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COMPETITION
RULES AND REGULATIONS
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GENERAL PROVISIONS

Purpose and Applications

These Rule and Regulations on Technical Competition, Marketing, and Media (the "**Regulations**") are established by the **Cambodian Premier League** (the "**CPL**") and under the supervision of the **Football Federation of Cambodia** ("**FFC**") in the purpose of regulating and governing the conduct, operations, and administration of the CPL, all Clubs, League and Club Officials, Match Officials, Referees, Players and other related stakeholders as cited within these Regulations.

Scope of Application

These Regulations shall be used at all times in conjunction with all other governing documents and regulations of the CPL as issued from time to time. These Regulations shall be binding on the CPL, all Clubs in the Competition, League and Club Officials, Referees, Players, and other stakeholders and partners as cited within these Regulations and other FFC/CPL governing documents.

Enforcement

Any breach of any of the provisions of these Regulations shall be enforced by the imposition of action and possible sanctions under the FIFA, AFC and/or FFC/CPL Disciplinary Code as may be subsequently issued.

Definition and Interpretation

Unless otherwise indicated, words and expressions in these Regulations shall have the same meaning as in other governing documents of the FFC/CPL. Any interpretation of a provision of these Regulations shall at all times be the interpretation that best achieves the objectives of the FFC/CPL.

Amendments

Any part of these Regulations may be amended from time to time, provided that any such amendments are formalized after appropriate consultation with the relevant committees of the CPL and approved by Exco.

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DEFINITIONS

Unless the contrary appears from the context in this and the following Sections,

a) the words "**AFC Statutes**" means the statutes and accompanying standing orders and regulations promulgated by the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) from time to time;

b) the word "**Club**" means any Club in membership of the CPL;

c) the words "**Code of Conduct**" means the FFC Code of Conduct and CPL Code of Conduct as may hereafter be issued;

d) the word "**Competition**" and/or "**CPL**", and/or the "**League**" means the professional football club competition, respectively naming the Cambodian Premier League or the Hun Sen Cup, organized and sanctioned by CPL and staged and managed by the CPL, including Pre-season, Regular Season and Cup;

e) the words "**FIFA Statutes**" means the statutes including the standing orders and regulations promulgated by FIFA, including the Regulations Governing the Status and Transfer of Players, as amended from time to time;

f) the word "**Riel**" refers to Cambodian currency; (OK)

g) the word "**BOD**" refers to the **Board of Directors** of the CPL, and any decision made by the BOD

h) the letters "**FFC**" mean Football Federation of Cambodia;

i) the letters "**FIFA**" mean the Federation Internationale De Football Association;

j) the word "**he**" and its derivatives are used of any person, whether male or female;

k) the word "**person**" includes any company or association or body of persons, whether incorporated or not;

l) the word "**public**" includes any class of the public or any community;

m) the words "**CPL Match**" mean any Match in any tournament organised by the CPL and/or sanctioned pursuant to these Rules in these Sections;

n) the word "**Season**" refer to a particular calendar year;

o) the word "**Foreign Player**" means a Player who is not a citizen of Cambodian;

p) the words "**Friendly Match**" means any match participated in by a Club that is not part of the Regular Season or the League.

q) the word "**Intermediary**" means a person authorized to negotiate a Standard Player Contract on behalf of a player as specified in these Regulations;

r) the words "**Laws of the Game**" means the Official Laws of the Game as promulgated by IFAB and enforced by FIFA;

s) the words "**Match Official**" means a referee, assistant referee, fourth official, match commissioner, referee assessor or any person in charge of safety or any person appointed by CPL to assume responsibility in connection with a match;

t) the words "**Medical Officer**" means the suitably qualified, registered medical doctor appointed by the Host Club to treat players for injury and illness;

u) the words "**National Team**" means any national team squad selected or nominated by a FIFA Member Association, including the men's senior, Olympics, age-groups, futsal or beach football Clubs or any other national representative Club determined by FIFA from time to time;

v) the word "**Club Official**" means any person involved with the administration, management, organization, preparation or participation of a Club (whether paid or unpaid) including employees, contractors, consultants, officers and directors and representatives;

w) the word "**Team Official**" means any person involved with the management, preparation or participation of a Club's team (whether paid or unpaid) including the coaches, managers, medical staff (including team doctor), physiotherapists, kitman, and other support staff;

x) the words "**Registration Window**" means:
   a. First Registration Window
   b. Second Registration Window and registrations for sport-related reasons;

SECTION A: MEMBERSHIP AND COMPOSITION OF THE LEAGUE

1. Composition of the League

1.1 The League shall consist of Ten (10) Clubs as determined by the CPL.

1.2 With the exception of Clubs invited to participate in the League by the Executive Committee (hereinafter "the Exco") shall be authorized by CPL.

1.3 The Exco shall at all material times and at their absolute discretion consider for the eligibility to participate in the League of the leading football Clubs in Cambodia so long as they meet the requirements of the CPL.

1.4 The Exco reserves before, during or after any Season, the right to determine at all material times and at their absolute discretion about the participation of any Club in the League which fails to meet the criteria and/or requirements, from time to time, of CPL.

1.5 A Club eligible to participate in the League under Rule 1.2 to 1.4 above shall also be required to satisfy such other criteria for continuing its membership in the League as shall from time to time be sanctioned by the Exco and/or through the Rules formulated and sanctioned by the CPL/FFC Disciplinary Committee.

1.6 The Exco shall appoint a CPL Competitions Committee, an Administrative and Finance Committee, a Marketing Committee, a Players Status Committee or other Committee in their respective terms and Rules thereunder, if any, such committee shall determine the format, timing and venues of, and all other rules relating to match or matches, and any play-offs thereof, or regulating Players, Coaches, or any other key personnel, their contracts of service, their registrations, transfers and/or status, and anything akin thereto, and sponsorship, and finance, administration and its management thereof, and the use of the stadium or anything relating thereto, and/or anything relevant and desirable for promoting professional football in Cambodia.

1.7 Such Committee or Committees appointed from time to time, shall promote, provide for, regulate, publish, where necessary, manage all or on any details or arrangements or other things necessary or desirable for or ancillary to the comfort, conduct management, convenience, or benefit of the game, the League and/or the Clubs thereunder and/or its members thereof. Save as otherwise expressly provided for/by these Rules, all such decisions and rulings of the Committees shall be deemed to be decisions of the Exco, and shall be binding upon all Clubs, and all members thereof unless they are rescinded or varied by the relevant Committee or the Appeals Committee or the Exco as per these Rules in these Sections hereinafter appearing, the Exco being deemed the supreme body and the final decision-maker.

2. Undertaking by Clubs

2.1 Membership of the League shall constitute an agreement between CPL and each Club to be bound by and to comply with:

2.1.1. These Rules (each as altered, revoked or added to from time to time);
2.1.2. Club Licensing Regulations (each as altered, revoked or added to from time to time);
2.1.3. The Rules of all Committees of CPL (each as altered, revoked or added to from time to time);
2.1.4. Such other Rules that are applicable to the Clubs partaking in tournaments organised and/or sanctioned by CPL; and
2.1.5. Such decisions of the Exco of CPL;
2.1.6. The Laws of the Game as laid down from time to time by FIFA as adopted by FFC and CPL or otherwise.

2.2 Such agreement shall have effect from the date of the Club's admission to the League and terminate upon the Club ceasing to be a member thereof and/or pursuant to any resolution of CPL, through the Exco. However, such termination shall not lead to any compensation to any rights or claims which may have arisen or arise in respect of circumstances prior or after any Rules, rights and obligations thereof.

2.3 By virtue of this undertaking, Clubs shall in particular be bound to provide certain rights, facilities and services to CPL in order to enable it to fulfil its obligations under commercial contracts entered into in accordance with its Constitution, and in return for this, the CPL, through the Exco, shall make payments to Clubs of fees or "seed money" as specified in Rules relating to Finance, Marketing and/or Broadcasting and/or Sponsorship.

2.4 Club must pay the registration fee to the CPL in the amount 0 USD.

2.5 Club must pay the annual fee to the CPL in the amount 0 USD.

3. Relationship between Clubs and the League: Confidentiality

3.1 In all matters and transactions relating to the League, each Club shall behave towards each other Club and CPL or its Departments or its Committees with the utmost good faith.

3.2 No player/coach/official, its employees of a club or agents shall by any means whatsoever unfairly criticise, disparage, belittle or discredit any other Club or CPL or its Departments or its Committees or in either case any of its employees, officials or agents or bring football into disrepute.

3.3 A Club shall not either during its membership of the League or at any time after its membership has been determined disclose or divulge either directly or indirectly to any person, firm or company whatsoever or otherwise make use of any confidential information as to the business or finances of CPL or its Departments or its Committees or any of its dealings, transactions or affairs or as to any other matters which may come to its knowledge by reason of its membership without CPL's prior written consent, save as to statutory and regulatory

authorities and to such employees of a team to whom such disclosure is strictly necessary for the purposeof their duties and only then to the extent so necessary.

3.4 Each Club shall procure that each of its officials and employees are made aware of the foregoing provisions of Rule 3.3 above, and enter into a binding obligation to comply with the same both during the period of their appointment or employment by the Club and at all times thereafter.

3.5 Any Club found to be in breach of Rule 3.1 to Rule 3.4 herein shall be deemed to be guilty of gross misconduct.

4. Commitment to the National Team(s) or any such Representative Club(s)

4.1. All Clubs shall support CPL in relation to international matches in accordance with the provisions of FIFA and The Rules of the Players Status Committee of CPL, the latter Rules prevailing.

4.2. No matches shall be arranged on any of the days preceding any of the specified dates of each Season for international matches unless otherwise decided by the Head of Competitions Department.

4.3. All Clubs shall support and release selected coaches/players/officials to represent CPL/League and to participate in officially sanctioned events, activities, or competitive matches for the sole purpose of promoting and publicizing the CPL/League.

4.4. In support of the development and preparation of the National Team, a National Team Training Day shall be designated and the Clubs shall support and release players called up by the National Coach. The players shall participate in the programme drawn up at the sole discretion of the National Coach.

5. Termination of Membership

5.1. Subject to these Sections, no Club shall terminate its membership of the League unless it has given notice in writing to CPL of its intention to do so with a minimum of four (4) months before the end of the Season in reference.

5.2. Any Club which is in breach of the provisions of Rule 5.1 above shall indemnify CPL against all losses from any such breach.

5.3. CPL may from time to time, and upon such terms and conditions as it may think fit, expel or accept the retirement or relegation of any Club from the League. Any resolution to expel, retire or relegate any Club from the League shall be at the complete discretion of the Exco.

6. Basis of Competition

6.1. The League shall be spread over a minimum of Ten (10) months, be divided into two (2) Tournaments namely, the Cambodian Premier League and the Cambodian Super Cup.

6.2. The League shall begin with the Cambodian Super Cup and the Cambodian Premier League Champion.

6.3. The CPL Competitions Department shall determine dates of commencement and the end of the League.

6.4. The Competition shall be played on a "league" basis, with each Club facing each opponent three times; once at "home", once "away" and the third match either "home" or "away" alternative to the second round. The CPL Competitions Department shall reserve the right to alter the basis of the league; not limited to the competition format.

6.5. Three (3) points shall be awarded for a winning Club and no points to the losing Club.

6.6. In the event of a draw after the 90 minutes of regulation time, both the Clubs shall be awarded one (1) point each.

6.7. The Club that accumulates the greatest number of points at the end of the Competition shall be declared the Champion.

7. Tiebreaker Mechanism

7.1. The ranking shall be applied by descending order as follow (3 round):

7.1.1. Higher number of points obtained in all Matches.

7.1.1.1 Superior goal difference from all Matches played.

7.1.1.2 Higher number of goals scored from all Matches played.

7.1.2. If two (2) or more Participating Clubs are equal on points, the following criteria are applied to determine the ranking (in descending order): Head-to-Head Criteria.

7.2.3.1. Higher number of points obtained in the Matches played among the Participating Clubs in question;

7.1.2.2. Superior goal difference from the Matches played among the Participating Clubs in question;

7.1.2.3. Higher number of goals scored in the Matches played among the Participating Clubs in question; Tiebreaker

7.1.2.4. If, after having applied the Head-to-Head criteria, two (2) or more Participating Clubs still have an equal ranking, the Head-to-Head criteria shall be reapplied exclusively to the Matches between the Participating Clubs in question to determine their final rankings. If this procedure does not lead to a decision.

7.1.2.5. Kicks from the Penalty Mark if only two (2) Participating Clubs still have an equal ranking and have played their last Match against each other;

7.1.2.6. The lower score calculated according to the number of yellow and red cards received in the Matches (Appendix 1);

7.1.2.7. If two (2) or more Clubs cannot be separated using the above criteria, the winner shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

7.2. The classification of Top 4 ranking:

7.2.1. The calculation of this Top 4 is counting continuously from the results of three rounds.

7.2.2. Higher number of points obtained in all Matches;

7.2.3. If two (2) or more Participating Clubs are equal on points, the following criteria are applied to determine the ranking (in descending order): Head-to-Head Criteria

7.2.3.1. Higher number of points obtained in the group Matches played among the Participating Clubs in question;

7.2.3.2. Superior goal difference from the Matches played among the Participating Clubs in question; Tiebreaker

7.2.3.3. If, after having applied the Head-to-Head criteria, two (2) or more Participating Clubs still have an equal ranking, the Head-to-Head criteria shall be reapplied exclusively to the Matches between the Participating Clubs in question to determine their final rankings. If this procedure does not lead to a decision.

7.2.3.4. Superior goal difference from all Matches played;

7.2.3.5. Higher number of goals scored from all group Matches played;

7.2.3.6. Kicks from the Penalty Mark if only two (2) Participating Clubs still have an equal ranking and have played their last Match against each other;

7.2.3.7. The lower score calculated according to the number of yellow and red cards received in the Matches (Appendix 1);


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7.2.3.8. If two (2) or more Clubs cannot be separated using the above criteria, the winner shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

8. Participation in Club Competitions

8.1. The Cambodian Premier League Champion shall represent Cambodia and qualify for the AFC Cup (ACC) group stage organized by the Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

8.2. All Clubs representing Cambodia in the said competitions above shall be local Clubs. In the event of non-participation or withdrawal of a Club for any reason, the Cambodia Premier League shall represent Cambodia in the said competitions, subject to the entry/qualification rules and regulations of the respective said competitions and Entry Manual for AFC Club Competitions.

8.3. Any matter not provided for in these Rules shall be dealt with the CPL Competition Department, whose decision shall be final.

8.4. Participation Fee and Annual Fee.

9. Champion Trophy of the Cambodian Premier League

9.1 The Champions of the Cambodian Premier League shall each receive a Championship Trophy, which is the property of the CPL.

9.2 The League Championship Trophy shall be presented to the winner of the League, but the trophy shall remain the property of the CPL. The Champion Club shall hold the trophy until two (2) months before the end of the following season's competitions when the Club shall return the same trophy in good order and condition to the CPL Competition Department. However, the CPL reserves the right to recall the trophy from the Club whenever it deems necessary. In the event that an invited foreign Club wins the League, a replica trophy shall be given to the said foreign Club instead.

9.3 The CPL shall present to the Champion Club and runner-up Clubs (second and third) of the League a total of forty (40) medals each for their players and Club officials. Additional souvenirs may be purchased by the Club concerned with the approval of the CPL Competition Department.

9.4 Should the Trophy be lost, destroyed or damaged by fire or by any other cause whilst under the care, control or custody of the Club, the latter shall refund to the CPL amount of its current insured value of the cost of thorough repair and outgoings in addition to any other penalty that the CPL may impose.

SECTION B: REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

10. Eligibility of Players

10.1 Each Club shall ensure that all players are registered with the CPL pursuant to these regulations.

10.2 Individuals who meet the criteria set out in Rule 10.1 are Players and eligible to participate in the Competition, subject to provisions of the CPL Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

10.3 The CPL Competitions Department may decide not to approve the registration of aplayer if any of the requirements set out in this Section are not met.

10.4 The approval of the registration of a Player by the CPL Competitions Department will provide the eligibility of the Player. Each Club is responsible for and bears the onus of fielding only eligible Players in a Match approved by the CPL Competitions Department. Failure to do so shall be considered as gross misconduct and shall lead to the consequences stipulated in rule and/or referred to the CPL Disciplinary Committee.

10.5 For avoidance of doubt, permanent residents shall be deemed to be foreign players.

11. Documents for Registration of Players

11.1. All Players shall be registered via Online Registration System: FIFA Connect and Competition Management System (FCMS) with the supporting documents provided by the CPL Competitions Department and set out in the Manual.

11.2. All Players shall be issued with Accreditation Cards authorized by the CPL Competitions Department. Should a card be misplaced, the Club shall be required to pay Seventy US Dollars ($70.00) for each misplaced card as a replacement production fee.

11.3. The Accreditation Cards belong to CPL/FFC at all times. The CPL/FFC reserves the right to sue and/or revoke the card at any time for any reason that it has been found (indefinitely) that the player misused it and/or violated the set terms.

11.4. A copy of the Players' contracts has to be submitted to Competitions Department for retention.

12. Multiplicity of Registration

12.1. In the event of a Player registering for more than one Club, priority of registration shall be the deciding factor. The Club submitting the later registration shall be notified of the prior registration of the Player, and the CPL Competition Department shall investigate the circumstances under which the registrations were conducted.

12.2. Any player found to have willfully registered with more than one Club or a Club found to have knowingly induced a Registered Player of another Club to register shall bedealt with by the Competition Department, in such manner as he shall think fit.

12.3. Local Players who have been de-registered or have his contract terminated by the Club during the season, shall be allowed to move to another Club during the next registration window provided it does not contravene any of the League Rules.

12.4. In extenuating circumstances, the CPL Competition Department can approve Players to move toanother Club before the next registration window.

13. Squad Composition

13.1. Every Club shall have a minimum squad of eighteen (18) players as at the pre-season minimum registration deadline, and a maximum of thirty five (35) Players as at the close of the first registration window.

13.2. Each Club shall be allowed to register a maximum of six (6) foreign players, of whom at least one (1) shall obtain the nationality of an AFC Member Association (Asian) and one (1) shall be the nationality of an ASEAN. For avoidance of doubt, a maximum of five (5) foreign players (3+1+1) may be named or fielded in any one match

13.3. CPL allows foreign players to register as Cambodian players only if that foreign player has lived in Cambodia for 5 years or more and obtained the nationality identity card before participating in the tournament organized by CPL.

13.4. Clubs must register at least 3 (three) goalkeepers and 1 (one) goalkeeper must wear the jersey number 1.

14. Jersey Numbers for Clubs

All Clubs in the League shall adopt the jersey number from one (1) to ninety-nine (99).

15. Breach of Conditions of Registration & Eligibility

15.1 Failure to comply with any of the condition(s) relating to the registration of a player shall render the player ineligible to play for the Club concerned.

15.2 A Registered player is one whose registration has been approved by the CPL Competitions Department through the Online Registration System: FIFA Connect and Competition Management System (FCMS), with the player being indicated as ‘active’ in the said system.

15.3 An Eligible player for a particular Match is one who:

15.3.1. Is not serving a suspension as a result of a caution/dismissal in a match

15.3.2. Is not serving a suspension as a result of a FFC Disciplinary Committee verdict

15.3.3. Has been fielded in a match without contravening any of the League’s requirement

of fielding and/or substitution of player.

15.4 Should a Club field an unregistered, suspended or ineligible player or field a registered player in the starting line-up (First XI) who have been named as a substitute, or without the player's name being indicated so either in the First XI or as Substitute in accordance to the Player Selection List, the match and three points shall be awarded to the opposing non-infringing Club, and the score to remain/or a three (3) - nil (0) shall be awarded to the said non-infringing Club, whichever is the greater. If a match is forfeited, the suspension is only considered to have been served if the Club to which the suspended player belongs is not responsible for the facts that led to the forfeit of the match.

16. Fitness Test for Players

16.1 Players who are registered as goalkeepers are not allowed to play in any other positions other than the goalkeeper position unless they have achieved passing mark required for that of an outfield player.

SECTION C: REGISTRATION OF CLUB OFFICIALS

17. Registration of Officials

17.1 All Clubs shall submit to the CPL Competition Department its registration of Officials and the supporting documents by the deadline stipulated for the relevant registration Window.

17.2 All Clubs may register a maximum of fifteen (15) Officials.

17.3 Up to eight (8) officials may be registered for each Match. The following two (2) Officials must be registered on the Officials on the Substitution Bench Form and be present at all matches:

17.3.1. Head Coach; and
17.3.2. Team Manager

17.4 Each Club may register any other six (6) Officials for any positions, including without limitation:

17.4.1. Assistant Coach;
17.4.2. Goalkeeper Coach;
17.4.3. Fitness Coach/Trainer;
17.4.4. Media Officer;
17.4.5. Doctor;
17.4.6. Physiotherapist;
17.4.7. Interpreter;
17.4.8. Security Officer;
17.4.9. Video Analyst;

17.4.10. Technical Director;
17.4.11. Equipment Manager / Kitman.

17.5 Should the Club nominate less than eight (8) Officials on Officials on the Substitution Bench Form or the CPL Competitions Department does not approve the registration of any person(s) nominated, the number of Officials permitted on the team bench shall reduce proportionately.

17.6 All Officials shall be issued with official eligibility cards authorized by the CPL Competitions Department. Should a card be misplaced, the Club shall be required to pay One Hundred US Dollars ($100.00) for each misplaced card as a replacement production fee.

18. Documents for Registration of Officials

18.1 Officials shall be registered via Online Registration System: FIFA Connect and FIFA Competition Management System (FCMS).

18.2 All Officials shall provide evidence of their qualifications based on their function via Online Registration System: FIFA Connect and FIFA Competition Management System (FCMS).

19. Minimum qualifications for Head Coaches and other Technical Positions

19.1 All Clubs shall ensure that the following coaching and technical positions adhere to the following minimum requirements stipulated below:

Position	Minimum Qualification Required
Head Coach	AFC 'A' Coaching Diploma or equivalent or Have started/enrolled in the required education course in 2023
Assistant Coach	AFC 'B' Coaching Diploma or equivalent
Goalkeeper Coach	AFC Level 3 Goalkeeper Coaching Certificate or Have started/enrolled in the required education course in2023
Fitness Coach	AFC Level 2 Fitness Coaching Certificate or Have started/enrolled in the required education course in2023
Physiotherapist	Certified and/or licensed by Ministry of Health of Cambodia and/or registered with physiotherapy council/association in Cambodia, and Registered at FFC
Sports Trainer	Certified and/or licensed by MOEYS and/or registered with physiotherapy council/association in Cambodia, and Registered at FFC

19.2 All Clubs shall seek the prior approval of CPL CEO, CPL Competition Department in writing before employing a Coach.

19.3 The Head Coach shall be present for all the matches where he is in-charge, unless approval has been sought and given by the CPL Competitions Department, for the Head Coach to do otherwise.

19.4 In the event that a Club terminates the Head Coach's services or he resigns during the Season, the Club is bound to find a replacement with the required qualifications within one (1) month. However, in the event that there is not more than one (1) month left from the material date of the termination or resignation to the end of the Season, the Club may appoint a caretaker coach who is not meeting the required coaching qualification, which is subject to the approval of the CPL Competition Department.

19.5 A copy of the League coaches' contracts has to be submitted to the CPL Competition Department for retention.

SECTION D: LEAGUE FIXTURES & MATCH PROCEDURES

20. Fixtures Scheduling Policy

20.1 All League Matches for any Tournament (in the Season) shall be arranged as soon as practicable prior to the commencement of the Season. The copyright in all lists or arrangements of such fixtures in any Tournament in any Season or of any match sanctioned by the CPL Competitions Department shall be vested in CPL.

20.2 CPL Competition Department shall be responsible for drawing out the match fixtures for dissemination to all the Clubs before the commencement of the Competition.

20.3 The CPL Competition Department and the FFC Referees Department shall appoint the Match Commissioners and Referees for the Cambodian Premier League

20.4 The League shall adopt and be guided by the policy of a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours between the official matches (CPL and AFC Club Competitions). The rest period shall not take into account for the impact travel has on recovery.

20.5 With the exception of extenuating circumstances, requests for rescheduling and postponement of matches shall not be approved unless otherwise decided by the CPL Competition Department.

20.6 All Clubs shall seek the approval of the CPL Competition Department before granting leave of absence and/or overseas breaks for their respective Participating Players and Participating Officials during the official period of Competition.

20.7 All kick-offs must adhere to the time advertised by the CPL Competitions Department. Clubs and Referees must report any delays at the scheduled time of kick-off and the start of the second half to the CPL Competitions Department. Any Club causing a kick-off to be delayed

by up to five (5) minutes from the time advertised shall be fined the sum of at least Seven Hundred US Dollars ($700) for a first offence and for a second or subsequent offence occurring within the same Season of the first offence shall be deemed guilty of misconduct. Any Club causing a kick-off to be delayed by more than fifteen (15) minutes from the time advertised shall be deemed guilty of misconduct.

20.8 Should any delayed kick-off necessitate the Visiting Club incurring expenses, the Visiting Club shall be entitled to claim reasonable costs against the gross gate takings. Any dispute arising from the claim so made shall be referred to the CPL Competition Department whose decision shall be final. Any such claim must be made within fourteen (14) days of the match in question and payment, or referral to the CPL Competition Department, shall be made within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the claim.

21. Kick-off Timings

21.1 Save as provided in Rules 21.2, 21.3 and 21.4 below, the time of kick-off is 15:45PM and 18:00PMfor all matches.

21.2 Any variation to these timings can be made only with the approval of the CPL Competition Department.

21.3 For matches on Public Holidays, the CPL Competitions Department shall fix the time of kick-off.

21.4 For matches televised (whether live or otherwise), the CPL Competition Department shall determine the time of kick-off and, if necessary, in consultation with the participating Clubs.

21.5 Both Teams shall enter the field of play together as per the Official Match Countdown at least minimum four (4) minutes prior to the kick-off time, along with the Match Officials, the Referee determining the same.

22. Half-time Interval

22.1 In all League Matches, the half-time interval shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes, from whistle to whistle.

22.2 Any Club found guilty of causing delay to the kick-off of the second half by more than one (1) minute shall be fined a sum of Three Hundred Fifty US Dollars ($350).

22.3 Any Club found guilty of causing delay to the kick-off of the second half by more than two (2) minutes shall be deemed guilty of misconduct. If the club is found guilty for a second or subsequent offence occurring within the same Season of the first offence shall be deemed guilty of misconduct.

23. Official Clock & Time

23.1 For avoidance of doubt, Clubs and Match Officials shall refer to the official world clock as measured from Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) and determined by the CPL Competition Department, for all matters relating to the Official Match Countdown and its activities, including but not limited to match kick-off times, pre-match ceremonies and pre-match inspections.

23.2 Stadium (timer) clocks in the stadium showing the amount of time played shall run during the match, provided they are stopped at the end of normal playing time in each half, i.e., after 45 and 90 minutes respectively. This stipulation is also applied in the event of extra time being played i.e., after 15 minutes of each half.

24. Duration of Matches

All League Matches shall be of ninety (90) minutes' duration (forty-five (45) minutes for each half) but any Match which for any cause whatever falls short of ninety (90) minutes' duration may be ordered to count as a completed fixture or to be replayed in full as the CPL Competition Department may in its absolute discretion determine.

25. Laws of the Game

All League Matches shall be played in compliance with these Rules and in compliance with the Laws of the Game as approved by FIFA as laid down from time to time unless otherwise expressed.

26. Minimum Number of Players during a Match

A Match shall not start or continue if either team consist of fewer than seven (7) players.

27. Teams for League Matches

Each Club shall play its full-strength team in all League Matches. Any Club failing to play its full-strength team in any League Match shall be deemed guilty of misconduct.

28. Size of Team Delegation at Matches

28.1 Each Club shall register in Starting list an Official Team Delegation in Starting List comprising of maximum Twenty One (21) players and a maximum of eight (8) team officials for a match.

28.2 The Official Team Delegation shall be granted full access to all official areas, including the Field of Play and other necessary Controlled Accessed Areas, as determined by the CPL Competition Department.

28.3 The Club Media Officer and Team Manager shall be responsible for coordinating all Club and media-related matters with the CPL.


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28.4 All Clubs shall ensure that no unauthorized persons are permitted entry into the team dressing room, Field of Play, or any Controlled Access Area requiring an Accreditation Card.

28.5 Failure to comply with Rule 28.4 shall deem the errant Club liable for further disciplinary action.

29. Naming of Players for Match

29.1 All Clubs shall provide one (1) duly completed 'Player Starting List' to the Match Commissioner no less than ninety (90) minutes prior to the scheduled kick-off. The club shall indicate on the Starting List the eleven (11) players who shall start the match and the other ten (10) named substitutes. The Team Captain shall also be identified on the starting list.

29.2 Without breaching any of the Rules, all Clubs can name a maximum of six (6) foreign players in the Starting List and (3+1+1) on the field (2 players which are AFC and AFF members).

29.3 Once the Player Starting List is submitted to the Match Commissioner and becomes an official document, and if the match has not yet kicked-off, the following instructions shall apply:

29.4 If any of the eleven (11) players listed on the Player Starting List selected to start the match are not able to start the match for any reason, they may be replaced by any of the named substitutes. Such replacements shall reduce the quota of substitute players accordingly. The player being replaced cannot be renamed as a substitute. During the match, five (5) substitutions (3 Times) may still be made by the team.

29.5 If any of the substitutes named on the Player Starting List is not able to be fielded for any reason, they may not be replaced, which means that the quota of substitute players shall be reduced accordingly.

29.6 Any Club failing to carry out these provisions shall be fined a minimum sum of Three Hundred Fifty US Dollars ($350.00) for the first offence, and for any subsequent offence the club shall be deemed guilty of misconduct.

30. Substitution of Players

30.1 In all Matches, each Club shall be permitted a maximum of five (5) named substitutions.

30.2 If the goalkeeper is ordered off during play, the designated substitute may subsequently replace another player of the same Team and play as a goalkeeper.

30.3 There shall be no substitution of any player who is ordered off the field of play.

30.4 All Clubs wishing to make a substitution shall inform the Fourth Official of the Players involved in the Substitution using a duly completed 'Substitution Card' and accompanied by the Players' AD Pass.

30.5 Should a Club be found to infringe any of the rules above in relation to Substitution of Players, the match and three (3) points shall be awarded to the opposing non-infringing team, and

the score to remain or a three (3)-nil (0) win to be awarded to the said non-infringing team, whichever is the greater. If a match is forfeited, suspension is only considered to have been served if the team to which the suspended player belongs is not responsible for the facts that led to the forfeit of the match.

31. Player Identification

31.1 The players' jerseys must be clearly numbered on the back in accordance with the Player Starting List submitted to the Match Commissioner before any League Match.

31.2 Prior to the start of the Season, each Club shall notify the CPL Competitions Department of the shirt numbers allocated to each player in their teams. Each Player must be allocated a different shirt number (1-99), number one (1) shall be a goal keeper.

31.3 A player's shirt number must remain with him for the duration of the Season unless:

31.3.1. He ceases to play for a Club in which case his shirt number shall become available for allocation to new members of the Club and/or the Youth Team Squad; or

31.3.2. CPL Competition Department may permit the re-use of shirt numbers allocated to another player in the team, if it is satisfied that there are good reasons to do so.

31.4 Pursuant to the above sub-Rule 31.3, any Club which fields a player in a match wearing a jersey not carrying the number allocated to him shall be fined a sum of Three Five Hundred Fifty US Dollars ($3500) for its first offence, and for a second or subsequent offence occurring within the same Season of the first offence, the Club shall be subjected to further disciplinary action.

31.5 Before the match commences, the Team Manager or his assistant acting as the Team Manager of each team shall indicate the captain of the team in the Player Starting List to the Match Commissioner. The captain shall wear the League-issued armband as per the CPL Jersey Printing guidelines to indicate his status.

31.6 The Match Commissioner shall, ninety (90) minutes before the scheduled kick-off time, and at the dressing room of the respective Clubs, verify the League Accreditation Passes of the players named in the Player Starting List to ensure that it is in order, and that the player is eligible to play.

31.7 Notwithstanding the fines herein this sub-Section, the CPL Competition Department may take such other action as it deems desirable against the Club, its Official, or the Player for any infringement of these provisions or refer the matter to the FFC Disciplinary Committee.

32. Clubs to Register Colours

32.1 Two (2) months before the start of the League Tournaments, the CPL Competitions Department shall obtain from the Clubs, in writing, details of their first choice (home) and second choice (away) colours (jerseys, shorts and socks). The colours registered by each team shall be worn during the current Season and no changes either in the colours or the

combination of colours shall be permitted during the course of the Season except in the circumstances set out in Rule 33 below, and the prior consent of the CPL Competitions Department is obtained.

32.2 The choice of playing kit colours must be registered with the CPL Competition Department. Each Club shall submit a sample of its registered colours to the CPL Competition Department at least one month before the commencement of the League Competitions.

32.3 No kit item worn by a field player (shirt, shorts and socks) may contain more than four (4) colours. Furthermore, one colour (1) must be clearly predominant on the shirt, shorts and socks. In the case of striped shirts, vertical or otherwise, one (1) of the colours must be predominant on the other kit items.

32.4 The predominant colour must be visible to the same extent on the back and front of the kit item in question.

32.5 The colours of the official kit must be noticeably different from and contrasting to the colours of the reserve kit/s.

32.6 The colours worn by the goalkeepers must distinguish him from the other players, the Referee and Assistant Referees.

32.7 For the current Season, the jersey shall carry the name of the player. The names are limited to eleven (11) letters including spacing (depending on the cut of the jersey). Only actual names, nicknames or abbreviations of actual names officially registered with and approved by the CPL Competition Department are permissible. Symbols and numbers in the names are not allowed.

33. Clash of Colours

33.1 Clubs are required to wear their first choice colours at their “Home” match and the second choice at their “Away” match.

33.2 Each Club shall wear its official colours as registered and pre-decided by the CPL Competition Department unless prior approval has been obtained from the CPL Competition Department. If, in the opinion of the CPL Competition Department, the referee or match commissioner, the two (2) teams’ colours might cause confusion or prove unsuitable, the visiting Club shall have to change and wear its first choice or a combination of both.

33.3 When there is a further clash of colours, the Home Club shall wear their second choice colours or a combination of both 1st choice and 2nd choice colours as determined by the CPL Competition Department.

34. Printing and Advertising on Jerseys

The jerseys of all players in the League shall follow the instructions stipulated in the CPL Jersey Printing Guidelines, issued by the CPL Marketing Department and endorsed by the CPL Competition Department.

35. Ball Boys

35.1 The Home Club shall provide and ensure a minimum of ten (10) ball boys for the Cambodian Premier League matches. They shall be properly attired in the official bibs issued by the League.

35.2 The colours of clothing worn by ball boys shall not clash with the colours of either of the competing Clubs and match referees and they must be properly attired.

36. Stretcher Bearers

The Home Club shall provide and ensure that there are at least two stretchers, with eight (8) adult stretcher-bearers for all Cambodian Premier League matches. They shall be properly attired in the bibs issued by the League.

37. The Team Bench and Technical Area

37.1 Each Home Club shall provide separate areas adjacent to the pitch (hereinafter "thetechnical area") for the sole use of team officials, team medical staff and substitutes; such designated areas shall be clearly marked "Home" and "Away", have direct access to the pitch, be located equidistant from the half-way line, preferably be undercover, and capable of seating at least Twenty one (21) people from each Club.

37.2 Technical areas may vary between stadium, for example in size or location.

37.3 The technical area extends one (1) meter on either side of the designated seated area and shall extend forward up to a distance of one (1) meter from the touchline.

37.4 The Fourth Official before the commencement of the match shall identify and verify the accreditations of the occupants of the technical area. Accreditations shall be worn by all registered Team Officials at all times. Any Team Official in the technical area found guilty of not wearing an accreditation pass will be fined a sum of One Hundred US Dollars ($100.).

37.5 All person at the technical area must wear kits that are contrasting with the kit of players and referees on the field of play.

37.6 A player and/or official who has been sent off the field/technical area shall not be allowed to remain in the vicinity of the field or technical area.

37.7 The access and management of suspended or expelled players and/or officials shall be managed as depicted below:

Venue	Player		Official	
	Expulsion	Suspension	Expulsion	Suspension
Field of Play	Ordered to leave thefield of play and its surroundings	Banned from the fieldof play and its surrounding	Ordered to leave the field of play and its surroundings	Banned from the field of play and its surroundings
Team Bench	Ordered to leave the team bench	Banned from the team	Ordered to leave the team bench	Banned from the team bench
Technical area	Cannot sit in the technical area	Banned from the technical area	Cannot sit in the technical area	Banned from thetechnical area
Team Dressing Room	Shall stay in either thedressing room or doping control room accompanied by a chaperon until the names of the players selected for the doping test are communicated	Banned from the dressing room at anytime before and during the Match in question (can join after the final whistle)	Banned from entering the team dressing rooms at half time if sent off during the first half of the match	Banned form the team dressing roomsat any time before and during the match in question (can join after final whistle)
Stands	Allowed to sit in the stands, provided his integrity and security are safeguarded, if he is not picked for doping control and is no longer wearing his football equipment	Allowed to sit in the stands, but not in the immediate vicinity (e.g. Team Technical Seats) of the Field of Play, provided his integrity and security are safeguarded	Allowed to sit in the stands, but not in the immediate vicinity of the Field of Play, provided his integrity and security are safeguarded	Allowed to sit in the stands, but not in the immediate vicinity of the Field of Play, provided his integrity and security are safeguarded

Team Bus	Allowed to take the team bus	Allowed to take the team bus but not allowed to talk to the Media upon arrival or departure	Allowed to take the team bus	Allowed to take the team bus but not allowed to talk to the Media upon arrival or departure
Prize Presentation Ceremony	Allowed to take part in the prize presentation ceremony	Allowed to take partin the prize presentation ceremony	Allowed to take partin the prize presentation ceremony	Allowed to take partin the prize presentation ceremony
Mixed Zone	Not allowed in the mixed zone	Banned from mixed zone	Not allowed in the mixed zone	Banned from mixedzone
Press conferences	Not allowed to attendor participate in any Match-related press conference	Banned from all Match-related press conferences	Not allowed to attendor participate in any Match-related press conference	Banned from all Match-related pressconference
Official Training	N/A	Allowed to attend and participate in official training	N/A	Allowed to attend and participate in official traning
Media Activities	Not allowed to undertake any media activities in the stadium	Not allowed to undertake any mediaactivities in the stadium	Not allowed to undertake any media activities in the stadium	Not allowed to undertake any media activities in the stadium on the Match day
Doping Control Room	Eligible for doping control and shall stay accompanied by a chaperon until the names of the players selected for the doping tets are communicated	N/A	N/A	N/A
Contact and Communication	Not allowed in the VIP tribune	Can sit in an area designated by the CPL / Host Organization	Shall not communicate with or conduct anyone involved	Shall not be permitted to communicate with or contact any person involved in

			in the Match by any means whatsoever	the Match by any means whatsoever for the duration of a match

37.8 A player and/or official on suspension is not allowed to be in the vicinity of the field or technical area.

37.9 Only one person at a time is authorized to convey tactical instructions from the technical area.

37.10 The Head Coach, team officials and other occupants of the technical area must remain within the confines of the technical area except in special circumstances, for example, a Medical Practitioner and/or a physiotherapist and/or a Sports Trainer entering the field of play with the Referee's permission to assess an injured player.

37.11 The Head Coach and other occupants of the technical area shall behave in a responsible manner at all times. Any Team Official in the technical area found guilty of not behaving in a responsible manner shall be fined a sum of at least Two Hundred US Dollars ($200.00).

37.12 Only a maximum of eight (8) registered team officials and Ten (10) substitute Players and minimum of four (4) registered team officials and four (4) substitute Players are allowed to be on the substitutes' bench. Team Officials and Players who are expelled or suspended from the game shall not be allowed to be in the technical area.

38. Warm-up Protocols

38.1 Only players indicated in the Official Player Starting List and registered for play (maximum 21) shall be allowed to take part in the Pre-Match warm up.

38.2 During actual play, a maximum of six (6) named substitutes from each Club may warm up at the same time but without a ball (except for the Goalkeeper), behind the goal closest to their substitutes' bench or in a space determined by the Match Commissioner. These Participating players may be accompanied by a maximum of two (2) Participating Officials.

38.3 If There is no space to warm-up behind the goal, a maximun of three (3) players from each club may warm up simultaneously without a ball (except Goalkeeper) behind the Assistant Referee 1. These players may be assisted by one (1) team official.

39. Official League Footballs

39.1 The footballs for the League shall be selected and supplied by the CPL.

39.2 Each Club shall receive 10 footballs for training and 10 footballs for League Matches.

39.3 Clubs are only permitted to use the footballs provided by the CPL for training and warming-up purposes.

40. Post-Match Handshake

Players from both the teams are required to assemble at the center circle with the Match Officials for a post-match handshake. Any player who fails to do so shall be issued with a mandatory fine of One Hundred Fifty US Dollars ($150.00).

41. Field of Play

41.1 Each Club shall register its ground with the CPL Competitions Department, and no club shall move to another ground, without the consent of the CPL Competitions Department.

41.2 The dimensions of the field of play for all Matches shall be as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
Length	100m	110m
Width	64m	75m

41.3 All Clubs must register their pitch dimensions with the CPL Competition Department, prior to the start of each Season. Clubs are not allowed to alter its pitch dimensions during a Season unless with the prior written consent of the CPL Competition Department; the Department may at any time require a Club to submit a report from a qualified independent source, at its cost, certifying the pitch dimensions or the condition of the Stadium, including the ground.

41.4 Each Club shall take all reasonable steps to maintain its pitch and grounds in good order. The CPL Competition Department may require a Club to take such steps as it shall specify if it is not satisfied that an adequate standard of pitch or ground or offices or the safety and security of the Club is/are being (or has been) maintained.

41.5 A Club shall have a regular use of a ground where charge for admission may be made and a gate collection be taken in all Matches.

41.6 The playing area and the technical area must be demarcated, and spectator viewing must be further demarcated.

41.7 There must be separate dressing rooms for each Clubs and the Match Officials.

41.8 There must be toilets/bathrooms provided in dressing rooms used by players and Match Officials, and not for spectator use; dressing rooms must have adequate facilities.


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41.9 Floodlights installed at the stadia ought to meet the requirements of CPL Competition Department and/or the relevant authorities.

42. Consumption of Liquids during Match

42.1 Players are entitled to take refreshments during stoppage in the match but only on the touchline. If drinking water is in front of the technical area, the player must maintain his position on the touchline, while the substitute and participating officials must be outside the field.

42.2 Water bottles are allowed at least one (01) meter outside the Touchline and the Goal line.

42.3 The water bottles are not allowed in the goalkeeper's area. The water bottles must be kept outside the goal area does not touch the goal post or net.

42.4 The throwing of water bottles, water bags, ice cubes or any other water containers onto the field is not permitted. The water bottles must not be placed on the Touchline, which can be disturb the work of the assistant referee running on the Touchline.

42.5 If medical staff enter the field, they must treat only the injured player and not give advice or distribute water bottles.

43. Crowd Control

43.1 All Clubs must ensure that the stadium they occupy is safe and to this extent the Home Club shall be responsible for all security and safety arrangements in respect of each League Match, and shall ensure the safety of Match Officials and opponents, and the public.

43.2 The Home Club shall ensure that spectators do not misbehave or throw any missiles or water bottles onto the field or encroach into the field of play or the technical area before, during or just after a match.

43.3 The spectators are not allowed usage of prohibited items stipulated in the League's match ticketing terms and conditions including but not limited to whistles, laser pointers, pyrotechnics and incendiary devices during the match.

44. Non-fulfilment of Fixture Obligations

44.1 Any Club that failed to fulfil its fixture obligation without just cause in respect of any League Match on the appointed date or dates shall be deemed guilty of gross misconduct.

44.2 A Club that fails to fulfil its fixture obligations shall be liable to pay a fine and compensation for any expenses necessarily incurred by the opposing team, CPL and other affected parties as a direct result of the failure. The amount of compensation shall be at the discretion of the CPL Competition Department after weighing the merits of each case. The CPL Competition Department reserves the right to take whatever action they deem fit against

the infringing team, including but not limited to imposing a fine on the team, and/or referring the matter to the Exco.

45. Dispute/Dislocation of Fixtures/Abandoned Matches

45.1 Any dispute between two or more Clubs as to the arrangement of League Matches shall be referred to and decided by the Head of the Competitions, as soon as possible but not later than seven (07) days before the Match start as to notify CPL.

45.2 If, for whatever reason, League Matches cannot be played on the appointed date, this shall be immediately reported to the CPL Competition Department by the Clubs concerned, and it shall be the CPL Competition Department's responsibility in each instance to notify immediately the appointed Referee, the Assistant Referees, the Fourth Official, and the Match Commissioner, and such other relevant personnel, of such postponement.

45.3 In the event of any League Match that has been postponed or abandoned before the completion of the regulation time of ninety (90) minutes, the result shall be decided by the Competitions Department as to whether there should be a replay or any form of disciplinary action to be taken against the errant Club.

45.4 If a match is abandoned due to conditions beyond control (inclement weather, power failure) the match, as far as possible, shall be replayed the following day or any day determined by the CPL Competition Department.

45.5 The CPL Competitions Department shall as far as possibly arrange for a date agreeable to both the teams if the match is not played the following day. When this is not possible then the Competitions Department shall decide on the date and venue, and whose decision shall be final. A team unable to play on the date and venue decided by the Competitions Department shall be considered to have failed to fulfil an engagement or play its fixtures and liable to disciplinary action. The decision shall be final and binding.

45.6 An abandoned/postponed match shall not be considered as the match where a suspended player has served the suspension; the suspended player shall serve the suspension in the immediate match following the abandoned/postponed match. If an abandoned match is to be replayed, any caution issued during that match shall be annulled but a red card received by a player in an abandoned match shall count and the appropriate sanction shall follow. The replay of the abandoned match shall not be considered as the match where the errant player has served the suspension. If the match is not to be replayed, the cautions received by the team responsible for causing the match to be abandoned are upheld; if both teams are responsible, then all of the cautions are upheld.

45.7 The score of the abandoned match shall be considered null and void, and the replay shall start as a new match playing the ninety (90) minutes of regulation time with the score of 0-0.

45.8 If a match is abandoned, suspension is only considered to have been served if the team to which the suspended player belongs is not responsible for the facts that led to the abandonment of the match.

46. Club Ceasing to Play

46.1 If any Club in the League ceases to operate during the Season, its playing record in the League shall be expunged, and the number of places from the respective League Tournaments, shall be reduced accordingly unless otherwise determined by the Exco. The remaining fixtures if any shall continue without the Club that has ceased to operate.

46.2 If any Club ceases to operate after the completion of the Season's fixture program, the Exco shall determine the position of the Club without prejudice to any and all rights it has.

47. Club Protest

47.1 Any Club intending to lodge a protest against their opponents for any violation of the Tournament procedure in or about the Match shall first do so in written form signed by the General/Club Manager or Secretary of the Club or a responsible Official of the Club to the Match Commissioner within two (2) hours from the end of the Match. Then, the club has a period of thirty-eight (48) hours to file an official letter after a written form with a charge of One Hundred US Dollars ($100.00).

47.2 The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with plays are final. Facts connected with play shall include whether a goal is scored or not and the results of the match. Protest shall only be accepted when a Referee shows a yellow/red card to the wrong player (mistaken identity).

47.3 Any Club intending to lodge a protest against the Referee's decision at a match shall abide by the following procedure:

47.3.1. The Team Manager or a responsible official of the Club shall notify the Fourth Official immediately after the incident during the match that he shall be protesting against the Referee's decision. The Team Manager/official must then send in his protest within twenty-four (24) hours, following the end of the match.

47.3.2. Team Manager/official shall also inform the Match Commissioner after the match on the protest. The Match Commissioner shall reflect this in his report and submit a detailed report on the incident.

47.3.3. On receiving the protest, the CPL Competition Department, after studying the relevant reports, shall decide on the outcome where possible.

47.3.4. When no decision can be ascertained, the FFC Referees' Department and/or Committee shall be consulted with Ethic Code of FFC.

47.3.5. The player pending the appeal shall have to serve his mandatory suspension until a decision is arrived at by the Head of the Competitions.

47.3.6. When no decision can be ascertained, the International Arbitration shall be used, whose decision is binding and shall be final.

48. Disparaging Remarks on Refereeing/Charging at Referees/Conduct of Club Officials and Players

48.1 No Club Official, Coach, Player or a member of the Team shall make any disparaging remarks about the refereeing of a match; any such remark made by a Club Official, Coach or a member of the Team may render such person liable to disciplinary action.

48.2 Players/Officials are prohibited from charging at the referee before, during or after the game, for whatever reasons. Any such action shall render the player/official and club concerned, liable to a fine at the discretion of Head of the Competitions and/or referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee.

48.3 Any Club Official or player who fails to conduct oneself in a proper and responsible manner before, during or after the game, including but not limited to misconduct on the field of play, in the technical area, dressing rooms and stadium premises, shall be liable to disciplinary action.

SECTION E: REGULATIONS ON STATUS OF PLAYERS AND TRANSFERS

49. Status of Players

49.1 All players playing in the League shall be under contract, either as:

49.1.1. Amateur
49.1.2. Non-Amateur

50. Amateur Players (Cambodia Nationality)

50.1 An amateur player is one who does not play football professionally and are paid expenses such as travelling allowances, etc.

50.2 An amateur player, regardless of age, who wishes to move to another club at the end of his contract is free to do so without his new club having to pay any form of compensation, provided that he retains his amateur status at his new club.

50.3 An amateur player under the age of 22 (born on or after 1st January 2001), who is out of contract and wishes to move to another Club and change his status to anon-amateur, is free to do so, but his previous club(s) can seek compensation from his new club based upon a justifiable claim for training compensation.

50.4 An amateur player who is above the age of 22 (born on or before 31st December 2000), who is out of contract and wishes to move to another Club and change his status to a non-

amateur, is free to do so without his new club having to payany form of compensation to his previous club(s).

51. Non-Amateur Player (Cambodia Nationality)

51.1 A full-time non-amateur player is an individual who earns his living solely from football; he shall be contracted to a Club on a full-time basis for a minimum six (6) months in a playing season. If a full-time non-amateur player wishes to move to another Club at the end of his contract, he is free to do so provided that he has fulfilled all his contractual obligations.

51.2 A part-time non-amateur player is defined as one who may be in an institution of learning or whose main source of income is gained from employment other than football; he can be contracted for a minimal six (6) months in a playing season. He is, however, paid a secondary income for his footballing activities. After fulfilling his contractual obligations, the player is free to move to any Club of his choice.

52. Non-Amateur Player (Foreign)

52.1 A foreign player having completed his contract is free to leave provided that the terms and conditions stipulated in his ITC have been adhered to (e.g., on his transfer, loan, retention of contract, etc.).

52.2 Subject to the above, if a foreign player, at the end of his contract, wishes to move to another Club within the League, the Club which he initially played for can claim a three (3) months compensation of the player's last drawn salary or a three (3) months compensation of the player's salary with his new club, whichever is higher, as a compensation for his training.

52.3 If the services of a contracted foreign player are sought by a foreign club, the Club may negotiate a transfer fee as they are the holders of that Player's ITC.

53. Execution of Contracts

53.1 All players on attaining the age of majority (18 years of age) can execute non-amateur contracts.

53.2 Players who have reached the age of sixteen (16) at the time of the execution of the contract can execute (full-time or part-time) non-amateur contracts in their personal capacity in that it is for their benefit. A written consent must be obtained from the player's parent or guardian if he is below eighteen (18) years of age at the time of execution of the contract.

53.3 All other contracts, amateur in nature, involving minors (between the ages of 16 and18) must be signed by either of the player's parents or guardian (where applicable), and witnessed by the player contracted, and where any such player is in school or isin a tertiary institution, that school or tertiary institution shall be so notified of the contract by the Club.

54. Conditions of Contract

54.1 No player under the age of sixteen (16) years can sign a non-amateur contract, and such a player for all purposes shall be treated as having amateur status only.

54.2 All contracts of service between Clubs and players shall be on the official template approved by CPL. The contracts must be signed on behalf of the Club by an authorized Club Official. Clubs shall be free at any time to re-negotiate or amend contracts of service where it relates to Schedule 1 with its Players on such terms in writing as shall be mutually acceptable; but the main body of the contract in its official form shall not be amended without leave of the CPL Competitions Department.

54.3 All Clubs shall submit copies of all contracts of service including any addendums thereof to the CPL Competitions Department, and such contracts including any addendums shall be subject to the approval of the CPL Competition Department.

54.4 Full details of all payments to or benefits paid in cash or in kind on behalf of players must be included in the contract of service to be set out in Schedule 1 thereto, and must comply with the Rulings of CPL, in particular to salary caps.

54.5 It shall be a condition of all payments to players that all stipulated sums in the contract of service shall be strictly adhered to by all Clubs and players, and any player who has not received his dues under his written contract shall notify in writing the CPL Chief Executive Officer and/or CPL Competition Department, as soon as possible.

54.6 The CPL Chief Executive Officer and/or CPL Competition Department, shall be at liberty to call for any and all records of payments by Clubs whether in the form of salaries or match bonus or whatever; any Club failing to provide such records shall be deemed guilty of misconduct.

54.7 Any censures/reprimands and/or fines, suspensions and/or notices of determination or sanctions or whatsoever penalties of any contract of service of a player by a club must be recorded and forthwith reported to the CPL Competition Department, and such notification must be accompanied by a copy of any notice served and/or reasons for any such action adjudicated and determined on the player.

54.8 If any player or official shall be found guilty of serious or persistent misconduct or serious or persistent breach of the terms and conditions of his contract of service or of the disciplinary rules of the Club, the Club may on giving written notice to the player, terminate the contract without prejudice to the Club's rights, and the Club shall notify the player or official in writing as soon as practicable but no later than four (4) days,of the full reasons for the action taken.

54.9 Such action shall be subject to the player's or the official's right of appeal to the Head of Competitions Department, who shall decide by himself or refer it to an Arbitrator or a Board of three (3) Arbitrators at the absolute discretion of the CPL Competition Department

may refer such appeal at his absolute discretion to the Players Status Committee within fourteen (14) days of receipt by the player or official of such written notification of such action (with the full reasons from the Club) from the Club, and any decision of the CPL Competition Department or the Arbitrator or the Board of Arbitrators, where applicable, shall be made within fourteen (14) days of receipt of such notice of appeal of the player or official or such extended period requested for from the CPL Competition Department, and approved as such but no later than 30 days of receipt of such notice of appeal as they shall so determine.

54.10 The player or official shall have the right to a personal hearing before the CPL Competition Department or the Arbitrator or Board of Arbitrators, and shall have the right to representation by any member of his Club that adjudicated and determined against him. An Advocate and Solicitor may represent the Player or the Club only if he is a member of that Club for a continuous period of twelve (12) months preceding any such notice of appeal.

54.10.1. The CPL Competition Department or Arbitrator or the Board of three (3) Arbitrators, may summon or call any witness or witnesses or any document or documents from the Club and/or the player or official to adjudicate and determine any issue.

54.11 If any player or official shall be guilty of misconduct or breach of the disciplinary rules of the Club (other than as provided for above), the Club may determine the Agreement or suspend the Player or Official for a defined period not exceeding fourteen (14) days and/or impose a fine not exceeding two weeks' wages or censure the Player or Official, and the Club shall notify the Player or Official in writing of the full reason(s) for the action taken.

54.12 All contracts of service, in particular Schedule 1 thereof, between Clubs and players or officials must be treated as private and confidential.

54.13 When a player's Contract is terminated by mutual consent, the Club may retain the player's registration until he signs for another Club and may be entitled, without further payment to the player, to a compensation fee for training and/or development in respect of any subsequent transfer of his registration. The Player shall be informed in writing of the Club's intention to retain his registration.

54.14 Any dispute or impasse between the Club holding the player's registration and any other Club negotiating to obtain such registration as to the amount of compensation payable shall, as soon as practicable, and within these Rules/Sections, be determined by the CPL.

54.15 All termination of contracts between Club and Player shall be of mutual consent and not unilaterally by either party.

55. Termination of Contract/Cancellation of Registration

55.1 Any contracted player of Cambodian nationality whose registration is cancelled or who is

released or terminated by his Club on the grounds of permanent disability or for any other reason or cause howsoever arising, shall not be registered for any the Club, without the prior written consent of the Club which last held his registration.

55.2 The registration of a contracted player, local or foreign, released or terminated by his Club shall be cancelled subject to the CPL Competition Department being satisfied the same. The Club must notify the CPL Competition Department, immediately in writing, accompanied by supporting or relevant documents related to the termination when the registration of such player is cancelled by the Club for any reason whatsoever. Any Club found to have infringed this Rule shall be deemed to be guilty of misconduct.

56. Window for Transfer

56.1 Pursuant to the FIFA Regulations for the Status and Transfer of Players, players are normally contracted for one playing season. However, in the Cambodian context, players are contracted for a minimum of six (6) months. Hence, in order to maintain club stability and flexibility of employment for players, this contract can be further shortened by mutual consent between the club and the player. Moreover, any update about contract shall be notified to the CPL Competition Department.

56.2 In so far as it applies to the currency of the Cambodian Premier League and notwithstanding anything herein these Rules in these Sections, there shall be two (2) windows for transfer.

56.3 No changing of players shall be made after the closure of the first registration window.

56.4 Clubs in the League can change as many of their local and foreign players during the second registration window on any dates decided by the CPL Competitions Department. Without breaching any of the Rules in these Sections, a player is eligible to play when he is registered before twelve (12) noon on the day of the match. If any Club in the League has not filled up its full quota of players, then such a Club can register those additional players during the registration periods.

56.5 These windows for transfer shall apply where such a player is permitted to be registered with his previous Club or a new Club of his choice, provided that the Club not exhausted their full quota of Players.

56.6 Clubs falling short or failing to register the minimum registration requirements by the minimum registration deadlines and after the close of registration windows shall constitute a disciplinary offence.

57. Transfer While Under Contract

57.1 During the currency of a contract of a player, the transfer of his registration from one Club to another shall be done through the Online Registration System: FIFA Connect and FIFA Competition Management System (FCMS).


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57.2 Such contracted player does not become a registered player of the Club seeking his transfer until the Club has received from the CPL Competition Department, his League Accreditation Pass, confirming registration and eligibility to play.

58. Transfers after Expiry of Contract

58.1 At the end of his contract, a foreign player(s) wishes to move to another club within the League, the Club which he initially played for can claim a three (3) months compensation of the player's last drawn salary if the contract's term exceed twelve (12) months as compensation for his training. If the contract has the term of six (6) months, the Club which he initially played for can claim one and half (1.5) months of the player's last drawn salary as compensation for his training.

58.2 This above provision is subject to further negotiate between new club and the club that the player initially played for. However, the compensation shall not more than three (3) months of the player's last drawn salary at the club that the player initially played for. This agreement shall be informed to the CPL Competition Department.

58.3 The player and the club that the player initially played for shall negotiate and seek for agreement between player and club about the transfer or compensation fees. This negotiation shall be made before the new club and the club that the player initially played for club enter into the player transfer agreement.

59. Conditions of Transfer

59.1 The terms and conditions of all transfers of registration must be forthwith reported to the CPL Competition Department. The copy of the agreement shall give the full details of the transfer fees and signed by both Clubs shall be submitted to the CPL Competition Department at the same time as the online registration and the DTC/ITC in respect of all players signed for a fee whether local or from abroad. Transfers shall not be registered until the CPL Competition Department is satisfied all formalities and/or arrangements have been complied with.

59.2 All transfer fees (inclusive of any sign-on fees whatsoever), if any, shall be treated as private and confidential. The Chief Executive Officer of CPL and the CPL Competition Department shall have the right to know, and obtain the information from the Club on demand.

59.3 The approval and registration of any local or foreign player in these Rules, is at the absolute discretion of the CPL Competition Department, as the case may be, and in any event, there shall be no transfer of any player in the current season or beyond as determined by these Rules.

60. Temporary Transfers: Loans

60.1 Under the provisions of these Rules, the loan of a player by one Club to another constitutes as a temporary transfer. A transfer certificate via the Online Registration System: FIFA TMS, and FIFA Connect shall therefore be issued:

60.1.1 whenever a player leaves a Club to join another Club to which he has been released on loan;

60.1.2 whenever, on expiry of the period of loan, a player re-joins the Club which released him on loan.

60.2 The conditions governing the loan of a non-amateur player (duration of the loan, obligations to which the loan is subject to) shall be regulated by concluding a separate written contract between both Clubs concerned and duly submitted to the CPL Competition Department.

60.3 During the competition in the League 1, the League shall not approve more than three (3) temporary transfers of a player to any Club at any one time.

60.4 During the competition in the League 2, the League shall not approve more than four (4) temporary transfers of a player to any Club at any one time.

60.5 Temporary transfers which subsequently become permanent shall count against a Club's quota.

61. Inducements

61.1 Clubs or their officials shall not approach any player/Coach to make inquiries for the purpose of inducing that player/coach to join his Club or make or offer to make any payment whatsoever in cash or in-kind or by any other form to players/coaches or their families or any other person as an inducement to sign other than those provided in these Rules or by the respective Committees of CPL. The player/coach shall not induce or attempt to induce any other player/coach in the League to leave that Club for any reason whatsoever.

61.2 Any Club, official or player/coach or member of the Club found to have infringed this Rule shall be deemed guilty of misconduct, and shall be referred to the CPL Competitions Department for any decisions on the infringements or misconducts, and for any penalties may refer the matter to the FFC Disciplinary Committee.

62. Inducements and Approaches

62.1 Subject to the provisions of Rule 61 above, Clubs, officials or players/coaches shall not directly or indirectly attempt to induce a registered player/coach of another Club to leave for any purpose whatsoever the Club which he is registered. Any infringements of this Rule shall be deemed to be misconduct and shall be dealt with the CPL Competitions

Department for absolute discretion. FFC Disciplinary Committee who shall (but not limited to) be entitled to take such action and/or impose such penalties against the official or player/coach or the Club as they may in the circumstances think fit. Any penalty imposed on a Club may include the refusal to register for the Club, guilty of the infringement, any player/coach who they consider has been so induced.

62.2 Public statements by Club officials of their interest in registered players/coaches of other Clubs shall be regarded as inducements within the meaning of this Rule.

62.3 All transfers (including any temporary transfer) of registrations shall be arranged directly between the Clubs concerned (and the player/coach) and not through or by an agent (subject to this Section). No Club shall employ a player who is on the list of registered players/coaches of another Club or who has failed to comply with a decision of the CPL Competition Department adjudicated on an appeal made under these Rules. The FFC Disciplinary Committee may impose any penalty, at his absolute discretion, including a refusal to register the player/coach.

62.4 Subject to the provisions of any rule on compensation, a registered player/coach shall not directly or indirectly communicate with or approach another Club or any official or player/coach of another Club with the object of negotiating or arranging the transfer of himself or another player/coach to such other Club during the currency of contract. Any infringement of this rule shall render the player/coach concerned and any official or other player/coach who enters into communication or negotiation with him liable to such penalties by way of fine, suspension, expulsion or otherwise as the FFC Disciplinary Committee may deem fit in the circumstances.

63. Players Transferred from One Club to Another

63.1 A Club wishing to engage the services of a Player who is at present under contract with another Club shall, before commencing any negotiations with that player, be obliged to inform his Club in writing of its interest, giving at least fourteen (14) days notice from the date of the letter. A Club can only commence negotiations two (2) months before the expiry of the said player's contract, or any time after the player's current Club has ceased to be involved in the League, whichever is the later.

63.2 Any violation of the foregoing obligation shall be referred to CPL should any complaints be lodged by the Club.

63.3 In the case of a player whose employment contract has expired or has been terminated, neither he nor any prospective new Club is required to notify his former Club of any negotiations he is personally conducting.

63.4 However, once the player has signed a contract with a new Club, the new Club is obliged forthwith to contact the Club to which compensation is possibly due under the terms of Rule 64 below.

63.5 If an amateur player under the age of 22 (born on or after 1st January 2001) concludes a contract with a new Club which he joins in a non-amateur capacity, his former Club(s) shall

be entitled to compensation for his training by negotiation.

63.6 If an amateur player, regardless of age, is transferred to another Club and has the same amateur status there, his former Club shall have no claim to training compensation.

63.7 If an amateur player above the age of 22 (born on or before 31st December 2000) concludes a contract with a new Club which he joins in a non-amateur capacity, his former club shall have no claim to compensation for his training.

63.8 If the player's former Club considers it is entitled to compensation for training and development of the player, it shall file its claim within twelve (12) months from the day the player turned non-amateur, otherwise its request shall be rejected.

63.9 When a player is transferred to a new club, the following provisions regarding the payment of training compensation shall apply:

Current Status & Age of Player	Status of Player (at new Club)	Compensation (Yes/No)
Amateur (regardless of age)	Amateur	No
Amateur (above 22)	Non-Amateur	No
Amateur (under 22)	Non-Amateur	Yes
Non-Amateur (regardless of age)	Amateur	No
Non-Amateur (above 22)	Non-Amateur	No
Non-Amateur (under 22)	Non-Amateur	No

63.10 The amount of compensation shall be agreed upon in writing between the two Clubs and shall follow 60.2. of this regulation involved on the compensation stipulated in Rule 64 below.

63.11 A Club may make a valid agreement with any one of its players that it waives its right to compensation for training due to it under the terms of these Rules if the player concerned is transferred to another Club. Such a waiver must be in written form to be valid.

63.12 Any agreement concluded between the Clubs regarding the amount of compensation provided by these Rules shall be brought to the attention of the CPL Competition Department.

63.13 In all matters concerning training compensation, FIFA's latest Regulations for the Status and Transfer of Players shall be the guiding principle.

64. Permanent Transfer Rules

64.1 Any player, who is under contract, is only free to move to another Club if the buying and

selling Clubs successfully agree on all terms and conditions of the transfer.

64.2 The previous Club claiming for compensation is only entitled to a one-time compensation from the buying Club when the player immediately joins the latter in the following season. When the same player moves to a subsequent Club, the previous Club(s) cannot seek further compensation from the new Club.

64.3 A local player, whether amateur or non-amateur, who is over the age of 22 (born on or before 31st December 2000) and is out of contract is free to move to another Club without his new Club having to pay any form of compensation or transfer fee to his previous Club.

64.4 A local amateur player, who is under the age of 22 (born on or after 1st January 2001) and is out of contract, is free to move to another Club provided that his new Club pays his previous Club, a training and development compensation fee.

64.5 If no agreement on the compensation fee is agreed between the two Clubs, the fee shall be fixed as follows:

64.5.1 $1,000 for every complete season, from the age of 12 at his previous Clubs.
64.5.2 $1,500 for every complete season that the player has spent in the League squads at his previous Clubs.

64.6 All of the Clubs that the player has played for whilst under the age of 23 shall be entitled to compensation. The compensation fee the buying Club pays shall be apportioned according to the number of complete seasons spent at each Club.

65. The Status of Players

65.1 If two Clubs have not reached an agreement on the amount of compensation in respect of the training and/or development of a Player, the dispute shall be submitted to the CPL/FFC.

65.2 The CPL/FFC may draw up its own regulations to settle any differences of the kind described in Rule 65.1 above between the two Clubs.

65.3 The CPL/FFC shall also determine any disagreement on the terms of the contract.

65.4 The CPL/FFC shall comprise a minimum of three (3) persons appointed by the CPL, and any two (2) forming a quorum at any meeting of the CPL/FFC. The Secretary of the CPL/FFC shall be the CPL Competition Department, or his/her delegated representative. The members of the CPL/FFC shall not belong to any of the Clubs.

65.5 The CPL/FFC shall have exclusive powers to hear all disputes, including disagreements regarding compensation, including that for training and/or development, and shall have also power to call for witnesses and/or demand documents, and shall further include powers to hear and determine:

65.5.1 A dispute concerning an amateur or non-amateur status or his status and eligibility as a player;

65.5.2 A dispute concerning the interpretation of clauses in contracts between Clubs and/or players;

65.5.3 A dispute concerning the transfer and/or release of players to CPL for the national or representative teams by the Clubs employing them;

65.5.4 A dispute about other matters governed by these Rules in this Section.

65.6 Any disagreement between two Clubs regarding the amount of compensation for the training of a player shall not affect his sporting or professional activity and the player shall therefore be free to play for the new Club with which he has signed a contract unless otherwise determined by the CPL/FFC, which shall convene and hear the dispute within 30 days of being notified by the CPL Competition Department.

65.7 A player may however be subject to a suspension arising from a dispute other than that described in Rule 65.6 above.

65.8 The CPL/FFC may appoint an ad hoc Transfer Committee to determine the amount of training compensation.

66. Re-Acquisition of Amateur Status

66.1 A player who has been registered as a non-amateur with CPL or any national association overseas may not be classified as amateur until a period of one (1) month has elapsed.

66.2 The interim period shall start as from the day the player competed in his last match with the Club which he was registered as a non-amateur.

66.3 A Club which a non-amateur player has left shall not be entitled to compensation from the new Club with which the player has regained amateur status. This provision is subject to the eventuality provided for under Rule 66.4 below.

66.4 If, within thirty (30) months of the day on which he regained amateur status, a player reverts to non-amateur status, the Club with which he was registered before regaining amateur status may be, subject to Rule 63 of this Section, entitled to compensation for training.

66.5 If, in such a case, the player has since changed clubs again, the Club with which the player was, for a while, registered as an amateur shall not be entitled to compensation.

66.6 If there is any doubt as to whether a player who has regained amateur status actually plays as an amateur in his new Club, the Club with which he was last registered as non-amateur may ask the CPL/FFC to investigate the matter and, if necessary, take appropriate action.

67. Termination of Activity

67.1 A non-amateur player who stops playing competitive football shall remain registered as a player with the Club with which he was last employed for a period of twelve (12) months.

67.2 The period shall begin as from the end of the Season in which the player stops playing football.

67.3 The Club of a non-amateur player who stops playing football upon expiry of his contract shall not be entitled to claim compensation of any kind from him.

67.4 Nothing under this Rule shall prevent an individual moving to another Club in a purely non-playing capacity.

67.5 If, within the period mentioned in Rule 67.1, a non-amateur Player who has stopped playing football wishes to start playing again within the same status, he shall remain registered with the Club with which he was last employed.

67.6 If the period mentioned in Rule 67.1 has elapsed, the Club with which the Player was last registered shall no longer be entitled to any compensation.

68. Special Provisions

68.1 The validity of a transfer contract between Clubs or of an employment contract between a player and a Club shall be made subject to the positive results of a medical examination or to the acquisition of a work permit.

68.2 Consequently, the prospective new Club of the player shall be required to make any necessary investigations or to take any appropriate action before concluding or executing the contract, otherwise it shall be liable to pay the full amount of compensation for training agreed upon (and/or the amount of the salary due).

68.3 Under the provisions of these Rules, the loan of a player by one Club to another constitutes a temporary transfer. A transfer certificate shall therefore be issued:

68.3.1 Whenever a player leaves a Club to join another Club to which he has been released on loan;

68.3.2 Whenever, on expiry of the period of loan, a player re-joins the Club which released him on loan.

68.4 The conditions governing the loan of a non-amateur player (duration of the loan, obligations to which the loan is subject to) shall be regulated by concluding a separate written contract, in reference to the player's current with the parent club.

68.5 If the services of a contracted Foreign Player are sought by a foreign Club, the local Club can negotiate a transfer fee as it is the holder of the Player's ITC.

69. Breaking of Contract

Any player who wishes to break his contract shall not be allowed to do so unless any other club wishing to sign the player, the player so agreeing in writing of this intention, shall pay a transfer fee to the Club holding his contract. The transfer fee shall be negotiated between the two Clubs concerned. If these Clubs are unable to decide upon the amount, then it may be referred to the CPL Competition Department, who shall refer the matter to the FFC.

70. Release of Player to National Team or Representative Teams for FFC/CPL

70.1 During the players complying with a call-up from FFC/CPL at any time there are no relevant CPL matches, Clubs must release their player. CPL adjust the fixture schedule with the National Team which not cross with any appropriate CPL matches, clubs obliged to release the player of its representative Teams.

70.2 Any Club which has concluded a contract with a Player who is eligible to play for FFC/CPL of which the Club is a member shall be obliged to release him to FFC/CPL in which he is a National Team Player in the event that he is selected for one of its representative Teams, irrespective of his age.

70.3 The same provision applies to a Club of FFC/CPL for any of its Players who are Nationals of FFC/CPL, if and when they are summoned to play in a representative match.

70.4 This provision is binding for the following matches:

70.4.1 A total of five (5) international matches per calendar year. If during the course of the same calendar year and after five (5) matches have been played, FFC/CPL still has to play matches in the FIFA World Cup Preliminary Competition, then the compulsory release of the Player shall be extended to include such matches.

70.4.2 Additionally, any Match in the final competition of any FIFA Competition or the final Competition of Confederation Championships for senior National Teams ("A" teams) or the final Competition of other Competitions organized by the Confederations, provided these Competitions lead to qualification for a FIFA Competition;

70.4.3 Additionally, any other Tournament/Match in respect of which FIFA Executive Committee or FFC/CPL has taken a decision.

70.5 If the representative team of FFC/CPL is qualified ex officio for a final competition, the compulsory release, as prescribed in Rule 70.3 above, shall comprise eight (8) international matches per calendar year.

70.6 The period of release shall allow for training time. The extent of this time shall be laid down as follows:

70.6.1 for a friendly international Match: minimum 48 hours;


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70.6.2 for a qualifying match for an international Competition: 4 days (including the day of the match). The period of release shall be prolonged to 5 days if the match in question is held on a different continent from that on which the club is domiciled.

70.6.3 for the final competition of an international Competition: 14 days before the first match of the tournament. Any friendly matches played during this preparatory period do not count among the five international matches.

70.7 In any event, a Player is obliged to arrive at the match venue at least 48 hours before Kick off.

70.8 The Clubs and FFC/CPL concerned may, if desired, agree to extend the period of release. Where such an agreement has been made at the time of transfer of the Player, a copy of it shall be attached to the international transfer certificate.

70.9 Any Player who has complied with the summons of FFC/CPL pursuant to this Rule shall resume duty with his Clubs no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the Match to which he was summoned. This period may be prolonged to forty-eight (48) hours if the Match took place on a different continent from that of the Club with which the Player is registered. The club shall be notified in writing of the player's expected outward and return journey ten (10) days before the match. The FFC/CPL shall ensure that the player returns to his club on time after the match.

70.10 If a player does not resume duty with his club by the deadlines stipulated in this Rule, the period of release for FFC/CPL shall be shortened for the subsequent summons as follows:

70.10.1 for a friendly match: 24 hours;

70.10.2 for a qualifying match: to 3 days; and

70.10.3 for the final competition of an international competition: 10 days.

70.11 A Player shall not be permitted to remain with his National Team in the interval between two (2) matches for which he has been summoned if the interval is ten (10) days or more.

70.12 Any Club which releases a Player pursuant to Rule 68.3 above may not be entitled to financial compensation except as determined by the CPL/FFC.

70.13 FFC/CPL summoning the Player shall bear the costs for the travel or where relevant hotel expenses or any other direct expenses actually incurred by the Player as a result of this summons.

70.14 The Club with which the summoned Player is registered shall be responsible for his insurance cover against sickness and accident during the entire period of his release including insurance for injury sustained in the international Match (or matches) or Competitions/Tournaments for which he is released.

70.15 Any Player registered with a Club is obliged to respond affirmatively when called upon by FFC/CPL to play for the National Team or for one of its representative teams.

70.16 A Player who is unable to comply with a written summons from FFC/CPL owing to injury or illness shall, if CPL so requires, agree to undergo a medical examination by a Medical Practitioner of CPL's choice.

70.17 A Player who has been summoned by FFC for its National Team or for one of its representative teams shall, under no circumstance, be entitled to play for the Club with which he is registered during the period of which he has been released or should have been released, pursuant to Rule 68.5 above. This restriction on playing for the club shall, moreover, be prolonged by five (5) days (starting from the day of the match) in the event that the Player, for whatsoever reason, did not wish to or was unable to comply with the summons.

70.18 If a Club refuses to release a Player or neglects to do so despite the Rules above, any or both or any number of the following sanctions shall be applied:
70.18.1 a fine;
70.18.2 a caution, censure or suspension of the Club involved

71. Final Provisions

71.1 Any matter not provided for under these Rules in this Section shall be settled by the CPL/FFC and shall not be subject to appeal.

71.2 The CPL/FFC reserves all rights to alter, revoke, add or vary these Rules from time to time at their absolute discretion

SECTION F: MEDICAL AND DOPING

72. Pre-Competition Medical Screening

72.1 Each Club shall ensure that each Player undergoes a pre-competition medical screening prior to their mandatory fitness test and registration.

72.2 Any player who has not undergone his medical screening and not certified cleared to play shall not be eligible for selection to play in the competition. The player, however, can be provisionally registered for the competition.

72.3 Dope and other tonics are banned and not allowed to be used in any circumstances.

72.4 AFC Anti-Doping Regulations will apply in this clause including the penalties.

73. Facilities and Personnel

73.1 The hosting team of a match in the League shall be responsible in providing medical response team which consists of one (1) match doctor.

73.2 One (1) ambulance shall be provided by the hosting team in a League match and stationed sixty (60) minutes before the commencement of each Match at the designated area near the Medical Room and the Field of Play.

73.3 Each ambulance must be equipped with advance life support equipment such as defibrillator, oxygen/mask, I/V drip sets and emergency medicaments and trained emergency medical personnel.

73.4 Communication channels with the ambulance(s) for emergency evacuation should be in place.

73.5 Security stewards must be available at all times to escort the ambulance(s) for smooth and quick transportation of patients to the referral hospital.

73.6 The area wherein the ambulance(s) are stationed shall be free from any obstruction. Media shall not be permitted within this area.

73.7 Each Stadium will have one (1) fully equipped medical room for medical care of the Team and Match Officials.

73.8 The first medical room will be located in the tunnel close to the Field of Play and team dressing rooms for emergency treatment of seriously injured Players.

73.9 Medical support at the Field of Play is recommended to be equipped with a transportable medical bag consisting of:

73.9.1 Diagnostic equipment

73.9.1.1 Stethoscope, Blood Pressure Monitor with cuff size 10 cm/66 cm, pupil lamp, reflex hammer, blood sugar gauge and/or blood sugar test sticks, digital thermometer, pulse oximeter; Circulation

73.9.1.2 Infusion equipment with administration sets and solution, portable defibrillator with rhythm and patient data recording (AED);

73.9.2 Breathing

Portable airway care system, aspirator, suction catheter, portable oxygen minimum of four hundred (400) Litres, resuscitator with masks and airway, mouth to mask ventilator with oxygen inlet, larynx mask, intubation equipment, tubes;

73.9.3 Emergency Surgical Equipment

Needle holder, forceps, scalpel, scalpel blades, Scissors (sharp and tape), nail clippers, syringes (2ml, 5ml, 10ml), needles, suture cutters, local anesthetics (lidocaine with and without adrenaline (epinephrine), Steristrips (1/8, ¼"), alcohol swabs, Sterile dressing pads, dressing strips, tube and dressing gauze and container for contaminated needle;

73.9.4 Medicaments

Oral analgesics/antipyretics, injectable analgesics (not in the list of prohibited substances). NSAIDs/COX2-inhibators, injectable adrenalin (epinephrine) for anaphylaxis, Antibiotics, antacids, antihistamines, anti-asthmatic inhalators (beta-2-agonist, corticosteroid), 50% glucose solution, sedatives, hypnotics, throat lozenges, cough mixture/antitussive medications, creams/ointment (anti-fungal, antibiotic, corticosteroid, anti-inflammatory), eye and ear antibiotic drops, tetanus toxoid and anti-diarrhea tablets/liquids;

73.9.5 Equipment

Splints, triangular sling bandage, tongue depressors, cotton tip applicators, rigid sports tape, elastic bandage, adhesive tape, adhesive foam, adhesive spray and coolant spray. Vacuum mattress or long spiral board complete with head immobilizer, cervical collar, cervical upper spinal immobilization devices and disposable gloves.

SECTION G: SAFETY AND SECURITY

74. General Principles

74.1 All matters relating to safety and security shall be undertaken in compliance with the directives from the CPL Competitions Department.

74.2 Each Host Club shall, in conjunction with the relevant authorities and/or Stadium owners, devise, plan, and implement adequate security and safety measures for the Competition at all Controlled Access Areas within the Venue and other relevant locations to protect all relevant persons, including without limitation the CPL personnel, Team Officials, Official Licensees, Sponsors, Partners, Media and spectators, and all goods brought in by the CPL, Team Officials, CPL Commercial Rights Partner, and official Licensees.

74.3 Each Host Club shall issue a detailed security plan in the form of an official document, submitted to the CPL Competitions Department for approval prior to the start of the Competition.

75. Covered Stadia

75.1 No match in the Competition shall take place at any stadium where the playing area is covered or partially covered by a fixed or moveable roof without the prior written approval of the CPL Competitions Department.

75.2 Any Club proposing to cover or partially cover its stadium with a fixed or moveable roof shall be required to submit outline plans and a copy of the planning application to the CPL Competitions Department, prior to such planning application being submitted to the appropriate authority(s).

76. Stadium Access Control

76.1 On match days, only persons in possession of a valid permit shall be granted entry to the stadium. Valid permits include:

76.1.1 Match tickets

76.1.2 Accreditations

76.2 If a person cannot produce a valid permit, he shall be refused entry into the stadium.

76.3 It is the responsibility of all stewards and the Host Club to ensure that only those persons with authority to be inside the stadium, including members of the public, officials and staff, are permitted into the stadium.

76.4 Where restricted access zones have been established (for example, players' areas, the field of play, the media, hospitality, etc.), stewards or other appropriate security staff shall be in place to enforce and control access in accordance with the established accreditation and stadium zoning plan.

76.5 The Host Club shall ensure that spectators do not misbehave or throw any projectiles such as water bottles onto the field or encroach into the field of play or the technical area before, during or just after a match.

76.6 The spectators are not allowed usage of prohibited items stipulated in the Match ticketing terms and conditions including but not limited to whistles, laser pointers, pyrotechnics and incendiary devices during the match.

76.7 Any Club found to be in breach of Rule 86.1 to Rule 86.6 herein shall be deemed to be guilty of gross misconduct and may be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee.

SECTION H: FAIR PLAY

77. General Principles

77.1 In its effort to promote Fair Play and sportsmanship, the Competition shall hold a Fair Play Competition for the Season, based on an assessment of the Teams'/Clubs' conduct.

77.2 The objectives of the Fair Play Competition are to foster sportsmanship and Fair Play among Players, Clubs/Team Officials, Members of the Club, and spectators,in keeping with the Mission Statement of the League, thereby also increasing the entertainment value of the game.

77.3 The CPL Competitions Department shall release the standings upon the completion of the competition whose decision shall be final.

77.4 The CPL Competitions Department shall award the Club winning the Fair Play Competition a trophy and/or a cash award or such prizes at their absolute discretion.

78. The Final Assessment

78.1 The overall assessment of Team/Club during the league, or beyond, shall be calculated by adding the marks attained at each game divided by the number of matches played. The Club that has the highest average points shall be the winner of the Fair Play Trophy.

78.2 In the event of a tie in the overall assessment, there shall be a tie breaker. Tie breaker 1: Team with less direct red cards shall receive the award, Tie breaker 2: team with less indirect red cards shall receive the award if both tie breakers cannot determine, then both teams shall be awarded.

78.3 The CPL Competitions Department draws up these Rules and the decision on any other matters pertaining to this Award is final.

78.4 This Award is based on the Clubs' performance in the league, aforesaid, and or other such tournaments in the seasons following, and shall not include the performance in any other competition unless determined by the CPL Competitions Department.

SECTION J: DISCIPLINARY

79. Disciplinary Measures

79.1. All disciplinary measures in relation to the Competition shall be undertaken in accordance with the current FFC and CPL rules and regulations.

79.2. The FFC and CPL may introduce new disciplinary rules and sanctions for the duration of the Competition. Such rules shall be communicated to the Clubs in due course.

79.3. Only Players and Officials may serve match suspensions in the Competition. For avoidance of doubt, this requires the registration of the relevant individual within a Registration Window in accordance with the deadlines set out in these regulations.

79.4. All Players agree to:

79.4.1. respect the spirit of fair play, respect, non-violence, and the authority of the Match Officials;
79.4.2. behave accordingly; and
79.4.3. refrain from doping.

80. Administrative Procedure

80.1. Where a specified financial penalty and/or sanction is/are provided for in these Rules in these Sections, the CPL and FFC Disciplinary Committee shall have the full power to impose against any Club, Official and/or Player and/or Member who they shall deem guilty of having offended against or committed a breach of these Rules in these Sections such financial penalties and/or sanctions as these Rules hereinafter appearing permit.

80.2. The FFC Disciplinary Committee shall receive from the CPL Competition Department notice of any suspected or alleged offence or breach of any of these rules of these sections or any misconduct notwithstanding that a penalty for such offence, breach of the rules under these sections or misconduct is not specifically provided for by the Rules.

80.3. The CPL Competition Department delegates the exercise of any of its powers under these rules either generally or specifically to any of the Standing Committees of the CPL for adjudication and determination as hereunder set out.

80.4. The Committee pursuant to these Rules shall consist of a maximum of twelve (12) members, of whom any three (3) shall be adequate to hear and determine any matter. From among the three (3) one shall be the Chairperson of the Committee. The Chairman of the Committee has the power to appoint a Deputy Chairman or any member of his Committee who shall deputize as Chairman as and when necessary.

80.5. The Committee shall draw its own sub-rules which may include procedures, infringements and sanctions, implementation thereof, and any appeal procedures or powers thereof, including such order as to the payment of expenses, costs or financial penalties by Clubs, Players or Officials or Members of the Club as they think fit, in accordance with the FFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

80.6. The Committee shall have the power of inquiry into all disputes, questions or differences between Clubs and Players, Officials or Members of the Club, and into all matters constituting or pertaining to any breach of these rules under the various sections by Clubs, Players, Officials and Members as may be referred to by the Head, Competitions or any of the CPL's Standing Committees, and to convene a hearing on notice being given, and to effect that purpose the Committee may require the attendance of all Officials, Players and other persons for the hearing of the complaint and compel the production of all books, letters and other documents relevant and necessary for the determination of the dispute/question/difference.

80.7. Any Club, Official, Player or Member offering or receiving a payment or any other form of inducement to or from any Club or Official or Player or Member of any Club or any person, or any such Club, Official or Player or Member receiving or seeking to receive any payment or any other form of inducement from any other person or organization to win, lose or draw a match under the jurisdiction of the CPL shall be deemed guilty of misconduct. The CPL and FFC Disciplinary Committee shall have the power to refer such acts to the relevant authorities.

80.8. The FFC Disciplinary Committee shall be entitled to publish in the media or in such other manner as they shall think fit reports of their proceedings, acts, resolutions, findings and financial penalties whether the same shall or shall not reflect on the character or conduct of any Club, Official, Player or Member, and every such Club, Official, Player or Member shall be deemed to have assented to such an inquiry and such publication.

81. Differences between Clubs

81.1. A Club in the first instance shall refer all differences and questions or disputes between it and any other Club or Officials or Players or Members thereof to the CPL Competition Department. Each Club making such a reference shall do so in writing and shall deposit a fee of Five Hundred Dollars ($0.00) only which shall be liable at the discretion of the CPL Competition Department.

81.2. On any such submission or reference, the CPL Competition Department may in his absolute discretion:

81.2.1. either determine the dispute, question or difference himself; or

81.2.2. refer to or delegate the determination of such dispute, difference or question, at the absolute discretion of the CPL Competition Department, to a single Arbitrator or a Board of three (3) Arbitrators appointed by the CPL Competition Department.

81.2.3. refer the matter to the FFC Disciplinary Committee.

81.3. Any Club aggrieved at the determination of the Head, Competitions or the Arbitrator or the Board of three (3) Arbitrators or of the Committee or any of the Standing Committees of the CPL, made pursuant to this Rule as regards the determination of the dispute, question, difference, or at the manner in which such determination was arrived at, shall refer the matter to the Appeal Committee [hereinafter "the AppealCommittee"] as provided in this Section, and any decision of the Appeal Committeeshall be final and binding on all parties.

81.4. Membership for the time being for the CPL shall constitute an agreement to refer all disputes, questions and differences between the Head, Competitions who shall determine the same in accordance to the provision of Rule 81.2 above.

81.4.1. The Arbitration tribunal ("the tribunal") shall consist of either a single Arbitratoror three (3) Arbitrators appointed by the Head, Competitions. The Head, Competitions shall, in a case involving three (3) Arbitrators, appoint a Chairman to chair all such meetings, and three (3) members must hear the matter, adjudicate and determine the dispute, question or difference.

81.4.2. If any arbitrator appointed by the Head, Competitions shall die, refuse to act or become incapacitated from acting prior to the making of a determination a further arbitrator shall be appointed by the Head, Competitions to replace him.


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81.5. As soon as practicable after it has been convened, the Arbitrator or Board of three (3) Arbitrators or such Standing Committee of the CPL as the case may be shall convene a meeting with the parties or their representatives. The Arbitrator or Board of three (3) Arbitrators or such Standing Committee of the CPL may adopt such procedures as it considers appropriate for the resolution of the dispute, question or difference, and may proceed by way of oral hearing or by written submission, and by such manner of evidence as it considers appropriate.

81.6. Any decision or procedural decision shall be made by the Arbitrator himself or in the case of the Board of Arbitrators or such Standing Committee or the PSC shall, where necessary, be made by a majority and, in the event that no majority may be formed, the Chairman of the Board of Arbitrators or the Chairman of such Standing Committee shall make his determination as if he were a sole arbitrator.

81.7. No party shall be represented at any hearing by a solicitor or counsel acting in his capacity as such, unless he has been a member of a Club for a period of at least twelve (12) months preceding the appointment of the Arbitrator, Board of Arbitratorsor such Standing Committee or the Committee or the Appeal Committee to hear the dispute, question or difference or any appeal therefrom.

81.8. In the event of default by either party in respect of any procedural order of the Arbitrator or Board of three (3) Arbitrators or such Standing Committee or the Committee, the Arbitrator or such Board or such Standing Committee or the Committee shall have the power to debar that party from further participation in the arbitration/ proceedings, and deliver its determination as the Arbitrator or such Board or such Standing Committee or the Committee may deem fit.

81.9. The power of the Head, Competitions, the Arbitrator or the Board of three (3) Arbitrators or such Standing Committee or the Committee to forfeit the deposit under Rule 81.1 shall be in addition to the power conferred on the Head, Competitions, the Arbitrator or the Board of three (3) Arbitrators or such Standing Committee or the Committee to determine the difference, dispute or question. Any form of misconduct during the conduct of the proceedings found by the Head, Competitions or the Arbitrator or the Board of Arbitrators or such Standing Committee or the Committee or the Appeal Committee may be referred to the FFC/CPL.

82. Procedure and Appeals

82.1. The Head, Competitions, the Arbitrator or the Board of Arbitrators or the Committee or any of the Standing Committees of the FFC/CPL imposing any decision or penalty on any Club, Player or Official or Member shall inform in writing any Club or person against whom action is being taken of any such decision as soon as practicable thereafter.

82.2. Any Club or person against whom action is being taken may, within seven (7) working days of being informed of such a decision, require the body or person taking such action to specify in

writing the findings of fact leading to the decision and the reasons for the decision. A fee of Three Hundred Fifty Dollars ($350.00) must accompany such request. Any such requirement shall be met within seven (7) working days of its receipt and shall be accompanied by copies of all materials which were before the body or person making the decision, or such of that material as such body or person may consider relevant to the decision.

82.3. Any Club or person on whom a decision and/or penalty has been imposed pursuant to these Rules may appeal against such decision and/or against the penalty so imposed. Any such appeal shall be made and conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Rule.

82.4. A notice of appeal must be in writing and must be lodged with Head, Competitions with a copy to the Secretary of the Appeal Committee within seven (7) working days of the receipt of the decision, or where a request for the reasons for the decision has been made within seven (7) working days of the receipt of those reasons and shall be accompanied by a deposit of Three Hundred Fifty Dollars ($350.00). This amount shall be refunded to the appellant if the appeal is successful.

82.5. At the same time that the notice of appeal is lodged there shall also be lodged with the Head, Competitions with a copy to the Secretary of the Appeal Committee:

82.5.1. a statement of the grounds of appeal; and

82.5.2. if leave is sought to present any fresh evidence to the Appeal Committee, particulars of such evidence and of the reasons why it was not presented to the earlier decision-maker, and

82.5.3. particulars of any fact or circumstances which do not appear from the statement or accompanying documents upon which the appellant is seeking to rely.

82.6. The Appeal Committee shall be elected by the FFC. No persons so appointed shall have taken part in any previous proceedings relating to the same matter. The decision of the Appeal Committee shall be final and binding on all parties concerned.

82.7. Upon the application of either party, or of its own motion, the Appeal Committee may hold preliminary hearings for the purpose of:

82.7.1. deciding any application for leave to call fresh evidence;

82.7.2. giving any other instructions which, it considers necessary for the conduct of the proceedings; and the Appeal Committee may at any time extend or abridge all or any time limits governing appeals and may permit amendments to documents lodged by the parties on such terms as it thinks fit.

82.8. No fresh evidence shall be presented to the Appeal Committee without its. Save in the exceptional circumstances, no such leave shall be given unless:

82.8.1. the evidence was not available at the time of the hearing appealed against despite the exercise of reasonable diligence;

82.8.2. it is credible evidence; and

82.8.3. it is relevant.

82.9. An appeal shall be by way of re-hearing on the documents, except where the Appeal Committee gives leave to present fresh evidence, and save that the parties shall been titled to make oral representations to the Appeal Committee at the hearing. Subject to Rule 82.8 above, no party may be represented at the hearing of any appeal by solicitor or counsel acting in his capacity as such.

82.10. The Appeal Committee may conduct the hearing in such a manner and at such times as it considers desirable and/or suitable. If either party fails to attend at the hearing, the Appeal Committee may proceed in its absence. The Appeal Committee shall not be bound by any enactment or rule of law relating to the inadmissibility of evidence in proceedings before any court of law.

82.11. An Appeal Committee shall have power:

82.11.1. to allow or dismiss the appeal;
82.11.2. to vary the decision and/or penalty in such a manner as it shall think fit, including the power to increase, decrease or remit any penalty included in such decision except when such penalty shall be specified in these Rules when the Appeal Committee shall impose such penalty if it finds the case proved;
82.11.3. to remit the matter with such directions as it thinks fit for re-hearing and determination by the earlier decision-making body;
82.11.4. to make such further or other order as it thinks fit, including an order to forfeit the deposit.

82.12. An Appeal Committee shall not be bound to allow an appeal on the ground of misdirection or wrong evaluation of evidence, unless in the opinion of the said Committee, substantial injustice, including a miscarriage of justice, has thereby been occasioned.

82.13. An Appeal Committee may take account of facts or matters which have become evident or have occurred since the date of the decision appealed against where, pursuant to leave given to call fresh evidence, evidence has been given about such matters.

82.14. Where an Appeal Committee dismisses an appeal or varies the decision, the Appeal Committee may order the deposit to be forfeited towards the costs of the appeal, and may make any further order for the payment of costs.

83. Powers of the Head, Competitions, the Arbitrator or Board of Arbitrators or the Committee or Standing Committee of the FFC/CPL

83.1. Upon finding an offence, or a breach of these Rules or if misconduct is proved, the head, Competitions, the Arbitrator, the Board of Arbitrators or the Committee or any such Standing Committee of FFC/CPL shall be entitled to take such action and to impose such penalties by way of reprimand, fine, suspension, deduction of points, or other penalty (or combinations thereof) as the Head, Competitions, the Arbitrator,the Board of Arbitrators or the Committee or any such Standing Committee may think fit in the circumstances.

83.2. The Committee or such Standing Committee of the FFC/CPL shall only be entitled to recommend expulsion of a Club to the CPL, and such power shall also avail to the Appeal Committee, but no Club shall be expelled from the League without the sanction of a resolution passed at a Meeting of the FFC/CPL. There shall be no right of appeal against a resolution to expel, passed as aforesaid, by the FFC/CPL.

83.3. The Head, Competitions, Arbitrator, Board of Arbitrators or the Committee or the Standing Committees of the FFC/CPL shall be entitled to order any Club, Player, Official or Member for any such offence against or breach of these Rules of these Sections or misconduct, and, where applicable, cancel or refuse registrations of Players which are contrary to these Rules or Rules laid down by any of the Standing Committees of the FFC/CPL.

84. Sanctions / Penalties

84.1. Disciplinary sanctions and penalties which may be imposed by the CPL and FFC shall include:

84.1.1. a caution;
84.1.2. a censure;
84.1.3. a fine;
84.1.4. suspension for a specified number of matches and/or a specified period;
84.1.5. a ban on participating or being involved in a game in any capacity whatsoever;
84.1.6. cancellation of a match (requiring a replay, if any);
84.1.7. deduction or cancellation of points;
84.1.8. a win by default, in which case a score of three (3)-nil (0) shall be given, unless the goal difference attained in the match is greater in favor of the non-infringing Club;
84.1.9. a ban from the stadium/stadia or on terms;
84.1.10. matches to be played with the exclusion of the public or on certain conditions;
84.1.11. a ban from taking part in the current and/or future competition or any part thereof;
84.1.12. a cancellation/refusal of registration of a Player or on terms;
84.1.13. withdrawal of any or all financial privileges given by the CPL or on terms.

84.2. In determining any disciplinary sanction or penalty to be imposed, the CPL and the FFC may be guided by the list of disciplinary measures as specified in the regulations of the Federation Internationalde Football Association (FIFA) and/or AFC Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

85. Competition Specific Sanctions / Penalties

85.1. A Player who is expelled for any of the sending-off offences stated under Law 12 in The Laws of The Game shall be suspended for the following two (2) matches. However, under these same laws, in the case where he is being sent off for receiving a second caution in the same match, he shall only serve a one (1) match suspension. The Player may also be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.2. A Team Official who has been sent off by the referee under Law 12 in The Laws of the Game shall be suspended from the touchline for the following one (1) match. The Team Official may also be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.3. Subject to the provisions of 94.1 above, a player who has accumulated one (1) redcard in the course of the competition shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in the said competition. If the Player receives a further one (1) red card cautions in the course of the same competition, he shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in that competition and shall be fine One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) or referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.4. A Player who has received three (3) yellow cards cautions in the course of the competition shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in the said competition. If the Player receives a further three (3) yellow cards caution in the course of the same competition, he shall automatically be suspended for the following two (2) matches in that competition. If he receives a further three (3) yellow cards caution in the course of the same competition, he shall be suspended for the following three (3) matches. The fine of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) shall be charged from the fourth yellow card onward in the said competition.

85.5. In the event the said Player fails or is unable to pay the composition fine within the next seven (7) days, the said Player shall be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee. Until then, the said Player shall not be allowed to play in the competition until he has paid the composition fine and/or served the suspension imposed by the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose other sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory penalties.

85.6. A Team Official who has accumulated one (1) red card in the course of the competition shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in the said competition. If a Team Official receives a further one (1) red card cautions in the course of the same competition, he shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in that competition and shall be fine One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) or referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.7. A Team Official who has received three (3) yellow cards caution in the course of the competition shall automatically be suspended for the following one (1) match in the said competition. If a Team Official receives a further three (3) yellow cards caution in the course of the same competition, he shall automatically be suspended for the following two (2) matches in that competition. If he receives a further three (3) yellow cards caution in the course of the same competition, he shall be suspended for the following three (3) matches. The fine of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) shall be charged from the fourth yellow card onward in the said competition.

85.8. In the event the said Team Official fails or is unable to pay the composition fine within the next seven (7) days, the said Team Official shall be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee. Until then, the said Team Official shall not be allowed to participate in his official capacity in the competition until he has paid the composition fine and/or served the suspension imposed by the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose other sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory penalties.

85.9. For avoidance of doubt, a Player who is expelled for any of the sending-off offences stated under Law 12 in The Laws of The Game during the Community Shield shall be suspended for the following two (2) League matches. However, under these same laws, in the case where he is being sent off for receiving a second caution in the same match, he shall only serve a one (1) match suspension in the League. The Player may also be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.10. Pursuant to Rule 95.2, for avoidance of doubt, a Team Official who is expelled for any of the sending-off offences stated under Law 12 in The Laws of The Game during the Community Shield shall be suspended for the following one (1) League matches. The Team Official may also be referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee, who may after due inquiry impose sanctions and/or penalties over and above the mandatory sanctions and/or penalties on him.

85.11. When disciplinary action is taken against any player by way of a composition fine or referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee for further sanctions, the yellow/red cards accumulated by the said player shall not be considered for further sanctions.

85.12. The Club and Player shall be responsible for monitoring the record on the yellow and red cards accumulated by their respective players in the respective tournaments.

85.13. Notwithstanding Rule 85.1 and 85.2, the Head, Competitions or any of the Standing Committees of the FFC (including the Committee) or the Arbitrator of the Board of Arbitrators or the Appeals Committee may refer to the Committee (and the Committee itself may consider) any misconduct by any Player or Team Official, and the Committee may after due inquiry, impose any further sanctions and penalties over and above the mandatory penalties. When disciplinary action is taken against any player or Team Official by way of a composition fine or referred to the FFC Disciplinary Committee for further sanctions, the yellow/red cards accumulated by the said player shall not be considered for further sanctions.

85.14. When a player has to appear before or sanctioned by the FFC Disciplinary Committee for any reason whatsoever, the said player may be given an option whether the player is required to attend the Disciplinary Inquiry personally or submit his plea with his mitigation if he is not challenging the charge/s against him where he need not have to appear before the Committee. The Committee, in this case, shall have the absolute power to impose sanction in the player's absentia. The team/player shall be informed of the outcome accordingly. When a player has to appear before the Committee, he must be accompanied by a Club representative where the player is registered.

85.15. All sanctions and/or penalties shall commence with immediate effect except in cases where the CPL and the FFC Disciplinary Committee may otherwise decide pursuant to Rule 85.16 below, and all fines including composition fines imposed shall be paid in full within seven (7) days from the date the penalty/sentence is imposed before the said Player can participate in any match of a competition in which the offence was committed. A fine, including composition fines imposed on a Player/Team Official shall be paid in full within seven (7) days from the date the penalty/sentence is imposed. For the purpose of these Rules, all tournaments organized by the CPL shall fall under the Rules.

85.16. All sanctions and/or penalties under this Rule must be served out or complied with in full during the competition in which the offence or offences were committed by the Player. If the sanctions and/or penalties cannot be fully served or complied with in full, it shall be deferred only to the following season of the same competition where the said Player is registered and eligible to play.

85.17. Red card and yellow card cautions shall not be accumulated to the following season of the competition or to any other competition organized by the League.

85.18. Any disciplinary measures imposed by the Referee on the field of play are final with exceptions being made for possible modifications arising from corrections made to the Referee's Report or if obvious proven mistakes have been made.

85.19. If the referee sanctions (either caution or expulsion) at least five (5) members of the same team during a match, the team is deemed to have failed to conduct itself properly (i.e. Team Misconduct) and the Club shall be fined One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) per person.

86. Compounding Offences

Without prejudice to the Rules hereinbefore, the CPL Competition Department is empowered to compound any offence, misconduct or breach of these Rules of these Sections committed by a Player, Team Official or Club to a maximum limit of Seven Hundred Dollars ($700.00) and/or a suspension of up to a maximum of one (1) matchand/or awarding a win by default, in which case a score of three (3)-nil (0) shall be given, unless the goal difference attained in the match is greater in favor of the non-infringing Club.

87. Disputes Involving League Clubs

Any dispute, question or difference or matter affecting Clubs, Officials or Players or Members shall be referred to the CPL and FFC Disciplinary Committee who has powers to adjudicate, determine or resolve it himself or refer the same as per the provisions of these Rules.

88. Prohibition to Recourse to Ordinary Court

Pursuant to Article 59 of the FIFA Statutes adopted at the Extraordinary Congress in Zurich on 26 February 2016 and which came into force immediately after adoption, clubs and members are prohibited from taking a dispute to ordinary courts of law, and are required to submit any disagreement to the jurisdiction of the CPL, FFC, the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) or FIFA.

SECTION K: ADMINISTRATION

89. Prize Money

89.1. The CPL shall pay the following prize money:

89.1.1.	Champion	: $47,500.00;
89.1.2.	Runner-Up	: $25,000.00;
89.1.3.	Third Place	: $17,500.00; and
89.1.4.	Fourth Place	: $15,000.00

90. Individual Prize Money

90.1. The CPL shall pay the following individual prize money:

90.1.1	Best Referee Team	: $2,500.00;
90.1.2	Fair Play Team	: $2,500.00;
90.1.3	Best Goalkeeper	: $1,000.00;
90.1.4	Best Coach	: $1,000.00;
90.1.5	Top Scorer	: $1,000.00;
90.1.6	Best Player	: $1,000.00; and
90.1.7	Best Hosting Team	: $2,000.00

91. Awards

91.1 The following awards shall be presented:

91.1.1 Best Player of the Year;
91.1.2 Best Coach of the Year
91.1.3 Best 11 Players
91.1.4 Top Scorer of the League
91.1.5 Best Goalkeeper of the League;
91.1.6 Fair Play Team Award for the League
91.1.7 Best Young Player
91.1.8 Best Pitch
91.1.9 Best Attendance
91.1.10 Best Stadium Experience

91.2 The CPL may decide to introduce further awards.

92. Man of the Match Awards

All Man of the Match awards shall be decided by the CPL Match Commissioner appointed to the respective League matches.

93. Monthly Awards

93.1 The monthly awards shall consist of the following;

93.1.1 Player of the Month
93.1.2 Coach of the Month
93.1.3 Goal of the Month
93.1.4 Save of the Month

93.2 These awards shall be nominated and decided by the CPL Competitions Department.

94. Medals

94.1 The CPL shall award the following medals:

94.1.1 Forty (40) medals to the Champion;
94.1.2 Forty (40) medals to the Runner-Up;
94.1.3 Forty (40) medals to the Third Placed Team;
94.1.4 Four (4) medals to the Referee team.

94.2 Additional medals may be produced upon request and at the cost of the requesting Club.

95. Prize Presentation Ceremony

A prize presentation ceremony for the League Champion, managed, controlled and coordinated by the CPL shall be held immediately after the final Match of the Competition, or otherwise decided by the CPL Competitions Department, to present the trophies and medals.

96. Special Instructions

The CPL shall issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances which might arise in the organization of matches.

97. Decisions

All decisions made in accordance with these Regulations, except where expressly identified otherwise, are final and binding.

98. Amendments

The CPL reserves the right to make amendments to any part of these Regulations for any reason whatsoever. Such amendments shall be duly communicated in due course.

99. Force Majeure

The CPL Competition Department is the only body capable of declaring a Force Majeure event.

100. Matters Not Provided For

Matters not provided for in these Regulations shall be decided by the CPL Competitions Department. Such decisions are final and binding and not subject to appeal.

101. Closing Provisions

The CPL is entrusted with the operational management of the Competition and is therefore entitled to make decisions and adopt the detailed provisions necessary for implementing these Regulations.

Cambodian
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DEFINITION

Any technical words with bold font in this Terms and Regulations has definition as below:

FFC	Football Federation of Cambodia
CPL	Cambodian Premier League Co., Ltd.
Right of Commercial Advertisement	Right to promote brand and/or include brand name, product and services related to all form and means of current or future competition, either at the stadium or in the area under management of CPL related to CPL trademarks near or outside stadiums, sign and poster, digital images, use of materials or method through print media applications (including digital media), brochures, newsletter, press release, newspaper, magazine and tickets and clothing. Exhibition must comply with the riles of marketing and equipment including hand-held equipment, as well as, the equipment of arbitrator/arbitrator group, medical team and security team, kid ball, kid accompany player, flag bearers, photographers, names and logo of the product used and the uniforms of the tournament organizers. Advertising on player's uniform must comply with the regulations marketing and equipment jobs. Clothing related to brand as stated in the regulation on work, marketing and equipment. Similarly, the display of brand name on equipment for the use of the competition, unless otherwise permitted at the level of the trademark, but not means of advertising.
CPL Business Partners	Company and Marketing Agents that sign on contract with CPL to get rights to commercial
Club	Participated Associate/Group/Club is approved by CPL in the match
Guest Club	Club that not play on its own pitch.
Club Homeowner	Participated Associate/Group/Club nominated by CPL to organize the competition at home stadium.
Outside Club	Participated Associate/team/club nominated by CPL to compete with other clubs away from home stadium.
Commercial Right	Commercial right related to competition such as broadcasting rights, television and radio broadcasting rights, concession rights, hospitality rights, photography rights, retail rights, access to information right, video recording rights and commercial rights by any means
Free Ticket	Ticket provides by free of charge

Force Majeure	Events that affect the performance and cannot be controlled by people such as weather, floods, lighting/thunder, earthquakes, building destruction, epidemics or other natural disasters, energy problems, terrorism, riots crowd, etc.
Advertiser	Entities and institutions assigned directly or indirectly by CPL to guarantee the production of competition programs or program in the contract and advertising rights.
Hospitality Right	Opportunity for reception and entertainment in pitch
Match Organizer	Head of Delegation, Commissioner, Organizer, Assessor, Arbitrator, Media Officer, Security Officer, Medical Officer, Technical Officer or CPL-appointed officer.

PART 1: RESPONSIBILITY

1. Cambodian Premier League

Match Organizing Committee of CPL responsible for organize the match in accordance with the article of the FFC. Chief Executive Officer of the CPL will responsible for administrative work to support Match Organizing Committee of CPL.

2. Club

2.1. Duties and Responsible of Participating Club is stated in the separate agreement on competition. Annex and Amendment, Report, Condition and Discipline of Instruction, Circular and Agreement which stated in this regulation or other regulations of FFC/CPL has the same effective to participating association/group.

2.2. Club shall not request to CPL and/or officers, representatives, agents or their assistances to responsible for compensation, debt, loss, damage, fines and expense that occur from Club's negligent from CPL's regulation.

2.3. Club shall not represent CPL in any match without prior consent.

2.4. Club and players shall guarantee to join the award ceremony and/or party (if invited).

2.5. Club homeowner and Club stadium owner shall guarantee to national theme and/or sing national theme before every match started.

2.6. Club shall guarantee that all decision making by CPL related to the match is immediately become effective.

2.7. Club shall appoint one journalist to operate media system in each match.

2.8 Club shall follow the media platform and guideline provided by the CPL.

2.9 Club must have pre-match and post-match press conference which hosted by home team.

PART 2: MARKETING, COMMERCIAL ADVERTISEMENT AND SPONSORSHIP

3. Marketing Obligations

3.1. CPL shall enter into a sponsorship contract and advertisement contract represented by CEO or Head of Marketing Department of CPL with their confirmation and approval prior to the signing of contract. This contract bound the legal obligation of each member club of CPL in which the member club shall respect the terms and conditions of CPL or related Committee of CPL including in the contracts specified by CPL.

3.2. Club shall adhere to the guideline of CPL's instruction on advertisement, marketing which is establish by CEO or Head of Marketing Department of CPL. In addition to sponsorship clothes, players, coaches and other officer shall not support products or service that conflict the interest of CPL, and its member club/football association. If product or service or brand name of the sponsors are in the same sector, member club/football association shall corporately implement the agreement and shall not interrupt the implementation of sponsorship contracts of the other members.

3.3. All club are required to comply with any and all commitments made by CPL in all sponsorship agreements that CPL has made with sponsors and/or events, including tournaments organized or sanctioned by CPL. Club shall provide CPL with access to all databases including staff's information, coaches, team supporter member and client, for use and work.

3.4. The host club shall keep places for standing A-Board/I-Board/LED Board/Digital Board/Second Layer near the football pitch for the CPL only and must place in front of the man camera of broadcaster/VIP lounge. The amount and cost of publication will be covered by CPL except the construction and relocation are coordinated by the host club. The host club shall cooperate with CPL in accordance with the sponsor agreement of the competition.



3.5. In case, any stadium has LED board, the duration of displaying each of clubs and CPL logo sponsor/ advertisement and/or animation sponsor must have the same duration. In case club could not control the electronic LED board, CPL have the right to put/cover the CPL PVC on the electronic LED board or put CPL Aboard PVC in front clubs LED board.

3.6. In case, club would like to install any second layer besides relevant CPL A-board/I-board (first layer or CPL area), the club must inform CPL at least 2 weeks in advance to get approval by CPL first.

3.7. If any case, club would like to install any PVC beside relevant CPL A-board/I-board, Clubs must inform to CPL immediately to get approval and make sure that there no damage regard to the property of CPL.

3.8. Club are obliged to awareness the CPL A-board/I-board competition, sponsors of CPL to ensure the aesthetics of the A-board/I-board provided.

3.9. CPL Sponsor A-board area, in any place besides, up or down, Clubs do not allow to put any sponsor logo, any political image i.g. UYFC. In case club fail to do so, CPL have the right to fine and censure or suspension of the clubs involved.

3.10. The host club shall reserve space for A Board/LED Board/Digital booth behind the goal net. The cost on publication is covered by the host club which include construction and relocation, except for the cost of publication for CPL sponsors only. The number will be determined by each club/football associate, and stadium.

3.11. The host club must responsible to maintain the condition and provide a good location where the public can see all of kinds of billboards for CPL sponsors. There must not be any reason of dispute between CPL and the product sponsor of the club sponsor. Location will be determined by each club/football associate, and stadium.

3.12. The home club must maintain and provide a well-visible public location for installing banners, umbrellas, balloons and other items of all kinds and be able to conduct marketing activities for CPL sponsors inside and outside the stadium. The advertising duration of the CPL sponsors must be the same as the club sponsors and there must not be any reason of conflict between CPL and the product sponsor of the club sponsor. The location will be determined with each club/football associate, and stadium.

3.13. Logos of CPL and club sponsors are advertised on the gates, the ball stand, flash interviews backdrop, and press conferences backdrop. Each club must use a template designed by CPL, and cannot modify the design in any way. Publishing costs are the club's responsibility.

3.14. Offshore clubs/guests shall not claim any right to have any space for A Board/I Board/LED Board/Digital board/banner and all kinds of advertising marketing at other stadium of host club on the day of the match unless or after negotiation or granted permission from the host club and requested by offshore clubs/audiences.

3.15. Any violation of the club to any provision may investigated by CEO and Head of Marketing Department of CPL who has the authority to impose penalties on the club or has the discretion to refer the offence to the Disciplinary Committee of the FFC by such action may be deemed necessary.

4. Consultation and Public Relation:

4.1. The club shall notify at an appropriate time to the Head of Competition Department, Head of Marketing Department of CPL, and other CPL Departments, an important policies and issues affecting the club or league reputation as well as the management of the club and/or CPL or the tournament.

4.2. Any issues related to the above mentioned shall be kept strictly confidential by all parties and officials and the management of the club shall be informed that they will not disclose such information by any means to any person, company or corporation that may bring unfair criticism or contempt, insult or disgrace to the CPL and/or the club.

4.3. The above press release is coordinated by the CEO or Head of Marketing Department of CPL, and the club shall appoint a person to responsible for the club's relationship with media and public.

4.4. Club shall provide CPL the photos of all players wearing official uniform of club.

4.5. All football clubs would like to coordinate with the CPL to send players to shoot pictures and videos (using a green screen) with the newly designed uniform ahead of the start of the new season. The club must cooperate to take and send the player with the video (Green Screen) to the CPL when receiving the new uniform in the event in which the new uniform is not ready or the player is otherwise occupied without being able to attend. Or, in the event that the CPL would like pictures and videos, all clubs must make it easier and more efficient for CPL to receive them as well.

4.6. Any person appointed by the Club shall coordinate and work closely with CPL management to ensure that the club and its sponsors are protected, cared for and supported. In case of doubt, the club shall request for consultation from CEO and Head of Marketing Department in compliance with CPL policies and other contracts of the CPL are governed.

4.7. The marketing office will be notified of any information or advertisement.

4.8. All complaints of unethical communication through the media or other related behavior by the club, club officer/coach, player and/or supporters, whether club member, their supporter or other, including interviews and subsequently reports on the media with opinion of the CPL or the head of CPL Marketing Office or any other CPL Committee or disrespect, insult or disgraces CPL or bring unfair criticism may lead to investigate by CPL Director or the head of CPL Marketing Office, respectively submit their finding to the Disciplinary Committee for action that he or she deems appropriate.

4.9. The CPL Marketing work or any other part of CPL shall be maintained by Chief Executive Officer of CPL with the right to initiate this action at his own discretion on any of the matters set forth above and have the right to demand the club officer and/or player or any individual to appear before themselves or any CPL committee for investigative purpose and actions, if applicable.

4.10. The Head of CPL Marketing Department shall reserve the right to solicit players, coaches and club officers who are present or directly/indirectly involved in CPL events, program and/or sponsorships, their participation, affiliations or engagement will include, but not limit to the use of his name, picture and photo on posters, brochures, leaflet, electronic media, newspapers and other means of communication, and his use of voice and any movie. Any requests shall not reject if reasonable notice is given to the club of any event, program and/or activity.

4.11. Any non-compliance to the above requests may be investigated by CEO of CPL or the Head of CPL Marketing Department who has the authority to impose penalties on the club of reasonable notice is given to the club about any event, program and/or activity.

5. Marketing project consultant, service and trading advertisement:

5.1. CPL can initiate marketing ideas and/or initiate the production of any products or organize marketing activities for club so that the club will demonstrate its contribution, collaboration, participation and strong commitment to implement and achieve together with CPL.

5.2. Consulting fee shall charge the club in according to circumstance of commercial only.

5.3. CPL reserves that rights to use the club logo/tradename/trademark to manufacture or display all kinds of products in all circumstances or after marketing meetings related to the initiative organized marketing and production.

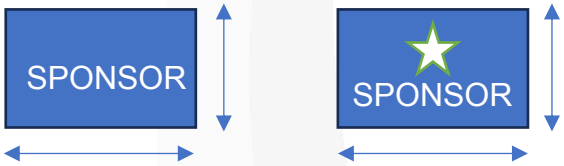
6. Player Uniform:

6.1. Player are not allowed to have or show any slogan/logo/tradename/ trademark/picture that offensive, provocative, political, violent or discriminative. In case of non-compliance, club or player shall liable for all costs incurred and face CPL penalties and local jurisdiction, if necessary or applicable.

6.2. Advertising of logo/tradename on player uniform shall comply with the technical regulations related to player uniform in terms of size, dimensions, location and other conditions.


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6.3. Club must follow the uniform regulations set by the CPL.







LOGO
MAX.20cm^2



QUALITY SEALS
MAX.10cm^2
MAX.15cm FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE SHIRT

CITY MAX.2cm
MAX.50cm^2

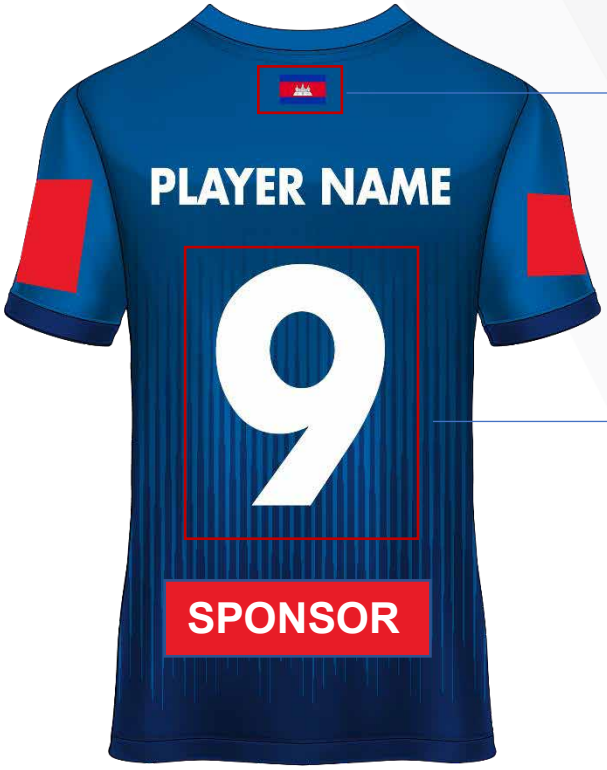




LOGO LEAGUE (LEFT)
MAX. 8cm x 12cm

CLUB SPONSOR (RIGHT)
MAX. 8cm x 12cm





NATIONAL FLAG
MAX. 15cm^2

NUMBER HEIGHT: 25-35cm
STROKE WIDTH: 3-5cm

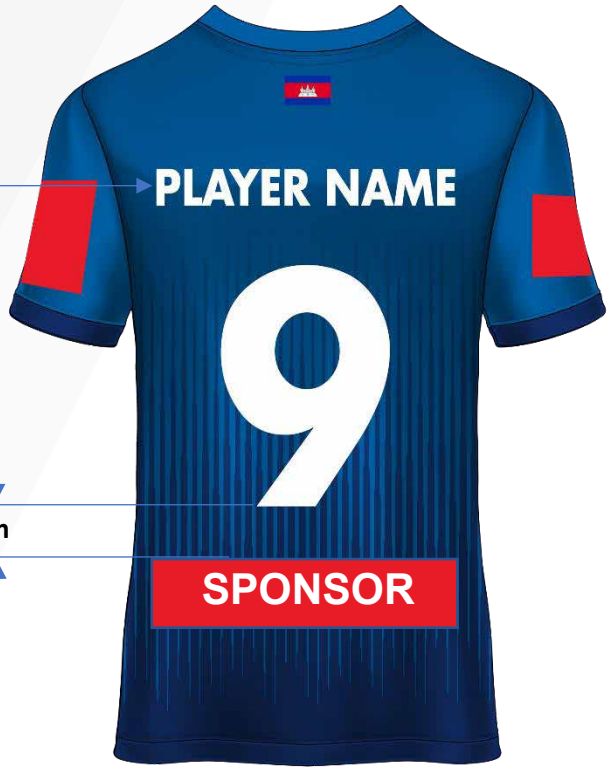


GAP: MIN. 4cm

CLUB LOGO
MAX. 5cm^2

LOGO SPONSOR
MAX. 100cm^2
TEXT MAX: 7.5cm (H)

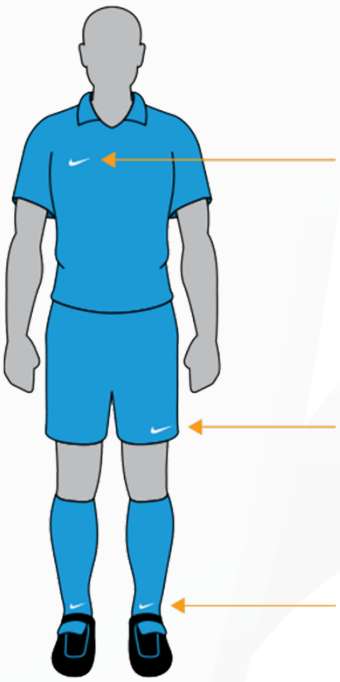
PLAYER'S NAME: 5 - 7.5cm (H)



GAP: MIN. 4cm

In the Collar Zone of the shirt the Official Name, Official Symbol, Country Name or City Name, National Flag or Official Nickname may appear in a maximum size of **15cm²**.

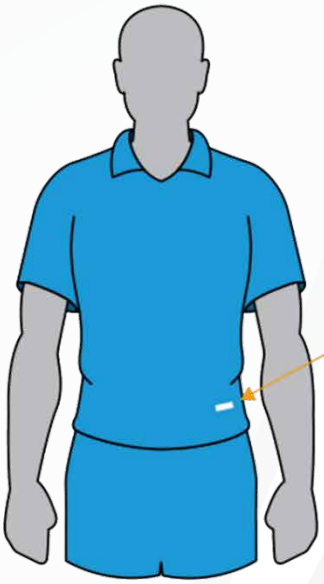




max. 20cm²

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for one single
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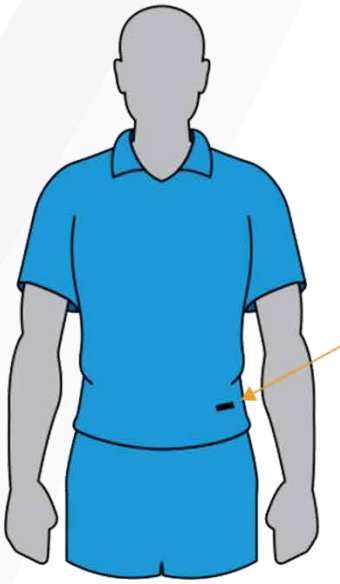


Technology
Labels
max. 10cm²
max. 15cm
from bottom
of the shirt

DRI-FIT

CLIMACOOL

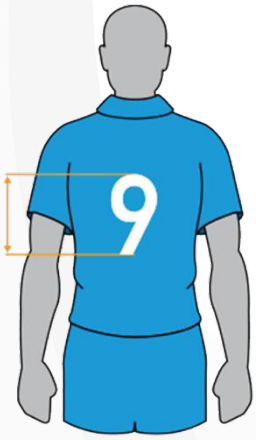
FORMOTION



Quality Seals
max. 10cm²
max. 15cm
from bottom
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Men's shirts:
25 - 35cm
Women's shirts:
20 - 35cm

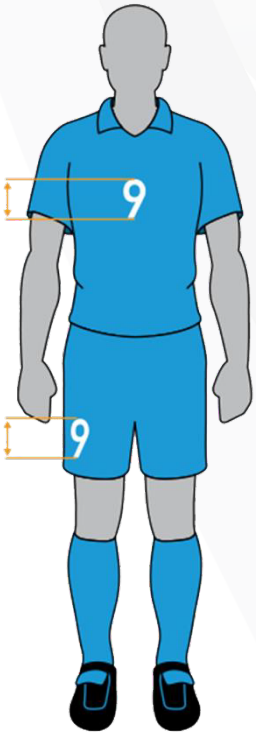




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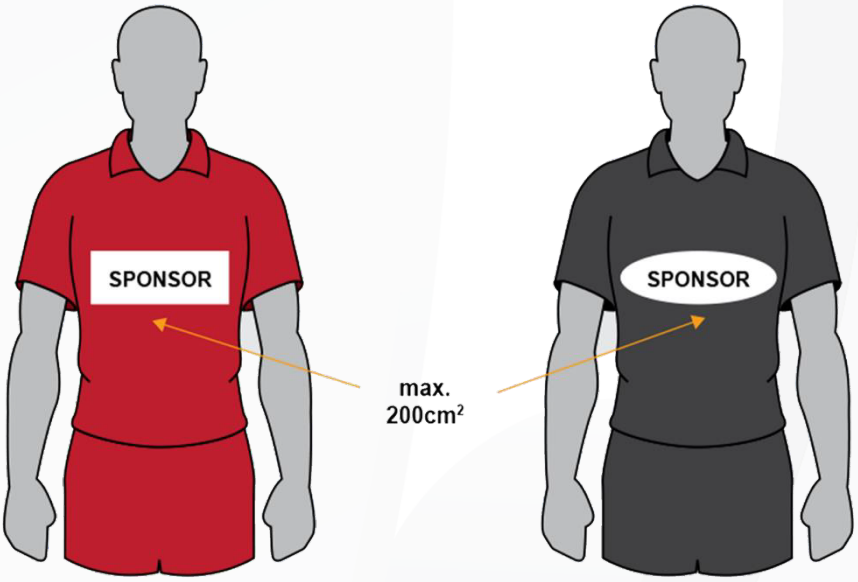
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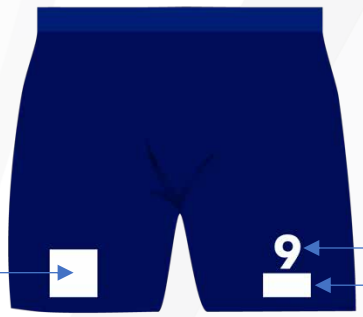


Stroke width
3 - 5cm



Official Shirt

Reserve Shirt



OFFICIAL CLUBS LOGO MAX. 100cm²
WIDTH 10cm AND LENGTH 10cm

NUMBER MAX: 10-15cm

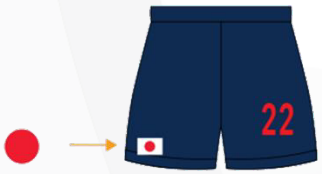
SPONSOR LOGO
MAX: 20 cm²



Official Emblem
max. 50cm²



Official Emblem
max. 50cm²

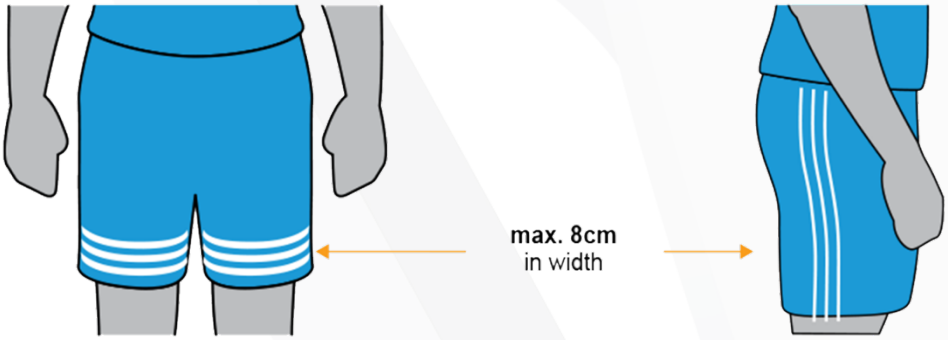


National Flag
max. 25cm²

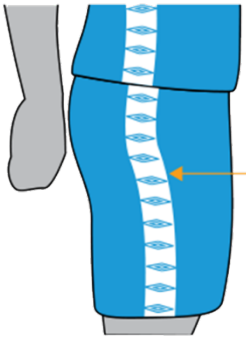


Country Name
max. 12cm² and 2cm in height

Official Emblem
max. 50cm²

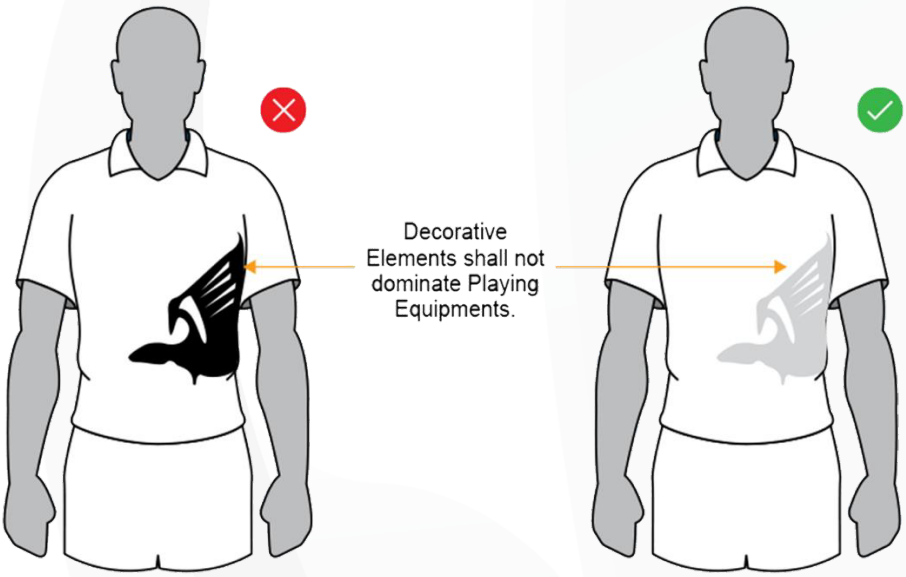


max. 8cm
in width



Manufacturer
Identification Logo
used as a strip
max. 8cm
in width


National Flag
25cm²
Official Emblem
100cm²
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22
10
10
Official Emblem
max.100cm²
Official Emblem
max.100cm²
Country Name
max.12cm² &
max.2cm
in height

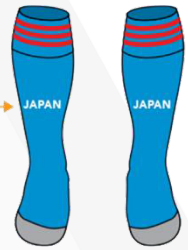


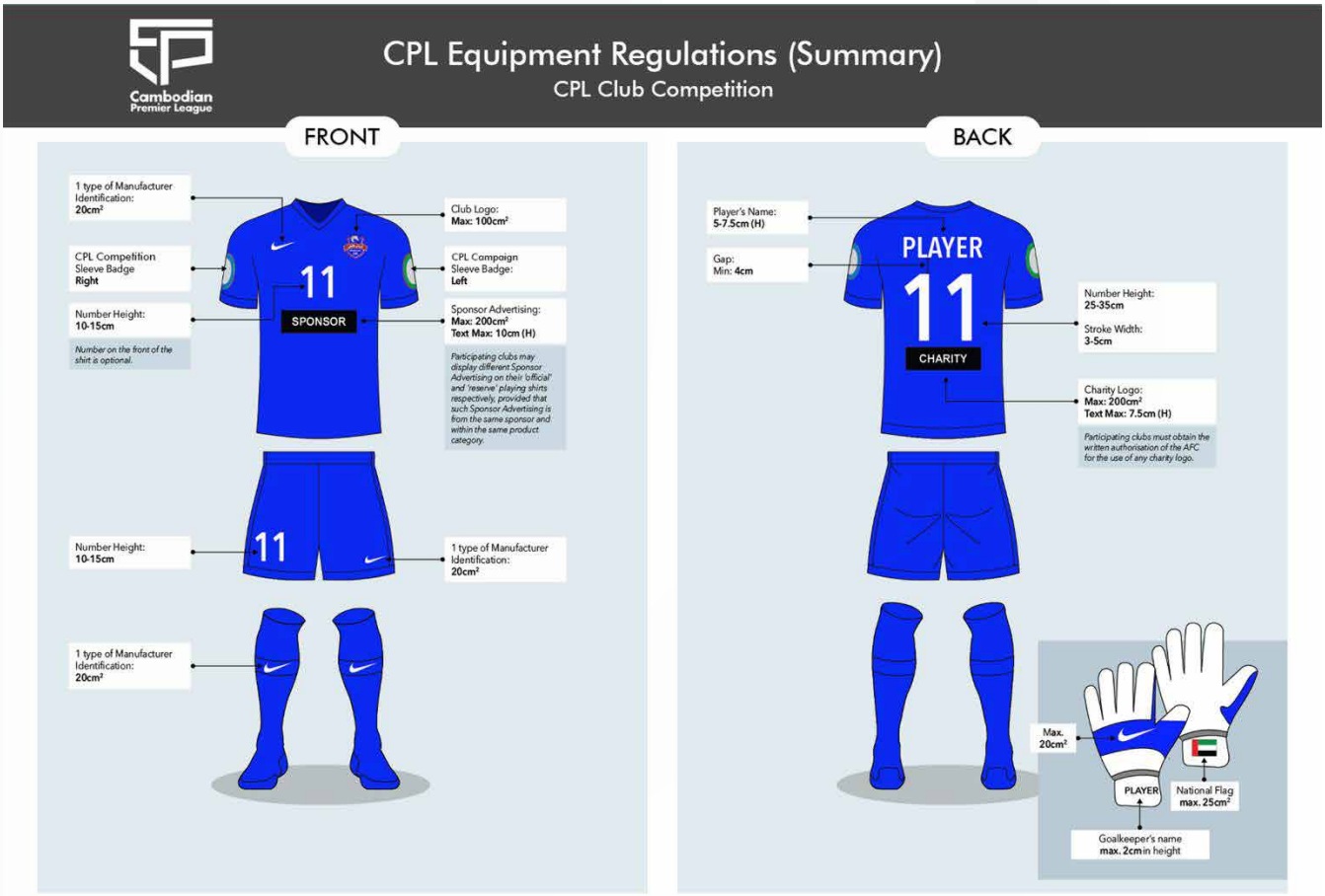


National Flag
max. 25cm²

Official Emblem
max. 50cm²

Official Name
max. 12cm² and
2cm in height





7. Responsibility

7.1. CPL is sole authority to decide on competition equipment.

7.2. CPL will not be liable for any damages to the sponsors for refusing to allow the team to use any equipment that has a problem during the match.

7.3. Any failure to comply with the regulations and instruction on the equipment will be subject to disciplinary action by Discipline Committee of the FFC.

8. Ticket

8.1 General Provision:

8.1.1. The club is responsible for printing, distribution and ticket sales. CPL is responsible for designing ticket templates for the club to printing.

8.1.2. Ticket must contain phone number, tradename and other logo that related to competition and be approved by CPL.

8.1.3. The host club shall ensure that CPL Officer, away club, media, supporter of the away club has the right to enter into the stadium without discrimination.

8.1.4. Ticket price is set by club/host club with fairness and equitable. In case there are two football matches in one day and the same stadium, club/host club shall meet to discuss and find a solution and mutual understanding.

8.1.5. Club has the right to control the benefit from sale tickets.

8.2 Terms and Condition:

8.2.1. CPL shall collaborate with host club to draft special condition for ticket management.

8.2.2. Revenue from sale tickets and the number of tickets for each match shall be reported to CPL Finance Office, which is appointed to responsible for communication in writing for reporting, preparing documents and verifying the number of audiences on the day after the end of the match or at least 24 hours after the match.

8.3. Host club must provide free tickets to CPL business partners for each match and provide them at least 7 days before commencement of match starting:

8.3.1. 5 VVIP tickets
8.3.2. 20 VIP tickets
8.3.3. 20 tickets in category 1
8.3.4. 20 tickets in category 2
8.3.5. Ticket shall be provided as the above order.
8.3.6. CPL shall have the rights to purchase the tickets of each match from host club in the actual price for their guests and partners.

9. Concession Rights:

9.1. CPL has full authority on the right to sell food and beverages.
9.2. Without CPL approval, no club may offer any kind of alcohol.
9.3. Alcohol sales are restricted to a maximum of one can or bottle per person.
9.4. Alcohol cannot be sold to minors under the age of 18 by anybody under the age of 18.
9.5. Cans and bottles are forbidden because they contain hazardous materials that could result in harm.
9.6. For each seat to be available, all beverages must be poured into plastic bottles or paper cup.
9.7. If necessary, CPL reserves the right to adjust the policies.

10. Available Tickets for Purchasing:

10.1. Ticket prices must not exceed the tickets sold to home fans.

10.2. The host club must provide ticket to CPL's business partner in the actual price or number of tickets as requested and must notify the club no later than seven days prior to the match.

11. Financial Record:

11.1. All club are required to maintain their financial records and submit to the CPL Finance Office, at the office or by e-mail, on a week after the end of the season in accordance with provisions of the CPL Rules and in accordance with the official guidelines, provisions, decision and/or guidance of the Finance Office issued by CPL for document preparation. CEO of CPL and/or their appointed agent shall reserve the sole right to audit the club's financial records and other club' records and arrange for the review of all documents record and/or similar documents and/or interview club's staffs or other individuals for the purpose of verifying records and or for audit purposes at the expense of the club.

11.2. All club shall notify CPL about any actual changes of club's financial status.

12. Award Ceremony:

12.1. Opening ceremony, closing ceremony, awarding ceremony and any ceremonies or other relevant events shall prepare by CPL.

12.2. Club and members of the club that invited to participate in the events are obliged to participate in the events or ceremonies.

12.3. In the form of non-playoffs and final match, which Parties agreed that club that organize the final match at their stadium shall responsible for arrangement and other expense associate with the events on the final day of the match. In this form, if any club participated in the final match win the champion, which club is responsible to arrange the match and its cost at its own stadium as usual, except for award ceremony at the last day of the match or 3 days at the home stadium of the host club and the cost (including stage, banner, trophies, medals, other related event) is liable by CPL to ensure the good atmosphere of the events, good quality of arrangement for champion club and reputation of football sector for the public. The champion stadium owner shall entrust CPL to prepare and placement of the A-board/I-board/LED board/digital board and location of the venue within the logo of the CPL Sponsor and the club for this opportunity. CPL is responsible for handing over the trophy from the CPL Competition Department to the stadium.

12.4. Only player and officer with officially registered for the tournament can attend the award ceremony.

13. Final Match:

13.1. If there is a final match that is held for the special event (for marketing and commercial) or any match that CPL decide to hold for attractive event (audience and commercial), that match shall be handled by CPL for the following sections:

3.25.1.1. Management strategy and sale ticket
3.25.1.2. Protocol
3.25.1.3. Technique of competition organization
3.25.1.4. Marketing
3.25.1.5. Dissemination of Information.

13.2. All events that the club has to play in the final match must be notified to CPL at least seven (7) days in advance and approved by CPL.

14. Protocol:

The match protocol instruction must apply to all matches.

15. Special Instruction

Competition Department will provide the necessary guidance in special circumstances in accordance with observation.

PART 3: NEWS AND MEDIA

16. Official Television Station

16.1. Official television station is the station that have been contracted and corporate as official partner to broadcast all matches with CPL.

16.1.1. The obligation of club and host club's media and media guideline as follow:

16.1.1.1. Club and host club shall guarantee the full implementation of this Agreement that media tool and technical media tool should run smoothly.

16.1.1.2. Club and host club must focus and corporate with news officer of CPL and association/host club.

16.1.1.3. Club and host club shall guarantee that CPL media team has a good venue or location to organize and provide a smooth live broadcast on the pitch/stadium.

16.1.1.4. Club and host club shall not broadcast/live streaming and enter into any agreement with the agencies/company/association/media organization other than broadcast of CPL.

16.1.1.5. Club and host club who are found be non-comply with the regulations will be subject to fine and follow the FFC disciplinary procedures.

16.2. CPL is the sole governing body for media regulation on and off the field of the stadium.

16.3. CPL reserves the right to corporate and sign contracts with agents/company/ association/media organization other than broadcast officer and notify to all club and host club.

16.4. Host club shall responsible for organizing the event and activities of journalists and manage journalist entering the stadium and the venue including non-restriction area by comply with media guideline.

16.5. Host club shall responsible for production and providing advertise uniform for news reporter/journalist that participate in the match in accordance with the provision of instruction on media.

16.6 Entrance for Journalist:

16.6.1. Representative or member of news journalist (journalist/ news reporter of radio station) shall not allow to enter into the pitch or path to the audience seat unless news reporter hold the access card of CPL and allow them present at the pitch.

16.6.2. Journalist shall not allow to enter into player's dressing room at any time.

16.6.3. Club shall guarantee that CPL, broadcasters and advertisers could enter into the pitch through request.

16.6.4. Host club shall guarantee that right to commercial advertisement and right to advertise is protect and not violate by any documents that operate without permission.

16.7 Training

16.7.1. The schedule of 1-week training shall be notified to CPL by the club through any means which can be written letter or massage.
16.7.2. The training shall open for journalists with the approval of the club.
16.7.3. Journalists' area shall be organized at the pitch where the training take place.

16.8 Press Conference

16.8.1. Host club must organize the press conference. All press conference must under the control of CPL officer. The press conference shall be organized prior to one day of the match started and ended.
16.8.2. Host club must responsible in providing documents and press conference video to CPL media staff after the press conference ended.
16.8.3. At least 1 coach and 1 player among 11 first chosen player from both teams, participate in the press before the match.
16.8.4. Player of the match must participate in the press at 15 minutes after the match ended.
16.8.5 Club shall guarantee that coaches and players participate in all press conference.

16.9 Flash Interview

16.9.1. Short interview shall not allow during the match at the pitch.
16.9.2. Media officer of CPL will determine the schedule of interview (not exceed then 3 minutes) for allowed- commercial advertiser and away team (if requested).
16.9.3. Club shall guarantee that coach and/or player join the interview as invitation.
16.9.4. Clubs that did not follow the instruction and organization are subject to punishment by CPL.
16.9.5 If there is any request from CPL or match organizing committee, football team must join the interview by sending one player, coach and staff as confirm by CPL Club shall guarantee that player and/or coach has attended at least 10 minutes.

PART 4: POLICY ON INSTRUCTION SYSTEM AND MEDIA GUIDELINE

17. Guideline on Media Management

17.1. General Rule

17.1.1. Recognition of Media
17.1.2. Application of Broadcast Size
17.1.3. Rule determines Size of Broadcast
17.1.4. Providing Information and Video on Internet.

17.2. Determination on Size of Broadcast in Award Ceremony of CPL and CPL award.

17.3. Contacting Address

17.4. The instruction principle of broadcast for determined in size of broadcasting work (formal competition and any events that managing under of Cambodian Premier League company).

17.5. The CPL shall draft the rule on management on all size of official broadcasting in accordance with the general rule of broadcast. The all broadcast that has purpose to broadcast and "CPL Competition" shall follow the instruction principle as below:

17.5.1. General Rule:

17.5.1.1. The purpose of increasing the broadcasting on national football sector and recognition on broadcast for any official events of the CPL.
17.5.1.2. To manage the broadcasting of the CPL Competition, all media (except official broadcasting of CPL) shall file application to CPL.
17.5.1.3. The number of places shall be determined by type of broadcast follow to any stadium (Refer to the attached table).
17.5.1.4. The broadcasting on television and any broadcast that have application to live as video has to contact to the advertise part of CPL.
17.5.1.5 CPL shall have right to make decision on application on size of broadcast (the application can be rejected if there are issues on which broadcasting).
17.5.1.6. CPL has the right to delete any broadcast which against the instruction principle issued by CPL.
17.5.1.7. The recognizing can be objected for person may affect the interests of CPL/FFC or any club or defamation of any individual or any institute in the Cambodia Football sector.
17.5.1.8. The broadcasting on television and via media social such as YouTube, digital system, and any television online that had been advertising video of CPL without the approval from CPL shall be fine 10 million riels in a time and not yet adding on all any price of sue.

17.5.1.9. In the event applying for video broadcasting have been rejected, all the media can also apply to be journalists.

17.5.1.10. CPL will not recognize all any results, scores, news, competition program, and any regulation relevant with the CPL Competition out of the broadcasting on social media such as Facebook/YouTube and official phone app of CPL. CPL shall have right to govern all the guideline on broadcasting activities.

17.5.1.11. Each club's media officer is expected to effectively coordinate with the broadcasters. If any broadcasters complain to the organizing committee that the club does not cooperate or causes the broadcaster inconvenience, the club would be punished by having the following match behind closed doors and will not be broadcasted by any television or any platforms.

17.5.2. Recognition

17.5.2.1. The recognition on any broadcasting media for official competition, CPL has difference type of Newsman: "journalist" must also be photograph-journalist.

Type/ Organization	Amount	Application
Journalists		
Media of institute (local press)	4 people/Institution	Contact CPL for filing application form
Institution of Media (Units or other social media is not in local (International Press)	2 people/Institution	File an application to media officer of CPL at least 7 days before the match, for adding names to print out the name card that has stamp and signature by directors.
Independent Journalist		Send the filled application form to CPL broadcasting media authority at least 7 days before the competition date. For adding name to print out the name card that has stamp and signature by directors
Photographer		
Institute of broadcasting media (Local Press)	4 people/Institution	Contact CPL to fill application form

Institution of Media (Units or other social media is not in local (International Press)	2 people/Institution	File an application to media officer of CPL at least 7 days before the match, for adding names to print out the name card that has stamp and signature by directors.
Independent Photographer		File an application to media officer of CPL at least 7 days before the match, for adding names to print out the name card that has stamp and signature by directors.
Television Team		
Sport journalists (Member of television station)	5 people/Institution	Contact CPL to fill application form
International Television	5 people/Institution	Contact to CPL broadcasting media authority can be charge service depends how to use.
Internet Advertisement		Shall not allow to broadcasting on the internet, if have not premise from information office of CPL, will charge on service depends on how to use.
Press Club		
All of the broadcasting club by not add with information authority of club	6 people/Institution	Contact to press section of CPL for application.

18. Application for Media

18.1 The applicant has to file the application form to CPL's media officer at least a week before competition starts. The applicant may contact the media team of CPL or via the website http://CPL-Cambodia.com/media-form.

18.1.1 International television and other media looking for broadcasting Video must contact to broadcast authority of CPL before operating the broadcast of the competition.

18.2 Rule Determine Size of Media:

18.2.1 Rule on management size of broadcasting at the stadium as follows:

18.2.1.1 Each stadium has its own rule. All journalists must obey the rule of each stadium and journalist's rules issued by the club. Any journalist who did not follow the rule that has been issued, the journal officer of the club has the right to request to leave the stadium or stop the broadcast activity.

18.2.1.2 The CPL has the right to manage all media of the CPL Competition.

18.2.1.3 The club has duties to organize each competition and facilitate all journalists as follows:

- organize the journalist's area and official media team of CPL, followed by CPL media officer that has prepared in each stadium (attached with reference).
- prepare short interview for official media team of CPL before and after the competition.
- prepare the press conference before and after the competition.
- report each competition to media team of CPL no more than 2 days after competition.

18.2.1.4 Club has the right to record the video of competition in restricted area determined by CPL.

18.3 The issuance of recognition of Accreditation Card (AD), equipment and AD type [receiving letter] [penalty]:

18.3.1 All media shall contact to the journalist of the club and enter into each designed place.

18.3.2 The journalist/television live team/photograph-journalists shall be divided at entrance by showing their identification card issued by CPL media team, in exchange of bibs, to be recognized in the stadium. All media team must carry on identification card or wear bibs at any time in the stadium.

18.3.3 The live broadcast team can use their own uniform for representing their media which is allowed by CPL.

Media	Category	Color	Media Working Room	Mixed Zone	Pitch Area	Media Tribune	Camera Positions in Spectator Areas
Journalists	Card		✓	✓	X	✓	X
Photographers	Bibs	Orange	✓	✓	✓	X	X
TV Crew	Bibs	Gray	✓	✓	✓	X	✓
Team Official	Bibs	Green	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CPL Official	Bibs	Black	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Technical	Bibs	Blue	✓	✓	X	✓	✓

✓=Allow X=Not Allow

18.4 Permitted Area

18.4.1 The journalist must stay in designated area and follow the instruction of media officer and staff. Photography must only allow in permission area. (No photography shall allow at spectator's area or the stands).

18.4.2 Any photography at restriction area, before and after the match, shall request for permission from host club's media officer.

18.4.3 Only media representative recognized by CPL can record a video during the match.

18.4.4 Interview or directly contact with players or officer is prohibited in the field of play unless before the match started or ended.

18.4.5 Smoking cigarette is prohibited.

18.4.6 CPL has right to keep all of photograph and video related to the match including spectator's activities, press conference, technical area, player's room and the activity occur outside the stadium, during or after the match.

18.4.7 Only CPL has the right to shoot photograph by using drone before, during and after the match.

18.5 TV, Official Teams and Photographer

18.5.1. Official team cannot take an official match video during the match, only photo is allowed.

18.5.2 Before the new reason start, all clubs must cooperate with CPL by provide player with new jersey (Home and Away) for shooting photo and video in order to use in Livestream graphic technical (general use). Incase club jersey is not ready on time, Clubs must provide all of the photo and video to CPL.

18.5.1. Photography in the pitch area is allowed behind the determined line.

18.5.2 Photographers are not allowed to record the videos.

18.5.3 Photography area shall place behind goal line, left and right of the stadium, 1 meter from each corner or more from the area where player take place for warm up.

18.5.4 Live TV camera has requested to stand behind photographers and can be requested to move by media officer if the TV camera block the spectator's sight.

18.5.5 The photographers can use only Monopod (Tripod is not allowed). Only media officer of CPL shall permit to install the tripod stand behind determined line.

18.5.6 Camera shall not allow to move or leave the field of play unless the first half is finished. However, this exception is only applying to the official photograph-journalist of CPL and clubs.

18.5.7 Taking group photo before the match started shall be took place at permitted area in line with the instruction of media officer located at each area.

18.5.8 Using of umbrella is prohibited during taking photo in the pitch:

18.5.8.1 In some stadiums, using umbrellas at broadcast area can blocked spectator's sight and cause accident during the match.
18.5.8.2 Using umbrella can cause accident by strong wind.
18.5.8.3 Temporary using umbrella shall be allowed by the decision of media officer, before or after match not during the match, and depend on the condition of weather during the match. In case of raining, official broadcaster has the right to use the umbrella during the match and shall ensure that it would not cause any incident.
18.5.8.4 Flash Light is prohibited.

18.5.9 Place of Camera in the Pitch

18.5.9.1 Photograph area can be changed depend on the stadium.
18.5.9.2 Standing camera area shall take place in any exclusive area in order to transfer the photo for media that allowed by official broadcaster.
18.5.9.3 Special Photograph area shall change to the stands behind the board (A-Board) in some stadiums.
18.5.9.4 The installation of filming camera (immovable) behind the goalkeeper area shall stand at least 50 centimeters from the determined line. The located is subject to change depend on the location of A-Board.
18.5.9.5 Photographer has the rights to use the computer for sending the photos to all media [located behind A-Board].

18.5.10 Spectator Area

18.5.10.1 Only live TV team, media team of club and CPL official broadcasting are allowed to enter into the camera area at seating area.
18.5.10.2 Taking photos at Media Tribune is prohibited.
18.5.10.3 Journalist (media place) has located at seating area and a couple of seats shall keep for specific institute of media. No photography and recording shall allow in Media Tribune.

18.5.11 Information of Media

18.5.11.1 List of group name will be provided in media room prior to 60 minutes of match started.
18.5.11.2 Official match record will be provided in media room after the match ended.
18.5.11.3 List of group name and official match record will be shared in Khmer languages.

18.5.12 Press Conference and Mixed Zone
18.5.12.1 The press conference shall be prepared by host team prior to one day of match started and ended, by main coach of any clubs. The coach of away team shall participate in the press conference before the host team.
18.5.12.2 Coach or members and players can be interviewed at mixed zone.

18.5.13 Providing Information and Videos on Internet

18.5.13.1 According to the provision, only photograph-journalist has allowed before sent out data during the competition by use any tools for contacting with mobile phone to information media institute and internet media.

18.5.13.2 Changing seat is not allowed during the match (but have the right to leave the match in case of urgency).

18.5.13.3 TV Live team cannot take photos or record the video during the match to live on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube or any Digital information.

18.6 The determined of media size of CPL Competition and club of the Competition of CPL, please contact to Cambodian Premier League Co., Ltd. office or via the Email, including the purpose of broadcasting, media institute, and contact address.

18.7 To interview players and officer of CPL Competition, please contact to media officer of host team by each match.

PART 5: FORCE MAJEURE

19. Force Majeure

CPL is the sole entity who has the authority to declare on force majeure.

PART 6: THE ISSUES NOT STATED IN THIS REGULATION

20. The Issues Not Stated in Regulations

The any issues that have not stated in regulations shall be settled by the CPL decision.

21. Efficiency Regulations

The regulation is made in Khmer and English Language and effectively in force from the date of signature.

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