

# The International Beach Soccer Festival

#### **BEACH SOCCER RULES – ADULT TOURNAMENTS**

- Beach Fest will follow the official FIFA and Beach Soccer Worldwide Laws of the Game. Beach Fest reserve the right to change as we see appropriate
- Each participating team must pay the tournament fee in full on booking
  - All participants and team staff members must submit and agree to Beach Fest waivers agreement before competing at Beach Fest.
  - If Beach Fest do not receive the correct waivers and information then we have the right to refuse team/player entry.

#### **Teams**

- 1. Squads will consist of a minimum of (6) players. (1) player must be a designated goalkeeper.
- 2. Squads will consist of a maximum of (10) players. (1) player must be a designated goalkeeper.
- 3. Match format is 5v5
- 4. Players must be 16 years or older and must be of the same gender.
- 5. Teams cannot be mixed Men and Women
- 6. Teams to arrive no later than 1 hour before kick off
- 7. Teams must be registered and tournament fee to be paid when booking
- 8. Team names will need to be submitted and accepted. Beach Fest reserve the right to refuse entry if your team name is considered inappropriate
- 9. Teams will need to have a matching kit with all outfield players wearing the same shirt and shorts. Goalkeepers will need to wear a different colour.
- 10. Teams will need to select a Captain

# Match Rules (2 x periods of 12 minutes)

- (A) Each team will only have 5 starting on the pitch (4 outfield players and 1 goalkeeper)
- (B) The ball starts from the centre of the pitch
- (C) Kick off will have 2 players from the same team to start. 1 player will choose to either flick to the other player for a volley or pass it sideways or backwards
- (D) The ball must not go forwards at kick off

#### 5. Throw ins -

- (A) Players can choose to kick the ball in or throw the ball in
- (B) Throw ins- players will only have 4 seconds to take the throw in from the moment they receive it from the side
- (C) Throw ins- if a player takes longer than 4 seconds the referee will award a throw in to the other team

#### 6. Corners-

- (A) players can only kick the ball
- (B) Corners- players will only have 4 seconds to take the corner
- (C) Corners- if a player takes longer than 4 seconds then possession will be awarded to the other team to start off from goalkeeper's hands

#### 7. Goal 'kicks'-

The Goal 'kick' starts from the goalkeepers hands. If the official awards a goal 'kick' it cannot be started from the goalkeeper's feet, it must start from the goalkeeper's hands and throw it out.

## 8. Nine (9) metre Penalty areas-

- (A) If the ball goes into the defending team's penalty area and the defending team has possession of the ball including the goalkeeper they will only have 4 seconds to get the ball out of the 9 metre penalty area.
- (B) Goalkeepers have only 4 seconds with the ball in the box

- (C) If an outfield player or goalkeeper has possession of the ball longer than 4 seconds in the box the referee will award a free kick to the other team on the half way line
- (D) A foul committed in the 9 metre penalty area by the defending Goalkeeper or defending outfield players will result in a penalty.

# 9. Bicycle kicks (overhead kick)-

- (A) If a player goes to <u>SET THEMSELVES UP</u> for a bicycle kick then the defending team cannot challenge them. They can only jump straight and block. Penalties and Free kicks will be awarded if contact is made and a risk of a RED CARD
- (B) Bicycle kicks- If a player attempts a bicycle kick directly from a pass/throw in/corner/goalkeepers throw <u>WITHOUT SETTING THEMSELVES</u> and they miss and make contact with an opposing player then it will be a free kick to the defending team and a risk of a RED CARD
- 10. Free kicks/Penalties-
- (A) To be taken by the player that is fouled only.
- (B) No walls allowed on free kicks
- (C) If a Handball takes place, the free kick or penalty can be taken by any player
- (D) If the player fouled is injured and needs to leave the pitch. The player replacing him/her will have to take the free-kick/penalty

## 11. Substitutions-

- (A) There are unlimited substitutions
- (B) Subs sit down on the bench on the side
- (C) Subs must wait for the player to come off at the half way line before entering the pitch. If this does not happen then a yellow card could be awarded.

# 12. Goalkeepers-

- (A) Goalkeepers can use feet anywhere on the pitch and can come out of the area.
- (B) Goalkeepers can use their hands anywhere in the 9 metre penalty area.
- (C) Goalkeepers can only have 4 seconds on the ball with hands in the 9 metres or feet anywhere on the pitch. If the goalkeeper has the ball longer than 4 seconds the officials will give a free-kick or penalty from the middle of the pitch to the other team.

# 13. Group Phase-

# **Group games-**

WIN in normal time - 3 POINTS

WIN in extra time - 2 POINTS

WIN in penalty shootout (3 penalties before sudden death) - 1 POINT

After group stages it will be knockout stages

## 14. Knockout Phase-

WIN in normal time/extra time/penalty shoot out – progress to the next stage

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## **Violent Conduct**

Beach Fest does not tolerate any Violent Conduct. It will be an immediate red card and a ban from the whole tournament. Beach Fest reserves the right to give a lifetime ban. Beach Fest officials or staff members will report any violent incidents for investigation. If you would like to report an incident then please send an email to hello@beach-fest.co.uk

# Racism/Any forms of offensive behaviour

Beach Fest does not tolerate ANY racism! Beach Fest reserves the right to give lifetime bans for any such incidents. Beach Fest officials or staff members will report any incidents of racism or offensive behaviour for investigation. If you would like to report an incident then please send an email to hello@beach-fest.co.uk

## **Tournament Postponement**

Beach Fest reserves the right to postpone the tournament at any time due to extreme circumstances. Beach Fest reserves the right that if any such postponement that the prize money could be withdrawn for the new rescheduled date.

## **Player/Team Staff Waivers**

Players and team staff will be asked to fill out a waiver before the event starts. All participating players and staff must submit and agree to Beach Fest waivers to participate in the event. If Beach Fest do not receive the correct waivers and information then Beach Fest have the right to refuse team/player entry.

By signing the waiver, players and coaches agree to all of the above