



**Batang Pinoy  
2024**

**1. NAME**

The Tournament shall be called “2024 BATANG PINOY FUTSAL TOURNAMENT”

**2. MANAGEMENT**

The Tournament shall be organized and managed by the Futsal Technical Department of the Philippine Football Federation (PFF), the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) and the Philippine Olympic Commission (POC).

**3. PARTICIPANTS**

The Tournament shall be open to Futsal Boys and Girls Teams consisting of players that are 15 years old and below (born in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012) and players that are 17 years old and below (born in 2007 and after). All teams must represent a Local Government Unit (barangay, city or province) and must meet all the registration requirements of the Philippine Sports Commission.

It is understood that all participating teams must be available to play at any time during the duration of the tournament.

**4. AWARDS**

Medals shall be awarded to the Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up Teams.

Medals will also be awarded to the Mythical Five Players, Golden Boot Awardees, Best Goal-Keepers and the Most Valuable Players.

**5. REGISTRATION**

a. Each team shall register not more than Twelve (12) players and not more than Three (3) officials.

b. All teams are required to submit a Letter of Intent addressed to the Philippine Football Federation Futsal Technical Department Head Mr. Rey Ritaga, and submitted

electronically via email to [philippinefutsaldepartment@gmail.com](mailto:philippinefutsaldepartment@gmail.com) not later than ten (10) days before the commencement of the tournament:

Opening of Online Registration – July 1, 2024

Closing of Registration – September 15, 2024

National Finals Schedule - December 15 – 21 2024

- c. All teams must submit any and all registration forms and documentary requirements of the Philippine Sports Commission, and undergo the registration process to secure the Athlete's and Team Officials' Identification Cards.

## 6. COLORS AND NUMBERS OF TEAM OFFICIALS

- a. Participating teams must declare the first and second colors (if available) of their respective teams and they are obliged to use these colors for all their matches.
- b. All teams are obligated to bring along their first and second colors (if available) on every match. If in the opinion of the Match Commissioner and the Referees, the colors of the two opposing teams clash, the colors must be changed, whereby the spare uniform may be used as a whole or in combination.
- c. Goalkeepers must be provided with jerseys of different colors contrasting with those of the two teams bearing their registered numbers (e.g. there shall be at least two No. 1 jersey of different colors for the first choice goalkeeper and two jerseys of different colors for the reserve goalkeeper). Under no circumstance will goalkeepers be allowed to play in jersey bearing numbers different from that originally registered.
- d. Thermal shorts shall be the same color as the main color of the shorts.
- e. If a team wishes to play with a field player in place of the regular Goalkeeper during the match, the player must be designated as a Goalkeeper, wearing a jersey with a color different from his teammates, the opposing team, the opposing teams Goalkeeper, and the Referees. The jersey must have the player's number printed as per tournament regulations.
- f. Players shall wear registered numbers on their jersey (back) and shorts. Numbers on jersey in contrasting colors shall be 25 cm in height at the back, while the numbers on the shorts shall be 10 cm in height in the front of the shorts (lower right side). Any team found guilty of allowing players to play in jerseys with numbers other than those registered shall be subject to disciplinary action including fines. Numbers should range from 1 - 20 in figures universally used, with the first goalkeeper's number being 1.
- g. The players' surname may also be shown in contrasting color on the back of the shirts above the number (7.5 cm in height). The lettering shall be in capitals and contain no advertising, design features or other elements. The color of the players' names shall contrast clearly with the uniform (light on dark or vice versa) and be legible from a distance for spectators in the stadium and television viewers. This applies in case of striped shirts. A plain colored background (either entirely light or dark, depending on the color of the letters) affords better legibility.

- h. Any form of advertising on the uniforms (outfits) during this tournament shall be strictly prohibited. The authorized trademark of the manufacturer shall be allowed to appear only once on the shirt, once on the shorts and once on the socks. The trademark may be used alone as a logo or in combination with the names of the manufacturer but shall not exceed 20 cm on the shirt and 12 cm on the shorts and the sock. The emblem of the team may also be placed on the uniform (shirt).
- i. The players' uniforms (outfits) must be approved by the Tournament Committee. This should also apply to the goalkeepers' gloves, on which the trademark shall not exceed 5 cm.
- j. Advertising is not forbidden on clothing worn by players and officials when they are on training grounds or during their free time. However, no form of advertising is permitted on tracksuits or other clothing worn by the players and delegation officials who are on the field of play or its surroundings.
- k. Any breach of the Tournament Committee's Equipment Regulation Rules regarding advertising will be subject to sanction by the tournament Disciplinary Committee.

## **7. LAWS OF THE GAME**

- a. All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as promulgated by the International Board and published by FIFA.
- b. In the case of conflicting interpretation of the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game, the English text shall be authoritative.

## **8. MODE OF COMPETITION**

### **I. One Round Group Competition**

- a. The number of teams in a group will depend on the total number of registered teams. Top two (2) teams in each group shall advance to the Semi-Finals
- b. Three (3) points shall be awarded for a win and one (1) point for a draw and none (0) for a defeat.
- c. The semi-final winners (top two: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> teams) will advance to the championship game to determine the Champions. The semi-final losers will play a game to determine the third place.
- d. If two or more teams tie on points, their position will be determined as follows:
  - i. goal difference in all the group matches;
  - ii. greater number of goals scored in all the group matches;

- iii. result of the direct match between the teams concerned;
  - iv. kicks from the penalty if the teams concerned are still on the field of play;
  - v. toss of coin
- e. The Tournament Committee has the right to reschedule the final matches of any group/groups if such matches are deemed to affect the result of the other matches concerned.

## **II. Finals or Championship Match**

- a. If Final Match (championship match) ends in a draw after the normal full time, there shall be an extension of two (2) periods of three (3) minutes each half. Whenever there is an extension of time, no player shall be allowed to leave the field of play unless consent has been given by the Referee.
- b. If no decisive result is obtained after the end of extension time, the winner shall be determined by taking of kicks from penalty mark.

## **9. DURATION OF PLAY**

- a. The duration of every match in the group stage, semi-finals and finals shall be determined during the Managers' Meeting.
- b. Clocks in the halls showing the length of time played, if available, shall run during the match, provided that they are stopped at the end of normal playing time in each half. This stipulation shall also apply in the event of extra time being played.

## **10. REFEREES**

Only PFF / PSC-registered and approved Referees shall be appointed to referee in the Tournament and they will be paid an approved rate of payment as per the PSC rate.

## **11. REFEREES REPORTS**

- a. Referees' Reports shall be made in the forms provided and such reports shall be handed to the Tournament Secretary or his representative not later than one (1) hour after the termination of each match.
- b. The Referee Report forms should be completed by the Referee and forwarded to the Tournament Secretary who will subsequently send them to the Tournament Director.

## **12. PLAYERS CAUTIONED OR DISMISSED FROM FIELD OF PLAY**

- a. A player who received two (2) cautions during the tournament shall automatically be suspended for the match following the match in which he received the second caution.
- b. A player dismissed from the field of play by a Referee shall automatically be suspended for the next match and shall remain suspended until his case has been decided by the Disciplinary Committee.

## **13. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE**

- a. The PFF Futsal Technical Department shall appoint the Disciplinary Committee consisting of a Chairman and two (2) members.
- b. The Disciplinary Committee shall meet within twenty-four (24) hours of the end of the match.
- c. The Disciplinary Committee shall deal with the following:
  - i. In cases of players being dismissed from the field of play.
  - ii. Any misconduct by an official or player, which has been reported to or come under the notice of the committee.
  - iii. Any written request or a complaint on disciplinary matter made by the manager of a participating team. Such a written request or complaint shall be handed to the Tournament Secretary within two (2) hours of the incident. Any other matter will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee.
  - iv. The Disciplinary Committee may only suspend a player from taking further part in the matches of the Tournament.

If more severe action is deemed necessary, the Philippine Sports Commission must be informed and any further action shall be the aforesaid Commission's responsibility.
  - v. Other cases of misconduct, which may require disciplinary action.
  - vi. All decisions of the Disciplinary Committee shall be final and shall not be subject to appeal, judicially or otherwise.

## **14. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**

- a. The PFF Futsal Technical Department shall appoint the Tournament Committee consisting of a Chairman and three (3) other members. The Match Commissioner shall be the chair of the Tournament Committee. The Members shall be the General Coordinator, the Secretariat and the Referee Assessor.

- b. All decisions of the Tournament Committee shall be final.
- c. The Tournament Committee shall be responsible for:
  - i. Tournament match scheduling which shall include dates, kick off times and venues.
  - ii. Ensuring that matches are played in accordance with the Futsal Laws of the Game and in conformity with these Regulations.
  - iii. Taking any disciplinary action, including the imposition of penalties, in accordance with these regulations and Article 57 (Disciplinary Measures) of the FIFA Statutes, except those referred to the Disciplinary Committee by these Regulations.
  - iv. Decisions in cases of force majeure.

#### **15. APPEALS COMMITTEE**

The PFF Futsal Technical Department shall appoint an Appeals Committee consisting of a Chairman and two (2) members. The PFF Futsal Technical General Secretary shall chair the Appeals Committee. The Committee will deal with all appeals, protests, etc. arising from the tournament. All decisions of the Committee shall be final.

#### **16. REFEREE ASSESSOR**

- a. The PFF Futsal Technical Department shall appoint a Referee Assessor who shall be responsible for the daily appointment and assessment of the Referees.
- b. The Referee Assessor shall appoint the Referee for all matches to officiate in this tournament.

#### **17. PROTESTS**

- a. Protests concerning the eligibility of players who take part in this tournament shall be submitted to the Tournament Committee as soon as the final registration of players has been circulated to participating teams.
- b. Other protests must be made in writing to the Tournament Appeals Committee not later than two (2) hours after the end of each match.
- c. No protests may be lodged against decisions on points of fact of the Game by the Referee on the field of play.

## **18. WITHDRAWALS, WALKOVERS AND ABANDONED MATCHES**

- a. Participating teams shall play every match.
- b. If, through the fault of any participating team, a match cannot take place or be played in its entirety, the Tournament Committee shall declare the match to be forfeited awarding victory and resultant three (3) points to the opposing team as well as the score 3-0, or more, if the opposing team has already achieved a higher score.
- c. All cases related to withdrawals, walkovers and abandoned matches will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee. The decisions of the Committee regarding these matters are final.

## **19. INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

The interpretation of these rules and all matters not provided for shall be dealt with by the Tournament Committee in consultation with the PFF Futsal Technical Department whose decision shall be final.

## **20. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR**

In the event of any disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the PFF Futsal Technical Department will be the final authority on all technical regulations.

## **21. DISCLAIMER**

All the contents of this document are subject for review by the PFF Futsal Technical Department and shall be discussed and finalized with all the Teams during the Managers' Meeting.