THE RUSSELL FOSTER YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUES

CUP RULES

- 1. The Cup Competitions are open to Member Clubs only.
- 2. The total entrance fee for each season is paid as part of the clubs Annual Membership Subscription.
- 3. Secretary from both teams will exchange Match Returns form prior to kick off, if doubt arises regarding one or more players the team has the right to inspect the players ID cards. Any irregularity to be determined by the Management Committee.
- 4. The first Team draw in each pairing will be Home Team and has the right to determine the ground and referee unless the league has made prior arrangements (Final ties are excluded from the rule). If the home teams cancels on two consecutive occasions for any reason then the ties reverts to the opposing teams Ground.
- 5. The finals shall be played on a neutral ground determined by the Management Committee. The league shall be responsible for paying all match expenses and taking all match receipts in the final only
- 6. All fees to be shared by both clubs (excluding finals)
- 7. (A) All matches will be of 60 minutes duration of play in the event the game is drawn, then penalties to determine the tie. (Under 11's and 12's only).
 - (B) All matches will be of 70 minutes duration of play in the event the game is drawn, then penalties to determine the tie. (Under 13's and 14's only).
 - (C) All matches will be of 80 minutes duration of play in the event the game is drawn, then penalties to determine the tie. (Under 15's and 16's only).
 - (D) All matches will be of 90 minutes duration of play in the event the game is drawn, then penalties to determine the tie. (Under 17's and 18's only).
 - (E) All games to be sorted on the day no extra time penalties to determine the tie. No Replays
- 8. All finals to be completed on the day. Matches of 60, 70, 80 or 90 minutes duration of play no extra time. If still undecided, penalties to determine tie.
- 9. Any player shall be qualified to play in all rounds prior to semi and final ties if on the day they are eligible to play in the Russell Foster Youth Leagues.

No player shall play for for more that one club in the Competitions. In semi and final ties a player must have played in at least two league games or be registered 14 days prior to the date of the tie. Any club in default of this rule shall be fined £20.00p and excluded from the competition.

- 10. Protests contesting the validity of a game must be lodged with the league with 48 hours of the game. All Protest must be in triplicate accompanied by a fee of £25.00p. Same to be returned if the Management Committee upholds the protest.
- 11. All competition will be controlled by the League.
- 12. All Trophies to be returned by 1st March in good condition as. Failure will result in the fine of £25.00p.
- 13. No clubs shall be allowed to cancel a Cup Fixture. Any club violating this Rule will be excluded from the competition and fined £20.00p.
- 14. All finals game Officials are to be appointed by League, with expenses met by the two Clubs participating as per League Rule 6.
- 15. Cup games take preference over league games.
- 16. Any rules covered shall be covered by the General Rules for Cup Rules of The Durham Football Association.