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Schools Olympic Program 16th Edition – 2022-2023 Football Boys' Participations Rules

Article "1" conditions for participation in the tournament

1. Public and private schools may participate in the tournament after completing the registration procedures stipulated in the regulations organizing the 16th edition of the Schools Olympic Program, 2022/2023.
2. During the tournament, all schools shall Implement the health protocol and precautionary measures approved by the Ministry of Public Health (transportation, distancing, wearing a mask outside the stadium, cleaning the dressing rooms, cleaning tools and equipment, special water bottles, providing disinfectant...).
3. Only students registered in the school lists may participate in the tournament matches.
4. Each participating school may enter one (1) team of maximum twenty-five (25) players per category. Four (4) club/Qatar National Team players may be registered in a team starting list, BUT only two (2) players may participate in the official match whether as starting player or substitute.
5. A student is allowed to participate in one (1) group game or one (1) individual game only.
6. Before the start of each match, the school shall fulfill the following conditions:
 - A- To submit a copy of the approved medical examination document to the students participating in the school. No student may be accepted without undergoing a medical examination.
 - B- To submit a list of school students sorted by the form prepared by the Organizing Committee.
7. Before the start of each match, the school shall receive the match start list form from those responsible for organizing the tournament, fill it out carefully and in clear handwriting, considering the points mentioned above, and hand it over to the match supervisor or referee.

8. During all matches and at all levels, the number of players registered in football Qatari clubs should not exceed two (2) players as a maximum, whether they are main or reserve players.

The student who is registered in a sports club after the date of the school's first match in the tournament shall be considered one of the outputs of the program and is not considered a player for a club.

9. Each participating school shall provide the team with unified and appropriate soccer wear and sports equipment.

Article (2) Tournament Format

1. The tournament shall be held for all levels in two stages: the first stage and the second phase.

2. The First Stage:

A. The first phase shall include the preliminary rounds of the tournament.

B. The organizing committee of the tournament shall decide the number of preliminary stages, distribute the groups, and set the schedules for the matches according to the number of government and private schools participating in the tournament.

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C. During the preliminary stages, the matches shall be held in a league method of one section between the group teams that are formed according to the arrival of the schools to the place of the matches, or they are formed in advance, and the schools are notified of this.

D. During the preliminary stage matches played in a single-division league system, the winning team shall be awarded three points.

The defeated team shall get zero score and both teams get one point in case of a tie.

E. During the preliminary stages, and in the event of a tie between two or more teams for all positions, the tie shall be broken according to the following successively:

* – The number of points obtained by the team during direct confrontations between the two teams or teams concerned.

* – The goal difference during the direct matches between the two teams or the teams concerned.

* – Goal difference during all stage matches.

* - The team that scored the most goals during all matches of the stage.

* – The seeding.

3. The Second Stage:

A. The second stage shall include the semi-final and final round of the tournament.

B. During the second stages, the matches shall be played in a single-elimination tournament system.

In the event that the match ends in a tie, a penalty shootout will be used to determine the score.

4. The matches during the first and second phases shall not start with less than the specified number, and the team that is missing shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).

5. After the start of the matches, and in the event that more than (2) players from the same team were dismissed, injured, or left, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0) or counting the match result if it is more than that.

6. The Organizing Committee may change the tournament system or amend the date of the matches at any time during the tournament, while informing the schools of the system before the start of the matches.

Article "3" Primary First Level, Born in 2013 - 2014 - 2015 - 2016 - 2017

1. Schools shall participate in the first-level tournament by model students, born in 2013-2014-2015-2016 and 2017.

2. Students born in 2012 or 2018 cannot be accepted under any circumstances.

3. 12 players maximum may be registered in the starting list of the match during the first-level matches.

4. The team shall be composed of 6 players (goalkeeper + 5 players) and the match does not start with less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).

5. After the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than four (4) players. In the event that the number of players is less than four (4) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered to have lost the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.

6. The number of Qatari clubs registered in football shall not exceed a maximum of two (2) players, whether they are main or reserve players. The student who is registered in a sports club after the date of the school's first match in the tournament shall be considered one of the outputs of the program and shall not be considered a club player.
7. The matches of the first stage shall be held with a single-division league system.
8. The matches of the second stage shall be held with a single-elimination tournament system. In the event that the match ends in a tie, a penalty shootout (3 shoot-outs) shall be used directly to determine the score.
9. Each team may make a maximum of six (6) substitutions in the match. Substitutions shall be made in three (3) downtimes during the course of the match, bearing in mind that the period between the two halves of the match is not counted as part of the downtimes. The substituted player may not return to play the same match.
10. Match Time: 12 minutes during the preliminary stages **and** 20 minutes as of the semi-finals.

Article "4" Primary Second level, born in 2011-2012

1. Schools shall participate in the first level tournament with primary school students born in 2011 and 2012.
2. Students born in 2010 or 2013 cannot be accepted under any circumstances.
3. 14 players maximum may be registered in the starting list of the match during the second-level matches.
4. The team shall be composed of 7 players (goalkeeper + 6 players) and the match does not start with less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).
5. After the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than five (5) players. In the event that the number of players is less than five (5) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered to have lost the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.
6. The number players of Qatari clubs registered in football shall not exceed two (2) players maximum, whether they are main or

reserve players. The student who is registered in a sports club after the date of the school's first match in the tournament shall be considered one of the outputs of the program and shall not be considered a club player.

7. The matches of the first stage shall be held with a single-division league system.
8. The matches of the second stage shall be held with a single-elimination tournament system. In the event that the match ends in a tie, a penalty shootout (3 shoot-outs) shall be used directly to determine the score.
9. Each team may make seven (7) substitutions maximum in the match. Substitutions shall be made in three (3) downtimes during the course of the match, bearing in mind that the period between the two halves of the match is not counted as part of the downtimes. The substituted player may not return to play the same match.
10. Match Time: 14 minutes during the preliminary stages **and** 20 minutes as of the semi-finals.

Article "5" Preparatory Third-Level, Born in 2008 - 2009 - 2010

1. Schools participate in the first-level tournament with middle school students, born in 2008-2009 and 2010.
2. Students born in 2007 or 2011 man is not accepted under any circumstances.
3. 18 players maximum may be registered in the starting list of the match during the third-level matches.
4. During the first stages, the team shall be composed of 9 players (goalkeeper + 8 players) and the match shall not start if number of the players is less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).
5. During the first stages and after the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than five (7) players. In the event that the number of players is less than seven (7) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered to have lost the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.
6. During the second stage, the team shall be composed of 11

players (goalkeeper + 10 players) and the match shall not start if number of the players is less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).

5. During the second stage and after the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than eight (8) players. In the event that the number of players is less than eight (8) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.
6. The number players of Qatari clubs registered in football shall not exceed a maximum of two (2) players, whether they are main or reserve players. The student who is registered in a sports club after the date of the school's first match in the tournament shall be considered one of the outputs of the program and shall not considered a club player.
7. The matches of the first stage shall be held with a single-division league system.
8. The matches of the second stage shall be held with a single-elimination tournament system. In the event that the match ends in a tie, a penalty shootout (5 shoot-outs) shall be used directly to determine the score.
9. During the preliminary stages, each team may make nine (9) substitutions maximum during the match. As of the semi-finals, each team may make seven (7) substitutions maximum during the match.
Substitutions shall be made on three (3) downtimes during the course of the match, taking into account that the period between the two halves of the match is not counted as part of the downtimes. The substituted player may not return to play the same match.
10. Match Time: 20 minutes during the preliminary stages **and** 30 minutes as of the semi-finals.

Article "6" Secondary Fourth Level , Born in 2005 - 2006 - 2007

1. Schools shall participate in the first-level tournament with high school students, born in 2005-2006 and 2007.
2. Students born in 2004 or 2008 man not be accepted under any circumstances.

3. 18 players maximum may be registered in the starting list of the match during the fourth-level matches.
4. During the first stages, the team shall be composed of 9 players (goalkeeper + 8 players) and the match shall not start if number of the players is less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).
5. During the first stages and after the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than five (7) players. In the event that the number of players is less than seven (7) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered to have lost the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.
6. During the second stage, the team shall be composed of 11 players (goalkeeper + 10 players) and the match shall not start if number of the players is less than that number. The team that is undermanned shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0).
5. During the second stage and after the start of the match, the number of players on the field shall not be less than eight (8) players. If the number of players is less than eight (8) on the field, the referee shall end the match and the team shall be considered losing the match with a score of (3-0) or the score of the match shall be counted if it is more than that.
6. The number players of Qatari clubs registered in football shall not exceed a maximum of two (2) players, whether they are main or reserve players. The student who is registered in a sports club after the date of the school's first match in the tournament shall be considered one of the outputs of the program and shall not considered a club player.
7. The matches of the first stage shall be held with a single-division league system.
8. The matches of the second stage shall be held with a single-elimination tournament system. In the event that the match ends in a tie, a penalty shootout (5 shoot-outs) shall be used directly to determine the score.
9. During the preliminary stages, each team may make nine (9) substitutions maximum during the match. As of the semi-finals, each team may make seven (7) substitutions maximum during

the match.

Substitutions shall be made on three (3) downtimes during the course of the match, taking into account that the period between the two halves of the match is not counted as part of the downtimes. The substituted player may not return to play the same match.

10. Match Time: 20 minutes during the preliminary stages **and** 30 minutes as of the semi-finals.

Article (7) Tournament Awards

1. First Place: Championship cup and gold medals.
2. The Second Place: Silver Medals.
3. The Third Place: Bronze Medals.

Article "8"

1. The school shall take full responsibility for whether students participate in the tournament matches.
2. Each school may submit a protest about the eligibility of participation for students of a school, or for any other reason, through one of the following two options, and they may not bring them together:
 - A.** A written protest signed by the teacher may be submitted at the stadium before the start of the match.
The matter shall be checked and confirmed by the tournament director. The score of the research is notified, and the teacher shall accept the decision of the tournament director.
 - B.** A protest may be submitted by an official letter sent from the school to the Qatar Football Association on the day following the match and before 10 am
(A letter of protest may be accepted for matches on Thursday and Sunday before 10 am.
3. The Organizing Committee shall be the only body that has the right to interpret any of the items mentioned above.
4. The Organizing Committee may take any action regarding any issue not mentioned in these conditions.