors: born on or after January 1, 2001
Under sixteen: born on or after January 1, 2003
Under fifteen: born on or after January 1, 2004
Under fourteen: born on or after January 1, 2005
Under thirteen: born on or after January 1, 2006
2. Any player who has played in four or more competitive games for any team cannot be played thereafter in a team of different age classification in that season in competitive matches. **No player may play in more than one cup competition.**
3. Any **five from five named substitutes** may be fielded at any time and for any reason. **“Rolling”** substitutions are now permitted at any age level.
4. Any player sent off in a match is automatically suspended for the next match.
5. Any appeal against an ordering off should be sent to GSFA Secretary within 3 days and should be accompanied by a cheque for £25.00, payable to GSFA, returnable if the appeal is upheld.

Arranging of Matches

1. A teacher must be present at each game and in charge of the team, and sign the teamline to confirm this. In addition, the teamline should be signed by the School Football Representative before posting.
2. In the event of colours being similar, the home team should change.
3. Ball sizes are

Seniors	size 5 ball	40 minutes each half *
Under sixteen	size 5 ball	35 minutes each half *
Under fifteen	size 5 ball	35 minutes each half *
Under Fourteen	size 5 ball	35 minutes each half *
Under thirteen	size 4 ball	30 minutes each half *

* **Note:** Matches should be of two equal periods of the time stated, unless mutually agreed between the referee and the two participating teams. Any agreement to alter the periods of play (for example to reduce each half because of insufficient light, too short a “let” for the pitch, etc) must be made **before** the start of play.

4. Teachers are advised to instruct referees to end matches before the score reaches double figures.
5. Team lines should be correctly completed, at every game, with the league section or cup competition clearly indicated in the appropriate space. After the game, the correct score should be marked in and the teamline signed by the referee. There is no need to give a copy to the opposing teacher.
6. **Do not allow the referee to retain the teamlines even if he wishes to do so.**
7. A teamline must be sent by each team to the appropriate person (Paul Scollin) as soon as possible after each game. The result should also be e-mailed to the appropriate coordinator as soon after each game as possible.

Cup ties

If the scores are level at the end of regulation time, 10 minutes each way extra-time may be played. Agreement on this must be made with opposition and the Referee. If the match is still drawn, the tie will be decided by the taking of kicks from the penalty mark. Replays are not permitted.