

2007 Taichung World Youth Football Festival

1. Main purpose:

- a) Provide a natural, healthy and happy International sports environment.
- b) Overcome differences in language, race, religion and politics through sports.
- c) Provide football playing opportunities for teenagers from around the world.
- d) Promote our national football development, enhance international football comradeship and development, and increase Taiwan's international visibility.

2. Name of event:

- 2007 Taichung World Youth Football Festival

3. Directors:

- Ministry of Education
- National Council on Physical and Sports.

4. Organizers:

- City Government of Taichung
- Chinese Taipei Football Association

5. Recognition:

- AFC (Asian Football Confederation)
- National Council on Physical Fitness and Sports

6. Venue:

- Taichung City sports Complex.

7. The host:

- Taichung City Football Committee

8. Sponsors:

- The Overseas Chinese Institute of Technology
- National Taiwan College of Physical Education
- Taichung City Chamber of Physical Fitness and Sports

9. Date of Competition:

- Aug 15, 2007 - Aug 18, 2007

10. Laws of the Games:

- All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game laid down by the International Football Association Board and published by FIFA.

11. Programmed Schedule:

Date	Time	Activity
May 31, 2007	17:00	Application Deadline
June 15, 2007	15:00	Match Schedule
Aug. 14, 2007	15:00	Teams and Media Conference
Aug. 15, 2007	08:00 ~ 21:00	Opening Ceremony and Competition Start
Aug. 16, 2007	08:00 ~ 21:00	Competition
Aug. 17, 2007	08:00 ~ 21:00	Competition
Aug. 18, 2006	08:00 ~ 17:00	Closing Ceremony

12. Groups:

Boys:

- U-11 born after 01/01/1996 7-a-side
- U-13 born after 01/01/1994 11-a-side
- U-15 born after 01/01/1992 11-a-side

Girls:

- U-11 born after 01/01/1996 7-a-side
- U-13 born after 01/01/1994 11-a-side
- U-15 born after 01/01/1992 11-a-side

13. Entries

a) Deadline : May 31, 2007

b) Address: Taichung City Football Committee

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c) Procedure: Complete an registration form (Note: Complete each player's number, DOB,

and Passport/ ID number and photo)

d) Team Composition :

For 11 aside: Each team is allowed 4 Staff members and 20 players.

For 7 aside: Each team is allowed 4 Staff members and 13 players.

e) Registration fee: \$300 USD Dollars per team (Non- Refundable)

f) Transportation, Accommodation USD \$15 per person a day. (including 3 meals, lodging in dormitory, transportation between dorm, match field and airport pick up)

14. Official Ball: FIFA approved “ “ football will be used as the official ball for the competition.

- Ball size :U-13 ~ U-15 ball size 5, size 4 for U-11 and U-12.

15. Competition Rules:

a) No substitution limitations, but players who are subbed out are not allowed to come back to play in the same match.

b) There will be ID/Passport inspection for the Festival.

c) Goal size for 7 players.

Width: 4.5 meters; Height: 2.44 meters

Rules are the same as 11-a-side, except opposition players must retreat 5 meters on corner or free kicks.

d) Duration of play:

60 minutes for U-15; 50 minutes for U-14 ~ U-13; 40 minutes for U-12 and U-11. Each match has 2 halves with a 5-minute interval.

e) Players not wearing the same number jersey as submitted on the registration form will be prohibited from playing in the match.

f) When unregistered players are found playing in the match, the team will forfeit the match, the scores of previous matches will not count, and the coach of the team and the unregistered player will be punished accordingly.

g) Each team should bring 2 different colored sets of uniforms. When both teams have the same color, the away team (2nd team) should change to their other jersey.

h) Referees have the right to end matches prematurely based on unruly conduct by either team. The team determined to be at fault by the referee will be expelled from the festival. Any team that chooses not to finish a match for any reason will also be expelled from the festival.

i) If any team is late by more than 10 minutes after the match's scheduled start time, then the

team will forfeit the match and its right to continue playing in the festival. The team's previous results will not count.

- j) Players need to present their passport to the Record Center for inspection. (20 minutes before the match.) Failing to do so will result in the player not being allowed to play in the match. If any team fails to field the required number of players, 7 for 11 aside and 5 for 7 aside, then the team will not be allowed to play the match and loses the right to continue in tournament.
- k) If there are incidents of physical fights between players, staff, or physical attacks, threats, and verbal insults toward referees during the matches, those involved will be expelled from the tournament and punished by the Festival. They will also be sent to the justice department if the incidents are considered serious.
- l) If any player receives 2 yellow cards in different matches, he or she will be automatically suspended for the next match. If the player receives one more yellow card, he or she will be suspended for a further match.
- m) During the match, the referee's decisions are final. If any team wishes to protest the referee's decision, they need to follow the protest guidelines in sec.17.

16. Ranking

- Round Robin

- a) In 1st and 2nd round when both teams have tied at the end of regulation time, there is "No" overtime period. PK's will determine the winning team.
- b) A win gets 3 points, a loss gets 0 points. A win on penalties gets 2 points, a loss on penalties gets 1 point.
- c) When 2 teams have the same number of points at the completion of the round-robin stage, the ranking is determined as follows: 1. result of the direct match; 2. goal difference; 3. greater number of goals scored; 4. coin toss.
- d) If 2 or more teams have the same number of points at the completion of the round-robin stage, the ranking is determined as follows: 1. goal difference; 2. greater number of goals scored; 3. coin toss.

- Knockout Rounds

- a) In the 1st and 2nd rounds when both teams have tied at the end of regulation, there is "No" overtime period. The match will be determined on penalties.
- b) In the final match, if there is a tie at the end of regulation time, there will be a 5 minutes rest and then 10-minute golden goal overtime period. If the match is still tied, there will be PK's to determine the Champion.

17. Protests:

- Protests over player qualification issues must be raised before the start of each game. For other protests, a formal written protest must be signed and submitted along with \$5000 NT to the Festival director within 1 hour after the game. If the protest is rejected for being unreasonable, the fee will not be refunded. Decisions by the Organizing Committee are final.

18. Awards:

- All semi-finalists (top 4 teams) get a trophy.
- A trophy will be awarded to the MVP in each age group.
- A fair play trophy will be awarded in each age group

19. Expense:

- All clubs are responsible for their own expenses.

20. General Provision:

- Each team may bring a team flag. During their match, they may exhibit the flag in the player's rest area.
- Players who are currently on suspension from their own country's league play cannot register for the festival.
- During games, the Festival officials will photograph players with questionable qualification . The photos will be used as evidence; however, the match will not be stopped.
- If the player in question is determined to have inadequate qualification, the team's scores will not count. And the issue will be sent to the festival director.
- Aluminum and metal spikes are prohibited. Removable spikes are prohibited.
- Each team must be responsible for their own insurance.
- Festival directors reserve the right to change fields, schedules and dates due to weather, field conditions, and other unavoidable conditions.
- All matters not provided for in these Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with by the Organizing Committee whose decisions shall be final.