

LEICESTERSHIRE FOXES SUNDAY LEAGUE

25-26 Season League Cup & Trophy Rules

1. Eligibility

All member clubs will participate, and every team entered into the 25/26 Seasons league's competition will be eligible to do so.

2. Cup Draw

The names of the clubs will be drawn in pairs (or groups for Trophy games) and each fixture will be played on the ground of the first drawn club. All fixtures shall be decided at the first playing: there will be no replays. At the semi-final stage, the fixture may be played on neutral grounds at the discretion of the management committee. Each final will be played on a neutral ground.

3. Normal League Rules

Normal league rules apply where relevant. Clubs are not permitted to apply for postponement of any league cup or trophy games.

4. Extra Time & Penalties

In all rounds, if the scores are level after 60 minutes play, the fixture will be decided by the taking of kicks from the penalty mark, in accordance with standard Football Association procedure. For avoidance of doubt, penalties will consist of 5 taken from each team. There will be no extra time applicable. In Trophy games, this rule does not apply, and the game will conclude as a draw.

5. Match Officials & Fees

The Referees Secretary will arrange the appointment of referees (and assistant referees for semi-finals and finals). They shall receive fees in accordance with league rules for all rounds, paid by the AWAY team. All expenses incurred at the semi-final stage shall be shared by the competing clubs. Any expenses incurred at the final stage shall be borne by the league.

6. Player Eligibility

- a. No player shall be permitted to take part in the Under 11 League Cup Competition, if he has played in the Under 12 League Cup Competition, or vice-versa.
- b. No player shall represent more than one club in a cup competition during the same season.
- c. To play in a semi-final or final, a player must have played previously in at least four league or league cup fixtures, for the participating team during the current season.

7. Disqualification

Any club breaking a league cup or trophy fixture or playing an ineligible player shall be disqualified from the competition and the fixture shall be awarded to the opposing team.

8. Trophy Specific Rules

In all Trophy games, there will be no extra time or penalties and matches will conclude as a draw if scores are level at full-time (see cup rule 4). 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.