

FOOTBALL, Exwick Sports Hub, EX4 2BQ

Competition Dates:

Saturday 6th 2019: Boys Under 14; Girls Under 14

Entry Dates

Closing Date: Wednesday 19th June, 2019

Publish Draw Date: Friday 21st June, 2019

Confirm Squad Date: Wednesday 26th June, 2019 (TBC)

How to Enter

You will need to provide full details of your squad before the 'confirm squad date' so each competitor can be checked and confirmed as eligible. Teams are submitted online via www.planeteearthgames.org

Team Requirements

- Each team may bring a total of 8 players for the squad.
- Each player **MUST** wear shin pads
- Players and coaches **MUST** wear astro-turf shoes or moulded studded boots. Flat soled shoes are not permitted on the pitch.
- Each squad member **MUST** wear the same kit
- Each club may bring up to 3 squads.

About the Competition

Competition Format:

- 5/6 a-side (TBC)
- Matches are 10 minutes with no half time
- Points awarded are: 3 for a win, 1 for a draw
- Eight Teams of Boys and Eight Teams of Girls
- The boys & girls will alternate so that all of the boys' teams are playing at the same time, and then all of the girls teams will play
- That will ensure the players all get a one game rest between fixtures

Draw Format:

- A round-robin will be played, so each team will play seven 10-minute games
- The top two teams at the end of the round-robin will play in the Final
- Bottom two from each group go into plate quarter finals

Medals:

- **GOLD:** Winner

- SILVER: Finalist
- BRONZE: Bronze medal match winner
- SHIELD: Plate winner

Planet Earth Games Rules

1. No avoidable single-use plastic to be used at this event, for example, single-use plastic water bottles
2. All participants must LEAVE NO TRACE and be fully responsible for the correct disposal of any waste generated at the event, including use of the organisers waste management suppliers"
3. All organisers must be at the forefront of sustainability in sport and employ the best practice in sustainable policies from their individual sport or activity in according with their National Governing Body or ruling authority guidelines

Sport Specific Rules

This event will run in accordance with The FA Laws of the Game apart from the exceptions stated. The Tournament Organisers reserve the right to alter or amend the playing schedule if necessary and may make decisions on any matters arising during the tournament, including any matters not covered by the tournament regulations. The Tournament Organisers/ Referees decision will be final on all disputed matters.

1) During Play

- a) Teams must be ready to play two minutes before scheduled kick off time. The first named team will choose a goal. The second named team will kick off the match.
- b) Teams not ready to play at the scheduled time may forfeit the match, and their opponents will be awarded a 3-0 score.
- c) YELLOW CARD - If a player receives 2 yellow cards in a match they will be sent off and will miss the next match.
- d) RED CARD - If a player receives a red card they will be sent off and miss the next match. It will be the discretion of the Competition Director whether that player continues to play in the competition.
- e) The 'roll-on-roll-off' rule applies to substitutions. Substitutions can only be made during stoppages in play and with the approval of the referee.
- f) All free kicks are direct. Free kicks must be taken where the offence was committed, opponents must be five yards from the ball.
- g) Opposition players must be five yards away from where corners and throw-ins are taken.
- h) Goalkeepers are not allowed to kick the ball from their hands to introduce the ball into play.
- i) In normal play the back-pass rule applies. If a goalkeeper picks up a back pass then a direct free kick will be awarded in line with the position of the infringement.
- j) The goalkeeper may leave the goal area.
- k) Goalkeepers are not allowed to take penalties, except during sudden death penalty shoot-outs.
- l) In the event of a sudden death penalty shoot-out, a coin will be tossed and the winner of the toss will decide whether to take the first penalty or take the second.

- m) Sliding tackles are not permitted.
- n) Futsal kick-ins instead of throw ins

2. Injury

- a) A match cannot be extended due to injury or illness.
- b) Any player sustaining an injury causing blood to flow must immediately leave the pitch to cover the wound. All injuries should be referred to First Aiders on site and the Tournament Organisers.

3. Incomplete Competition

- a) In the event that the competition is cancelled or suspended, the following steps will be used to calculate a final result:
 - i. The furthest completed stage of competition will be used to countback.
 - ii. Any teams tied on position will be separated based on the rules above which determine group positions, using averages.
 - iii. The minimum competition required to determine a result is a completed stage.