



FPF
ALGARVE CUP
2020

REGULATIONS



1. PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

1.1 Algarve Cup is a tournament organized by Portugal, Denmark, Norway and Sweden. All matters regarding the organization of the tournament, such competitive format, invitations, regulations etc., will be dealt with by the organizing nations by mutual agreement.

Co-hosts for Algarve Cup 2020: Norway

Co-host for the next coming year (2021): Sweden

- The 8 teams invited to Algarve Cup 2020 are: **Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal and Sweden**

2. COMPETITION SYSTEM

2.1 DRAW

A draw will take place at least month before the first match of the competition, or as soon as the final lineup of participating teams is officially known

2.2 COMPETITION FORMAT

Match Day 1

Match 1: Team A vs Team B

Match 2: Team C vs Team D

Match 3: Team E vs Team F

Match 4: Team G vs Team H

Match Day 2

1st to 4th path

Match 5: Winner of Match 1 vs Winner of Match 2

Match 6: Winner of Match 3 vs Winner of Match 4

5th to 8th path

Match 7: Looser of Match 1 vs Looser of Match 2

Match 8: Looser of Match 3 vs Looser of Match 4

Match Day 3

3rd vs 4th: Looser of Match 5 vs Looser of Match 6

5th vs 6th: Winner of Match 7 vs Winner of Match 8

7th vs 8th: Looser of Match 7 vs Looser of Match 8

Match Day 4

FINAL: Winner of Match 5 vs Winner of Match 6

2.3 TIME OF PLAY

All matches are played in accordance with the Laws of the Game and shall be played in two parts of 45 minutes, separated by an interval of 15 minutes.

In case a matches ends with a draw, kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken, in accordance with the Laws of the Game.



2.4 ABANDONED OR POSTPONED MATCHES

2.4.1 MATCH DAY 1 AND MATCH DAY 2

If a match does not start due to bad weather conditions or other reasonable reason, the match will be scheduled to the next day, at the same time in a stadium to be decided by the organization, preferably in the same stadium.

If a match starts and is cancelled due to the bad weather conditions or other reasonable reason until 60 minutes of playing time, the match will be resumed the following day and will be played the rest of the match time. In this case, the players who are sent-off during the minutes already played cannot participate in the match resume.

If a match starts and is cancelled due to the bad weather conditions or other reasonable reason after 60 minutes (inclusively) of playing time, the match is considered finished and the match result will be considered as final.

Number of substitution are still 6 as determined by the regulations.

2.4.2 MATCH DAY 3 AND FINAL

If a match does not start due to bad weather conditions or other reasonable reason, or if it starts and is cancelled due to the same reason until the end of the first half, the following criteria will determine the winner.

- a. Kicks from the penalty mark, played in the format ABAB, if the pitch conditions allows it, with the agreement of both teams and referees
- b. The team with the greatest difference between the goals for and against in match day 1 and 2;
- c. The team with more goals scored in match day 1 and 2;
- d. The one that has the best fair-play ranking in match day 1 and 2;
- e. The one with best FIFA ranking;
- f. Drawing of lots.

If a match starts and is cancelled due to the bad weather conditions during half-time or during the second half, the match is considered finished and the match result will be considered as final.

If, at the moment of the interruption, the teams are equalized, the following criteria will determine the best ranked team in the final classification of the Algarve Cup.

- a. Kicks from the penalty mark, played in the format AB-AB, if the pitch conditions allows it, with the agreement of both teams and referees
- b. The team with the greatest difference between the goals for and against in match day 1 and 2;
- c. The team with more goals scored in match day 1 and 2;
- d. The one that has the best fair-play ranking in match day 1 and 2;
- e. The one with best FIFA ranking;
- f. Drawing of lots.

3. PLAYERS LIST

3. 1. Each team will be composed by a maximum of 23 players per match day.

3. 2. The **official list of the participating players**, containing their name, date of birth, club and number of the shirts used by them during the tournament, shall be sent to the Organisation 10 days (February 23rd 2020) before the start of the tournament. Changes can be made until the organisational meeting, the day



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before the start of the tournament (March 3rd 2020). The maximum number of players that can be part of the **official list of the participating players is 26**.

3.3. Players must use the same shirt number during all the tournament.

3.4. The teams must choose the 23 players that are going to be part of the **Match Sheet** till midnight (the latest) of the match day by sending an e-mail to the organisation of the Algarve Cup 2020 (e-mail address to be shared to all teams at the organisational meeting at the latest).

3.5. In case of proven injury or other very important motive, all teams can replace players from the official list of the participating players during the tournament, as long as the organisation is properly informed and accepts the reasons presented.

4. SUBSTITUTIONS

4.1. In each match, each team is allowed to perform 6 substitutions using 4 stops during the match. However, when the second half starts, each team can only make 3 stops to perform a maximum of 6 substitutions. During each stop, each team can substitute one or more players.

4.2. The substituted player is not allowed to re-enter the field.

4.3. A player who has been sent off by the referee may not be substituted.

4.4. During the match, each team can have at the same time, a maximum of 4 players warming up.

5. SUBSTITUTIONS BENCH

In each match, each team is allowed to have on the bench a maximum of 12 players and 6 officials. Teams can also have 5 technical seats 5 meters beside the substitutions bench.

6. COLOURS OF THE TEAMS

Every participating team must bring its first kit and reserve kit to the Algarve Cup. The kit form must be completed and sent to the organizers in connection with the Entry form.

8. REFEREES AND ASSISTANT REFEREES

It will be FIFA's responsibility to appoint all the referees for the tournament.

All match referees, assistant referees and 4th officials, will be appointed by the FIFA Commission present at the Tournament.

9. COMMITTEES

9.1 TECHNICAL COMMITTEE



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The Technical Committee, composed by the team administrator/technical director representative of Norway and Portugal, is totally responsible for the tournament.

9.2 CONTROL AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

9.2.1 The Control and Disciplinary Committee will consist of the heads of delegation from the organising countries: Portugal and Norway. The committee will deal with the disciplinary meetings during the tournament, in accordance with FIFA regulations.

The Committee will be convened by the Chairman or any other member.

The committee shall deal with protests, disciplinary measures and other matters concerning the tournament which are not mentioned in these regulations.

Members of the committee may not take part in the settlement of matters related to their own Association.

There will be a record of proceedings for all meetings, and a copy will be distributed to all members.

9.2.2 The committee can appoint match observers if it is considered necessary.

9.3 REFEREES COMMITTEE

9.3.1 A Referees Committee shall be appointed and shall consist of:

- 1 representative of the Nordic countries
- 1 representative of Portugal
- 1 representative of FIFA

10. PROTESTS

Protests regarding the validity of any match, shall be made orally to a member of the Control and Disciplinary Committee, within two hours after the end of the match, and a written confirmation should be delivered until 11pm, in that same day.

The protest shall be analysed promptly and the decision is final.

11. EXPULSIONS

In case of direct expulsion or expulsion caused by two yellow cards in the same match, a player cannot take part in the following match.

12. REFEREES REPORT



After the match, the referee shall deliver a report directly to the Control and Disciplinary Committee venue director of each match, containing information regarding expulsions, cautions or other facts of interest for the committee.

13. MEETING FOR THE TEAM'S OFFICIALS

Meetings for all the teams' Head of Delegation shall be arranged if it is considered necessary by the committee.

14. MATTERS RELATED TO THE ORGANISATION

- 14.1 In each match, the flags of the two participating countries, the FIFA and the FIFA Fair-Play flags shall be raised.
- 14.2 Venues shall be selected so that the travelling time does not exceed more than one hour from the hotel.
- 14.3 The exchange of small gifts between players and team officials will be allowed at each match.
- 14.4 A technical meeting will take place on the day before the first match, where all representatives of the participating teams must be present, bringing their team's kit colours, player's lists etc.
- 14.5 The head coaches and one player of the participating teams should be available to participate in a media activity to be held on the day before the first match
- 14.6 Whenever the organisation requires, the coach(es) and/or player(s) should be available to participate in media activities after the matches.
- 14.7 Each team should appoint one person who speaks English fluently to be responsible for connections between organisation, journalists and the team, regarding all media matters.
- 14.8 The organisation may prepare an official reception for the representatives of all the participating teams during the tournament.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating team is responsible for its own insurance coverage.

16. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

Each participating Association covers its own expenses such as international travelling, meals and accommodation, local transportations, training pitches, etc.

17. ALTERATIONS TO THE REGULATION



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Any alteration to this regulation can only be done with the consent of the Control and Disciplinary Committee.

18. ATTRIBUTION OF PRIZES

18.1 BEST PLAYER

This prize will be attributed after the last match of the tournament, according to a voting made by the head coaches of the participating teams. Each head coach must vote till 12:00am of the last match day of the tournament. If two or more players have the same number of votes, the one with the less number of minutes played during the competition will be considered as the best player of the tournament. If two or more players are still in the same condition, the one with more goals scored is considered as the best player of the tournament.

18.2 FAIR PLAY TEAM

This prize will be attributed according to the sum of the votes given in each match by the refereeing squad, always bearing in mind the number of cards shown and the behaviour of the team and officials on the substitutions bench. In case there are two or more teams in the same situation, the prize will be attributed to the team whose players have the lowest age average.