



# **IMFF FOOTBALL FESTIVAL GUIDE 2024**

**IMFF – International Masters Football Federation**

## **RULES AND REGULATION**



**16 & 17 March 2024**

**Bengaluru Stadium**

**24, Anthony Nicholas St, Ashok Nagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka  
560025, India**



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## A. RULES AND REGULATIONS

### 1. MANAGEMENT

- 1.1 The Football Tournament Festival organized by the International Masters Football Federation (IMFF) among the registered International Countries Masters Football Teams who are members of the IMFF.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Subject to section 2.2 and 2.3, a Team can register a maximum of 20 players at/above 40 years of age. (eligibility by 40 of age on birth year-1984 or before)
- 2.2 **A team can register a minimum of five (5) players of age at/above 50 years** (eligibility by 50 of age on year-1974 or before). However, five (5) players (minimum) MUST be fielded all times during all matches. Every rolling substitute replacing this age group of players shall be from within the same age group of at/above 50 years (eligibility by 50 of age on birth year-1974 or before).
- 2.3 **Only 3 players(maximum) below the age of 44 (born in between 1980 to 1984) are allowed to play at any one time during the match.**
- 2.4 **Only 6 players(maximum) in between the age of 45 & 49 (born in between 1979 & 1975 resp.) are allowed to play at any one time during the match.**
- 2.5 A team can register a minimum of seven (7) players of respective country nationals who are nationality of the country that the Team represented subject to section 2.2 & 2.3 of the eligibility requirement.

### 3. FIXTURES

- 3.1 Match fixtures are determined by the organizing committee.
- 3.2 No request for postponement of any fixtures by any team will be entertained.



#### **4. DATE AND VENUE**

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#### **5. REGISTRATION OF TEAMS**

- 5.1 Each team shall comprise a maximum of 20 members inclusive of the Team manager and officials.
- 5.2 The team's Manager and Officials will be allowed to play if they are registered as players.
- 5.3 Once registered, the player shall only play for one team throughout the entire festival.
- 5.4 Team Managers are responsible in ensuring that all details given in the registration form are correct before submitting them to the Organizing Committee for registration.
- 5.5 Amendments may be allowed at the Manager's meeting. Thereupon the players list shall be final, and no further amendments shall be allowed.

#### **6. CLOSING DATE AND ENTRANCE FEE**

- 6.1 ENTRY FORM as attached APPENDIX 1 is duly completed together with the festival fees should reach the organizing chairman of IMFF 2024, Mr Gunasekaran on or before 15/03/2024 to confirm their participation.
- 6.2 The IMFF Football Festival 2024 entrance fee is \$2500.00.

#### **7. OFFICIALS**

- 7.1 Qualified referees will officiate the matches and their decisions will be final.
- 7.2 All matches shall be officiated by 3 referees and a match official.

#### **8. MANAGERS MEETING**

- 8.1 The Team Managers meeting shall be held on Friday, 15 March 2024 at 8 pm (venue TBC). All team managers MUST be presented at the meeting.



- 8.2 The Team Managers must be handed over the Team Entry form and their country's national flag to the chairman of the IMFF Tournament Festival 2024.
- 8.3 The Team Managers must be paid all outstanding IMFF Tournament fees during Managers Meeting without fail.

## **9. RULES OF THE TOURNAMENT**

- 2.6 The football tournament festival shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules & Regulations of the Federation of International Football Association (F.I.F.A.) except the number of substitutions for each game where maximum nine players can be replaced on "Roll On" and "Roll Off" basis subject to section 2.2 & 2.3 of the eligibility requirement.

## **10. COMPETITION SYSTEM**

- 10.1 The competition will be played by dividing two groups with four teams each side where all teams will play against each other on league basis (Round Robin) within their group and top two teams for each group will be selected for cross semifinals and winners of the semifinals will be played the Grand Final.
- 10.2 No player is allowed to play for more than one team for any reason. If a player is found to have played for more than one team, he shall be banned from the festival. If the team is found to have fielded a non-registered player, they shall forfeit the game and 3 match points with 2 goals will be awarded to the opponent.
- 10.3 There will be no prize given for overall champion, but all teams shall be given treated equally with winners' mementos.
- 10.4 In all league games, points will be awarded as follows:

WIN – 3 POINTS  
DRAW – 1 POINT  
LOSE – 0 POINTS

## **11. DURATION OF MATCH**

- 11.1 Duration of every league match is to be played 20 min – 5 min – 20 min.
- 11.2 The semifinals and finals games duration will be finalized in the Managers Meeting.



## **12. COLOURS**

- 12.1 The first team will be the home team. In the event of clash of colour of jerseys, the away team will change.

## **13. SUBSTITUTION**

- 13.1 Rolling substitution is allowed within any time during the match subject to section 2.2 & 2.3 eligibility requirement.

## **14. INSURANCE COVERAGE & INDEMNITY**

- 14.1 All players and officials listed in the 20 lists should be under insurance coverage within their respective team's insurance policy and the organizing committee shall not be indemnified against any actions, proceedings, claims demand, cost and expenses whatsoever which may be taken against it, in respect of death, injury, disability and damage or whatsoever nature which may be caused or suffered by reason of participation in the festival.

## **15. FESTIVAL FIXTURES**

Please find Football Festival Fixtures in APPENDIX 2 once the draw has done in the Managers Meeting.

All the best to all participating teams. Fair Play

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Mr. Gunasekaran Mohanakrishnan

*(Acknowledgement by Organizing Chairman-IMFF)*

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*(President/Secretary of IMFF)*



## A. APPENDIX 1 – TEAM ENTRY FORM

### TEAM ENTRY FORM

INTERNATIONAL MASTERS FOOTBALL FESTIVAL 2024, IMFF – 16 & 17 MARCH 2024, BANGALORE, INDIA



COUNTRY NAME:

MANAGER:

NO	FIRST NAME AS PASSPORT (IN CAPITALS)	SURNAME AS PASSPORT (IN CAPITALS)	NATIONALITY	YEAR OF BIRTH	JERSEY No	AGE BAND
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