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General Information

Guiding Bodies

World Police and Fire Games Federation (WPFGF)
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Venus

WSF North Soccer Complex

Entry Deadline

June 15th, 2023

Event Information

Team; Open (18+)

- Men
 - Division A
 - Division B
- Women

Active competitors from police, fire and eligible first responder agencies may combine to form a team regardless of agency size **WITHIN A COUNTRY**

Retired competitors may combine to form a team in any manner they wish with other eligible competitors whether police or fire. This includes cross country lines.

Officials

2 qualified officials will be present at each game.

Medical

Basic medical supplies will be available at the venue.

Communications will be available and preparations made in case it is necessary to summon emergency services.



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Sporting Equipment

Player's dress shall be consistent with FIFA and WPFGEF rules

Competition Format

Bracketing

Groups (from 4 to 5 teams) will be established. After group play, the first two teams in each group advance to the single elimination finals tournament.

Finals: "A" AND "B" Divisions: The 1st & 2nd place competitors in each pool will advance to "A" Division; the 3rd & 4th (& 5th) place competitors in each pool will advance to "B" Division.

Scheduling

Scheduled for 4 days of competition. See [Sport Schedule](#) for details.

Each game will consist of two 20 minutes halves, with a 5 minutes break between the halves

Awards

Medals are awarded First through Third Place (1st - 3rd).

Sport Rules

Player Check-in Procedures:

Each player must Check in at the "Soccer 5 a side Check in Table" prior to each game his/her team plays, and show Participant Passes and present them to the Credentials Official. The Credentials Official will give Participant Passes to the referee before the beginning of the game. The referee shall return the Participant Passes to the Credentials Official following each game, after noting any player misconduct on the official game record. The Credentials Official will return the Participant Passes to the players or the coach/captain.

Each team may have four outfield players and a goalkeeper on the pitch at any time. Substitutions can be done anytime. Teams may not change their goalkeeper more than once each half during the course of a game. A change of goalkeeper must be authorized by the referee. If the substitute goalkeeper is injured and leaves the game, he/she will not be able to return to that game. On field players must be 6 feet from the door in order for the



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substitution player to come onto the field. Illegal substitutions will be penalized with an indirect free kick from where play is stopped.

No screw-in studded footwear is permitted to be worn by any player in the tournament. Only training shoes, laces (not metal), molded studs and turf shoes may be worn.

All Players must wear shin guards.

The wearing of any jewelry is not permitted during play.

Each half will begin with one team kicking off. After a goal has been scored, the game will be re-started in a similar manner. Only the defending goalkeeper is allowed to play the ball inside the goal area and only he may handle the ball in this area. An outfield player gaining or seeking to gain an advantage by entering his own goal area will have a penalty kick awarded against his team.

An outfield player entering his opponent's penalty area will be penalized by the award of an indirect free kick against the offending team from where the infringement took place.

A goalkeeper gaining or seeking to gain an advantage by leaving his area or by playing the ball when it is outside the area will cause a penalty to be awarded against his team.

A teammate receiving the ball from the goalie may not return the ball directly to the goalkeeper - the ball must first make contact with another teammate or an opponent. Infringement will lead to a penalty being awarded against the offending team.

A goal may be scored from any point within the field of play. The only exception is that goalkeepers may not score against their opponents. Opposition players must be at least five meters from where any free kick is taken. Players may only take one step before striking penalty kicks.

Back passes may not be picked up by the goalkeeper. Goalkeepers may only roll the ball out to another player if they catch the ball, but they may kick the ball in open play or as part of making a save.



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Charging/sliding tackles are forbidden and shall be penalised by the awarding of a direct free kick. All other free kicks are indirect. Observe the referee's signal.

The referee will penalise any player who unfairly impedes the progress of an opponent when not playing the ball—this will either result in the issue of a warning or yellow card.

Player Misconduct

If a player is ejected from a game by the referee (red card), he/she will be automatically suspended from playing in the following [one] game.

A player penalized with a “blue card” is immediately disqualified from the game and the following [one] game, and is subject to disqualification from the remainder of the tournament. This player may be replaced by another from the same team.

The Soccer 5 a side Discipline Committee will review incidents resulting in a red or blue card and recommend any further discipline to the WPFGE. The WPFGE will rule on the committee's recommendations.

Players do not accumulate “yellow cards” from one game to another.

Pre Competition Meeting

Prior to the start of competition, a meeting will be held between the referees and the captain or coach from each participating team to clarify rules and conduct of play. Details of this meeting will be shared in the Sport Confirmation Letter.

Player Conduct

Any serious violation of conduct, such as fighting or violence toward players or officials will result in the player(s) immediate ejection from that game and his/her automatic suspension from his/her team's next scheduled game. The sport coordinator shall immediately notify the WPFGE, who will investigate each incident to determine if additional discipline will be imposed.