Norfolk Rugby Football Union

Barclays Youth Cup Competition Rules.

Dick Williams Trophy (Under 16 on 1st September) Norman Potter Trophy (Under 15 on 1st September) Harry Fuller Memorial Cup (Under 14 on 1st September) David Blizzard Memorial Trophy (Under 13 on 1st September)

(Under 12's must not play in this competition)

- 1 This competition is open to all Club affiliated to the Norfolk Rugby Union and will be administered by the Norfolk Rugby Union Youth Committee (the competition organiser). Each club may enter one side per competition. Schools teams may not be entered as a club side
- A player participating in any youth competition must be a fully paid up member of that club, not having played in cup competitions for any other club that season. The player must also be on the County register as a player for that club and have been included in the County register for that club at least 21 days before playing in any cup match.
- 3 Age groups will be Under 13, under 14, under 15 & under 16. The qualification date will be under the respective age on 1st September of the current season. No overage player may be permitted to take part.
- 4 Seven replacements may be used subject to the rules of the RFU
- 5 Under 13's & Under 14's shall not play more than 25 minutes each way with a size 4 ball

Under 15's shall not play more than 30 minutes each way with a size 5 ball

Under 16's shall not play more than 35 minutes each way with a size 5 ball. No extra time shall be played

In the event of a draw, the team having scored the most tries wins. If there is still no result the team having scored the most goals wins

If there is still no result, the away team wins.

For any further competition the away team will be nominated.

- 6 Matches will be played on such dates as are scheduled by the competition organiser.
 - The competition organiser may, on application and agreement of both clubs, agree to the rescheduling of any match.
 - In the event of adverse weather conditions any cancelled match shall be rescheduled to be played within 3 weeks by mutual agreement between the clubs or such other date as is determined by the competition organiser.
 - If a club is unable to fulfil the fixture for any reason the match will be deemed to be conceded with the match awarded to their opponents (score 15-0)
- 7 The Home team manager must advise the competition organiser of the result within three days of the game taking place. FAILURE to do so may result in a £10 fine for the first offence and £20 thereafter in the season.
- 8 Any dispute will be referred to and dealt with by the Norfolk Rugby Football Union Youth Committee. However if this Committee feels unable to resolve the dispute, the matter will be referred to the Norfolk Rugby Football Union Competitions Sub Committee.
- 9 Draws for the competition will take place at the relevant meeting of the Norfolk Rugby Football Union Youth Committee.
- 10 Referees for the closing stages of the competition will be appointed by the Norfolk Referees Society (Semi-final & finals)
- 11 Both team managers must present completed and signed team sheets to the referee for endorsement of the result and signature. The winning team manager will be responsible for sending both team sheets to the appropriate competition organiser. The competition organiser shall receive the team sheets within 14 days of the match taking place.
- 12 Any contravention of the rules at paragraphs 2 and 3 will result in automatic disqualification from the completion.

Addendum to cover Round Robin Competitions.

Rules for amended competition:

- 1 Where necessary to play triangular qualifying rounds, the total time allowed at any particular group shall be divided equally. For example: if the maximum time is 30 minutes each way the game will be played 15 minutes each way.
- 2 If a best runner up is required to complete the next round the following sequence will apply.

The team that has scored the most tries shall go forward If that is equal the team that scored the most goals shall go forward If the scores still remain equal the team that has conceded the least number of tries shall go forward.

If the scores still remain equal then there shall be a play off at the earliest possible opportunity to decide which club goes through