

# ParkerSteel



## East Kent Youth Football League



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**Season 2006/2007**

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LEAGUE HONOURS LIST SEASON 2005 – 2006
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Under 8 Division One Winners	Kennington Juniors
Under 8 Division One Runners up	Folkestone Invicta
Under 8 Division One Manager of Year	Terry Miles (Deal Town Rangers)
Under 8 Division Two Winners	Monkton Youth
Under 8 Division Two Runners up	St Margaret's Colts
Under 8 Division Two Manager of Year	Chris Neaves (Monkton Youth)
Under 8 Division Three Winners	Red Arrow Youth
Under 8 Division Three Runners up	Trinity
Under 8 Division Three Manager of Year	Joy Muirhead (Chartham Sports)
Steve Ginger Memorial Cup Winners	Park Farm Rangers
Steve Ginger Memorial Cup Runners up	Trinity
Under 9 Division One Winners	Park Farm Rangers
Under 9 Division One Runners up	Trinity
Under 9 Division One Manager of Year	Dave Mitchell (Whitstable Town Juniors)
Under 9 Division Two Winners	Snowdown & Aylesham
Under 9 Division Two Runners up	Folkestone Invicta
Under 9 Division Two Manager of Year	Sara Parker (Folkestone Invicta)
Under 9 Division Three Winners	Faversham Strike Force
Under 9 Division Three Runners up	Trinity Colts
Under 9 Division Three Manager of Year	Lee Sutter (Faversham Strike Force)
Under 9 Division Four Winners	Tyler Hill Youth
Under 9 Division Four Runners Up	Tankerton FC
Under 9 Division Four Manager of Year	Calvin Wood (Woodnesborough)
Alex Laking Memorial Cup Winners	Canterbury Eagles
Alex Laking Memorial Cup Runners up	Kennington Junior Colts
Under 10 Division One Winners	Kennington Juniors
Under 10 Division One Runners up	Ashford Borough
Under 10 Division One Manager of Year	Graham Hadler (Canterbury Eagles)
Under 10 Division Two Winners	Herne Bay Youth
Under 10 Division Two Runners up	Tyler Hill Youth
Under 10 Division Two Manager of Year	Kevin Meldrum (Monkton Youth)
Under 10 Division Three Winners	Folkestone Invicta
Under 10 Division Three Runners up	Red Arrow Youth
Under 10 Division Three Manager of Year	Ray Frances (Red Arrow Youth)
Under 10 Division Four Winners	Park Farm Rangers
Under 10 Division Four Runners up	Club Brasilia
Under 10 Division Four Manager of Year	Steve Nash (Park Farm Rangers)
Under 10 Division Five Winners	Dover Rangers Colts
Under 10 Division Five Runners up	Herne Bay Youth
Under 10 Division Five Manager of Year	Andy Burrin (Dover Rangers Colts)

Under 11 ParkerSteel Winners	Dover Athletic
Under 11 ParkerSteel Runners up	Kennington Junior Colts
Under 11 Division One Winners	Dover Athletic
Under 11 Division One Runners up	Kennington Juniors
Under 11 Division One Manager of Year	Brian Butcher (Dover Athletic)
Under 11 Division Two winners	Folkestone Invicta
Under 11 Division Two Runners up	Margate Youth
Under 11 Division Two Manager of Year	John Anderson (Deal Town Rangers)
Under 11 Division Three Winners	Dover Rangers C/ Colts
Under 11 Division Three Runners up	Highfield United
Under 11 Division Three Manager of Year	Ronny Brice (Betteshanger C/W)
Under 11 Division Four Winners	Bocca Juniors
Under 11 Division Four Runners up	Park Farm Rangers
Under 11 Division Four Manager of Year	Dave Lugg (Park Farm Rangers)
Under 11 Division Five Winners	Walmer Rovers
Under 11 Division Five Runners up	Whitstable Town Res.
Under 11 Division Five Manager of Year	Roger Fox (Palm Bay)
Charles Ridge Memorial Cup Winners	Dover Rangers Colts
Charles Ridge Memorial Cup Runners up	Folkestone Invicta
Under 12 Division One Winners	Dover Rangers Colts
Under 12 Division One Runners up	Folkestone Invicta
Under 12 Division One Manager of Year	Wayne Hubbard (Betteshanger C/W)
Under 12 Division Two Winners	Margate Youth
Under 12 Division Two Runners up	Deal Town Rangers
Under 12 Division Two Manager of Year	Michael Hogg (Folkestone Invicta Colts)
Under 12 Division Three Winners	Dover Athletic
Under 12 Division Three Runners up	Faversham Strike Force
Under 12 Division Three Manager of Year	Nicola Handley (Deal Town Rangers Colts)
Under 12 Division Four Winners	Ramsgate Youth
Under 12 Division Four Runners up	Whitstable Town Colts
Under 12 Division Four Manager of Year	Darren Town (Ramsgate Youth)
Under 12 Division Five Winners	Coulter Youth
Under 12 Division Five Runners up	Park Farm Rangers
Under 12 Division Five Manager of Year	Joe Clements (Park Farm Rangers)
Merv Willis Memorial Cup Winners	Dover Rangers Colts
Merv Willis Memorial Cup Runners up	Whitstable Town Juniors
Under 13 Division 1 Winners	Dover Rangers Colts
Under 13 Division 1 Runners up	Trinity
Under 13 Division One Manager of Year	Stuart McCluskey (Deal Town Rangers)
Under 13 Division Two Winners	Folkestone Invicta
Under 13 Division Two Runners up	Hugin Vikings
Under 13 Division Two Manager of Year	Daren Beale (Folkestone Inivcta)

Under 13 Division Three Winners	Kennington
Under 13 Division Three Runners up	Victoria Dynamo
Under 13 Division Three Manager of Year	Andy McHugh (Dover Athletic)
Under 13 Division Four Winners	Easterners
Under 13 Division Four Runners up	Herne Bay Harriers Colts
Under 13 Division Four Manger of Year	Steve Bennett (Easterners)
John Smith Memorial Cup Winners	New Romney
John Smith Memorial Cup Runners up	St Margaret's
Under 14 Division One Winners	St Margaret's
Under 14 Division One Runners up	Thanet Colts
Under 14 Division One Manager of Year	Tony Hockless (River Colts)
Under 14 Division Two Winners	Herne Bay Youth
Under 14 Division Two Runners up	Margate FC
Under 14 Division Two Manager of Year	John Bagley (Eythorne Rovers)
Under 14 Division Three Winners	Dynamo FC
Under 14 Division Three Runners up	Tyler Hill Youth
Under 14 Division Three Manager of Year	Paul O'Shea (Bay Wanderers)
Mick Kelly Memorial Cup Winners	Deal Town Rangers
Mick Kelly Memorial Cup Runners up	Red Arrow Colts
Under 15 Division 1 Winners	Tyler Hill Youth
Under 15 Division 1 Runners up	Ashford Borough
Under 15 Division One Manger of Year	Kevin Barham (Red Arrow Youth)
Under 15 Division Two Winners	Folkestone Invicta
Under 15 Division Two Runners up	Red Arrow Colts
Under 15 Division Two Manager of Year	John Underdown (Folkestone Invicta Cts)
Under 15 Division Three Winners	Eythorne Rovers
Under 15 Division Three Runners up	Ramsgate Youth
Under 15 Division Three Manager of Year	Leuan Philips (Eythorne Rovers)
Albert Baines Memorial Cup Winners	Deal Town Rangers Colts
Albert Baines Memorial Cup Runners up	Thanington
Under 16 Division One Winners	Deal Town Rangers Colts
Under 16 Division One Runners up	Ashford Borough
Under 16 Division One Manager of Year	Danny Clampitt (Folkestone Inivcta)
Under 16 Division 2 Winners	Faversham Strike Force
Under 16 Division 2 Runners up	Dover Rangers Colts
Under 16 Division Two Manager of Year	Mark Radford (Faversham Strike Force)
Under 17 League Winners	Trinity
Under 17 League Runners up	Thanington
Under 17 Manager of Year	Phil Knight (Canterbury City Youth)
Endeavor Shield Winners	Thanington under 11's
League Committee Person of Year	Phil Gurr
Football Association long service award:	Les Barleycorn, Podge Terry
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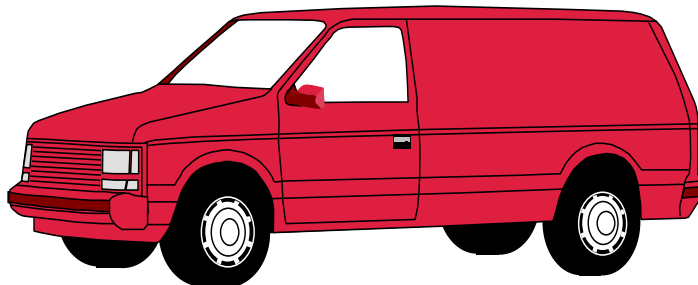
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**NOMENCLATURE AND CONSTITUTION**

1. (A) This Competition shall be designated the East Kent Youth football League and known as the ParkerSteel East Kent Youth League and shall consist of not more than 70 clubs.

All such Member Clubs must be affiliated to an affiliated County Football Association and their names and particulars shall be returned annually by the appointed date on the Form "D" to the Kent County Football Association. The area covered by the Competition Membership shall be as per boundary map and all fixtures are to be played within this boundary

This Competition shall apply annually for sanction to the Kent County Football Association(s) and the constituent teams of Member Clubs may be grouped in divisions as designated by the League management committee

Member Clubs shall not enter any of their teams playing in the Competition in any other Competitions (with the exception of FA and County FA Competitions) except with the written consent of the Management Committee of the Competition.

The competition will provide 11-a-side football for players who have attained the age of 10 as at midnight 31<sup>st</sup> August in a playing season and Mini-Soccer for players who have attained the age of 6 years but not the age of 10 years as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in a playing season.

<b>ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT</b>
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2. (A) Applications by New Clubs for admission to this Competition must be made in writing to the Secretary by the 1st May no extensions of this date will be allowed. Clubs in breach of these dates will be considered as with drawing from the League and must be accompanied by an Entry Fee of £20.00 per club, which shall be returned in the event of non-election.

At the discretion of a majority of the accredited voting members present applications, of which due notice has been given, may be received at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting. The Entry Fee shall apply.

(B) The Annual Subscription shall be £20.00 per team playing 11-a-side football and £20.00 per team playing Mini-Soccer payable on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> May in each year.

(C) Each Club shall, upon election, pay a Deposit of £20.00, which shall be returnable to Clubs on leaving the Competition provided they have fulfilled their fixtures and complied with all orders of the Management Committee.

(D) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the Entry Fee, Annual Subscription and Deposit have been paid.

(E) Clubs must advise annually to the Secretary in writing by 30<sup>th</sup> June of its Kent County Football Association affiliation number for the forthcoming Season. Failing to comply with this rule clubs shall be fined £10.00. Clubs must advise the Secretary in writing, or on the prescribed form, of details of its Headquarters, Officers and any other information required by the Competition.

(F) The league council cannot be held responsible for cash sent by post.

(G) No club will be accepted into the league or and existing club is allowed to continue its membership of the league unless adequate changing facilities with running water are available at the home ground of the club

(H) Clubs are to keep proper accounts and minute books and produced the same if asked for by the KCFA and or EKYFL

(I) an administration fee of £2.00 will be added to all charges

(J) Each club shall be required to purchase one copy of the league handbook per team, plus one extra for the club secretary. Additional copies may be purchased from the League Treasurer.

(K) Changes to club secretary for addressing purposes, during the course of the Season, must be notified to the League Secretary and the County F. A Secretary. Failure to do so will incur a fine of £10.00

#### OFFICERS

3. (A) The Officers of the Competition shall be the President, Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Registration Secretary, Fixture Secretary, Assistant Fixture Secretary, Referees Secretary and Minutes Secretary to be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. (N.B. Auditors are not Officers).

(B) The council may co-opt a referee's representative

(C) No council members to be phoned after 9 pm. No personal person calls to be made to the registration secretary. All applications, by post, hand delivery's only acceptable between 9.00am 7.00pm Mondays to Friday. No phone Calls after 6.00 pm on Saturdays. No Phone at all on Sundays. Failure to comply with any aspect of this rule will result in the club being fined £30.00.

#### MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION

4. (A) The Competition shall be governed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of The Football Association by a Management Committee comprised of the Officers and members who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

(B) Retiring Officers shall be eligible to become candidates for re-election without nomination. All other candidates for election as Officers or Members of the Management Committee shall be nominated to the Secretary in writing, signed by the Secretaries of two Member Clubs, not later than 1<sup>st</sup> May in each year.

Names of the candidates for election shall be circulated with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. In the event of there being no nomination in accordance with the foregoing for any office, nominations may be received at the Annual General Meeting

(C) The Management Committee shall meet as often as is necessary to deal with business as it arises.

On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds of the Members of the Management Committee the Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Committee.

(D) Except where otherwise mentioned all communications shall be addressed to the Secretary who shall conduct the correspondence of the Competition and keep a record of its proceedings. Correspondence requiring an answer must be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope failure to answer correspondence from the league within 14 days of the post date of the letter received, will result in a fine to the club of £ 5.00 (except fine letters)

(E) All communications received from Clubs must be conducted through their nominated Club Secretary.

## POWERS OF MANAGEMENT

5. (A) The Management Committee may appoint such other sub-committees and delegate such of their powers as they deem necessary, the decisions of all sub-committees shall be reported to the Management Committee for ratification.

(B) Subject to the permission of the Kent County Football Association having been obtained the Management Committee may order a match or matches to be played each season, the proceeds to be devoted to the funds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call upon each Club (including any Club which may have withdrawn during the season) to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any deficiency at the end of the season. (See Rule 6(e).

(C) Each Member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all Management Committee Meetings and have one vote thereat, but no Member shall be allowed to vote on any matters directly appertaining to such Member or to the Club so represented. (This shall apply to the procedure of any sub-committee).

In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

(D) The Management Committee shall have powers to apply, act upon and enforce the Rules of the Competition and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Competition, including any not provided for in the Rules. Except where these Rules provide for the imposition of a set penalty any Club, Official or Player alleged to be in breach of a Competition Rule must be formally charged in writing and given the opportunity to present their case before the Management Committee. All breaches of the Laws of the Game, Rules and Regulations of The Football Association shall be dealt with in accordance with FA Rules.

(E) All decisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal to the Board of Appeal in accordance with Rule 16.

Decisions of the Management Committee must be notified in writing to those concerned within 7 days.

(F) 5 Members of the Management Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the Management Committee and 3 Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by any sub-committee of the Competition.

(G) The Management Committee, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill in an acting capacity, any vacancies that may occur amongst their number.

(H) A Club having failed to comply with an order or instruction of the Management Committee, or failing to satisfactorily attend to the business and/or the correspondence of the Competition shall be liable to be fined or otherwise penalised at the discretion of the Management Committee.

(I) All fines and charges shall be paid within 14 days of the date of posting of the Written notification, any Club whose fines remain outstanding after Fourteen (14) days will have them doubled. Any club failing to pay fines after having them doubled, will be charged an administration fee of £5 and an extra period of 14 days, may have their fixtures suspended until **ALL** fines are cleared.

Clubs, Officials or individuals committing a breach of this Rule will incur such penalties as the Management Committee may impose.

(J) A member of the Management Committee appointed by the Competition to attend a meeting or match may have any expenses incurred refunded by the Competition.

(K) The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the membership of the Competition between the Annual General or Special General Meeting called to decide the constitution and the commencement of the Competition season. With the exception of the Patron, President, and Vice President, any member of the Council who is absent from 2 consecutive meetings shall entitle the Council to declare a vacancy.

(L) Any side, manager, spectators, club official etc found guilty of causing the abandonment of the match, will lose points for that match and be fined £50.00 unless cleared by KCFA

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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6. (A) The Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than June in each year. At this meeting the following business shall be transacted provided that at least 50% of Members are present and entitled to vote:-

- (i) To receive and confirm the Minutes of the preceding Annual General Meeting.
- (ii) To consider any business arising therefrom.
- (iii) To receive and adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.
- (iv) Election of Clubs to fill vacancies (as recommended by the Management Committee).
- (v) Constitution of the Competition for ensuing season.
- (vi) Election of Officers and Management Committee.
- (vii) Appointment of Auditors.
- (viii) Alteration of Rules, if any (of which notice has been given).
- (ix) Fix the date for the commencement and conclusion of playing season.
- (x) Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted as being relevant to an Annual General Meeting.

(B) A copy of the duly audited Balance Sheet, Statement of Accounts and Agenda shall be forwarded to each Club at least fourteen days prior to the meeting, and to the Kent County Football Association.

(C) A signed copy of the duly audited Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts shall be sent to the Kent County Football Association(s) within fourteen days of its adoption by the Annual General Meeting.

(D) Each Full Member Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to an Annual General Meeting. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. Not less than 7 days' notice shall be given of any Meeting.

(E) Clubs who have withdrawn their Membership of the Competition during the season being concluded or who are not continuing Membership shall be entitled to attend but shall vote only on matters relating to the season being concluded.

(F) All voting shall be conducted by a show of voting cards unless a ballot be demanded by at least 5 members of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chairman so decides.

(G) No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Full Member Club unless the individual is also appointed to vote as a representative of a group of Associate Member Clubs.

(H) Any continuing Member Club failing to be represented at the Annual General Meeting or S. G. M shall be fined £50.00

(I) Officers and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an Annual General Meeting.

(J) A S. G. M may be called at any time by the council or by a written request to the League secretary of such a meeting. Upon receipt of the request of S. G. M the league Secretary shall within 14 days notify all clubs of the meeting and give at least 7 days Notice

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### AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED

7. The Chairman and the Secretary of each Club shall complete and sign the following agreement which shall be deposited with the Competition together with the Application for Membership for the coming season, or upon indicating that the Club intends to compete.

"We, A, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman) and  
B \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (Secretary) of the  
\_\_\_\_\_ Football Club have been provided with a copy of  
the Rules and Regulations of the EKYFL Competition and do hereby agree for and on  
behalf of the said Club, if elected or accepted into Membership, to conform to those Rules  
and Regulations and to accept, abide by and implement the decisions of the Management  
Committee of the Competition, subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 16.

Any alteration of the Chairman and /or Secretary on the above Agreement must be notified to the Kent County Football Association(s) to which the Club is affiliated and to the Secretary of the Competition.

QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

8. (A) Contract players, as defined in Football Association Rules, are not permitted in this Competition.

(B) A registered youth playing member of a Club is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has:-

(1) signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink, Countersigned by his /her parent or guardian and by an Officer of the Club (**Any change of recorded information on said form after player is registered must be notified to the registrations secretary immediately**) and who has been registered with the Registrations Secretary 7 days prior to playing and whose completed registration counterfoil has been received by the Club prior to playing.

**Clubs must be aware that a form of any known serious medical conditions of the player and emergency contact details of the players' parents or guardians should be held by them. These details must be available at matches and training events the player attends within the management of the Club or Competition.**

I: Parent/Guardian or parties associated with: hereby agree to Become a Member of the.....FC and accept the rules & regulations of the ParkerSteel East Kent Youth Football League, and abide by them at all times.

Signed: ..... Date:

Failure to complete this form will result in the player's registration **NOT BEING ACCEPTED.**

We the Parent /Guardian of: .....  
(Players Name)

Understand that while supporting our Son / Daughter at matches within the ParkerSteel East Kent Youth Football League, any trouble caused by parties associated with our Son / Daughter will result in our Sons / Daughters registration being withdrawn with immediate effect.

Signed:..... date:.....

On behalf of all associated parties.

(2) (i) All clubs must register a minimum of 11 players (11-a-side) & a team for mini soccer for all of its teams with the Registration secretary by the 1<sup>st</sup> of August each year, failure to do so, will incur a fine of £ 15.00 for each team not registered, plus an additional fine of £5.00 per week or part week thereafter (Sunday being the first day of the week).

Clubs must ensure that the envelopes used are large enough to take the required registration forms. Sufficient postage must also be used on all envelopes. The League will not be responsible for envelopes carrying insufficient postage

(ii) Clubs if they so desire, may apply to the registration secretary to have players rescinded on payment of £3.00 per player and return the counterfoils. This must be done on League forms and signed by the player

(iii) 2 identical current passport photographs of the player registering must accompany all registrations forms (priced 20 pence) one to be **GLUED to each part of the form** and a stamped address envelope for the return of the counterfoil, which will contain one photograph of the registered player.

Registration counterfoils must be given to the opposing club at least 10 minutes prior to the KO and retained by them for the duration of the game, and to a league or match official on request. Failure to comply will result in a £10.00 fine, plus loss of the game by the defaulting club.

(iv)The “Team” the player is to play in must be clearly defined on both parts of the registration form

The qualification dates for the competition shall be as follows:

#### Mini-Soccer

Under 7 – the player must have attained the age of 6 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season but must be under the age of 7 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 8 – the player must be under the age of 8 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 9 – the player must be under the age of 9 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 10 – the player must be under the age of 10 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

In accordance with the foregoing qualifications a player in the above age ranges must not play in a match where any other player is older or younger by 2 years or more.

#### Youth Football

Under 11 – the player must have attained the age of 10 but must be under the age of 11 by midnight 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 12 – the player must be under the age of 12 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 13 – the player must be under the age of 13 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 14 – the player must be under the age of 14 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 15 – the player must be under the age of 15 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 16 – the player must be under the age of 16 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 17 – the player must be under the age of 17 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

Under 18 – the player must be under the age of 18 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season.

In accordance with the foregoing qualifications a player under the age of 14 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in the playing season must not play in a match where any other player is older or younger by 2 years or more.

(The above qualification dates are subject to the provisions contained in FA Rule C.4 (a) (VI).

(D) A maximum of 20 players to be registered per side. (For 11 a-sided Game) Teams can play a maximum of 2 players per game who are registered in a more senior competition; 14 days must have elapsed prior to them playing in this competition.

For the purpose of this Competition a senior competition(s) is Kent League/ Academy

(E) A player having taken part in matches for any Club affiliated to any County Football Association shall not be allowed to join, be transferred to, or sign for a Club in the Competition without first proving to the officials of the intended Club that the player has discharged all reasonable financial liabilities to the previous Club or Clubs, and a Club official may not accept such player's signature without first ascertaining whether such claims have been discharged to the satisfaction of the Club, or Clubs, for which the player last played.

(F) Registration forms shall be obtained from the (*Registrations*) Secretary on prepayment of 20 Pence per form.

(G) The Management Committee shall decide all registration disputes.

In the event of a player signing a registration form or having a registration submitted for more than one Club priority of registration shall decide for which Club the player shall be registered.

(H) It shall be deemed misconduct for a player to:-

(i) Play for more than one Club in the Competition in the same season without First being transferred **Failure to comply will result in a £10.00 fine,**

(ii) Having signed for one Club in the Competition, sign for another Club in the Competition in that season except for the purpose of a transfer **Failure to comply will result in a £10.00 fine.**

(iii) Submit a signed registration form for registration that the player had wilfully Neglected to accurately or fully complete. **Failure to comply will result in a £25.00 fine,**

(J) (I) The Management Committee shall have power to accept the registration of any player. The Management Committee shall have power to refuse, cancel or suspend the registration of any player or may fine any player at their Discretion proved guilty of registration irregularities. (Subject to Rule 16)

(ii) The Management Committee shall have power to refuse or cancel the Registration of any player found guilty of undesirable conduct and to disqualify the Player in question from participating in all games in the Competition (**Subject to Rule 16**)

(Note: Action under Clause (2) shall not be taken against a player for misconduct on the field of play until the matter has been dealt with by the appropriate Association, and then only in cases of the player bringing the Competition into disrepute.)

(K) A player desiring a transfer from one club / team to another must obtain permission for his / her transfer from the Club Secretary to which he / she is attached and, providing there in no objection raised within 7 days the player shall then be declared to have been transferred. In the event of any dispute with reference to the transfer of a player, the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee. A completed transfer form and the original registration counterfoil form the former club, together with a fee of £5 paid by the club to whom the player has been transferred, shall be deposited with the correct



Registration Secretary. A transfer shall not be deemed complete until the Secretaries of both clubs have received notification of the transfer.

In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee for a decision.

(L) A player may not be registered for a Club nor transferred to another Club in the Competition after 31<sup>st</sup> January except by special permission of the Management Committee.

(M) A Club shall keep a list of the players it registers and a record of the games in which they have played, and shall produce such records upon demand by the Management Committee.

In the event a Club has more than one team in an age group, each team must be clearly designated "A" and "B" etc. In such cases, players will be registered for one team only. A player so registered will be allowed to play for his Club in a younger or older age group within the provisions of Rule 8 (B).

(N) A register containing the names of all players registered for each Club, with the date of registration, shall be kept by the (*Registrations*) Secretary and shall be open to the inspection of any duly appointed Member Club representative by appointment and on payment of £10.00 per application

(O) A player shall not be eligible to play for a team in any special championship, Promotion or relegation deciding match (as specified in Rule 12(A) unless the player has Played 3 games for that team in this Competition in the current season.

(P) (i) Any team playing an unregistered or otherwise ineligible player or players shall have the points gained in the match deducted from its total and shall be fined £50.00 per player and/or otherwise dealt with at the discretion of the Management Committee.

(ii) In addition the team shall have 3 points deducted from its total. At the discretion of the Management Committee may be dealt with in any further manner which is thought to be fit.

(iii) The Management Committee in exceptional circumstances may, at its discretion, award any points deducted from a Club under this Rule to the opponents in the match in question, subject to the match not being ordered to be replayed.

(The following Clause applies to Competitions involving players in full-time secondary education):-

(R) (i) Priority must be given at all times to school and school organisations Activities.

(ii) The availability of children must be cleared with the Head Teachers (**except For Sunday Competitions**)

(iii) Children under 14 shall not play in a team involving players who are more than 2 years older.

(Note: For players under the age of 18 the provisions contained in Football Association Rules will apply.)

### **CLUB COLOURS/ CLUB NAME**

9. (A) Every Club must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the Secretary by 31<sup>st</sup> May (who shall decide as to their suitability)

Goalkeepers must wear colours, which distinguish them from other players and the referee.

No player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.

Any team not being able to play in its normal colours as registered with the Competition shall notify the colours in which they will play to its opponents at least 7 days before the match.

If, in the opinion of the referee, two Clubs have the same or similar colours, the home team shall make the change. Any team not having a change of colours or delaying the kick-off by not having a change shall be fined £10.00

The Secretary of the Competition may request shirts to be submitted if complaints are received as to lack of distinguishing colours, and the Management Committee may refuse to permit any shirts or shorts as they think fit.

(B) Any Club wishing to change its name and/or colours must seek permission from its affiliated County Football Association and from the Management Committee.

### **PLAYING SEASON/ CONDITIONS OF PLAY** **TIMES OF KICK-OFF/ POSTPONEMENTS/ SUBSTITUTES**

10. (A) The Annual General Meeting shall determine the commencing and concluding dates for the ensuing season which shall be in accordance with Football Association Rules. No Club shall be compelled to play after the concluding date. Original fixtures arranged by the (*Fixtures*) Secretary, or at a meeting specially convened for that purpose, to be held no later than June, must not be arranged for a date later than seven days preceding the concluding date determined by the Annual General Meeting.

(B) All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as determined by the International Football Association Board.

Clubs must take all reasonable precautions to keep their grounds in a playable condition. All matches shall be played on pitches deemed suitable by the Management Committee. If through any fault of the home team a match has to be replayed, the Management Committee shall have power to order the venue to be changed.

The Management Committee shall have power to decide whether a pitch and/or facilities are suitable for matches in the Competition and to order the Club concerned to play its fixtures on another ground.

For Mini-Soccer – The duration of play shall be as follows: for under 7 and under 8 age groups, 15/20 minutes each way and for under 9 and under 10, 25/30 minutes each way.

For Youth football – The duration of play shall be as follows unless it is mutually agreed by all parties to reduce the time. For under 11: 30 minutes each half, under 12, 35 minutes each half; for under 13; 35 minutes each half, under 14/15; 40 minutes each half and under 16/17/18; 45 minutes each half.

The minimum time for any game will not be less than 20 minutes each half for players in the under 14 age group and below and 25 minutes each half for all other age groups.

No player under the age of 17 as at midnight on 31<sup>st</sup> August in any season shall be permitted to play more than one game or, in the event the competition allows the playing of a double-header, IE: two separate matches, 100 minutes per day in this Competition.

The times of kick-off shall be fixed by the Management Committee. Any Club failing to commence at the appointed time shall be fined a sum not exceeding £5.00 or be otherwise dealt with as the Management Committee may determine. Any team that persists in late kick-off after being fined 3 times in one season and whose explanation are not acceptable to the League Council will be fined £ 10.00 on the next and subsequent occasion

Referees must order matches to commence at the appointed time and must report all late starts to the Competition.

The home team must provide at least two footballs fit for play and the referee shall make a report to the Competition if the footballs are unsuitable. The size of football to be used shall be: For Mini-Soccer, size 3 for players in the under 7, 8 and 9 age categories; size 4 for under 10s. For youth football – size 4 for those playing under 11, 12, and 13 and 14 age groups; size 5 for all other age groups. Goal nets must be used.

(C) Except by permission of the Management Committee all matches must be played on the dates originally fixed but priority shall be given to The Football Association and all relevant County Association Cup Competitions. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a match with the consent of the (*Fixtures*) Secretary.

(D) The Secretary of the home Club must give notice of full particulars of the location of, and access to, the ground and time of kick-off to the match officials and the Secretary of the opposing Club at least 5 clear days prior to the playing of the match. The away Club shall seek and acknowledge receipt of such particulars. Any Club not receiving directions to a ground should notify the fixture secretary immediately and in any case prior to the game. Failure to do so will imply that adequate directions have been received

Any Club failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to a fine of £10.00 on each count.

(E) Every Club shall play its best available qualified team or teams in all matches in the Competition.

In the event of a Club playing in any match with less than 7 players they shall be fined £0.00 for each missing player. A minimum of 7 players will constitute a team for a Competition match.

(F) Home and away matches shall be played. In the event of a Club failing to keep its engagement the Management Committee shall have power to inflict a fine, deduct points from the defaulting Club, and award the points to the opponents, order the defaulting Club to pay any expenses incurred by the opponents or otherwise deal with them except the

award of goals. Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Management Committee shall have power to order a match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent's ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances. If a team cancels a match on three (3) or more occasions the match will be awarded to the opposing team, 3 points will be deducted from the canceling team, the club to which to canceling team is registered may be dealt with in accordance with League Rule 17.

Notice of postponement of any match must be given without delay by the postponing Club (or notice of a Club being unable to fulfil any match must be given 48 hours prior to the match by the Club) to the (*Fixtures*) Secretary, the Competition *Referees Appointments* Secretary, the Secretary of the opposing Club and the match officials. Any Club failing to comply shall be dealt with by the Management Committee who may inflict any penalty it may deem suitable.

Cancellation more than 1 week before day of match: £15.00

Cancellation less than 1 week before day of match: £20.00

Cancellation less than 24 hours before day of match: £30.00

3 points will be deducted from the cancelling team and the match will be re-fixtured

In addition to the above the defaulting club will be responsible for the expenses actually incurred by the match officials. 20 pence per mile (to the maximum of 5 cars) can be claimed by the non-defaulting club

Request for reimbursement must be sent to the league secretary within 5 days of the fixture date.

A completed cancellation form must be forwarded to the Fixture Secretary by both teams to be received within 3 days of the match date (post date to be the deciding factor in any dispute) any club failing to comply with this rule will be fined £10 on each account.

The Management Committee shall review all abandoned matches and in a case where it is to the advantage of the Competition and does no injustice to either Club, shall be empowered to order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. In all cases

Where the Management Committee are satisfied that a match was abandoned owing to the conduct of one team or its Club member(s) they shall be empowered to award the points for the match to the opponents and/or take what other action they may deem necessary. In cases where a match is abandoned owing to the conduct of both teams, and their Club members, the Management Committee shall take such action as they consider appropriate. Such action is subject to any disciplinary action taken by the appropriate County Football Association.

(G) A Club may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use 3 roll on roll of substitute players in any match in this Competition who may be selected from 3 players.

For Mini-Soccer – games should consist of equal players; any number of substitutions may be used at any time with the permission of the Referee. Entry onto the field of play will only be allowed during a stoppage in play. A player who has been replaced may return to the play as a substitute for another player.

For Youth Football – for teams in the under 16 age group and below, a player who has been substituted himself becomes a substitute and may replace another player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football.

The referee shall be informed of the names of the substitutes not later than 15 minutes before the start of the match.

A player who has been selected, appointed or named as a substitute before the start of the match but does not actually play in the game shall not be considered to have been a player in that game within the meaning of Rule 8 of this Competition.

(H) The half time interval shall be of 15 minutes duration, but it shall not exceed fifteen minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.

(I) All side must carry a stocked first aid kit to all games failure to do so will incur a fine of £25.00

(J) **ALL TEAMS MUST ASSUME THAT THEY WILL BE FIXTURED TO PLAY ON ALL SATURDAY/SUNDAYS EXCEPT CHRISTMAS SUNDAY DURING THE COURSE OF THE SEASON. THE E. K. Y. F. L SEASONS WILL RUN FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER -31<sup>ST</sup> MAY AS FIXTURED**

(K) **Prior to videoing any part of a football match, permission must be sought and given by the managers of both competing teams**

### **REPORTING RESULTS**

11. (A) The Registration Secretary must receive not later than the 1<sup>st</sup> post on the Wednesday after the match, the result of each Competition match in the prescribed manner. This must include the forename(s) and surname of the team players (in block letters) and also the Referee markings required by Rule 13, or any other information required by the Competition. If the result sheet is not received within 14 days the defaulting club will incur a further fine of £20.00. The postmark, to be the deciding factor in any dispute arising from this rule, and the Club being dealt with as the Management Committee decide.

(B) The Home Club shall telephone the result of each match to the Fixture Secretary between 6.00pm and 8.00 on the day of the match: Failure to so will incur a fine of £10.00

(C) **The match result notification, correctly completed, shall be signed by a responsible member of the Club. The Management Committee shall have power to take such action, as they deem suitable against a Club, which submits an incomplete form or incorrect information.**

### **DETERMINING CHAMPIONSHIP**

12. (A) Team rankings within the Competition will be decided by points with 3 points to be awarded for a win and 1 point for a drawn match. The teams gaining the highest number of points in their respective Divisions at the conclusion shall be adjudged the winners. Matches must not be played for double points.

In the event of two or more teams being equal on points team rankings will be decided in the following ways:-

- (i) Goal difference                      (ii) goals scored  
(B) *Promotion and relegation shall decided by the league management committee*

Vacancies occurring after the conclusion of the season may be filled on any of the following ways:

- (a) Retention of otherwise relegated team(s)
- (b) Additional promotion or relegation of the next ranked team
- (c) Election

(C) In the event of a team not completing 75% of its fixtures for the season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting team shall be expunged from the Competition table. All fees paid to the league will be forfeited and the club will be fined £50.00

(D) In the case of team completing 75% of their league fixtures the results stand. All fees paid to the league forfeited and the club will be fined £50.00 remaining games will awarded by the council to the teams not in default

(E) League cup-ties have priority over league games

(F) Any E. K. Y. F. L club entering County Cup Competitions are to inform the fixture Secretary of the entry and the results of all fixtures during the season. Failure to do so will incur a fine of £10.00

### REFEREES

13. (A) Registered Referees and Assistant Referees for all matches shall be appointed in a manner approved by the Management Committee and by the sanctioning Association(s).

(B) In the event of the non-appearance of the appointed Referee the appointed senior Assistant Referee shall take charge and a substitute Assistant Referee appointed by the competing Teams. In cases where there are no officially appointed Assistant Referees, or where the competition has been unable to appoint a Referee, the Clubs shall agree upon a Referee. **A Referee thus agreed upon shall, for that game, have the full powers, status and authority of a registered Referee.**

(C) The Management Committee may, if they consider it desirable, or upon application by the two competing Clubs, appoint Assistant Referees, if available, to any match. Where Assistant Referees are not appointed each Team shall provide a Club Assistant Referee. Failure to do so will result in a fine of £5.00 being imposed on the defaulting Club.

(D) The appointed Referee shall have power to decide as to the fitness of the ground in all matches and the decision shall be final subject to either in the case of a ground of a Local Authority or the owners of a ground, the Representative of that body is the sole arbiter and whose decision must be accepted unless the ground is declared fit for play.

(E) Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be entitled to charge standard class public transport expenses or private car expenses of 10p per mile and any other permitted expenses actually incurred together with the following match fees:-

Referee £12.00. Registered Referees appointed by the Management Committee as Assistant Referees £5.00, subject to any limits laid down by the sanctioning Association(s). The Home Club shall pay the Officials their fees and expenses immediately after the match.

(F) In the event of a match not being played because of circumstances over which the Clubs have no control, the Match Officials, if present, shall be entitled to full fee plus expenses. Where a match is not played owing to one Club being in default, that Club shall be ordered to pay the Officials, if they attend the ground, their full fee and expenses.

(G) A Referee not keeping his engagement, and failing to give a satisfactory explanation as to his non-appearance, may have his name removed from the list of Referees and the fact reported to the County Football Association with which he is registered.

(H) Each Club shall, in a manner prescribed from time to time by The Football Association, award marks to the Referee for each match and the name of the Referee and the marks awarded shall be submitted to the Competition on the prescribed Form provided. Clubs failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to be fined or dealt with as the Management Committee shall determine. Any club marking the referee 3 out of 10 or less must send a written report, giving details for doing so, to the league secretary to be received within 3 days of the match being played. Failure to do so will be fined £10.00

The Competition shall keep a record of the markings and, on the Form provided by the prescribed date each season, shall submit a summary to The Football Association/County Football Association.

(J) Referees and Assistant Referees registering with the league, shall be supplied, each Season, with a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge.

#### **CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP OR WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB**

14. (A) After 31<sup>st</sup> December in the current Season a Club intending, or having a provisional intention, to withdraw a team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing by 31<sup>st</sup> March each Season or be liable to a fine not exceeding £10.00

All Clubs wishing to remain in membership of the Competition for the following Season must confirm their intention to do so, in writing, to the Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> May

(B) A Club shall not be allowed to withdraw any or all of its teams from the Competition after the Annual General Meeting for the following Season. Any Club infringing this Rule shall be liable to a fine of £50.00 between June and January 31<sup>st</sup> and £100.00 between February 1<sup>st</sup> to end of season

(C) In the event of a Member Club, which is an un-incorporated association, withdrawing and/or disbanding it shall be immediately liable to discharge all its financial and other obligations to the Competition.

In the event that any such obligation remains un-discharged after a period of twenty-one (21) days then such obligation shall be met by the then current Club Members, excluding those under the statutory school leaving age. Until a Member's pro rata obligation is discharged in full the Member shall not be allowed to participate in the Competition, which may apply to the Club's Parent County Association for a suspension order.

#### **PROTESTS AND COMPLAINTS**

15. (A)(i) All questions of eligibility, qualifications of players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Management Committee.

(ii) Objections relevant to the dimensions of the pitch, goals, flag posts or other facilities of the venue will not be entertained by the Management Committee unless a protest is lodged with the Referee before the commencement of the match. Any Club lodging such protest

and not proceeding with it shall be deemed guilty of a breach of this Rule and shall be dealt with by the Management Committee.

(B) Except in cases where the Management Committee decide that there are special circumstances, protests and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are founded) must be lodged in duplicate with the Secretary within 3 days (excluding Sundays) of the match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn except by permission of the Management Committee. A Member of the Management Committee who is a member of any Club involved shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of his Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined.

(C) Any dispute occurring between Clubs in the Competition shall be referred for determination by the Management Committee whose decision shall be binding upon all parties subject to Rule 16.

(D) No review or protest of whatever kind shall be considered by the Management Committee unless the complaining Club shall have deposited with the Secretary a sum of £20.00. And their reasons for the review or protest, in duplicate, within seven (7) days This may be forfeited in whole or in part in the event of the complaining or protesting Club losing its case. The Competition shall have power to order the defaulting Club or the Club making a losing or frivolous protest or complaint to pay the expenses of the enquiry or to order that the costs to be shared by the parties.

(E) All parties to a review, protest or complaint must be afforded an opportunity to make a statement when the protest or complaint is being heard and must have received 7 days notice of the hearing, together with a copy of the submission. When dealing with a protest or complaint the Management Committee shall take into consideration the possession by the protesting or complaining Club of any information, which, if properly used, might have avoided the protest or complaint.

### **BOARD OF APPEAL**

16. Within 14 days of the posting of written notification of any decision of the Management Committee or the Competition a Club, Official or Player against whom action is taken may appeal against such decision by lodging particulars in duplicate with the Secretary of the Kent Football Association, including the current fee for adjudication of a Board of Appeal. The grounds of appeal shall be in accordance with FA Rules. The Board of Appeal may order the appeal fee to be forfeited and shall decide by whom the costs of the appeal shall be borne. The decision of the Board of Appeal is final and binding on all parties concerned.

No appeal can be lodged against a decision taken at an Annual or Special General Meeting unless this is on the ground of unconstitutional conduct.

### **EXCLUSION OF CLUBS OR TEAMS MISCONDUCT, CLUBS, OFFICIALS, PLAYERS**

17. (A) At the Annual General Meeting, or Special General Meeting called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of Rule 19, Notice of Motion having been duly circulated on the Agenda, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude any Club or Team from further membership which must be supported by (more than) two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot.



(B) At the Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 19, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude from further participation in the Competition any Club or team of a Club whose conduct has, in their opinion, been undesirable, which must be supported by (more than) two-thirds (2/3rds) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A Club whose conduct is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.

(C) Any official or member of a Club proved guilty of either misconduct, other than field offences, or of inducing or attempting to induce a player or players of another Club in the Competition to join them shall be liable to expulsion or such penalty as a General Meeting or Management Committee may decide, and their Club shall also be liable to expulsion in accordance with the provisions of Clauses (A) and (B) of this Rule.

(D) Any Club or Team failing to complete 75% of its fixtures in any season shall (unless the conditions are beyond their control, or the accredited delegates present at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting decide otherwise by a majority of two-thirds of the votes cast) be debarred from membership the following season.

**TROPHY:- LEGAL OWNERS, CONDITIONS OF TAKING OVER,  
AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED, AWARDS.**

18. (A) A Competition Cup or Trophy shall be vested in the Association sanctioning the Competition as Trustees. If a Competition be discontinued for any cause the Cup or Trophy shall be returned to the Donor, if the conditions attached to it so provide, or otherwise dealt with as the Association may decide. At the close of each Competition awards may be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.

The following agreement shall be signed on behalf of the winners of the Cup or Trophy:-

“We A \_\_\_\_\_ and B \_\_\_\_\_, the Chairman and Secretary of \_\_\_\_\_ FC, members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of \_\_\_\_\_ Cup or Trophy, and it having been delivered to us by the Competition, do hereby on behalf of the Club jointly and severally agree to return the Cup or Trophy to the Competition Chairman on or before February 1<sup>st</sup>. If the Cup or Trophy is lost or damaged whilst under our care we agree to refund to the Competition the amount of its current value or the cost of its thorough repair.”

Any club failing to return a trophy to the league chairman or as directed on or before the 1<sup>st</sup> February will be fined £10.00 per week or part week thereof Clubs winning trophies will be responsible for the engraving of them before returning, clubs in default will fine £10.00 plus cost of engraving

All side eligible to receive trophies/medal must be present to receive their trophies at the presentation evening. Failure to comply will result in a fine of £60.00 per side. Cost of any damage caused at the presentation evening or cup final venues that the league are requested to cover will divided between all attending clubs and must be paid within 7 days All Clubs are responsible for the actions of their Officers// Players & Supporters, when attending all events governed by the ParkerSteel East Kent Youth Football League

### **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING**

19. Upon receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds of the Clubs in membership the Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting.

The Management Committee may call a Special General Meeting at any time.

At least 7 days notice shall be given of either meeting under this Rule, together with an agenda of the business to be transacted at such meeting.

Each Full Member Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all Special General Meetings. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. Not less than 7 days' notice shall be given of any Meeting.

Any continuing Member Club failing to be represented at a Special General Meeting without satisfactory reason being given shall be fined £50.00.

Officers and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all Special General Meetings.

### **ALTERATION TO RULES**

20. Alterations shall be made to these Rules only at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting specially convened for the purpose called in accordance with Rule 19. Any alteration made during the playing season to the Rule relating to the qualification of players shall not take effect until the following season.

Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the Annual General Meeting shall be submitted to the Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> May in each year. The proposed amendments thereto shall be circulated to Clubs with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of those present and entitled to vote are in favour.

A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting shall be submitted to the sanctioning Football Association 7 days prior to the date of the meeting.

Any alterations or additions decided upon at any meeting shall not become operative until the approval of the Association issuing sanction shall have been obtained.

### **RULES BINDING ON CLUBS**

21. Each Member Club shall be deemed to have given its assent to the foregoing Rules and agreed to abide by the decisions of the Management Committee subject to Rule 16. Each Member Club must abide by any issued Football Association Code of Conduct

## FINANCE

22. (A) The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds of the Competition will be lodged.

(B) All expenditure in excess of £500 shall be approved by the Management Committee. Cheques shall be signed by at least two Officers nominated by the Management Committee.

(C) The financial year of the Competition will end on 31<sup>st</sup> May

(D) The books, or a certified balance sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be audited annually by some suitable person(s) who shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting.

- 23 Each officer, Official. Member of the Management committee or Member of the League shall be entitled to be indemnified and reimbursed by the League and its members for any liability incurred in the respect of any act carried out with the authority of the league relating to the proper conduct of the affairs and management of the League

This indemnity relates to any liability including any compensation of damages awarded and any legal costs and other costs in the defence of any action.

Clubs and their officials should be aware of the implications of the Children's act as advised from time to time

**THE ParkerSteel EAST KENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE**  
**RULES FOR MINI-SOCCER FOR PLAYERS**  
**(BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS) OVER THE AGE OF 6 AND UNDER THE AGE OF 10**  
**BEFORE 1st SEPTEMBER**

Except where other provision in the Laws is made, the Laws of association football apply. Each Law is numbered to correspond with the appropriate Law of the Game. These Laws are mandatory unless The Football Association grants special permission.

**PLAYING AREA**

The number of players and size of playing area per age range is:

<b>Number per team including Goalkeeper</b>		<b>Recommended size of pitch</b>
Under 7s	6 v 6	Min length 90' (27.5m)
Under 8's	6 v 6	Max length 120' (36.6m)
		Min width 60' (18.3m)
		Max Width 90' (27.5m)
Under 9s	7 v 7	Min length 150' (45m)
Under 10s	7 v 7	Max length 180' (55m)
		Min width 90' (27.5m)
		Max width 120' (36.6m)

**Penalty Area**

Length 9.15m – 10yards  
Width 18.47m – 18 yards

**Penalty Mark**

The penalty mark is 7.32m (18 yards) form the Goal line opposite the Centre of the Goal.

**Halfway Line**

The field of play is divided into two halves by a halfway line. The centre mark is indicated at the mid-point of the halfway line.

**Law 1 Goal Size**

The distance between the posts is 3.6m (12ft) and the distance between the lower edge of the cross bar and the ground is 1.88 (6ft)

**Warning**

**In view of the number of accidents that have occurred it is necessary to ensure that portable goals of any size are either pinned or weighted to prevent them from toppling forward.**

**LAW 2. The Ball**

- a) The ball should be no larger than size 4. Size 3 is recommended for 8s. It should be safe and of leather or another suitable material.

**LAW 3. Number of Players**

**Players must play with and against players only from their own age range - within a 1-year age band. Players should not be allowed to begin to play until the season of their 7th birthday.**

Each team must not have a squad greater than double the size of the team per age.

Any number of substitutes may be used at any time with the permission of the Referee. A player who has been replaced may return to the playing area as a substitute for another player.

**LAW 4. Playing Equipment**

Players are required to wear shin-guards and goalkeepers must wear a Distinguishing playing strip.

**LAW 5. Referees**

Each match is controlled by a referee who has authority to enforce the Laws of the Game in connection with the match to which they have been appointed.

The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with play are final. The referee may only change a decision on realizing that it is incorrect or, at his/her discretion provided that play has not restarted.

**LAW 7. Timekeeping / Assistant Referee**

*Duties*

A person may be nominated to assist the referee to: -

- (a) Record goals scored.
- (b) Act as timekeeper and signify to the referee by an agreed signal when the time of each half has expired.
- (c) Suspend time on an instruction from the referee for all stoppages and add that time to the end of each half.
- (d) Supervise the use of rolling substitutes.
- (e) Carry out any other duties as prescribed by the referee.

**If an independent timekeeper is not nominated, these duties are the responsibility of the referee.**

**LAW 7. Duration of game**

**No player shall play more in any one day than the stipulated period outlined below. Within this maximum the recommended duration of games is provided.**

**Recommended Number  
Of minutes each way**

**Maximum duration of  
Participation per day per player**

Under 7s	20 minute's each way	45 minutes
Under 8s	20 minute's each way	45 minutes
Under 9s	25 minute's each way	60 minutes
Under 10s	30 minute's each way	60 minutes

**LAW 8. Start and Restart Play**

*Procedure:*

A kick-off is taken at the centre of the playing area to start the game and after a goal has been scored, opponents must be 4.5 (5 yard) away from the ball, and in their own half of the field. The ball must be played forward.

*Special Circumstances:*

A dropped ball to restart the match after play has been temporarily stopped inside the penalty area takes place on the penalty area line parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the ball was located when the play stopped.

**LAW 8. Ball in and out of play**

**Ball out of play**

The ball is out of play when:

- It has wholly crossed the goal line or touch-line whether on the ground or in the air.
- The referee has stopped play.

**Ball in play**

The ball is in play at all times, including when:

- It rebounds from a goal post, crossbar or corner flag post and remains in the field of play.
- It rebounds from either the referee or an assistant referee when they are on the field of play.

**LAW 10. Method of scoring**

**Goals Scored**

A goal is scored when the whole of the ball passes the goal line, between the goalposts and under the crossbar, provided that no infringement of the Laws of the Game has been committed previously by the team scoring the goal.

## **Winning Team**

The team scoring the greater number of goals during the match is the winner, if both teams score an equal number of goals, or if no goals are scored, the match is a draw.

## **Competition Rules**

For matches ending in a draw, competition rules may state provisions involving extra time, or other procedures approved by the international F. A. Board to determine the winner of the match.

**Please note this must be included within the maximum participating time.**

### **LAW 11. Offside**

They're in no offside.

### **LAW 12. Fouls and misconduct**

In Mini Soccer all free kicks are direct, except pass back to the goal-keeper, which shall be an indirect free kick.

### **LAW 13. Free Kicks**

For all free kicks opponents must be 4.5m (5 yards) from the ball.

### **LAW 14. Penalty kicks**

All players except the defending goalkeeper and kicker must be outside the penalty area and at least 4.5m (5yards) from the penalty mark.

### **LAW 15. Throw in**

A goal cannot be scored directly from a throw-in

### **LAW 16. Goal kicks**

A player of the defending team kicks the ball from any point within the penalty area.

Opponents must remain outside the penalty area and at least 4.5m (5 yards) where the kick is taken until the ball is in play.

### **LAW 17. Corner kicks**

The opposing players must remain 4.5m (5 yards) from the ball until it is in play.

## EAST KENT YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION RULES

The East Kent Youth Football rules apply with the following additions:

- (1) Except where defined as open competitions, competitions shall be confined to Clubs in the EKYFL.
- (2) With the exception of cup competitions played in age groups U8's U9's U10's U11's U12's U13's groups, extra time, if required shall be played in all rounds. The duration is specified under each competition.
- (3) All Cup games must be played to a finish.
- (a) If the scores are level the outcome shall be decided taking of penalty kicks as defined in the referees chart.
- (b) Any team failing to fulfil its fixture, on the date of the fixture (except county appointments or adverse weather conditions) will automatically be eliminated from the competition and charged under league rules for the cancelling of matches. Plus their entrance fee. When a dispute arises referring to qualification of players etc., the game must be played on the date fixtures by the council.
- (4) All players must be registered with the Leagues Registrations Secretary and must be a bona-fide member of the Club/Team they represent. A player SHALL NOT PLAY FOR MORE THAN ONE SIDE IN THE COMPETITION IN THE SAME SEASON. Any Club/Team playing unregistered or ineligible players will be expelled from the competition. P) (i) Any team playing an unregistered or otherwise ineligible player or players shall be fined £50.00 per player and/or otherwise dealt with at the discretion of the Management Committee.
- (5) Enter fee shall be £15 per team, payable by 31<sup>st</sup> May. No team shall participate until entry fees are paid in full. A club shall not be allowed to withdraw from the competition after submitting an application form. Any Club infringing this rule shall be fined £25
- (6) At the final ties, both teams must supply a match ball before the Kick Off, to the Referee, who shall select the most suitable.
- (7) Match expenses for the final ties shall be borne by the League.  
At semi-final ties played on neutral grounds, the match expenses shall be shared between the competing clubs.  
At semi-final ties played on **HOME** grounds of the competing clubs, the match expenses of the Officials shall be shared between the competing clubs.
- (8) Net proceeds from final ties shall be paid into League funds.
- (9) No Club/Team in a semi-final or final tie in a League Cup Competition shall play a player who has not played in at least 3 league games for that side during the current season.
- (10) Any **SIDE, MANAGER, SPECTATOR, ECT** found guilty of causing the abandonment of a match would be eliminated from the competition and fined £50



### **STEVE GINGER MEMORIAL CUP (U9) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules for U9 small-sided games and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level, the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 50 minutes (25 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half-time interval shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. all teams playing in the U9 division of the E. K. Y. L. are to enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sides having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **ALEX LAKING MEMORIAL CUP (U10) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules for U10 small-sided games and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level, the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 60 minutes (30 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U10 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **PARKERSTEEL CUP (U11) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level, the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 60 minutes (30 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U11 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **CHARLES RIDGE MEMORIAL CUP (U12) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level, the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 70 minutes (35 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U12 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **MERV WILLIS MEMORIAL CUP (U13) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level, the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 70 minutes (35 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U13 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **JOHN SMITH MEMORIAL CUP (U14) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level after extra time (10 minutes each way), the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 80 minutes (40 each way)  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U14 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **MICK KELLY MEMORIAL CUP (U15) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level after extra time (10 minutes each way), the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 80 minutes (40 each way)  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U15 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **ALBERT BAINES MEMORIAL CUP (U16) COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level after extra time(15 minutes each way), the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 90 minutes (45 each way)  
Extra time will not be permitted.  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the U16 division of the E. K. Y. L. must enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

### **SENIOR CUP COMPETITION RULES**

1. The E. K. Y. L. rules and cup competition rules apply with the following additions.
2. In all ties if scores remain level after extra time (15 minutes each way), the outcome must be decided on the taking of penalty kicks in accordance with the referee's chart.
3. Duration of the match shall be 90 minutes (45 each way)  
The half time shall be 10 minutes and this may only be altered with the consent of the match referee.
4. Entrance fee shall be £15 per team, to be paid prior to any match being played.
5. All teams playing in the senior section of the E. K. Y. F. L. shall enter.
6. At final ties, in the event of the sided having same or similar colors, both teams shall change.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The opposing Club must be notified of ground situations, time of kick-off and means of reaching the ground, to arrive no later than 4 days before all games.

Results must be phones to the Fixtures Secretary BETWEEN 6PM – 8PM on the day of the match. E-Mailed results can be sent anytime before 8pm on the day of the match.

The completed match card must be sent to the correct Registration Secretary:

Mrs. L Gurr (Mini Soccer)  
Mrs M. Dodd (U11-12-13's)  
Mrs P. Workman (U14-15-16-17-18's)

To arrive no later than first post 3 days from the date on the match card

### **ANNUALLY:**

K. C. F. A. Affiliation number to be notified to the League Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006

The correct amount of players registered by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2006

Last day for registrations is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2007

Trophies must be returned to a League Officer by no later than 1<sup>st</sup> February 2007

All applications for continued membership of the ParkerSteel EKYFL must be received 1<sup>ST</sup> May 2007

The League Presentations will be held on:

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2007**

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

### GENERAL NOTES:

1. Your handbook is up to date with amendments and deletions
2. Cheques are made payable to **East Kent Youth Football League**
3. You send a S. A. E. if you require an answer to your correspondence
4. You notify the League & KCFA of any change of Secretary
5. Your match card id filled in correctly and signed

Please make sure all enquiries are directed at the correct League Officer:

Registration enquiries should be made only to the correct Registration Secretary

Any matters relating to finance to the Leagues Treasurer

All matters arising form Fixtures should be addressed to the Fixtures Secretary

All other enquiries should be directed to the League Secretary.

All web site questions should be directed to the League Vice Chairman

**IF YOU CANNOT CONTACT THE RELEVANT OFFICER IN THE FIRST INSTANT;  
PLEASE, PLEASE CONTACT THE LEAGUE CHAIRMAN**

**ALL RESULTS & LEAGUE TABLES WILL APPEAR AFTER 8PM ON SUNDAYS  
THROUGHOUT THE SEASON ON THE LEAGUES WEB SITE:**

**Thefa.com/FULL-TIME, click on ParkerSteel EKYFL.**