

AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDARD CODE OF RULES (SCOR) AND STANDARD CODE OF RULES YOUTH (SCORY) (SEASON 2025/26)

The amendments to SCOR and SCORY for the 2025/2026 season are largely the same.

Each row below shows the amendments to SCOR and the equivalent proposed amendments to SCORY (the SCOR-related columns have been shaded light blue to enable them to be more easily distinguished from the SCORY columns).

Where a SCOR or SCORY cell is empty, that means there are no equivalent amendments proposed in relation to SCOR or SCORY (as applicable).

No.	SCOR RULE	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR THE 2025/2026 SEASON	SCORY RULE	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FOR THE 2025/2026 SEASON	RATIONALE
1			1.A	<u>"Virtual Meetings" means meetings held electronically.</u>	To add a definition for consistency with SCOR.
2	5.(A)	The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition and <u>a minimum of one member (but no more than [] members)</u> , who shall all be elected at the AGM.	5.(A)	The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition and <u>a minimum of one member (but no more than [] members)</u> , who shall all be elected at the AGM.	To preclude the possibility of a Competition being administered without member (Club) representation.
3			7.(D)	All parties to a protest or complaint must receive a copy of the submission and must be afforded an opportunity to make a statement at least 7 days prior to the protest or complaint being heard. (i) All parties must have received [] <u>a minimum of 7</u> days' notice of the hearing should they be instructed to attend. (ii) Should a Club elect to state its case in person then it should forward a deposit of £ [] and indicate such when forwarding the written response.	To prescribe the number of days' notice required for hearings and remove the requirement to forward a deposit, for consistency with SCOR.

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4	7.(F)	<p>Any appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing the appeal, accompanied by a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff), which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, and the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. invite submissions by the parties involved; 2. convene a hearing to hear the appeal; 3. permit new evidence; or 4. impose appropriate deadlines. <p><u>An intention to appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority, with a copy sent to the Secretary, within 7 days of the Management Committee providing written notification of its decision.</u></p> <p><u>A notice of appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority, with a copy sent to the Secretary, within 14 days of the Management Committee providing written notification of its decision, accompanied by the relevant fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff) which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority.</u></p>	7.(F)	<p>Any appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority within 14 days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing the appeal, accompanied by a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff), which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, and the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. invite submissions by the parties involved; 2. convene a hearing to hear the appeal; 3. permit new evidence; or 4. impose appropriate deadlines. <p><u>An intention to appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority, with a copy sent to the Secretary, within 7 days of the Management Committee providing written notification of its decision.</u></p> <p><u>A notice of appeal against a decision of the Management Committee must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority, with a copy sent to the Secretary, within 14 days of the Management Committee providing written notification of its decision, accompanied by the relevant fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff) which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority.</u></p>	To mirror changes made to the Standardised Rules for the 2023/2024 season to reflect the Non-Fast Track Appeal Regulations, specifically the initial procedural steps involved.

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		Any appeal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.		Any appeal shall not involve a rehearing of the evidence considered by the Management Committee.	
5			8.(F)	All voting shall be conducted by a show of voting cards hands, or count of email or virtual responses (for Virtual Meetings) , unless a ballot be demanded by at least 50% of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chair so decides.	To be consistent with SCOR.
6	20.(E)	<p>In the event of a Competition Match not being played or being abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Competition Failing such agreement and notification to the Competition within [] days the Competition shall have the power to order the Match to be played on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition. The Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of an abandonment to stand.</p> <p><i>Providing gate money is taken and retained the visiting Club shall receive their actual standard class rail or bus fares or the equivalent for [] persons, or car allowance at [] p per mile for transporting [] persons, or hire charge of a coach (receipt to be submitted). The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two Clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and Match Officials charges. The home Club shall take the whole</i></p>	20.(E).3	<p>In the event of a Competition Match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Management Committee. Failing such agreement and notification to the (Fixtures) Secretary within [] days the Management Committee shall have the power to order the Competition Match to be played on a named date or on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition and the Clubs involved agree, the Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of an abandonment to stand. Providing gate money is taken and retained the visiting Club shall receive their actual standard class rail or bus fares or the equivalent for [] persons, or car allowance at [] p per mile for transporting [] persons, or hire charge of a coach (receipt to be submitted). The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two Clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and Match Officials charges. The home Club</p>	Formatting changes to clarify which part of the respective Rule is optional (italicised wording), and to further clarify that the Fines Tariff reference is only relevant to the optional element of the Rule.

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		<p>of the proceeds of the second Competition Match. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</p> <p>Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</p>		<p>shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second Competition Match.</p> <p>Providing gate money is taken and retained the visiting Club shall receive their actual standard class rail or bus fares or the equivalent for [] persons, or car allowance at [] p per mile for transporting [] persons, or hire charge of a coach (receipt to be submitted). The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two Clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and Match Officials charges. The home Club shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second Competition Match. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</p> <p>Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</p>	
7	20.(E).6	<p><u>Where a Competition Match has been abandoned for any reason both Clubs must, within 24 hours, give notice to the Competition []. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</u></p>	<u>20.(E)6</u>	<p><u>Where a Competition Match has been abandoned for any reason both Clubs must, within 24 hours, give notice to the Competition []. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.</u></p>	<p>To clarify the notification obligations where a Competition Match is abandoned.</p> <p>A consequential addition is also proposed to the respective Fines Tariffs below.</p>

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8	20.(F)	<p>A Club may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use substitute Players in any Competition Match. A Club may name up to [] (3, 4, 5, 6, 7) substitute Players of whom not more than [] ((3, 4, 5, 6, 7)) may be used.</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>A Player who has been substituted becomes a substitute and may replace a Player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football <u>the Game</u>.</p>	20.(F)	<p>[...]</p> <p>For Under 11s - Under 18s_ a Club may use up to [3 from 3 substitute Players] [4 from 4 substitute Players] [5 from 5 substitute Players] [6 from 6 substitute Players] [7 from 7 substitute Players]. A Player who has been substituted becomes a substitute and may replace any Player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football <u>the Game</u>.</p>	To update terminology.
9	22.(B).4	<p>Save for where Rule 2(M) applies, When a senior Team is relegated to a lower division of which is the reserve (or other less senior) Team of the same Club is a member, or entitled to be a member, such reserve (or other less senior) Team must accept relegation to, or retain its position in, the next lower division, and Should the senior Team be relegated to the lowest division, is the reserve (or other less senior) Team of the same Club automatically retires from the Competition.</p>			To further clarify the applicable position where a Club has multiple Teams participating in one league, and to also cross-refer to Rule 2(M).
10	Fine Tariff	2(G) FAILURE TO AFFILIATE	Fine Tariff	2(G) FAILURE TO AFFILIATE	To delete a redundant reference to Rule 2(G).
11	Fine Tariff	20(E).6 FAILURE TO NOTIFY OF ABANDONMENT OF MATCH	Fine Tariff	20(E).6. FAILURE TO NOTIFY OF ABANDONMENT OF MATCH	To include a new row in the Fine Tariff table, to reflect the proposed addition at Rules 20(E) and 20(E).3. above.