

## **CORNWALL MIXED TROPHY – RULES 2019**

### **1 COMPETITION STRUCTURE**

- a) The competition will comprise a group stage followed by semi-finals and a final.
- b) Each group winner, plus the best runner-up (based upon the ranking criteria in Rule 1c(iv) below) shall qualify for the semi finals.
- c) The following shall apply to the group stage:
  - i. Teams will play each other team in their group once, with fixtures, including which side will play at home, determined by a draw.
  - ii. Group stage matches which are level after 70minutes play shall be determined by penalty shootout competition.
  - iii. Points will be awarded as follows:
    - Win – 3pts
    - Win on penalties – 2pts
    - Loss on penalties – 1pt,
    - Loss, 0pts
  - iv. Teams will be ranked in their groups by (i) points, (ii) goal difference, (iii) goals scored, (iv) goals scored including penalties, (v)play-off match.
  - v. If a team fails to fulfil a fixture in the group stage of a competition, the match will be awarded with a 5-0 score line to their opponent; and the offending team deducted 3 points.
- d) The following shall apply to the semi-final and final:
  - i. In the event of a match being level at full time the match shall be decided by a penalty shootout competition; as defined by the FIH for the current season.

### **2 FIXTURES AND MATCH ARRANGEMENTS**

- a) Fixture dates have been set by the CHA and may only be altered with the written agreement of both teams to the competition secretary.
- b) It is the responsibility of the home team to arrange a suitable venue and umpires; and to inform the away team of the arrangements no later than 7 days before the date of the fixture.
- c) If the home team fails to meet this deadline the away team must contact the home team and competition secretary to request information.
- d) Matches should be scheduled to start between 11am-3pm on a weekend and 6:30pm-8:30pm for a weekday
- e) Match cards must be completed for all Mixed Trophy fixtures and provided to the competition secretary.

### **3 COMPOSITION OF TEAMS**

- a) No team shall contain a player who is suspended in accordance with the disciplinary code of England Hockey.
- b) Teams must be composed of the following at all times:
  - i. 5 outfield female players + 5 outfield male players + male or female goalkeeper<sup>1</sup>; or

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<sup>1</sup> "Goalkeeper" refers to either a fully kitted goalkeeper, or outfield player with goalkeeping privileges.

- ii. 5 outfield female players + 6 outfield male players + no goalkeeper; or
- iii. 6 outfield female players + 5 outfield male player + no goalkeeper
- c) Clubs which have both a Men's and Women's section may only utilise players from their own club. It is not permitted for these clubs to make composite teams.
- d) Clubs which have only a Men's or Women's section may nominate **ONE** other Club from whom they will loan players. Such players will be deemed members of the Loaning club for the duration of the competition and may not play for their original club.
- e) Where a club has multiple teams entered into the competition, players may move between teams, however players may not play in more than one fixtures on the same matchday

**Note: If there is any doubt regarding team selection it is strongly advised that advice is sought from the competition secretary PRIOR to a match taking place**

#### **4 UMPIRES**

- a) Umpires should be provided or arranged by the home club as follows:
  - i. Group Stage – One Level 1 (Assessed) and One Club Umpire – Unassessed
  - ii. Semi Final & Final – Umpires appointed by CHUA

#### **5 CONDITIONS OF PLAY**

- a) Rules of Hockey - All matches shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Hockey.
- b) All players shall wear shirts bearing different numbers
- c) If two teams have the same or similar playing colours, the away team shall change its playing strip to a contrasting colour.
- d) Both teams must be ready to start at the time notified by the Home club in compliance with Rule 2. If a full match cannot be completed because of the lateness of one or other team, the Competition Secretary may impose a fine, award the match, or order the match to be replayed under such conditions as he/she deems appropriate.
- e) A result shall stand if at least 60 minutes' play has taken place. If not, the Competition Secretary may decide that the score at early termination of a match shall stand.
- f) As soon as a match commences, the captains of both teams shall be deemed to have passed all authority for completion of the match to the umpires, but no authority exists for umpires to make any decision upon the Rules of the Competition.

#### **6 POSTPONEMENTS, ABANDONMENTS AND UNPLAYED MATCHES**

- a) If the pitch is unplayable due to weather conditions the Home club has the sole right to determine if the pitch is unplayable. It is expected that unless there are severe weather conditions, such a decision will not be made more than 24 hours before the scheduled start time.
- b) If the away team feel that the travelling conditions are unsafe, and this includes the return journey, then they have the sole right to refuse to travel. It is expected however, they will make the home team aware of their concerns as early as possible and monitor the situation before a decision is made.