



AFF SUZUKI CUP 2014

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. NAME

- 1.1. The Competition shall be called: “The AFF Suzuki Cup 2014”

2. MANAGEMENT

- 2.1. The Qualifying Competition shall be organized and managed by the Lao Football Federation in collaboration with the Asean Football Federation.
- 2.2. The Final Round Group Competition shall be organised and managed by the Football Association of Singapore and the Vietnam Football Federation in collaboration with the Asean Football Federation.
- 2.3. The Final Round Semi-Final and Final matches shall be organised and managed by the home teams of the Semi-Final and Final matches.

3. PARTICIPANTS

- 3.1. Participants in the Tournament shall be those who are Members of the Asean Football Federation affiliated to the Federation Internationale de Football Association.
- 3.2. Member Associations after confirming their participation and for any reason withdrawing subsequently will automatically not be invited to participate in the Asean Football Championship 2016.

4. TROPHY AND PRIZE MONEY

- 4.1. A trophy called “AFF Suzuki Cup” shall be awarded to the Champion Team.
- 4.2. Furthermore, prize money will be awarded as follows:-

Winner	:	USD200,000.00
Runner-up	:	USD 75,000.00
Losing Semi-finalists	:	USD 50,000.00 each

- 4.3. In addition, a Fair Play trophy, Most Valuable Player (MVP) and Top Scorer awards will be given.

5. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS

- 5.1. Each team shall register not more than thirty-five (35) players, with a copy of the registered player's passport, who are the best in the country from the First National Team not later than thirty (30) days before the commencement of the tournament (Form 1). Such registration shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Local Organizing Committee and a copy to Asean Football Federation.

5.2. Final Registration Players & Officials for the Qualifying Competition

- 5.2.1. Final registration of twenty (20) players out of the thirty-five (35) players registered earlier (preliminary registration) will be registered at the 1st Team Managers' Meeting which will be held one day before the commencement of the competition.

A player listed on the final list of twenty (20) players may be replaced only in the event of serious injury up until one day before the kick-off of his team's first match after AFF have received a detailed medical assessment and only after the acceptance and confirmation by the AFF appointed Medical doctor.

The appointed Medical doctor shall issue a certificate stating that the injury is sufficiently serious to prevent the player from taking part in the AFF Suzuki Cup 2014.

Upon approval, the participating Member Association shall immediately nominate a replacement from the preliminary list of thirty-five (35) players and inform AFF accordingly.

AFF shall not be responsible for any cost due to a player replacement including airfares.

An injured Goalkeeper can be replaced at anytime from the preliminary register list of thirty-five (35) players and must fulfil all the above medical requirements.

- 5.2.2. A maximum of seven (7) designated officials for the Qualifying Competition can be registered for each team at the Team Managers' Meeting before the commencement of the competition.

5.3. Final Registration of Players & Officials for the Final Round Group Competition and the Final Round home and away Semi-Final and Final matches.

- 5.3.1. Final registration of twenty-two (22) players out of the thirty-five (35) players registered earlier (preliminary registration) will be registered at the 1st Team Managers' Meeting which will be held one day before the commencement of the Final Round group competition.
- 5.3.2. Only twenty (20) players from the final list of twenty-two (22) players can be registered for each match in the Final Round group competition.
- 5.3.3. Subsequently any twenty (20) players from the final list of twenty-two (22) players (as per 5.3.1) can be registered to play in any one of the Final Round Semi-Final and Final matches.
- 5.3.4. A player listed on the final list of twenty-two (22) maybe replaced only in the event of serious injury up until one day before the kick-off of his team's first match after AFF have received a detailed medical assessment and only after the acceptance and confirmation by the AFF appointed Medical doctor.

The appointed Medical doctor shall issue a certificate stating that the injury is sufficiently serious to prevent the player from taking part in the AFF Suzuki Cup [2014](#).

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AFF shall not be responsible for any cost due to a player replacement including airfares.

An injured Goalkeeper can be replaced at anytime from the preliminary register list of thirty-five (35) players and must fulfil all the above medical requirements.

- 5.3.5. A maximum of ten (10) designated officials for the Final Round Group Competition and the Final Round Home & Away Semi-Final and Final matches can be registered for each team at the Managers' Meeting before the commencement of the competition.

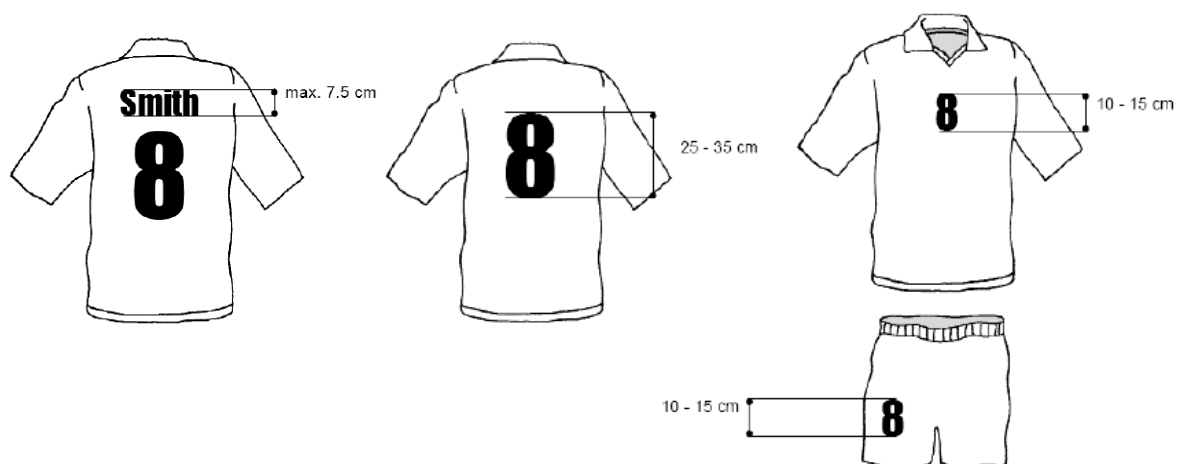
- 5.3.6. A Security Officer and a Media Officer must form part of these designated officials.
- 5.3.7. Only seven (7) out of the registered officials will be allowed in the enclosed area.
- 5.4. Only players who are bona fide nationals of the country they represent are eligible to participate in this competition in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes.

6. COLOURS AND NUMBERS OF TEAM

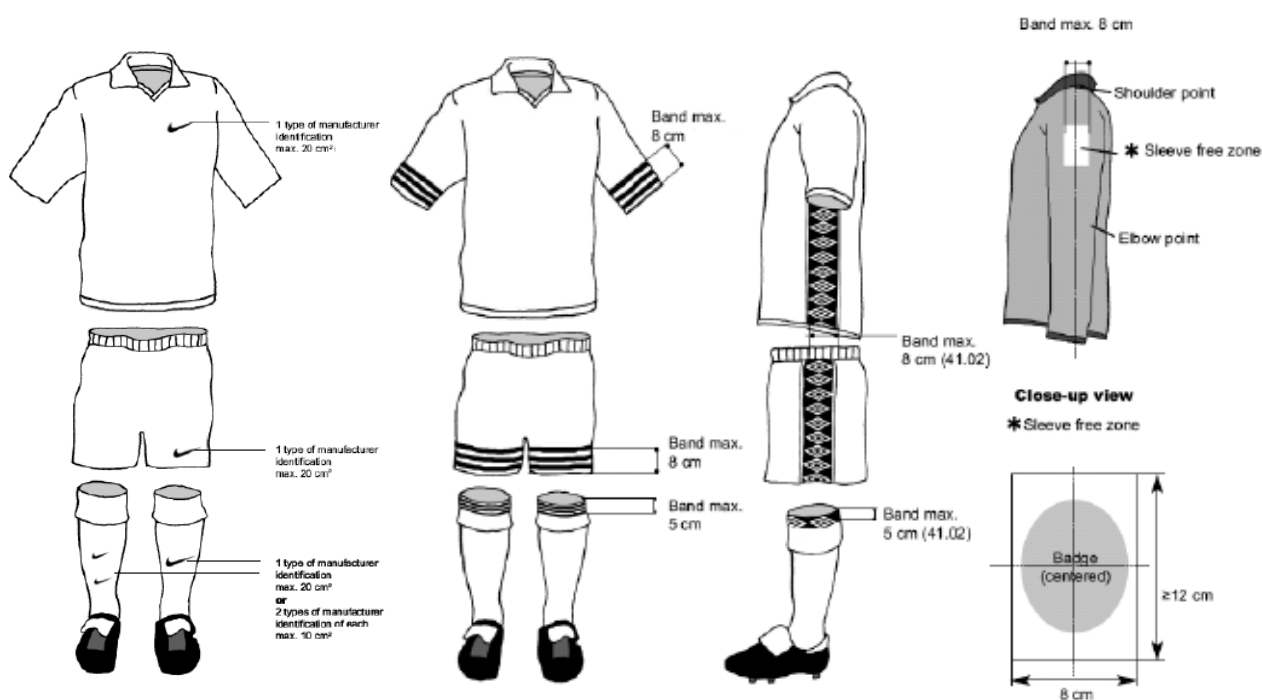
- 6.1. Participating countries must declare the first and second colours of their respective teams and they are obliged to use these colours for all their matches.
- 6.2. To avoid clash of colours, colours to be worn by teams for matches shall be determined at the Team Managers' Meeting whose decision is final.
- 6.3. All teams are obligated to bring along their first and second colours to every match. If in the opinion of the Match Commissioner and the Referees, the colours of the two opposing teams clash or it deemed necessary for television purpose, the colours must be changed, whereby the spare outfit may be used as a whole or in combination. In this instance, Team A (Home Team) shall have preference over Team B in the choice of colours.
- 6.4. Goalkeepers must be provided with jerseys of different colours contrasting with those of the two teams bearing their registered numbers (e.g., there shall be at least two No. 1 (one) jersey of different colours for the first choice goalkeeper and two (2) jerseys of different colours for the reserve goalkeeper). Under no circumstances will goalkeepers be allowed to play in jersey bearing numbers different from that were originally registered.
- 6.5. Players shall wear registered numbers on their jersey (back and front) and shorts. Numbers on jersey in contrasting colours shall be 25cm in height at the back and 10cm in height in the front, while the numbers on shorts shall be 10cm in height in the front of the shorts (below right). Any team found guilty of allowing players to play in jerseys with numbers other than those registered shall be subject to disciplinary action including fines.

Numbers should range from 1 (one) to 35 (thirty-five) in figures universally used, with the first goalkeeper's number being 1 (one).

6.6. The players' surname shall also be shown in contrasting colour on the back of the shirts above the number (7.5cm in height).



6.7. Any form of advertising on the outfit during this tournament shall be strictly forbidden. The authorized trademark of the manufacturer shall be allowed to appear only once on the shirt, once on the shorts and once on the socks. The trademark may be used alone as a logo or in combination with the names of the manufacturer but shall not exceed 20cm² on the shirt and 12cm² on the shorts and the sock. The emblem of the National Association may also be worn on the shirt.



- 6.8. Any and all form of advertising on other garments or equipment (T-shirts, track suits, jackets, wristbands etc.) or on other material and accessories (kit bags, beverage containers, plastic bottles, etc) belonging to players, goalkeepers, team officials etc. is strictly prohibited inside and outside the stadium during official training sessions and match days and during official Press Conferences.
- 6.9. The tournament logo must be displayed on the right sleeve of the player's jersey.

Tournament Logo



- 6.10. Any breach of the rules regarding advertising will be subject to sanction by the tournament Disciplinary Committee.

7. LAWS OF THE GAME

- 7.1. All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as promulgated by the International Football Association Board and published by FIFA.

8. MODE OF COMPETITION

The AFF Suzuki Cup 2012 shall consist of three (3) stages as follows:

- a) Qualifying Competition
- b) Final Round Group competition
- c) Final Round Home & Away Semi-finals and finals

8.1. Qualifying Competition

- 8.1.1. Participating teams will play one round league competition.
- 8.1.2. Three (3) points shall be awarded for a win and one (1) point for a draw and (0) none for a defeat.

8.1.3. The two teams coming first and second in this competition will qualify for the Final Round Group Competition.

8.1.4. Ranking shall be determined as follows:-

- i. greater number of points obtained in all the group matches;
- ii. goal difference in all the group matches;
- iii. greater number of goals scored in all the group matches. If two or more teams are equal on the basis on the above three criteria, the place shall be determined as follows:-
- iv. result of the direct match between the teams concerned;
- v. kicks from the penalty mark if the teams concerned are still on the field of play;
- vi. drawing lots by the Organising Committee for the AFF Suzuki Cup [2014](#).

8.1.5. The Organising Committee has the right to reschedule the final matches of any group/groups if such matches are deemed to affect the result of the other matches concerned, they may be rescheduled to be played simultaneously in two different venues.

8.2. Final Round Group Competition

8.2.1. Eight (8) participating teams shall be drawn into two (2) groups

8.2.2. Teams in the groups will play one round league competition.

8.2.3. Three (3) points shall be awarded for a win and one (1) point for a draw and (0) none for a defeat.

8.2.4. The two teams coming first and second in each group qualify for the semi-final.

8.2.5. Ranking in each group shall be determine as follows :

- i. Greater number of points obtained in all the group matches;

- ii. Goal difference in all the group matches;
- iii. Greater number of goals scored in all the group matches. If two or more teams are equal on the basis on the above three criteria, the place shall be determined as follows:-
- iv. Result of the direct match between the teams concerned;
- v. Kicks from the penalty if the teams concerned are still on the field of play;
- vi. Drawing lots by the Organising Committee for the AFF Suzuki Cup 2014.

8.2.6. The Organising Committee has the right to reschedule the final matches of any group/groups if such matches are deemed to affect the result of the other matches concerned, they may be rescheduled to be played simultaneously in two different venues.

8.3. Final Round Home and Away Semi-Final and Final Matches

8.3.1. Home and Away Semi-Final Matches

After the completion of the Final Round Group Competition, the first and second placed teams of each group will play Semi-Final home and away matches as follows:-

1st Leg

Runner-up A	vs	Winner B
Runner-up B	vs.	Winner A

2nd Leg

Winner B	vs.	Runner-up A
Winner A	vs.	Runner-up B

8.3.2. After the completion of the home and away Semi-Final Matches, the winners of the Semi-Final matches shall meet in the home and away Final Matches as follows:

1st Leg

Winner SF1	vs.	Winner SF2
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2nd. Leg

Winner SF2 vs. Winner SF1

- 8.3.3. Matches played under the home and away Semi-Final and Final Round, the following away goals and extra time principles will apply:

If the two teams involved in a tie score the same number of goals over the two legs, the team which scores more away goals qualifies for the next stage.

If this procedure does not produce a result, i.e. if both teams score the same number of goals at home and away, two 15-minutes periods of extra time are played at the end of the second leg. If, during the extra- time, both teams score the same number of goals, away goals count double (i.e. the visiting team qualifies).

If no goals are scored during extra time, the winner shall be determined by the taking of kicks from the penalty mark in accordance with the decisions of FIFA.

9. **DURATION OF PLAY**

- 9.1. The duration of every match shall be ninety (90) minutes, divided into two (2) halves, each of forty-five (45) minutes, with an interval of fifteen (15) minutes. The interval may only be extended with the consent of the Referee.
- 9.2. Whenever there is an extension of time, no player shall be allowed to leave the field of play unless consent has been given by the Referee.

10. **SUBSTITUTION OF PLAYERS**

- 10.1. Not more than three (3) players may be substituted during a match, including extension time from the list of named reserves, who must be declared before the commencement of each match.

11. **SUBSTITUTE BENCH**

- 11.1. In the Qualifying Competition, only nine (9) players and seven (7) designated officials will be allowed on the substitutes' bench.
- 11.2. In the Final Round Group Competition and the Final Round Home & Away Semi-Final and Final matches, nine (9) players and seven (7) designated officials will be allowed on the substitutes' bench.

12. MEDALS

12.1. Only thirty-two (32) medals will be presented to the champion and Runner-up teams at the presentation ceremony – twenty-two (22) for players and ten (10) for officials.

12.2. A maximum of ten (10) additional medals will be issued on request and with payment.

13. REFEREES ASSESSOR

The appointed Referees Assessor will be responsible for all matters pertaining to refereeing in the competition.

14. REFEREES AND ASSISTANT REFEREES

14.1. Only FIFA Registered Referees and Assistant Referees shall be appointed to referee in the Tournament and they will be paid the approved rates of payment.

15. PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS CAUTIONED OR DISMISSED FROM FIELD OF PLAY

15.1. A player who received two (2) cautions during the competition shall automatically be suspended for the match following the match in which he received the second caution.

15.2. A player and/or official dismissed from the field of play by a Referee shall automatically be suspended for the next match and may remain suspended until his case has been decided by the Disciplinary Committee.

15.3. Single yellow card received in the Final Round competitions will not be carried forward to the home and away Semi-Final matches.

15.4. Suspension from red card offences and double yellow cards in two (2) different matches will be in force throughout the tournament.

15.5. A suspended player and/or official shall not be allowed on the substitution bench and technical area.

15.6. Any player or official reported for indiscipline or violent conduct anywhere in the stadium including but not limited to the field of play, changing rooms, at the training Sites and in the hotels shall be dealt with by the relevant AFF Committee.

16. **DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE**

- 16.1. A Disciplinary Committee shall be formed consisting of a Chairman and four (4) members.
- 16.2. The Chairman shall be the Head of Delegation and the Members shall be four (4) who may take part in the discussions or vote when the relevant item is being adjudicated.
- 16.3. All members of the Disciplinary Committee including the Chairman, shall NOT be members of the Local Organising Committee
- 16.4. If the team of the Chairman is involved, then the meeting shall be chaired by one of the members present.
- 16.5. The Disciplinary Committee shall meet within 24 hours of the end of the match.
- 16.6. The Disciplinary Committee shall deal with the following:-
 - 16.6.1. In case of players being dismissed from the field of play.
 - 16.6.2. Any misconduct by an official or player, which has been reported to or come under the notice of the committee.
 - 16.6.3. Any written request or a complaint on disciplinary matter made by the manager of a participating team. Such a written request or complaint shall be handed to the Secretary of the Local Organising Committee within three (3) hours of the incident. Any other matter will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee.
 - 16.6.4. The Disciplinary Committee may only suspend a player from taking further part in the matches of the Tournament.

If more severe action is deemed necessary, the Member Association to which the player belongs must be informed and any further action shall be the responsibility of such Member Association.
 - 16.6.5. Other cases of misconduct, which may require disciplinary action.
 - 16.6.6. All decisions of the Disciplinary Committee on questions of fact shall be final and shall not be subject to appeal, judicially or otherwise.

17. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

- 17.1. The Tournament Committee shall consist of a Chairman and two (2) members. The Match Commissioner shall chair the Tournament Committee. The Members shall be the Chairman of the Local Organising Committee and the Referee Assessor.
- 17.2. All decisions of the Tournament Committee shall be final.
- 17.3. The Tournament Committee shall be responsible for:-
 - 17.3.1. Tournament match scheduling, which shall include dates, kick off times and venues.
 - 17.3.2. Ensuring that matches are played in accordance with the Laws of the Game and in conformity with these Regulations.
 - 17.3.3. Taking any disciplinary action, including the imposition of fines and/or penalties, in accordance with these regulations and Article 33 of the FIFA Statutes, except those referred to the Disciplinary Committee by these Regulations.
 - 17.3.4. Decisions in cases of force majeure.

18. APPEALS COMMITTEE

- 18.1. AFF shall appoint an Appeals Committee consisting of a Chairman and two AFF Members. The AFF President shall chair the Appeals Committee.
- 18.2. Members of the Appeals Committee shall NOT be members of the Local Organising Committee or the Disciplinary Committee.
- 18.3. The Committee will deal with all appeals, protests, etc. arising from the tournament and also has the jurisdiction to hear appeals against decision of the Disciplinary Committee. All decisions of the Committee shall be final.

19. SECURITY COMMITTEE

- 19.1. The Organising Federation shall form a Security Committee whose Chairman shall be a security officer holding a high position in the Police Force of the country.
- 19.2. Each participating team shall include a high-ranking police officer to accompany the team and he/she shall be a member of the Security Committee.

19.3. The Security Committee shall follow all guidelines, rules and regulations and measures recommended by FIFA to ensure there is security on and off the field at all times.

19.4. The Organising Federation shall be responsible to provide security arrangements to all participants, officials and referees to prevent violent incidents. Such security arrangements shall cover the stadium and its vicinity, the training grounds, hotels, games village, etc.

20. **FIELDS OF PLAY DIMENSIONS**

All matches of the competition shall be played on pitches with the following minimum dimensions:

<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Length: 100 metres	Length: 110 metres
Width: 64 metres	Width: 75 metres

21. **FOOTBALLS**

The footballs chosen for the tournament shall conform to the Laws of the Game and bear one of the following three quality standard designations licensed by FIFA:

“FIFA APPROVED”
“FIFA INSPECTED” or
“INTERNATIONAL MATCH BALL STANDARD”

22. **TRAINING SESSIONS AT THE VENUES**

Depending on the weather, the teams will be entitled to a training session in the stadium where they are due to play on the day before their first match. This is dependent on the condition of the pitch and the weather. Therefore, if the conditions are not favourable the General Coordinator may direct the teams only to inspect the pitch wearing training shoes.

23. **MEDIA OBLIGATIONS**

23.1. Open Training Session

The Official Training Sessions must be opened to the media. Should the participating teams wish to close its Official Training Session to the media, it shall open for at least the first fifteen (15) minutes of the training.

23.2. Press Conferences

- 23.2.1. The Head Coaches of participating teams and one (1) starting player from each team are obliged to attend and participate in a pre-match press conference to be held at least one day before the match.
- 23.2.2. The participating team Media Officer must ensure the attendance of the Head Coach and one (1) starting player.
- 23.2.3. The AFF reserves the right to schedule more than one (1) pre-match press conference, if necessary.
- 23.2.4. A post-match conference must be conducted at the stadium and commence no later than 15 minutes after the final whistle. Both participating teams are obliged to make their Head Coach available.
- 23.2.5. Official Functions. The Head Coaches and/or the Team Managers of the participating teams are obliged to attend and participate in any official press conference held at Official Functions such as the Official Draw.

23.3. Mixed Zone

- 23.3.1. Team officials and coaching staff and players of the participating teams shall be required to enter the Mixed Zone on their way from the team dressing room to the team bus at the end of the match.
- 23.3.2. Speaking to the media in the mixed zone is not compulsory. However, it is strongly advised that players and coaches give brief interviews to the media, who will be separated from the coaches and players by barriers.
- 23.3.3. Team Media Officer is responsible for briefing all players and the Head Coach prior to the match so they are aware of their responsibilities in this regard.

23.4. Interviews

- 23.4.1. If requested by the AFF and/or WSG, both participating teams should have their Head Coach and selected players available for the day before each match and/or the match day for an interview, to be recorded by the TV rights-holding broadcaster, for the purpose of tournament promotion.

23.4.2. For the 'Flash' interviews, the Head Coach and at least one (1) key player from both participating teams must be available for the TV rights-holding broadcaster upon their request. All players and the Head Coach of each participating team must be briefed by their respective Team Media Officer prior to the match so they are aware of their responsibilities in this regard.

23.4.3. In the final minutes of the game, the Host Broadcaster or other broadcaster representatives shall inform the AFF Media Officer of the players who are selected for the flash interview.

23.5. Breach of Media Obligations

23.5.1. Any breach of the rules regarding media obligations will be subject to sanction by the tournament Disciplinary Committee.

24. **PRESS CONFERENCES**

It is obligatory that all team coaches attend Post Match Conferences/Interviews.

25. **WITHDRAWALS, WALKOVERS AND ABANDONED MATCHES**

25.1. Participating teams shall play every match.

25.2. If, through the fault of any participating team, a match cannot take place or be played in its entirety, the Tournament Committee shall declare the match to be forfeited (awarding victory and resultant three (3) points to the opposing team as well as the score 3-0, or more, if the opposing team has already achieved a higher score.

25.3. All cases related to withdrawals, walkovers and abandoned matches will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee. The decisions of the Committee regarding these matters are final.

26. **INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

The interpretation of these rules and all matters not provided for shall be dealt with by the Organising Committee in consultation with the Asean Football Federation whose decision shall be final.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

1. OFFICIAL REPORT FORMS

- 1.1. Referee's Report together with Fourth Official Report in the prescribed forms shall be completed and returned, one (1) copy to AFC and another to AFF, after the completion of each match.
- 1.2. The official AFC Match Report Form must be completed by the Secretary of the Organising Committee after each match and sent to the AFC Secretariat within 24 hours.
- 1.3. A detailed statement of accounts showing the gross receipt and the amount deducted for government or municipal taxes must be sent to the AFC Secretariat duly completed, within 30 days of the tournament. Levy is payable to FIFA and AFC in accordance with their regulations.
- 1.4. The AFC Referees Assessment forms must be completed by the member-in-charge of Referees after each match and sent to AFC/AFF Secretariat within 24 hours.
- 1.5. The designated Match Commissioner's Report Form as well as the Match Data Sheet including results and cases of cautions, expulsions and serious incidents (if any) shall be completed and transmitted to the AFC/AFF Secretariat immediately after the match. The originals must be posted to the Secretariat afterwards.

2. COMPETITION REPORT

- 2.1. The Organising Member Association shall send a report of the Tournament to the General Secretaries of FIFA and AFC within thirty (30) days of the completion of the tournament. The report may be brief, but shall be as complete as possible and shall contain necessary items such as names of competing countries, names of referees and assistant referees, the difficulties met with the recommendations offered for the benefit of future tournaments.

3. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Local Organising Committee shall provide the following:-

- 3.1. AFF Officials, Referees & Assistant Referees
 - 3.1.1. Accommodation in a good hotel – two (2) days before the commencement of the tournament and one day after the assignment.

However, the General Coordinator, Asst. General Coordinator and the Secretariat staff will arrive three (3) days earlier.

AFF Officials to be accommodated at the team's hotel whilst the Referees, Asst. Referees & Referee Assessor to be accommodated at a separate hotel.

- 3.1.2. Three (3) times a day in buffet style of sufficient quantity and an additional light meal on match days
- 3.1.3. Reasonable laundry (no dry cleaning)
 - Three (3) pieces per day for AFF officials
 - Four (4) pieces per day for Referees & Asst. Referees (1 jersey, 1 short, 1 trousers & 1 pair of socks)
- 3.1.4. Internal transportation for training, matches and sightseeing **as follows:**
 - i) Head of Delegation and Match Commissioner to be provided with a car each**
 - ii) General Coordinator and the AFF Secretariat to be provided with a Van**
- 3.1.5. Free medical treatment including approved hospital facilities
- 3.1.6. Secretariat rooms for AFF Officials at the team's hotel and the stadium fully equipped with the following equipment:
 - i. Computers 2 Units with internet connection
 - ii. Laser printer 1 unit connected to both computers
 - iii. Scanner 1 unit connected to both computers
 - iv. Photocopy machine 2 unit (1 at hotel & 1 at stadium)
 - v. Fax and phone with IDD line (1 at hotel & 1 at stadium)
 - vi. White board
 - vii. Stationeries
 - viii. Sim card for all Officials
- 3.1.7. A meeting and briefing room for the referees in the hotel equipped with whiteboard and stationery together with audiovisual equipment (VCD/DVD/video, TV and LCD Projector)

- 3.1.8. Host Association will provide insurance cover for the duration of the tournament including repatriates
- 3.1.9. Economy return air passage between the two countries. The classes of air travel shall be as per AFF Expenses Regulations
- 3.1.10. Daily allowance as per AFF rates
- 3.1.11. USD100 for incidental expenses such as airport taxes, visa fees (only for the Final group Round, H&A Semi-Final and Final Matches).

3.2. AFC Officials, Referees & Assistant Referees

Should the host request the appointment of AFC officials for the tournament, the Local Organizing Committee shall provide the following:

- 3.2.1. Laundry but no dry cleaning or pressing, for one (1) training outfit (one jersey, one short & one pair of socks) plus a pair of trousers daily for the appointed Referees & Asst. Referees.
- 3.2.2. Reasonable laundry (including pressing) for not more than five (5) pieces of clothing daily & dry cleaning (including pressing) for one (1) jacket and one (1) pair of trousers once every two (2) days.
- 3.2.3. A daily allowance of USD100 per day for up to three (3) days before and one (1) day after the tournament.
- 3.2.4. USD100 for incidental charges and miscellaneous fees such as visa fees, etc.
- 3.2.5. Reimbursement of the air tickets (economy class) purchased for the match officials.

3.3. Teams

- 3.3.1. To provide full board and lodging two (2) days before the commencement of the tournament and one (1) day after the team's last match as follows:-

Qualifying Round

- Seven (7) singles
- Ten (10) twins
- One (1) equipment

Final Round Group Competition

- Ten (10) singles
- Eleven (11) twins
- One (1) equipment

3.3.2. Airfare

3.3.2.1. The host would reimburse Group Economy airfare for 27 persons for the participating teams in the qualifying round. The host would also cover the cost of airfare and allowance of the Match Officials

3.3.2.2. The host would reimburse Group Economy airfare for 32 persons for the Final Round Group Competition.

3.3.2.3. Final Round Semi-Final and Final matches (Home & Away) – Teams to be responsible for their own airfare.

3.3.3. Three (3) full buffet meals

3.3.4. One (1) additional light meal on playing days

3.3.5. Laundry for three (3) pieces per day (1 jersey, 1 shorts & 1 pair of socks)

3.3.6. Internal transportation, a bus for the team and a car for the officials for internal transport and this includes transport to training ground, matches, sightseeing and other essential movements. **A car to be made available for the Team Manager for official team needs only.**

3.3.7. Free medical treatment, including hospital facilities for injuries and emergencies incurred and sustained during the tournament.

3.3.8. Security facilities to be provided in the stadium and hotel including outriders for teams on match days

3.3.9. Ample supply of drinking water, ice and refreshments for the teams during the match, during training and at the hotel

3.3.10. A briefing room in the hotel equipped with whiteboard, video/DVD player and TV **throughout the duration of the tournament.**

- 3.3.11. The respective Member Associations must conclude the necessary general insurance policies for their players and officials whilst the Host Association will provide insurance cover for the duration of the tournament.

4. INTERVAL BETWEEN MATCHES

- 4.1. Each team is entitled to at least forty-eight (48) hours of rest between matches.

5. DOPING CONTROL

- 5.1. Doping Control tests, if necessary, will be carried out in accordance with the procedure as set out by FIFA.

6. PROTESTS

- 6.1. Subject to the following provisions, protests are objections of any kind to occurrences that have a direct effect on Matches organised in the Competition (state and marking of the pitch, accessory, Match equipment, eligibility of players, stadium installations, footballs, etc.) and any matters related to breach of these Regulations.
- 6.2. Unless otherwise stipulated in this article, protests shall first be submitted in writing to the Match Commissioner within two (2) hours of the Match by the team concerned and followed up immediately with a full written report (in the case of a protest on player's eligibility, it shall include evidence/proof to support the protest), including a copy of the original protest, to be sent in writing to the AFF General Secretariat accompanied by a fee of USD 500 (US dollars five hundred only). The plaintiff Member Association shall confirm the protest by registered letter, to be sent to the AFF Secretariat no later than two (2) days after the Match in question.
- 6.3. Protests against any incidents that occur during the course of a Match shall be made to the referee by the team captain immediately after the disputed incident and before play has been resumed. The protests shall be confirmed in writing to the Match Commissioner by the head of the team delegation no later than two (2) hours after the Match.
- 6.4. No protests may be made against the Referee's decisions regarding facts connected with play, such decisions being final.
- 6.5. Protests concerning the eligibility of players who take part in this tournament shall be submitted to the Tournament Committee with a copy to the AFF Secretariat as soon as the final registration of players has been circulated to participating teams.

7. FAIR PLAY

- 7.1. In every match of this competition, fair play should be actively promoted through the Fair Play flags, cards, posters, etc.
- 7.2. The Organising Country will present a Fair Play Trophy to the best team, which will be picked by the Disciplinary Committee based on marks allocated in the FIFA Guidelines for choosing the Fair Play Winner.