



## UAE INDIAN EXPAT FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2006

### DUBAI UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

#### RULES

(TOTAL FOUR PAGES)

22 March 2006

1. The league is organized by Gulf International Promotions Dubai (hereafter known as "The Organizers") and is only open to players of Indian Nationality / Indian origin and resident in the United Arab Emirates.
2. The League Headquarters will be located at the Offices of Gulf International Promotions, Office M3, Mezz Floor, Mattar Al Tayer Building, above Delhi Darbar restaurant, Karama, Dubai. The League will be played at the Dubai Club for Special Sports.
3. All FIFA rules will be applicable except those incorporated in this list and the offside rule will not be enforced..
4. The team squad shall consist of maximum (15) fifteen players. Rolling substitutes will be permitted. The team squad for each game will consist of a maximum of ten (10) players only.
5. Each team will be permitted to enroll two players who are not resident in the United Arab Emirates. These two players will be included in the list of 15 players.
6. No team will be allowed to play with less than (5) five players on the field at any time.
7. Players will not be permitted to change teams or playing numbers during the tournament.
8. All players to submit two stamp size photographs together with the entry form.
9. All players will be issued ID cards. Managers **must** submit the ID cards together with the team sheet to the officials prior to commencement of all games. If a player is unable to produce his ID card, he will not be permitted to play that particular game. The decision of the organizers will be final in this matter. Team managers are requested to ensure the ID cards are produced at all games. A maximum of Ten ID cards have to be produced per game. It is the responsibility of the managers to collect the ID cards at the end of each game. Lost ID cards will be replaced on payment of a fee of Dhs10/- (Dhs TEN only). Once the game commences no change of players from the ten submitted will be permitted.



10. Teams will not be permitted to amend the list of players during the league. They may however add players to the team list to a maximum of fifteen players. A player **MUST** be registered at least **SIX** days before he is eligible to play.
11. All teams must have **UNIFORMS** (with **NUMBERS** on the back). These numbers should be visible (height approximately 7 inches) and remain constant with the relevant player throughout the league. The players numbers must be entered on the entry form, as ID cards will be issued with the numbers.
12. Teams are requested to have two sets of uniform in case of a colour clash.
13. Duration of the game will be Twenty minutes (Ten minutes each way) in all stages.
14. The tournament will be played on a league cum knockout basis. The top eight teams at the end of the league will qualify for the main knockout stage. The bottom eight teams will qualify for the Plate knockout stage. In the event two teams have the same number of points at the end of the league stage, the goal average (goals for less goals against) will be taken into consideration. If that too is equal, the team scoring more goals will be given the advantage. If both teams have scored identical number of goals the outcome of the game between the two teams will be considered with the winning team being given first preference. If the two teams have drawn with each other during the league stage, a penalty shoot out (five penalties each) will be held to decide the standings. In the event three or more teams end up with identical number of points the positions will be decided as follows: 1) Goal average 2) Goals for 3) The results of the games between the teams concerned.
15. In the event of a draw in the knockout stage an extra time of 5 minutes (one way) will be played. If that too is a draw a tiebreaker will be enforced with **five** players from each side taking kicks. If that too ends in a stalemate the **remaining** players on the pitch will take kicks on a sudden death basis. Only the **seven** players **on the pitch** at the time the game was completed will be permitted to take the penalty kicks.
16. During the league phase the winning team will be awarded three points. In case of a draw each team will be awarded one point.
17. In case of a walkover the winning team will be awarded three points and two goals.



18. Teams will be given the schedule of games in advance and we request them to adhere to this schedule very strictly especially arriving and commencing games on time. Teams will be given a grace period of 5 minutes after which the organizers may award a walkover. This will be at the discretion of the organizers. Teams will be notified of any changes in advance. In the event both teams playing each other do not turn up for their game they will not be awarded any points or goals.
19. Games may only be postponed after obtaining prior written permission from the organizers. Any requests for postponement must be received in writing at least 24 hours in advance. Any written requests received less than 24 hours before a game may not be approved. Teams are however requested to co-operate with each other and reach amicable solutions. No team may postpone more than two games consecutively. All postponed games have to be played within a week of postponement and teams requesting postponement must be prepared to play an extra game on the following game night. All requests must be approved in writing by the organizers. There will be no permission granted for postponement of games during the last two weeks of the league.
20. Referees for each game will be allotted in advance. No request for change of referee will be entertained unless circumstances are unavoidable. This will be at the discretion of the organizers.
21. The referee will record the results on the scorecard at the end of each game and will obtain signatures of both teams captains/managers. Team Managers / Captains are requested to co - operate with the referees. Each team manager is requested to approach the control desk immediately after the game to sign the result sheet and to collect their team ID cards. It will not be the responsibility of the organizers if the manager has not signed the result sheet.
22. The Organizers reserve the right to change fixtures if required.
23. Teams will receive regular reports / league tables after each game. Alternatively one may surf the website [www.gipdubai.com](http://www.gipdubai.com) for league standings / info etc.
24. Team managers will be responsible for maintaining strict discipline on and off the ground. **Indiscipline will not be tolerated** under any circumstances and the organizers reserve the right to suspend any player / manager / team for game/s or for the entire tournament for breaking the rules on or off the pitch. The organizers decisions will be final and binding in all cases. The organizers request that all teams must ensure that the team members / supporters maintain strict discipline during the tournament



including in the stadium. The organizers will not be responsible for any consequences as a result of breaking of the disciplinary rules.

25. Any Team member receiving a red card or receiving two yellow cards in a match will be suspended for the remainder of the match and for his teams next match. Any player receiving two yellow cards during the tournament will be suspended for one match. The concerned team manager will be notified of the relevant players suspension in advance of his teams next game. The organizers will maintain a record of all cards awarded and goals scored and these records will be available for viewing on the website. Further disciplinary action may be taken by the organizers including the suspension of the player / Manager for further games. This will depend on the referees report after each game. The decision of the organizers will be final.
26. Penalty points will be awarded to teams in the event their players / management are shown cards during the tournament. 5 points will be awarded for a Yellow Card and 10 points for a Red Card. In case of two Yellow Cards in a single game (which is equal to a Red card) it will be total of 10 points. The total points awarded will assist in deciding the best disciplined team and we hope this will ensure a tournament played in the right spirit.
27. Protests if any should be submitted in writing within twenty-four hours of the completion of the concerned game along with a protest fee of Dhs.300/- If the protest is upheld the fee of Dhs.300/- will be refunded. If the protest is dismissed the fee will not be refunded. The organizer's decision in all protests will be final and binding.
28. In case of a protest concerning the UAE residency of a player the team manager of the concerned team must produce the concerned players original passport with valid UAE residence visa or the player's valid original labour card. In all protests the decision of the organizers is final.
29. The organizers will deal with any protest lodged against the Indian origin of any player. The decision of the organizers will be final and binding.
30. NO PROTEST WILL BE ENTERTAINED AGAINST REFEREES DECISIONS. The Organizers and referees decisions are final in all matters.



31. It is the responsibility of teams to ensure they have First Aid / Ice available for their players. The organizers will not be responsible for any injury or death caused as result of participating in the league. Teams are requested to ensure that this requirement is met for all games.
32. ENTRY FEE will be Dhs. 700/- (Dirhams Seven Hundred only) per team. All teams will receive water and soft drinks during each game. Managers are requested to collect their items from the control desk before each game.
33. Entry Forms with documents / photos to be submitted to Gulf International Promotions as soon as possible.
34. The organizers reserve the right to amend the above rules if they deem it necessary.
35. These rules were laid down after a detailed discussion and unanimous agreement by all team Managers present at a meeting held at Al Nasr Leisureland on Tuesday 21 March 2006.
36. These set of rules supercede any previous rules issued.

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