



RULES AND REGULATIONS

FLCUP 2025

I. SCOPE, NAME, AND TROPHIES

ARTICLE 1. SCOPE.

These regulations shall govern the execution and development of the international tournament "FLCUP INTERNATIONAL 2025," hereinafter referred to as the "Tournament."

ARTICLE 2. NAME.

The tournament will be called "FLCUP International 2025."

ARTICLE 3. TROPHIES AND RECOGNITION.

The tournament organization, in order to promote competition and sportsmanship, will award trophies to all participating schools by category and level (Gold, Silver, Bronze, as applicable). Each player will receive a commemorative medal for the 2025 edition.

In addition, at the end of the tournament, outstanding players will be awarded trophies in the following categories: Best Player, Top Scorer, and Best Goalkeeper.

II. ORGANIZATION AND DATES

ARTICLE 4. ORGANIZATION.

The direction and execution of the tournament will be the responsibility of the general director (or general directors), the head of logistics, the head of the competition area, and the head of federated referees. These individuals will be responsible for the correct implementation of the tournament, adhering to the guidelines of these regulations.

ARTICLE 5. DATES.

The tournament will be held on May 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2025.



III. CATEGORIES AND PARTICIPATION

ARTICLE 6. CATEGORIES.

The categories authorized to participate are as follows:

YEAR OF BIRTH | CATEGORY

2015 | U10

2014 | U11

2013 | U12

2012 | U13

2011 | U14

2010 | U15

Registration in all categories is optional for each school.

Female participation is allowed in all categories, with a tolerance of up to one year of age difference (older). For example, in the U10 category (born in 2015), a player born in 2014 may participate, but not in 2013 or earlier. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the loss of the match by a score of 3-0.

Players with disabilities may participate in a category immediately below the one corresponding to their age, upon presentation of a medical report or credential that certifies their condition. For example, an U16 player could play in U15, but not in lower categories.

IV. ACCREDITATION AND ROSTERS

ARTICLE 7. ACCREDITATION.

The accreditation process will be carried out in two stages:

1. Prior to the tournament: Directors must enter the complete data of each player in the designated mobile application. No players may be added after the established deadline, unless expressly authorized by the tournament management. The competition area will provide the details for the correct data entry.



2. On the field: Prior to the start of each match.

The organization will provide each correctly registered player with a FLCUP 2025 Player credential, which must be visibly worn around the neck at all times. The credential will be necessary to enter the field of play. The absence of the credential will prevent the player from participating in the match.

Special situations must be reported and managed by the institution's director with the organization, up to one hour before the start of the match.

ARTICLE 8. ROSTERS.

Institutions must enter the player rosters in the application within the defined deadlines. Changes after the deadline will not be considered. The use of ineligible players (not registered in the application and not included in the match sheet) will result in the loss of points and the victory of the opposing team by 3-0.

V. DURATION, PLAYERS, AND UNIFORMS

ARTICLE 9. DURATION OF MATCHES.

CATEGORY | DURATION

U10 - U11 | 2 halves of 30 minutes

U12 - U15 | 2 halves of 35 minutes

Hydration breaks will be carried out as determined by the referee and/or the tournament staff. In addition, hydration breaks are mandatory during the event to ensure the well-being of the participants.

The referee may add additional minutes if deemed necessary.



ARTICLE 10. PLAYERS ON THE FIELD.

CATEGORY | PLAYERS (Including Goalkeeper)

U10 - U11 | 7 (6 + Goalkeeper)

U12 - U15 | 9 (8 + Goalkeeper)

The minimum number of players to start a match is as indicated in the table. If a team does not meet this requirement, it will lose the match by 3-0. If neither team complies, the match will be terminated without a winner or points. Any modification to this rule must be agreed upon between the organization and the directors of both institutions, and authorized by the referee, recorded in the referee's report.

ARTICLE 11. UNIFORMS.

Teams must present themselves with a complete uniform (socks, shorts, shirt, shin guards, and sports shoes). If the referee considers that there is similarity between the colors of the teams, the visiting team must wear an alternative uniform. The use of bibs will not be allowed. Numbers on the shirts are mandatory for the correct identification of the players.

VI. SUBSTITUTIONS, BALLS, AND REFEREES

ARTICLE 12. SUBSTITUTIONS.

Unlimited substitutions are allowed during the match. All changes must be requested and authorized by the referee or assistant. Players must leave and enter the field through the center or the area designated by the referee. Unauthorized substitutions may result in warnings.

ARTICLE 13. BALLS.

The official tournament ball, provided by the organization, will be used, in accordance with FIFA regulations.

CATEGORY | BALL SIZE

U10 - U11 | 4

U12 - U15 | 5



ARTICLE 14. REFEREES.

Each match will be directed by a main referee, supported by authorized sports staff. The referees will be collegiate and federated, with experience in national and international tournaments. The main referee will wear the official uniform and apply the rules of football and these regulations. He/She must keep a statistical record of the match and enter the information into the tournament system, or deliver it to the statistics area.

Respect towards the match authorities (referees) is fundamental. Physical or verbal aggressions will not be tolerated and may result in the termination of the match.

VII. REPORTS, PROTESTS, AND PUNCTUALITY

ARTICLE 15. REFEREE'S REPORT.

At the end of each match, the referee team will record the incidents (goals, cautions, expulsions, disciplinary offenses) in the statistical control application. The referee must detail serious incidents committed by players, members of the coaching staff or fans, which will be considered for imposing sanctions, including the deduction of points for misconduct of the fans.

ARTICLE 16. PROTESTS.

The directors of the institutions may submit written rebuttals on arbitration decisions to support@floridacupinternational.com, within 2 hours after the match. The organization will respond in writing before the end of the day. Emails from people outside the direction of each institution will not be considered.

ARTICLE 17. PUNCTUALITY.

Teams must be ready to enter the field 20 minutes before the start of the match. The referee will wait 15 minutes after the scheduled time to terminate the match for non-presentation. A warm-up area will be available for the teams.



The non-presentation of a team will result in the victory of the present team by 3-0 (WalkOver). The rescheduling of unplayed matches is at the discretion of the organization. If it is rescheduled and played, the result of the match will be the final one.

VIII. SUSPENSION, CARDS, AND EXPULSIONS

ARTICLE 18. SUSPENSION OF MATCHES.

Matches may be suspended by the referee for violent conduct (physical or verbal) of players, coaching staff, parents, or fans, resulting in the loss of the match by 3-0 for the offending team (or the result will be maintained if the opposing team was already winning). Matches suspended for indiscipline will not be rescheduled and may carry additional sanctions.

Matches may also be suspended due to force majeure (rain, lightning storm, etc.). The organization will inform the directors of the institutions of the suspension and rescheduling.

ARTICLE 19. CARDS AND EXPULSIONS.

1. Yellow Cards: Do not accumulate. The goal is to educate and correct, not punish. However, two yellow cards in the same match result in expulsion (red card).

2. Red Cards: Will be applied for double yellow or direct expulsion. The expelled player may not be replaced and will not be automatically suspended for other matches of the day, but his case will be reviewed to determine if a sanction is appropriate for subsequent days.

3. Definitive Expulsion: Physically or verbally assaulting members of the organization or the referee team will result in immediate expulsion from the tournament, without reconsideration. This also applies to parents, guardians, and fans.

Directors will be responsible for communicating these rules to the fans.



IX. ACCESS TO THE FIELD AND GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

ARTICLE 20. ACCESS TO THE FIELD.

Only players, coaching staff, referees, and members of the organization are allowed to remain on the field of play and surrounding areas. Coaching staffs may not exceed three people on the bench and must wear official clothing of their institution.

ARTICLE 21. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS.

- In the FLCUP tournament, offside will be used for all participating categories; there will be no constructive line in any category.
- The use of the credential and accreditation in the application is mandatory to play. The use of non-accredited players will result in the loss of the match by 3-0.
- Suspended, unaccredited or players from another category cannot remain in the bench area. Their presence will be considered as the use of an ineligible player and will result in the loss of the match by 3-0.
- In the U7 and U8 categories, return passes to the goalkeeper are allowed, who may catch the ball with their hands. However, abuse of this rule may be sanctioned as an indirect free kick.
- It is not allowed to restart the game from a lateral pass to the goalkeeper so that he can catch the ball with his hands.
- The referee will inform the organization of any situation that impairs the formative development of the students. The match may be suspended until the inconvenience is resolved.



X. DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPETITION AND PENALTY KICKS

ARTICLE 22. DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPETITION.

- Phase 1 (Days 1, 2, and 3): Points system in group stage.
- Semifinals (Day 3).
- Finals (Day 4).

This system may vary depending on the number of teams, which will be reported in "Annex 1. Competition Format."

Tie-Breaking Criteria:

1. Greater goal difference.
2. Greater number of goals scored.
3. Result of the match between the tied teams.
4. Better position in the Fair Play table.
5. Draw.

ARTICLE 23. REFEREE'S REPORT AND SANCTIONS.

After each match, the head of the referee team will issue a report with the result, cards, disciplinary offenses, etc. The organization, based on this report, will resolve the disciplinary sanctions. The sanctions will be notified to the respective director and published in the mobile application of the tournament (section "News").



ARTICLE 24. PENALTY KICKS.

CATEGORY | STEPS FROM THE PENALTY SPOT

U10 - U11 | 7

U12 - U15 | 9

XI. MEDICAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND CERTIFICATES

ARTICLE 25. MEDICAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

FLCUP International 2025 is committed to providing timely medical assistance and emergency transfers in case of sports injuries. The procedure will be:

1. Assistance from qualified personnel at the site of the incident.
2. Evaluation and transfer to the nearest medical assistance center, if necessary.

Each institution may make the transfer to another specialized center by their own means and under their responsibility, signing a written consent that exempts FLCUP International from any responsibility after the decision.

ARTICLE 26. MEDICAL FITNESS CERTIFICATES.

Each player must have a certificate of physical fitness for sports practice. Each institution is responsible for verifying this document and ensuring the optimal physical and health condition of its players.



XII. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

ARTICLE 27. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.

- FLCUP is governed by FIFA regulations, so all participants can use their head as a means of play, except for their hands as a means of contact with the ball.
- The organization is not responsible for the loss or theft of valuables, but is committed to making every effort to recover them.
- The consumption and entry of drugs within the venue is strictly prohibited. Proof of this situation will result in the loss of 3 points in the standings table of the category corresponding to the institution represented by the offending person.
- The entry of alcohol into the venue is strictly prohibited.

It is the responsibility of the technical staff of each school to communicate these disciplinary measures to their guardians and companions, to preserve a healthy environment and avoid violent situations.

These regulations are designed to ensure a fair, competitive, and formative tournament for all participants. The organization reserves the right to make modifications to these regulations if it deems necessary for the proper development of the tournament, informing the participating institutions with due advance notice.

