
ABPI Annual Rolling Trophy 2019

- *Celebrating 50 Years anniversary since first Bhutanese came to Western Australia*



TERMS AND CONDITIONS (GUIDELINES) (25 August 2019)

1. Name of the Competition

This tournament shall be known as ABPI's Annual Rolling Trophy. And the ABPI is the organizer of this tournament.

2. Competition Structure

The competition is an 11-sided soccer competition and will be played on league cum knockout basis.

A. The Group Stage.

The group stage will be played on the basis of single round-robin system.

Two teams with the most points secured from the group stage will qualify for the knockout stage. If the points are level, the next decider to be considered is the goal difference, followed by goals scored and a coin toss, if all measures fail to decide. The points will be awarded as follows in the group stage:

- a) Win: 3 Points
- b) Draw: 1 Points
- c) Loss: 0 Points



B. Knock out Stage.

After the completion of group stage, the qualifying teams will head straight into knockout, the winner of the match progressing to the next round and the loser eliminated from the competition.

If the normal time fails to decide a winner, the teams will proceed to take penalty kick shoot-out. There will be no extra time. The last resort to decide a match winner will be a coin toss.

C. Qualifying round

As this tournament has 15 teams, the knock out round will see another **two qualifying teams** from the league match. These teams will be picked based on their third position in each group. Their points, goals scored and the standing in their respective table will determine their selection towards qualifying round.

i. Penalty Kick Shoot-out

If a winner cannot be decided during the regular 70 minutes of the match, then the teams will head straight into the penalties.

The main referee will decide which goal to be used. The coin toss will decide the order of which teams takes first. Five different players from each team will take five penalty kicks. Captain of each team must announce these five players to the main referee before the kicks are taken. If two teams are still tied after 5 kicks, the additional kicks will be taken on a sudden-death basis by the rest of the players who have not kicked. **Only active players at the time will be allowed to take the kick. Players sent off during the match are not eligible to take these kicks**



3. Duration of the Match

Each match will be played for duration of 60 minutes with two equal periods of 30 minutes running clock in the league round and duration of 70 minutes with two equal periods of 35 minutes in the quarter finals, duration of 80 minutes with two equal period of 40 minutes for semi-finals and duration of 90 minutes with two equal period of 45 minutes for finals.

The half time shall be only for 10 minutes in all of these durations.

4. Substitution

The tournament will allow **6 single substitutions only**. Substitutions can only be made when the ball is out of play and with a referee's consent.

5. Technical Area

Only one registered official (for that particular match) may remain within the technical area during the whole match duration and must behave in a respectable manner. Please NOTE that **NO** outside guests will be entertained in the technical area. If this is in breach, the team may be given a warning.

6. Registration of players and officials

The duly filled registration form of players and the official of the team must be submitted to the organizer of the tournament on or before a specified date along with the specified entry fee. **A team may register up to 17 players including officials**. The registered player must be a legal Bhutanese citizen living in Western Australia being represented by the team. The team registration form is as Annexure A. The team list shall be final and binding.

The championship is open to the maximum of 4 registered club players including 2 club players from Bhutan. The club players include all those who have represented either in Thimphu league/National league irrespective of the year.



If the organizers find out that the rule of 4 club players per team has been violated, **then the team shall be disqualified from the tournament and the entry fee along with security deposit will be forfeited accordingly.**

1. Official nomination

Every team **must** nominate 3 personnel to assist the organizer in officiating the matches.

If nominated officials fail to turn up for the designated matches, a penalty of \$20 each shall be imposed to the team. The penalty should be deposited before the next match failing to which additional 10% of the amount shall be deducted from the security deposit.

2. Documents required for registration

Players from all the team participating in the tournament must sign and submit the acknowledgement & waiver form to the organizer before the tournament date.

7. Entry Fee

An entry of \$ 450 (non-refundable) and security deposit of \$300 (refundable) must be deposited on or before 21st August 2019. **Security deposit shall be refunded within the period of 4 weeks from tournament end date.** Security deposit is to ensure that no teams breach or abuse any guidelines or the events of this tournament.

8. Team Uniform

Each team must have proper uniform with jersey numbers on their team jerseys. **Shin guard is compulsory.** If a team fails to turn up in proper uniform, **a penalty of \$30 shall be imposed per match** and shall be either deposited to the organizers before the next match or utilized from the security deposit.



9. Forfeits and withdrawals

Teams must attend every fixture of the competition. A forfeit of entry fee and security deposit shall be declared if:

- a. A game does not start within 10 minutes of the allocated starting time.
- b. A team fails to honor their fixture.

Forfeits are to be determined by the referee as mitigating circumstances may apply. **If a team forfeits their match, the opposing team will be awarded a 3- 0 win**

10. Rolling Trophy Collection back

The winner of the previous Year's Rolling Trophy 2018 shall be collected back along with offering a FREE ENTRY into the current tournament. Their winning details will also be engraved on the medal.

11. Disciplinary Matters (cautions and expulsions).

If a player is cautioned with two yellow cards in any of the league round matches, the player will be suspended for the following match. A player who receives two yellow cards in a match shall be asked to leave the field immediately. The player will automatically be suspended for the following match to be played by the team.

A straight red card shall mean that the player will have to leave the field immediately and will not be eligible to play in the following **two matches**.

Any misbehavior and violent conduct committed by the players or manager in the play field, the individual player or manager will be dealt as per the **organizing committee decision. ABPI Executive Committee is the Organizing Committee of this tournament.**



Team suspension and forfeiting of entry fee and security deposit is also applicable depending on the level of violation conducted.

The organizers are not responsible for any misconduct outside of the field or after the matches. The match period is at least 30 minutes before the first game of the day begins and after 10 minutes of the end of the last match for each particular day.

NOTE: Substance abuse like alcohol, drugs and smoking in and around the field of play will not be entertained and it must be ensured by every team player, managers, and organizers to not use alcohol, drugs and smoking around in and around the field of play during the course of the tournament. If it has been observed that a player has used these substances before joining the tournament match and arrives to play a match, such player shall not be allowed to play the current match, and a first and final warning shall be made. Any repeated action as such shall disqualify the player from playing in the remaining matches in the competition and the team shall be fined accordingly. There's a team fine of \$250 shall there be any circumstances as such.

It shall be the responsibility of the organizers and team captains to ensure that the soccer field remains free after the match for the day has ended. This is stipulated within the time frame announced by the organizers. The organizers are not responsible for use of such substances by players after this time frame. The match period is at least 30 minutes before the first game of the day begins and after 10 minutes of the end of the last match for each particular day. Repeated advocacy and sensitization shall be made aware to all players and teams to the extent possible on this matter.



11. Protest

Subject to the following provisions, protests are objections of any kind to occurrences that have a direct effect on matches organized in the competition (state and marking of the field, accessory match equipment, eligibility of players and football).

Unless otherwise stipulated in this document, protest shall be **first submitted in writing to the Organizer of the Competition**, within two hours of the match and followed up immediately with a full written report accompanied by a fee of \$50 (this fee can be paid from the security deposit, if the security deposit isn't exhausted).

No protest will be made against the referee's decisions regarding facts connected with play, such decisions being final.

12. Kick Off time

All the kick-off timings will be made available via ABPI's Facebook page.

The teams should report for the match 30 minutes prior to kick-off.

A grace period of 10 minutes after the actual time of kick-off may be granted to the participating teams and the match referees.

The kick off time along with the time when the organizers are in the soccer field shall be referred to as time frame for the game.

13. Laws of the game

The Laws of the Game formulated by FIFA will be strictly applied. Each team must have at least seven players including the goalkeeper to start a match and to finish the match. All players must be in proper uniform and shin guard.



14. Insurance

The Organizer is collaborating with the ABPI in the context that the ABPI will support to extend full insurance coverage. This insurance shall cover property damage, which shall be extended to all players during the tournament. However, this insurance coverage is only limited to the extent that ABPI extends to its active members. This is as per the primary insurance company's requirement, which the ABPI follows for compliance.

All Bhutanese coming to Western Australia are automatic members of ABPI. However, one must activate their membership by registering via the online membership registration link of the ABPI and accordingly activate their membership by depositing an annual or biennial fee. Therefore, it must be noted that for the insurance cover to be active and fulfilling, players must ensure that they register and activate their membership with ABPI. A list of all players along with complete details of team name, manager's name, name of the captain, jersey number, and signed by the team manager/team captain must be submitted to the ABPI which shall be verified and kept on record accordingly. **There's a fee of \$150 non-refundable per team for the property damage liability to be paid by all teams registered and competing for this tournament. This fee may be adjusted from your security deposit or paid entirely as a different payment.**

All teams shall be provided with a set of one first aid box kit that shall have the basic medic. Every team will also receive a set of drinking water, free during the entire tournament duration.

15. Right to publicity

The ABPI (Organizer) shall have the right to use of name and image of players only for the purpose of ABPI's Facebook page. However, it will be ensured that no name or image of the players or the team shall be used to defame or shame.



16 Miscellaneous.

If situation arise which is not mentioned above, the referees and/or competition organizers will use their discretion in making a decision. A disciplinary team (ABPI Committee) shall be formed to manage and administer the affairs of the tournament. Any team not abiding by the aforementioned rules will be disqualified from the tournament and the organizer shall forfeit their entry fees and security deposit.

17. Awards and Prizes

The champion and runners up of the tournament will be awarded with the rolling trophy and the cash prize. The cash prize will solely be depended upon the number of teams turning up for the tournament and the budget availability. The entry fee collected will solely be used for this matter.

The winning team may keep the Rolling Trophy with them until the next tournament.

- a) The Rolling Trophy (winner)**
- b) Champion trophy (winner)**
- c) Runners up trophy**
- d) Golden boot (highest goal scorer)**
- e) Golden glove (best goal keeper)**
- f) *Player of the match recognition in every game******
- g) *Promising team of the tournament (teams with less fouls, fair play, good ethics, and supportive to spread sportsmanship) ******
- h) *3 fair players of the tournament (players with less fouls, fair play, good ethics, and supportive to spread sportsmanship) ******

**This will be evaluated by the respective officials on the field.*



ANNEXURE A

Team registration form

Team name:
Manager / Captain's name:
Phone number (immediate contact):
Email ID:

Name of the player	Jersey number	Remarks (please attach photo)

**Team captain/Manager
(Name and signature)
Date:**

**Verified by:
ABPI**



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