

# **Rules and Regulations**

# **Fraser Football Festival 2023**

# Kirkvine Sports Club, Manchester, Jamaica

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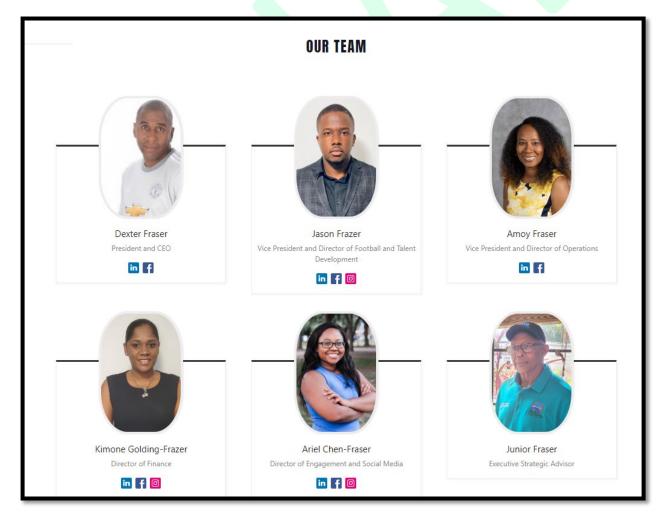
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# **Board of Directors**

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# Overview

This document presents the Rules and Regulations for the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*, a one-day youth football festival, being presented by the Fraser Football Foundation, Inc and Fraser Foundation, Ltd, faith-based, philanthropic co-organizations operating in the United States and Jamaica with the united mission of promoting wellness, health, and citizenship for rural and inner-city in Jamaica through football. The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* includes multiple age-limited friendly tournaments for children of all skill levels. The Festival also includes a boys shoot-out competition. All the events are family-friendly with the focus on fun, development, and education. Teams and players can participate in events <u>at no cost</u>. Participating players get a free pair of football boots.

# **Applications**

Applications are submitted online at <u>FraserFootballFoundation.org</u>. Persons completing the applications must be diligent in ensuring that the information is entered correctly; especially the spelling of the player's name, the player's birth date, and the player's shoe size. The shoe size is used to assist in ensuring that the player gets the correct sized football boots at check in. Players will be fitted for their football boots and football jerseys to ensure a proper fit. Names and birthdates will be verified at check-in. Players must bring proof of age at check in. **Eligibility is determined by the player's actual age on the date of the event (29 July 2023).** 

Note that the name and birthdate will be used to connect the player to other opportunities, including opportunities overseas. This information must be accurate.

Player 1-Goalkeeper				
Full Name *		Birth Date *		Age On Date Of Competition *
Gender *		Shoe Size (US) *		Shirt Size *
Male	~	12Y	~	Extra small (under 6) ~
Player 2				
Full Name *		Birth Date *		Age On Date Of Competition *
Gender *		Shoe Size (US) *		Shirt Size *
Male	~	12Y	~	Extra small (under 6)

The age-limits for the tournament divisions are:

- Saxon's Juniors Under 8 (U8) Boys and Girls
  - Boys and girls ages 3-8
- Saxon's Juniors Under 10 (U10) Boys and Girls
  - Boys and girls ages 8-10
- Under 12 (U12) Boys and Girls
  - Boys and girls ages 10-12

- Under 14 (U14) Boys and Girls
  - Boys and girls ages 12-14
- F-16's Under 16 (U16) Boys Invitational
  - Boys ages 12-16
  - This event is by invitational only. Only two teams will complete.

While girls are allowed to be on the teams for the *Fraser Football Festival*, girls are strongly encouraged to be involved in the *Fraser Girls with Goals! Gala* instead happening the next day (Sunday, 30 July 2023). The *Fraser Girls with Goals! Gala* is a celebration of football and girlhood.

Registration conflicts/discrepancies will be resolved and a final player line-up will be published at least two weeks prior to the event. Once published, no additions or movement of players will be allowed. This cannot be accommodated due to the provision of football boots and football jerseys.

A player whose registration is tainted by dishonesty or discrepancy may be removed from the final player lineup. The responsible coach may be suspended from participation in the next annual *Fraser Football Festival* 2023. The use of an improperly registered player will result in a forfeit of the game for the team.

Any person who is opposed to the use of his name or image should withdraw from participating in the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* immediately!

# Check-In

Coaches and players must arrive on time for check-in and verification of the player's age at **THE CHECK-IN STATION**. **Players must bring verification of age, such as school ID or birth certificate.** Only players confirmed for the final player line-up will be allowed to check in.

Players will then proceed to **THE BOOTIQUE** to receive their football boots and football jerseys for the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. Teams should send one team parent/volunteer to assist the players in **THE BOOTIQUE**. Players will be fitted for their football boots and football jerseys to ensure the best possible fit. The Fraser Football Foundation will make every effort to provide the best possible fit for the football boots and football jerseys. However, we offer no guarantees. The provided football boots and football jerseys become the property of the player. **THE PLAYER OWNS THE BOOTS**.

### Roster

A player can be registered on only one team at the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* regardless of division. A player cannot be on or play for any two teams.

Teams for the Jaxon's Juniors U8 division and U10 division can roster up to 10 players. The teams will play 6-sided games (6 field players, no goalkeeper).

Teams for the U12 and U14 can roster up to 10 players. The teams will play 6-sided games (5 field players, 1 goal keeper).

Teams for F-16's U16 Boys Invitational can roster up to 16 boys. Players can be between 12 to 16 years old. The teams will play 11-sided games (10 field players, 1 goal keeper).

All U16 boys <u>who are 16 years old</u> will compete in the F-16's Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot-out competition.

Each team can bring up to two team officials (coaches/managers) only. As teams in each division will face off, a coach can only have one team in a division. Each team must bring a team parent/volunteer to assist in fitting the children in **THE BOOTIQUE**.

# Players' Uniforms and Equipment

Football boots and football jerseys will be provided to the final player line-up. Teams will play games in the football boots and football jerseys provided at the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. At the end of the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*, the provided football boots and football jerseys become the properties of the player. THE PLAYER OWNS THE BOOTS.

The goalkeeper must wear a contrasting shirt/bib, which also must be different from the opposing team.

Teams are responsible for their own shorts, socks, shin guards, and goalkeeper gloves. If supplies are available, these may be provided, but these are not guaranteed or promised.

Shin guards should be worn at all times.

No cast or jewelry allowed.

# Player's Ownership of Boots and Other Items

The football boots, football jersey, and other items distributed at the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* become the properties of the player. **THE PLAYER OWNS THE BOOTS**.

### **Events**

Teams are expected to arrive no later than their assigned check-in time in order to check in, verify age (documentation required), and pick up their football boots and their football jerseys. Teams that are not ready to play will forfeit.

Each event will be followed by an award ceremony for first place and second place winners.

#### Tournament Games

The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* will include the following events as possible based on registrations and feasibility. U8 teams will play at least one game. U10, U12, and U14 teams will play at least 3 games (as long as at least four teams are registered and available).

The fixtures will be distributed at least 2 weeks prior to the Fraser Football Festival 2023.

The field sizes are reduced to accommodate multiple games.

The age-limited tournaments divisions are:

- Jaxon's Juniors Under 8 (U8) Boys and Girls
- Jaxon's Juniors Under 10 (U10) Boys and Girls
- Under 12 (U12) Boys and Girls
- Under 14 (U14) Boys and Girls

#### F-16's U16 Boys Invitational

The F-16's U16 Boys Invitational is by invitation only. The Fraser Football Foundation will invite two teams to face off.

#### F-16's U16 Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot-Out

F-16's Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot-Out competition is open to the participating U16 boys only. The participating boys of the F-16's Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot-Out competition <u>must be 16 years old</u> on the day of the event (29 July 2023). As such, a participant can only enter once in his lifetime.

By agreeing to participate in F-16's Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot Out competition, the boy and his parents are agreeing that if he is in the top three finalists:

- 1. his image (in pictures or videos) and information (name, email address, phone number) will be distributed to college coaches internationally;
- 2. they will cooperate with applying for travel and scholarship to the Florida Soccer School's College ID camp in December 2023 in the USA. To be eligible for scholarship, the player must produce proof of college-eligible grades.

The format for F-16's Boys Penalty and Precision Shoot-Out competition is a penalty shoot-out in a regulationsized goal with a goalkeeper AND precision shots on goal featuring specific targets.

Note that we have removed the requirement for the player to be on his school's team.

# Any person who is opposed to the use of his name or image should withdraw from participating in the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* immediately!

## Laws of the Game

All games shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as observed by the Jamaica Football Federation and the Manchester Football Association.

The U16 match will be 11 v 11 consistent with FIFA tradition and with all traditional FIFA rules and time.

For the U8, U10, U12, and U14 games, the following additional rules and regulations will be upheld.

#### Roster

Teams for the Jaxon's Juniors U8 division and U10 division can roster up to 10 players. The teams will play 6sided games (6 field players, no goalkeeper).

Teams for the U12 and U14 divisions can roster up to 10 players. The teams will play 6-sided games (5 field players and a goal keeper).

#### Game Start and Duration

Teams must be ready at the kick-off of the game or forfeit the game. The minimum number of players needed to start the game is 8. In the event of a forfeit, the score will be recorded as 6-0.

The duration of the game will be two 12-minute halves with a 1-minute halftime OR the game shall end when there is a 6-goal differential. Beforehand, the game durations may be shortened in order to stay on schedule.

Once there is a 3-goal differential, the Good Sportsman Ship rule will apply.

The referee or Director of Football can end a game due to blatant misconduct or poor sportsmanship. The game is over when the time expires, regardless of the flight of the ball or is an attack on goal is in progress.

To determine a clear winner in division or group finals, the time may be extended to two 5-minutes halves for overtime and then again for a penalty shoot-out.

#### Good Sportsmanship Rule

The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* welcomes children of all skill levels to participate in a supportive environment. It is possible for there to be a large skill differential between two teams in a match. The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* wants to avoid any children being embarrassed or discouraged while simultaneously providing opportunities for teams to showcase their skills. The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* will employ the Good Sportsmanship Rule as follows:

- Once a team is up by 3 goals (such as 4-1), both of the rules below will apply:
  - 1. the **team that is down is allowed to add one additional player** until the score differential is less than 3 goals.
  - 2. the **team that is up is only allowed to score with the head** until the score differential is less than 3 goals.

#### <u>Points</u>

Points will be allotted as follows: 3 for a win, 1 for a draw, and 0 for a loss. The winner of the group (the team with the highest points) goes forward.

#### Tiebreakers

To determine a clear winner in division or group finals, the time may be extended to two 5-minutes halves for overtime and then again for a penalty shoot-out.

#### <u>Offsides</u>

There is no offside rule.

#### **Substitutions**

Unlimited substitutions (among the rostered players) will be permitted. Substitutions may be made at the following times: goal kick; after a goal is scored; injury of a player; halftime; throw-ins; free kicks; and hydration breaks.

Both teams may substitute at that time at the discretion of the referee. Substitutes may only enter the game by notification to and permission of the referee.

Substitution of goalkeepers must be reported directly to and permitted in advance by the referee.

Repeated substitutions in an attempt to waste time may not be approved by the referee and may result in the issuance of cards.

#### Direct and Sideline Restarts

Corner kick and kick-offs are direct kicks. The kick-off may go in any direction.

In place of throw-ins, there will be kick-ins or dribble-ins with the ball placed stationary at the touchline. A player may not directly kick a ball into the goal from its stationary restart.

#### Penalty Kicks

Penalty kicks will be taken from the top of the arch or 7 yards from the goal. Physical fouls will result in direct free kicks. All others are indirect. Players on the defending team must remain at a minimum of 5 yards from the kick.

#### Goal Keeping and Goal Kicks

During the run of play when the ball is in the hands of the goalkeeper, it may be thrown anywhere or dropped and dribbled inside or outside the penalty area but cannot be drop-kicked or punted. The ball must leave the goalkeeper's penalty arc within 4 seconds or an indirect free kick from the top of the arc will be awarded to the opposing team. A goalkeeper may not throw the ball directly into an opponent's goal. Players may not initiate contact with the goalkeeper at any time while they are in the penalty arc. Infractions will result in a yellow card. A goalkeeper outside of the penalty arc is to be treated as a field player.

Any time a goal kick is required, the goalkeeper will execute a goal clearance (ball must leave the penalty arc). The goalkeeper will start with the ball in their hands and may (1) throw the ball; (2) put down the ball and pass/kick; or (3) put down the ball and dribble out of the penalty arc. Once the ball has been put down, the ball is effectively 'live'. The goalkeeper has 4 seconds to execute the goal clearance. Failure to execute the goal clearance within 4 seconds will result in an indirect kick at the top of the arc for the opposition. A goal may not be scored directly from a goal clearance. Once the ball is outside the penalty arc, a goal may be scored from anywhere on the field. The ball may not be punted or drop-kicked.

There is no goalkeeper in the U8 and the U10 divisions. None of the rules for the goalkeeping/ goal keeper apply.

#### Players' Bench

The players' bench/area during a match is deemed to be an area designated as such by the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. Only the players (registrants on that particular team) and team officials registered with Fraser Football Foundation are allowed on the players' bench/area during a match. Only players who are dressed to play in full uniform (the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* jerseys) are eligible to be on the players' bench/area and to play in the game.

#### Conduct and Discipline

Coaches are to lead by example and are therefore responsible for the conduct of BOTH the players and parents of their teams. The Fraser Football Foundation will not tolerate unruly behavior. The referee and the Director of Football reserve the right to remove any coach, player, or parent from the premises.

The referee's decisions are final.

Red cards, yellow cards, free kicks, and penalty kicks will be issued in accordance with the Manchester Football Association's Laws of the Game. Ejection (red card) players may not play in the remainder of the current game and the team's next game in *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. The team of an ejected player may substitute for that player from the rostered players. Players sent off in two games will be ejected from the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. The Director of Football shall decide if further disciplinary action is required.

If a player receives a red card or dismissal in a game, he/she will be disciplined in accordance with Manchester Football Association's Laws of the Game.

**NO violent behavior is allowed**. In cases of violent actions against a game referee, staff member, other player, or any other person, the offending player will be dismissed from the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. The Director of Football has the exclusive right to assign any added disciplinary decisions as he deems necessary.

**NO expletives are allowed.** Players and others who are in breach will be dismissed from the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* immediately.

Yellow cards are accumulative throughout the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*. A player receiving 2 yellow cards in a single match results in a red card and carry those sanctions. A player receiving 3 yellow cards in a day, will result in them being ineligible for their next match. Once the 3-card suspension match is served, the player may return if the team has more games that day.

#### Protests

The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* does not allow any protests. Officials' decisions are to be respected regarding the interpretation of facts, judgements or rules within the game. In the event of a misinterpretation of a rule, the Director of Football will have final say.

# Injury

By agreeing to participate in any event at the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*, the players, their parents, the coaches, the volunteers, the Festival staff, and the attendees acknowledge that there is a risk of injury or harm and waives any liability or responsibility of the Fraser Football Foundation, Inc. and the Fraser Foundation, LLC. for any such injury or harm. **Everyone participates at their own risk.** 

Injured players should report to the **MEDICAL STATION** immediately. The **MEDICAL STATION** staff may provide First Aid, ice packs, and bandages; apply anti-septic topical creams or analgesic skin protectant creams; and may give Panadol, ibuprofen or other over-the-counter pain relievers.

If a player is hit in the head, a concussion protocol will be followed. For the player's safety, the player who is concussed will not be allowed to participate in any further events.

## Discipline

The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* is a family-friendly, supportive, and developmental event. Parents, team officials, referees, and players are expected to display respectful and supportive conduct at all times on or off the field.

**NO violent behavior is allowed**. In cases of violent actions against a game referee, staff member, other player, or any other person, the offending person will be dismissed from the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*.

NO weapons are allowed.

NO smoking allowed.

NO drugs are allowed. This includes alcohol and marijuana (ganja, weed) in any form.

NO expletives are allowed.

**NO derogatory/bullying/booing/putting down language allowed.** Spectators should cheer and support all the players of all skill levels.

### Weapons

No weapons (guns, knives, ice picks, etc.) are allowed. Attendees will be searched at the entrance. Persons with weapons will be asked to leave.

# Press, Social Media, and Publications

The Fraser Football Foundation and the Fraser Foundation rely on donations, grants, and sponsorships and so must maintain a highly-publicized presence. By agreeing to participate in any event at the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*, coaches, participants and their parents agree to their image (in pictures or videos) being used on the Fraser Football Foundation's website (listed below), social media sites (inexhaustive list below), and publications. No compensation will be provided.

- FraserFootballFoundation.org
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/FraserFootballCleatsForJamaica/</u>
- https://www.linkedin.com/company/fraser-football-foundation/
- <u>https://www.instagram.com/fraserfootball.foundation/</u>

Additionally, coaches, participants and their parents are aware and agree that their image may be published in coverage by the press, including newspapers, radio stations, and television stations. No compensation will be provided. The *Fraser Football Festival 2023* has no control over what images or verbiage the press uses.

Any person who is opposed to the use of his name or image should withdraw from participating in the *Fraser Football Festival 2023* immediately!

# Omissions

If any matter has been overlooked or not addressed here, the Director of Football or the Director of Operations will make the final decision regarding the matter and such decision will be deemed the policy governing the *Fraser Football Festival 2023*.

# Questions

Please direct football-related questions to Jason@FraserFootballFoundation.org.

Please direct sponsorship-related questions to <u>Dexter@FraserFootballFoundation.org</u>.

Please direct operational and other questions to Amoy@FraserFootballFoundation.org.

# Notes

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# Thank you for being a part of the

# Fraser Football Festival 2023



# **Changing Lives...**

# ... One Goal at a Time.

