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DEFINITIONS

FIFA Stands For International Federation Of Association Football.

IFAB Stands For International Football Association Board.

AFC Stands For Asian Football Confederation.

AFF Stands For Asean Football Federation (Southeast Asia).

FFTL Stands For Football Federation Of Timor-Leste.

AFTL Stands For Futsal Association Of Timor-Leste.

CLUBS Are Members Of The Futsal Association Of Timor-Leste.

OFFICIALS are individuals involved in the administration, technical aspects, and medical aspects related to a particular competition, including coaches, referees, assistants, and other responsible personnel.

PLAYERS are individuals registered as either professional or amateur players in clubs recognized by an association or federation.

REFEREES are officials appointed to officiate a match and ensure that the match is played according to the laws of the match or futsal law of the match.

CAS stands for court of referee for sport located in lausanne, switzerland.

INTERNAL REGULATIONS refer to the internal regulations of the futsal competition that govern all entities participating in or associated with the futsal competition, which may be amended based on recommendations from AFTL deemed necessary for the positive development of futsal.

FUTSAL LAW OF THE MATCH (FLOTG) refers to the regulations of the match that all clubs must adhere to; referees ensure that all matches are played in accordance with the futsal law of the match. these laws can only be changed by IFAB.

FOREWORD

Greetings to all Futsal enthusiasts, especially to the participating clubs, coaches, players, and entities officially taking part in the futsal competition organized by the Football Federation of Timor-Leste through the Futsal Association of Timor-Leste (AFTL). Through this regulation, FFTL aims to gather the thoughts and desires of all involved in the futsal competition, ensuring that the event runs smoothly and achieves its objectives.

This futsal competition regulation aims to unite all components officially participating in the Futsal Timor-Leste competition to achieve its objectives, including ensuring the sustainability of futsal player resources with continuous quality and qualification to meet Timor-Leste's ongoing needs in international events.

The competition serves as a barometer to measure the capacity of teams, both in technical, tactical, and mental aspects, as well as an opportunity for players and coaches to demonstrate their skills, knowledge, and experience gained through training provided by FFTL, AFF, AFC, and FIFA.

The Football Federation strives for coaches leading clubs in the futsal competition to have AFC Futsal Coach Level License, as coaches play a crucial role in improving the quality of players in the clubs. Referees officiating futsal competition matches must have undergone futsal refereeing course provided by FFTL. Stakeholders involved in the operation of the futsal competition must have a minimum level of knowledge to ensure that the competition runs according to the operational manual adopted by FFTL, such as the AFC Competition Operational Manual.

All articles mentioned in this regulation hold both the Football Federation of Timor-Leste and the Futsal Association of Timor-Leste accountable. Both entities have the competence to make changes or alterations to the articles in the Futsal Timor-Leste Regulation.

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CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION
ARTICLE 1
SCOPE

1. This regulation automatically governs the rights and obligations of all stakeholders officially participating and involved directly or indirectly in the Futsal Competition officially organized by AFTL-FFTL.
Official Futsal Competitions include:
 - a. Futsal League 1st Division and 2nd Division;
 - b. Futsal Cup;
 - c. And others.
2. Other references that strengthen this regulation include the statutes of AFTL, FFTL, AFC, FIFA, Ethics and Disciplinary Codes of FFTL, AFC, FIFA, FIFA Futsal Laws of the Match, and National Club Licensing Regulations and AFC regulations.

ARTICLE 2
RESPONSIBILITY AND FUNDING

1. The Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL) holds ultimate responsibility over the Futsal League Competition and all final decisions, including decisions on appeals or protests issued by the Football Federation of Timor-Leste, are considered final;
2. Funding for the Futsal Competition comes from the Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL);
3. Funds received from donors are presented to the Football Federation of Timor-Leste.

ARTICLE 3
ORGANIZER

1. The Futsal Association of Timor-Leste (AFTL) is a Permanent Member of FFTL with full competence to conduct the Futsal Competition, through its Futsal Competition Organizing Committee:
 - a. The President of the Futsal Competition Organizing Committee shall be appointed by FFTL and AFTL;
 - b. The Organizing Committee, through its President, shall select and contract its members according to the needs of the Futsal Competition;

- c. The Organizing Committee shall oversee the overall preparation for the competition, conduct draws, and announce the competition schedule.
 - d. It shall take actions or decisions in accordance with the FFTL's Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Code.
2. The responsibilities of the Futsal Association of Timor-Leste (AFTL) in this competition include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Supervising the preparation for the Futsal Competition.
 - b. Executing FFTL decisions regarding the competition format and participants.
 - c. Defining the schedule of Futsal Competition matches.
 - d. Selecting the venue for Futsal Competition matches according to the regulations.
 - e. Reporting disciplinary violations to the FFTL Disciplinary Committee.
 - f. Providing reports to FFTL regarding the withdrawal or resignation of clubs as per Articles 11 and 12.
 - g. Deciding on the status of matches in cases such as delays, cancellations, or force majeure, as stipulated in Articles 11 and 12.
 3. All decisions made by AFTL/OC in accordance with the conditions of this regulation are considered final.
 4. All decisions made by the FFTL Disciplinary Committee for the Futsal Competition related to the FFTL Disciplinary Code and the Futsal Competition regulations are applicable from time to time.

ARTICLE 4 COMPETITION DELEGATION

Competition delegation consists of appointed delegates to oversee matches so that the competition can proceed in accordance with the Competition Manual adopted by our Football Federation of Timor-Leste, such as the AFC (Asian Football Confederation) Competition Manual. These delegations include:

1. Match Commissioner:
 - a. Responsible for authorizing the start or cancellation of matches and making decisions regarding any force majeure events occurring on the field.
 - b. Conducts inspections of stadiums and match fields before matches.
 - c. Has the authority to suspend or continue a match in situations of force majeure or natural events.
 - d. Submits a match report to the Football Federation of Timor-Leste, detailing incidents before, during, and after the match.
 - e. Works in collaboration with the Organizing Committee.
 - f. Personnel who have attended the FFTL Match Commissioner and Security Officer seminars, conducted by AFC Match Commissioner Instructors, have

precedence to officiate in official competition matches organized by FFTL and AFTL.

2. General Coordinator:
 - a. Coordinates overall security and liaises with the Referee Coordinator regarding match officials and other technical personnel at the field.
 - b. Accompanies the Match Commissioner to inspect stadiums and match fields before and after matches.
 - c. Reports incidents occurring before, during, and after matches to the Match Commissioner.
 - d. Works in collaboration with the Organizing Committee and all stakeholders.
 - e. Leads the Pre-Match Ceremony.

ARTICLE 5 REFEREEING

1. The Football Federation of Timor-Leste through its Refereeing and Futsal Department shall appoint a Refereeing Coordinator and Refereeing Assessor for the Futsal Competition;
2. The Refereeing Coordinator shall select and appoint referees to officiate matches, and the Assessor shall accompany referees during matches and have the authority to intervene in cases of referee misconduct;
3. Futsal referees who have completed the Futsal Refereeing Course and hold the FFTL National Level Certificate and AFC Level 3 Certificate are qualified to officiate matches in the Futsal Competition;
4. The Football Federation of Timor-Leste through its Refereeing Association of Timor-Leste has competence in handling protest letters directed to refereeing.
5. The refereeing team officiating a match consists of:
 - a. Referee
 - b. Second Referee
 - c. Third Referee
 - d. Timekeeper
6. Referees shall submit match reports to the Assessor after the conclusion of the match.
7. The refereeing team must be on the field at least one (1) hour before the start of the match.
8. The Refereeing Assessor shall accompany referees during matches and submit the assessor's report to the Refereeing Coordinator within 24 hours after the match.
9. Referees shall officiate matches based on the Laws of the Match or Futsal Law of the Match.
10. Refereeing decisions during the match are considered final and cannot be appealed.

11. If clubs have appeals or protest notes regarding referee actions or decisions during the match, they have the right to submit them to the Futsal Refereeing Solution and Controversies Council within 24 hours after the end of the match. They can also send electronic documents to the email: lorenco.guterres@fftl.tl if the match takes place outside of working hours (but physical letters must still be submitted to the Refereeing Department during working hours).
12. The Refereeing Department's response letter to the club's appeal regarding referee decisions during the match is considered final.

ARTICLE 6 SAFETY AND COMFORT

1. The Organizing Committee is responsible for considering, planning, and implementing a security and comfort system that is good and adequate according to the national football match security protocol standards in the implementation of futsal competitions at all venues, including Access Control Areas and ensuring all personnel and equipment, such as:
 - a. Players and Officials;
 - b. Invited guests;
 - c. Organizing Committee members;
 - d. Competition delegates;
 - e. Referees;
 - f. Media and photographers;
 - g. Supporters.
2. Security officials may take immediate action against external agents or personnel who violate articles of the futsal competition regulations or other regulations, as well as recommendations from the Organizing Committee and referees.
3. To ensure comfort and safety during each match throughout the official futsal competition period organized by AFTL-FFTL, the Organizing Committee must mandatorily include national security authorities such as the National Police of Timor-Leste (PNTL) or may also deploy the Timor-Leste Defence Force (F-FDTL) as deemed necessary.
4. The Organizing Committee must ensure that security for the event is in place at the stadium or venue before the arrival of competition delegates, referees, clubs, and media representatives.

ARTICLE 7 MEDICAL AND FIRST AID OR AMBULANCE

The Organizing Committee must ensure, as a mandatory requirement, that at least one medical team or first aid kit or ambulance is stationed at the match venue, 30 minutes before the teams warm up and start playing, to ensure medical or first aid

assistance related to saving lives in case of accidents and immediate medical attention needed, which is limited to:

- a. Players and Officials;
- b. Invited guests;
- c. Organizing Committee members;
- d. Competition delegates;
- e. Referees;
- f. Media and photographers;
- g. Spectators.

ARTICLE 8 AWARDS FOR MATCHES, TROPHIES, AND SUBSIDIES

1. The awards for teams in the Futsal Competition are as follows:

a. Futsal League Division 1;

No.	Description	Price	Quantity	Freq.	Total	Obs.
1	1 st Champion	\$ 5000.00	1	1	\$ 5,000.00	Win=80%, Draw=50:50% Lose=20%
2	Match Prize	\$ 200.00	45	1	\$ 9,000.00	
3	Top Scores	\$ 1,000.00	1	1	\$ 1,000.00	
4	Best Player	\$ 500.00	1	1	\$ 500.00	
5	Best Goal Keeper	\$ 500.00	1	1	\$ 500.00	
Total					\$ 16,000.00	

b. Futsal League Division 2;

No.	Description	Price	Quantity	Freq.	Total	Obs.
1	1 st Champion	1	\$ 2,500.00	1	\$ 2,500.00	Win=80%, Draw=50:50% Lose=20%
2	2 nd Champion	1	\$ 1,500.00	1	\$ 1,500.00	
3	Match Prize	25	\$ 100.00	1	\$ 2,500.00	
4	Top Score	1	\$ 500.00	1	\$ 500.00	
Total					\$ 7,000.00	

2. AFTL/FFTL will not execute money transfers in cash for the winning clubs, but only through bank transfers;

3. AFTL/FFTL will not transfer prize money to an individual's bank account,

except when the prize is an individual award;

4. Clubs participating in the Futsal League competition are obliged to have a club bank account, which must be in the name of the club.
5. All clubs that do not meet the criteria of the Club Licensing Article or the minimum club licensing criteria will temporarily lose their right to subsidies from FFTL/AFTL until they meet the criteria within 30 days, starting from the notification received from FFTL/AFTL. If the club does not complete the club licensing requirements within the mentioned 30 days, the club will lose its total rights in the respective season.

CHAPTER II PARTICIPATING CLUBS, CLUB LICENSING, PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS, WITHDRAWALS, CALENDAR, AND COMPETITION SYSTEM

ARTICLE 9 PARTICIPATING CLUBS

1. Participating Clubs in the Futsal Competition are clubs officially registered with AFTL according to the requirements and criteria provided by AFTL, including:
 - a. Legal registration with the Notary Directorate of the Ministry of Justice of Timor-Leste and a Certificate of Registration;
 - b. Club bank account, which must be in the name of the club;
 - c. Club headquarters;
 - d. Adequate field where the club conducts official training sessions;
 - e. For participating clubs in Division 1, the head coach must be registered, possessing at least an AFC Level 1 license or equivalent from their respective national or continental federations;
 - f. Coaches holding Basic FFTL-AFC certification, AFC Level 1, 2, 3 certifications;
 - g. For foreign coaches, certification from their home country's Football Federation or their continental federation;
 - h. Registration with AFTL with a total guarantee amount in US Dollars of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for clubs in Division 1 of the Futsal League;
 - i. Registration with AFTL with a total guarantee amount in US Dollars of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for clubs in Division 2 of the Futsal League;
 - j. For teams participating in the Futsal Cup and other competitions, they must notify AFTL of any administrative issues and guarantee money;
 - k. Participating clubs in the Futsal Competition are:
 1. Ramelau F.C
 2. Mushila F.C

3. Mauputar F.C
4. Boasorte F.C
5. São Francisco Xavier F.C
6. Caesar Dante F.C
7. Becusse United F.C
8. AD. Samoro
9. Matchr F.C
10. Jerman F.C
11. 11. Coelho F.C
12. M-VDL Lahane
13. Santa Cruz F.C
14. Maudoko F.C
15. Boavista F.C
16. Saralima F.C
17. Crazy Horse F.C
18. Kuda Ulun F.C
19. Fitun Estudante F.C
20. AD. Estrela Bagueia
21. AD. Baucau All Star
22. B'TAL F.C
23. Kablaki F.C
24. Academica F.C

2. Clubs must certify and guarantee that all required documents listed in point 1 of this article are submitted to AFTL by the specified date.
 3. Clubs are required to register or update documents for the club, players, and
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officials before the futsal competition within the period of one year according to the dates published by AFTL.

4. Clubs must inform AFTL in advance of any changes to the submitted documents within the registration period announced by AFTL and make the necessary requests.
5. Participating clubs are responsible for ensuring that registered personnel such as players, officials, and coaches understand and comply with the competition regulations and other regulations mentioned in point 2 of Article 1 of this regulation.
6. Participating clubs must ensure that unauthorized personnel do not access the dressing room area or the team's technical area and bench, except for personnel listed in the player or official lists submitted to match officials beforehand.
7. Clubs must agree and ensure to:
 - a. Understand and comply with all regulations (including regulations mentioned in point 2 of Article 1), decisions, and circulars issued by AFTL and FFTL.
 - b. Understand and comply with the Futsal Law of The Match (FLOTG) edition adopted by the competition.
 - c. Respect the principles of Fair Play during the match.
 - d. Play each match according to the schedule established by AFTL.
 - e. Play in the stadium designated by AFTL.
 - f. Take responsibility for the behavior of players, officials, coaches, staff, fans, and club officials attending the match.
 - g. Attend or participate in official activities such as manager's meetings, match coordination meetings, press conferences, media activities if necessary, and other activities organized by AFTL or FFTL as required.

ARTICLE 10 CLUB LICENSING

1. Participating clubs must fulfill all club licensing criteria established by the Football Federation through the Club Licensing Department and Futsal Directorate;
2. The club licensing criteria include the following:
 - a. Sporting Criteria
 - b. Personal and Administrative Criteria
 - c. Legal Criteria
 - d. Infrastructure Criteria
 - e. Financial Criteria
3. The criteria mentioned in point no. b are mandatory criteria that clubs must meet.
4. The detailed implementation of club licensing criteria for participating futsal clubs will be directly implemented by the Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL) through the Club Licensing Department in collaboration with the Futsal Directorate.

ARTICLE 11 PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS

1. PLAYERS

- a. Players participating in futsal competitions must be registered with the club and provide the following supporting documents:
 - I. Four (4) recent passport-sized color photos;
 - II. Copy of the local ID card or passport for local players;
 - III. Copy of the passport for foreign players;
 - IV. Copy of the professional contract or letter of understanding for professional players or amateur players;
 - V. International Transfer Certificate (if necessary).
- b. Players with an age of seventeen (17) years or older (≥ 17) are eligible to participate in futsal competitions.
- c. Clubs may include players aged 16, but they must submit a declaration from their parent or legal guardian (the declaration must include the name, ID number, and phone number of the parent or legal guardian).
- d. Clubs cannot include players aged 16 if the document mentioned in point c of Article 11.1 is not available.
- e. All players officially participating in the Futsal League competition must uphold the spirit of fair play and respect for all entities officially involved in the Futsal League.
- f. It is prohibited for clubs to include players aged fifteen (15) or younger in futsal competition matches, whether junior or senior.
- g. Each participating club may register a maximum of sixteen (16) and a minimum of fourteen (14) players.
- h. For each match, a participating club can only register a maximum of fourteen (14) players; these players are eligible to access the technical bench and the field of play. The other reserve players registered for the match will be unavailable to enter the technical bench but can substitute if any of the initial fourteen players are unable to play.
- i. Registered players will receive an Accreditation Card from the Organizing Committee, which they must carry when playing in each futsal competition match.
- j. Foreign players will only be registered as the second (2nd) or third (3rd) choice, and they must submit a copy of their colored passport. Only the first choice will play, and foreign players can be replaced by local players if there are no foreign players on the field.
- k. For the 2023 Futsal competition season, participating clubs are allowed to use players from eleven-a-side football or beach soccer. However, each club can only register two such players on their list, and only one can play on the field. Substitutions can only be made between the two registered players, and

substitutions for other players can be made only if the eleven-a-side player is not on the field.

2. OFFICIALS

- a. Club officials participating in futsal competitions must be registered with the club and provide the following supporting documents:
 - I. Four (4) recent passport-sized color photos;
 - II. Copy of the local ID card or passport;
 - III. Copy of the passport for foreigners;
 - IV. Relevant certificates, such as coaching certificates (futsal coaching certificate) for coaches and medical certificates for doctors;
 - V. Copy of contracts or letters of understanding between the club and the officials.
- b. Each club must register at least five (5) officials, as follows:
 - I. Head Coach (1);
 - II. Assistant Coach/Official (1);
 - III. Doctor (1);
 - IV. Logistics (1);
 - V. Media (1) (club media will be presented and together with the media, the Organizing Committee will be stationed where the Match Commissioner is located).
- c. The five (5) team officials mentioned in point b of Article 11.2 can accompany the team during matches and access the technical area. They must be registered beforehand in the official list submitted to the Organizing Committee or referees before the match.
- d. Clubs participating in the Futsal League 1st Division must register with the head coach with a minimum Level 1 AFC license or licenses from their respective confederations.
- e. Coaches who hold coaching certificates from FFTL and AFC that are not appropriate are not allowed to coach any futsal club participating in the Futsal League.
- f. Timorese coaches with Basic Level FFTL certificates, Level 1, 2, or 3 AFC certificates are eligible to coach clubs participating in the Futsal League.
- g. Foreign coaches must have a Futsal Coach Certificate recognized and approved by their country's football federation or the continental football federation to which their football federation is affiliated.
- h. Coaches and officials participating in the Futsal League competition must uphold the spirit of fair play and respect for all entities officially involved in futsal competitions.
- i. Coaches with competence in the technical or bench area provide instructions to players and teams during matches.
- j. Only the coach can give instructions to players in the technical area during matches (except for officials and assistants if directed by the head coach).
- k. The final registration of the coach and the club's technical team will receive an

Accreditation Card authorized by AFTL/FFTL.

- l. Coaches and technical team personnel must wear proper shoes (sneakers/shoes) and are prohibited from wearing slippers/socks, inappropriate clothing, or any attire that is undisciplined or unethical.
- m. Coaching staff or club technical personnel who resign from one club have the right to work again in another club during the competition. However, the club must present and legally register them with AFTL and pay a twenty-dollar (\$20.00) fee to produce a new accreditation card.

ARTICLE 12

WITHDRAWAL BEFORE THE START OF THE COMPETITION

1. AFTL has the responsibility to decide on the withdrawal of a club before the start of the competition, including but not limited to:
 - a. Exchange or replacement of the withdrawing club with another club that is legally registered with AFTL according to all requirements specified in Article 9.
 - b. Changing the match schedule.
2. All decisions made in point 1 of this article are considered final and not subject to appeal.
3. A club that withdraws more than 30 days before the start of the competition will be fined \$5000.00 and will be suspended from participating in any official futsal competitions organized by AFTL and FFTL for a period of 3 years.
4. A club that withdraws less than 30 days before the start of the competition will be fined \$10,000.00 and will be suspended from participating in any official futsal competitions organized by AFTL and FFTL for a period of 3 years.
5. The FFTL Discipline Committee may increase the sanctions for clubs that withdraw before the start of the futsal competition.

ARTICLE 13

WITHDRAWAL AFTER THE COMPETITION HAS STARTED

1. If a club decides to withdraw after the competition has started, the following shall occur:
 - a. All matches played by the withdrawing club shall be canceled and deemed invalid. Points and goals earned by both the withdrawing club and its opponents in these matches shall not count towards the final classification, and they will be excluded from the competition standings.
 - b. The schedule of matches involving the withdrawing club shall be completely canceled.
 - c. The withdrawing club shall be suspended from participating in all official futsal competitions organized by AFTL and FFTL for a period of 3 years, and it shall incur an administrative sanction of \$20,000.00.

- d. The withdrawing club may be reported to the FFTL Discipline Committee to receive additional sanctions.
- e. The withdrawing club must return all subsidies received from AFTL or FFTL.
2. The provisions of Articles 11 and 12 shall not apply to situations considered force majeure or acts of nature as determined by AFTL and FFTL.
3. AFTL and FFTL have the discretion to make decisions that are deemed necessary due to conditions arising from force majeure or acts of nature.

ARTICLE 14 MATCH CALENDAR

1. All matches must be played according to the calendar established by the Organizing Committee and AFTL.
2. All clubs must adhere to the calendar established by the organizing committee and AFTL.
3. The Organizing Committee has the authority to make changes to the match calendar. Before deciding on any changes, the Organizing Committee will coordinate with the affected clubs or those involved.
4. In case of any special circumstances leading to the postponement of matches due to force majeure, the Organizing Committee or AFTL may decide upon informing both clubs involved.

ARTICLE 15 COMPETITION SYSTEM

- I. FUTSAL LEAGUE DIVISION 1
 1. For Futsal League D1, the competition system used will be a complete competition system or single round-robin in which each club will play against all other clubs once during the Futsal League D1 competition with a "Single Match" format according to the established match calendar.
 2. The duration of the matches will adhere to the Futsal Laws of the Match or FLOTG as outlined in Article 15 of this regulation; Clean playing time will be utilized.
 3. The points earned by clubs from each match will be as follows:
 - a. Win, awarded 3 points;
 - b. Draw, awarded 1 point;
 - c. Loss, awarded 0 points.
 4. The decision for classification will be based on:
 - a. Total points;
 - b. In case two or more clubs have the same total points, the decision for classification will be based on criteria such as:
 - a. Head-to-head criteria:
 - Total points earned by the teams with equal total points, counting only the points won from matches between them, provisionally

- excluding other teams;
 - Total goal difference superior to the teams with equal total points, counting only the goal difference won from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - Total goal productivity superior to the teams with equal total points, counting only the total goal productivity won from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - Total goals conceded by the teams with equal total points, counting only the total goals conceded from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - ii. If the head-to-head procedure does not decide the classification between teams with equal points, the decision will continue as before;
 - Goal difference of each team involved in all matches played;
 - Total goal productivity of each team involved in all matches played;
 - The smallest value from the card sanction count and average in all matches (according to Article 34 fair play).
- 5. The club occupying the 1st position in the final classification of the Futsal League Division 1 competition will be considered the champion of the Division 1 and will have the right to represent Timor-Leste in international club-level events in the AFF or AFC region.
- 6. The clubs ranked 9th and 10th will be relegated to Futsal League Division 2 in the following season.

II. FUTSAL LEAGUE DIVISION 2

1. For Futsal League Division 2, the group system will be used, and matches will be played according to the established format and match calendar.
2. The duration of the matches will adhere to the Futsal Laws of the Match or FLOTG as outlined in Article 15 of this regulation; Clean playing time will be utilized.
3. The points earned by clubs from each match will be as follows:
 - a. Win, awarded 3 points;
 - b. Draw, awarded 1 point;
 - c. Loss, awarded 0 points.
4. The decision for classification will be based on:
 - a. Total points;
 - b. In case two or more clubs have the same total points, the decision for classification will be based on criteria such as:
 - i. Head-to-head criteria:
 - Total points earned by the teams with equal total points, counting only the points won from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - Total goal difference superior to the teams with equal total points, counting only the goal difference won from matches between

- them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - Total goal productivity superior to the teams with equal total points, counting only the total goal productivity won from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
 - Total goals conceded by the teams with equal total points, counting only the total goals conceded from matches between them, provisionally excluding other teams;
- ii. If the head-to-head procedure does not decide the classification between teams with equal points, the decision will continue as before;
 - Goal difference of each team involved in all matches played;
 - Total goal productivity of each team involved in all matches played;
 - The smallest value from the card sanction count and average in all matches (according to Article 34 fair play).
5. The top two clubs will advance from the group stage to the knockout stage.
 6. If two teams are tied at the end of regular time, they will proceed directly to a penalty shootout, which will follow the procedure as outlined below:
 7. The team with more players must reduce their number of players to match the team with fewer players.
 8. Five players from each team will take the initial penalty kicks.
 9. If the score remains tied, players from each team will take alternating one-on-one penalties (e.g., Team A shoots, Team B misses, Team A wins by default).
 10. If all players have taken a penalty and the score remains tied, the player who has taken a penalty will take another, and this process will continue until there is a winner.
 11. The clubs finishing in 1st and 2nd place in the Division 2 will have the right to participate in the Division 1 in the next season.
 12. No relegation.

CHAPTER III TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 16 MATCH DURATION

1. The two teams intending to play must present themselves to the Organizing Committee a maximum of one-hour (1) and a minimum of thirty (30) minutes before the start of the match or kick-off.
2. Warming-up time is 5 minutes (depending on the nature of the conditions and situation).
3. Playing time is 2x20 minutes (Clean Time).
4. Rest time is 5 minutes.
5. There is no additional time in each period.
6. Each team is allowed one (1) timeout per period.

7. The timeout will be canceled when there is only one (1) minute left in each period.
8. The team requesting a timeout must inform the 3rd Referee by submitting timeout document.

ARTICLE 17 BALL

1. Each match must use a ball provided by the organizing committee.
2. The organizing committee is responsible for providing the ball to each team for warming up.
3. The ball chosen for use in the competition must comply with Article 2 of the Futsal Laws of the Match and must be a ball of standard quality licensed by FIFA, either "FIFA QUALITY PRO," "FIFA QUALITY," or "IMS - INTERNATIONAL MATCH STANDARD."

ARTICLE 18 MATCH SUSPENSION OR CANCELLATION

1. If a match cannot start at the scheduled time due to reasons such as force majeure, including but not limited to the condition of the playing field, weather conditions, stadium lighting failure, and others, the following procedures shall be followed:
 - a. The match may be delayed until conditions are favorable, as determined by the organizing committee; teams must wait for up to 30 minutes.
 - b. If the match cannot be held on the same day, the organizing committee must inform the teams to return and wait for further instructions.
2. The decision made by the organizing committee to cancel the match is considered final.
3. Players who were initially listed but cannot participate due to the reasons mentioned in point 1 can be replaced by submitting a new list with different players for the next scheduled match day.

ARTICLE 19 MATCH CANCELLATION

1. If a match is halted or suspended before its completion due to force majeure or other reasons, including but not limited to the condition of the playing field, weather conditions, stadium lighting failure, unruly behavior, fan conflicts, and others, the following procedures shall be followed:
 - a. The match may be delayed until conditions are favorable, as determined by the organizing committee; teams must wait for up to 30 minutes.
 - b. If the match cannot be resumed on the same day, the organizing committee must inform the teams to return and await further instructions.
2. If the match is continued but is later stopped due to the reasons mentioned in

point 1, the following procedures shall apply:

- a. The match will resume with the same score and the same amount of time remaining as at the moment it was halted. The match will restart with a dropped ball at the last position of the ball when the match was stopped.
- b. The match will restart with the same players as listed on the submitted list, and no additional or replacement players are allowed, both on the field and on the bench. If some players on the field marked their presence, the substitute player may take their place.
- c. Substitute players cannot be replaced once the match has restarted.
- d. yellow and red cards remain valid and will be enforced as usual for the remainder of the match.

ARTICLE 20

MATCH CANNOT START OR IS STOPPED DUE TO CLUB REFUSING TO PLAY (MATCH ABANDONMENT)

1. If a match cannot start according to the established time and schedule due to one (1) club refusing to play, the organizing committee must inform the referees within 5 minutes to officially end the match and award a 5-0 victory to the opposing team. The refusing club shall face sanctions as outlined in Article 34 of this regulation.
2. If a match cannot start according to the established time and schedule due to both (2) clubs refusing to play, the organizing committee must inform the referees within 5 minutes to officially end the match and award a 5-0 victory to the opposing team. Both refusing clubs shall face sanctions as outlined in Article 34 of this regulation.
3. If a match is stopped or suspended by the referee before its completion due to a club refusing to continue or abandoning the field before the match ends, the match shall be considered over. The organizing committee shall consider the opposing team as winning with a score of 5-0, and if the score in the ongoing match is less than 5-0, it shall be increased to 5-0. If there were already more than 5 goals scored in the ongoing match, the referee shall determine the final score. The refusing club shall face sanctions as outlined in Article 34 of this regulation.
4. The referee must decide to end the match within 5 minutes.
5. The referee must inform the committee that the match has ended, and the organizing committee shall determine the points accordingly.
6. AFTL may inform the FFTL disciplinary committee to increase sanctions according to the FFTL disciplinary code.

ARTICLE 21
ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

1. AFTL and FFTL are obligated to conduct anti-doping controls in the competitions they organize, with the objective of ensuring integrity and equality for clubs and athletes.
2. Doping control shall be conducted in accordance with international rules, regulations, and best practices established by relevant entities responsible for doping matters in football.
3. Clubs, officials, and athletes must cooperate with procedures related to doping control, including providing relevant information and participating in tests based on demand and necessity.
4. Clubs, officials, and athletes must submit to doping tests reasonably and during the times stipulated by the relevant authority.
5. Clubs, officials, and athletes must respect and comply with rules and regulations regarding doping control established by AFTL, FFTL, and relevant authorities.
6. Infractions related to doping may incur disciplinary sanctions from the FFTL disciplinary committee, including fines, suspensions, or other penalties in line with rules and regulations.
7. AFTL and FFTL are responsible for educating and raising awareness among clubs, officials, and athletes about the risks and consequences of doping, and promoting a spirit of sportsmanship and fair play in Timor-Leste futsal.

CHAPTER IV
MATCH PROCEDURES

ARTICLE 22
MATCH FORM

1. Clubs shall receive a list of fourteen (14) main players along with five (5) officials from the organizing committee.
2. Clubs shall decide on five (5) main players and nine (9) substitute players, and the names and jersey numbers must match the form or list submitted or registered with the organizing committee.
3. The match form listing players and officials must be submitted to the Organizing Committee at least 15 minutes before the start of the match and must be signed by the Head Coach.
4. After clubs have filled out, completed, signed, and returned the player list form to the organizing committee and before the match starts, changes or substitutions of players on the player list form are only allowed under the following circumstances:
 - a. If one of the five main registered players cannot play due to injury, they can be substituted with one of the nine substitute players also listed on the form as a substitute player.

- b. The Head Coach (excluding other officials or agents) must immediately inform the organizing committee of such changes.
- c. Any substituted player due to the reasons mentioned in point a shall not play again in the same match.
- d. Any substitute player listed on the form and filled out before the match cannot be substituted with another player unless for reasons specified elsewhere. If a substitute player cannot play for any other reason, the club may reduce the number of substitute players listed but cannot change or add others.
- e. A goalkeeper listed on the form for the match can be replaced by another goalkeeper whose name is not listed on the form but is registered with the club and the organizing committee or AFTL to participate in the respective competition.
- f. Conditions indicating that a player is ineligible, as determined by the medical team together with the head coach (excluding other personnel or officials), must be reported to the organizing committee, and the ineligible player must not participate in the match.

ARTICLE 23 MATCH PROTOCOL

1. In all futsal competitions, players who are about to play must greet each other and shake hands with players from the opposing team and the referees before and after the match to demonstrate that the clubs and referees still respect the principle of Fair Play. Before both teams enter the field, they will be accompanied by the AFC anthem or Fair Play anthem.
2. The club that is going to play must be on the field at least 30 minutes before the start of the match or kick-off.
3. Each club has the right to a minimum of 5 minutes and a maximum of 10 minutes for warm-up, depending on the decision of the referee to determine the minimum or maximum warm-up time based on the existing conditions and climate.
4. One club will occupy one side of the court, and the other club will occupy the other side for warm-up, depending on the decision of the organizing committee or instruction.
5. Handshakes from VIPs or authorized personnel before the match are allowed.
6. Only the President or top officials of the club and local authorities have access to the club's area to provide support, and after this, they must return to the designated area prepared by the organizing committee (ensuring that VIPs do not access or stay in the team bench or technical area, as outlined in this technical area regulation).
7. Clubs shall decide on five (5) main players and nine (9) substitute players, and the names and jersey numbers must match the form or list submitted or registered with the organizing committee.

ARTICLE 24
TEAM BENCH AND TECHNICAL AREA

1. The Head Coach is responsible for the technical area and the team bench.
2. Club officials as referred to in Article 10, number 2, are allowed access to and occupy the team bench during the game, provided they are registered on the official form before the start of the game.
3. Only the fourteen (14) designated players (five main players and nine substitutes) may access the field and the team bench during the game.
4. The five (5) designated officials seated in the Team Bench must have valid accreditation cards that must be worn throughout the game.
5. During the game, the maximum number of substitutes warming up in the technical area is five.
6. The coach must ensure that during the game, no substitute player engages in unsportsmanlike conduct towards opposing players or referees.
7. Players on the field and substitute players on the bench (player 14) must have accreditation cards available for inspection when requested by Game Officials or Officials of the Organizing Committee of the Premier Futsal League. Accreditation cards must be available for inspection when the game starts.
8. Everyone seated in the bench area must use kits with different colors from the players' kits and the referees on the field. These kits must comply with the Equipment Regulations outlined in Article 16.
9. The 'home team' will occupy the bench on the left-hand side, and the 'away team' will occupy the bench on the right-hand side, as viewed from the Official Bench.
10. Smoking is not allowed in the technical area, and only sports shoes are allowed.
11. Individuals suspended with cards, non-playing players, and Team Officials not listed in the 'Team Bench Officials List' are not permitted to enter the field or be seated in the team bench.
12. The club must ensure that the five (5) designated officials, consisting of one head coach, one official or assistant coach, one medic, one kit man, and one media personnel, comply with this regulation and all other regulations related to this regulation as mentioned in Article 1 of this regulation.
13. Agents not included in the five officials mentioned above are not authorized to access or stay in the team bench.
14. Personnel seated in the referee's bench include the third referee, timekeeper, general coordinator, match commissioner, and referee assessor.

ARTICLE 25
TEAM JERSEY COLOR AND NUMBER

1. Participating teams must decide on the colors of their first and second jerseys (the second jersey color must be completely different from the first), the jersey colors to be used by these teams will be determined during the Club Team Managers' Meeting or Technical Meeting.

2. Each team is obligated to bring their first and second jerseys for every match. If it is deemed by the Match Commissioner or referees that the jersey colors of the two teams are too similar, one team must change their jerseys to ensure contrast or make a combination.
3. Goalkeepers must wear jerseys with colors that are different from both teams, as well as jersey numbers that are registered (e.g., if one team wears blue, the goalkeeper's first-choice jersey must have a different color, and the second-choice jersey must also differ). In exceptional circumstances, a goalkeeper may be allowed to play in a jersey with a different number from the one registered initially.
4. Players must wear jerseys with their registered numbers (on the front and back) as well as numbers on shorts. The numbers on the jerseys must be at least 25 cm tall on the front and 10 cm tall on the back, while the numbers on shorts must be at least 10 cm tall on the front (on the right leg). Any club that licenses players to play with unregistered jerseys will be subject to disciplinary action, including fines (As stipulated in the Consequences section against the regulations). The numbers used for jerseys range from 1 to 99, which are universally accepted, with the goalkeeper starting with number 1.
5. Players' names must also be displayed on the back of the jersey (at a height of 7.5 cm).
6. Authorized marks from manufacturers are allowed once on the shirt, once on the shorts, and once on the socks. These marks may be used as logos or in combination with the manufacturer's name, but they must not exceed 20 cm² on the shirt and 12 cm² on the shorts and socks. Club emblems must also be used on the shirts.
7. The official team shirt or uniform must display the club's official logo on the chest area, with a maximum width of 3 cm and a height of 2 cm, and also on the shorts, with the same dimensions as on the shirt.
8. Teams officially participating in the Futsal Competition must use the Competition emblem on the sleeve of the shirt, with a width of 3-4 cm and a height of 2-3 cm, and the AFTL logo on the sleeve of the shorts, with the same dimensions.
9. Teams may display sponsor advertisements on their uniforms, with one sponsor per player's equipment.
10. Clubs may modify or change sponsor advertisements on their uniforms during the sports season.
11. Player uniforms must be presented and approved by AFTL and FFTL.
12. It is prohibited for Futsal competition team jerseys to display the flag of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (RDTL), as the RDTL flag is unique to the National Selection Teams or clubs participating in competitions abroad.
13. The team captain must wear the captain's armband, which may be worn on either arm.

ARTICLE 26
FUTSAL LAWS OF THE GAME (FLOTG)

1. Every match shall be played according to the Futsal Law or "Futsal Laws of the Match" promulgated by the International Football Association Board (IFAB) and published by FIFA.
2. In case of discrepancies in the interpretation of the Futsal Law or "Futsal Laws of the Match," the English version shall prevail.
3. The Futsal Laws of the Match for the 2020/2021 season shall be used in Futsal Competitions.
4. Goal Celebrations: Players, coaches, and all officials who participate in goal celebrations must always respect the principles of Fair Play (uphold human dignity, respect cultural diversity, discipline, anti-racism, politics, etc.); ensuring that goal celebrations do not consume excessive time (the referee is obligated to inform if a celebration is taking too long).

ARTICLE 27
TRANSFER WINDOW

There is no transfer window in the futsal competition season 2023.

CHAPTER V
DISCIPLINE

ARTICLE 28
DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

1. FFTL may amend disciplinary rules with new types of sanctions in futsal competitions and will announce them at least one month (1) before applying the respective sanctions;
2. FFTL may conduct investigations if there is suspicion or indication of disciplinary offenses against this regulation and the statutes of AFTL, FFTL, the code of ethics and discipline of FFTL, and the circulars issued by AFTL and FFTL related to futsal competitions.

ARTICLE 29
CAUSES THAT INTERFERE WITH THE MATCH

Causes that interfere with the match such as invasion, pitch invasion, bomb threat, banners or flags displaying discriminatory or racist messages, discriminatory language or chants, political acts which may be categorized as a disciplinary violation against referee actions may be subject to sanctions based on the disciplinary code of FFTL for the club whose fans commit or engage in such referee acts.

ARTICLE 30
BEHAVIOR AND ETHICS

1. Clubs are responsible for the attitude and ethics of:
 - a. Players and officials; and/or
 - b. Personnel involved in their activities during matches; and/or
 - c. Supporters
2. Violations regarding the above matter may result in sanctions according to the disciplinary code of FFTL.

ARTICLE 31
VIOLENCE CONDUCT

1. Actions or conduct by players, coaches, or officials recorded officially in the Futsal League or Futsal Cup competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL related to violent conduct shall automatically be regulated according to the FFTL Disciplinary Code.
2. Decisions related to violent conduct actions regulated by FFTL shall be considered final.
3. Violent conduct outside the jurisdiction of FFTL shall be processed according to the civil procedure code and the criminal procedure code of the Public Prosecutor's Office of Timor-Leste.

ARTICLE 32
YELLOW AND RED CARDS

1. A player who receives three (3) yellow cards in different matches will be suspended and unable to play in the next match. (applies only to league format);
2. A player who receives two (2) yellow cards in different matches will be suspended and unable to play in the next match. (applies only to Cup format);
3. A player who receives one yellow card during the group stage will not be carried over to the knockout stage;
4. A player who receives a red card during the group stage in cup format will still face sanctions in the knockout rounds;
5. A player who receives two (2) yellow cards in one match until receiving a red card will be suspended from playing until one (1) match thereafter.
6. Yellow cards will incur an Administrative fine of five US dollars (\$5.00) for Division 2 and ten US dollars (\$10.00) for Division 1 and cups.
7. A player who receives two (2) yellow cards in one match until receiving a red card will be suspended from playing until one (1) match thereafter.
8. A player who receives a red card directly will be suspended from playing for two (2) consecutive matches;
9. A player who receives one (1) yellow card and then receives a red card in the

same match will be suspended from playing for two (2) consecutive matches (applies to league format);

10. Cards received by players in the first round of Futsal Division 1 will continue to count for the Second round of Futsal Division 1;
11. Red cards will incur an Administrative fine of ten US dollars (\$10.00) for Futsal Division 2 and twenty US dollars (\$20.00) for Futsal Division 1 and Cups.
12. Any player who has received two (2) yellow cards in different matches in league format and subsequently receives a red card, whether directly or indirectly, in the following match will face a suspension from playing for three (3) matches consecutively;
13. Any player who has received one (1) yellow card in a league format match and subsequently receives a red card, whether directly or indirectly, in the following match will face a suspension from playing for two (2) matches consecutively.

ARTICLE 33 SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS

1. They have the authority to impose sanctions to suspend members who disobey hierarchical decisions according to the regulations in place. In cases where violations are committed by personnel members, the President of the Organizing Committee and AFTL have the right to dismiss the referring members.
2. Clubs that fail to register or update all their documents, including club, player, and officials' documents for each season by the announced deadline set by AFTL must extend it for another five days to comply with registration requirements. After this five-day period, clubs that remain unregistered or have not updated their documents will lose their right to participate in the futsal competition for the current season. They will be disqualified and may only participate again from Division 3 or the Qualifiers if they express an intention to rejoin.
3. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 9 will face the following sanctions:
 - Initial accidental warnings;
 - Repeat offenders will face Administrative fines ranging from two hundred and fifty US dollars (\$250.00) to five hundred US dollars (\$500.00);
 - If the offense persists, the Club will be disqualified and unable to participate in any futsal competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for one (1) or two (2) years;
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
4. Clubs that commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 10 will face sanctions such as:
 - Provisional loss of subsidy rights, with the obligation to complete specified criteria within the given period. If the club fails to complete these criteria by the end of the period, the club will lose its total subsidy rights.
5. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions

against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 11 will face the following sanctions:

- Administrative fines ranging from five thousand US dollars (\$5,000.00) to ten thousand US dollars (\$10,000.00);
 - Players and club officials may be transferred to or strengthen other clubs;
 - The club will be banned from participating in official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of three (3) years;
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
6. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 12 will face the following sanctions:
- Administrative fines ranging from ten thousand US dollars (\$10,000.00) to twenty thousand US dollars (\$20,000.00);
 - Players and club officials may be transferred to or strengthen other clubs;
 - The club will be banned from participating in official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of three (3) years;
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
7. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 13 regarding non-compliance with the Game and Competition Calendar will face the following sanctions:
- Abandoning the match will be considered a loss with a score of 5-0;
 - All points and goals earned by the clubs will be annulled for the current season (including goal counts for top scorers);
 - The club will be banned from participating in official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two (2) years;
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
8. Clubs that violate articles such as 14, 13, 15, 16, 17, and 18 will face sanctions such as:
- Warnings will be issued;
 - Repeat offenders will face administrative fines ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to two hundred and fifty US dollars (\$250.00);
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
9. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 19 will face the following sanctions:
- Abandoning the match will be considered a loss with a score of 5-0. If the match ends with a score of less than 5, the commission will decide to end it with a score of 5. If the score ends with more than 5, the final score will remain, and goals scored by the offending club will be nullified and become zero (0);
 - All points and goals earned by the clubs will be annulled for the current season (including goal counts for top scorers);
 - Administrative fines ranging from ten thousand US dollars (\$10,000.00) to

- twenty thousand US dollars (\$20,000.00);
 - The club will be banned from participating in official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two (2) years;
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
10. Clubs or club personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against all the points and sub-points listed in Article 21 will face sanctions such as:
- Abandoning the match will be considered a loss with a score of 5-0;
 - All points and goals earned by the clubs will be annulled for the current season (including goal counts for top scorers);
 - If the offense persists, the Club will be disqualified and unable to participate in official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two (2) years;
 - Administrative fines ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to two hundred and fifty US dollars (\$250.00);
 - These sanctions will be notified to the club in writing by the AFTL.
11. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 22 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from two hundred fifty US dollars (\$250.00) to seven hundred fifty US dollars (\$750.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of one year;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
12. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 23 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from two hundred fifty US dollars (\$250.00) to seven hundred fifty US dollars (\$750.00);
 - Players and officials who commit infractions will be suspended from participating in three consecutive matches;
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
13. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 24 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to two hundred fifty US dollars (\$250.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
14. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 25 will face sanctions such as:

- Administrative sanctions ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to two hundred fifty US dollars (\$250.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
15. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 26 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from five hundred US dollars (\$500.00) to one thousand US dollars (\$1000.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
16. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 27 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to five hundred US dollars (\$500.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
17. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 28 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from five hundred US dollars (\$500.00) to one thousand US dollars (\$1000.00);
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of three years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
18. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 29 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from five hundred US dollars (\$500.00) to one thousand US dollars (\$1000.00);
 - Players or officials who commit infractions will be suspended from participating in five consecutive matches;
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of one year;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
19. Clubs or their personnel, including players and officials, who commit infractions against the points and sub-points outlined in article 30 will face sanctions such as:
- Administrative sanctions ranging from five hundred US dollars (\$500.00) to

- one thousand US dollars (\$1000.00);
 - Players or officials who commit infractions will be suspended from playing in five consecutive matches;
 - If the violation is serious, the Club may be disqualified and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL-FFTL for a period of one year;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
20. Players, coaches, or officials from clubs who engage in unsportsmanlike behavior or actions against the Match Organizing Committee or its members will face sanctions as follows:
- The Club will be fined an administrative fee ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to five hundred US dollars (\$500.00);
 - The player, coach, or official in question will be suspended from participating in three consecutive matches;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club by AFTL in writing.
21. Players, coaches, or team officials from clubs who engage in physical assault actions intentionally or accidentally against the Match Organizing Committee or its members, or Game Delegation, will face the following sanctions:
- The Club will be fined an administrative fee ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to five hundred US dollars (\$500.00);
 - The player, coach, or official in question will be dismissed from their club and barred from participating in futsal competitions for two years;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
22. Players, coaches, or team officials from clubs who engage in unsportsmanlike behavior or actions against the decisions of the Referee, will face the following sanctions:
- The Club will be fined an administrative fee ranging from one hundred US dollars (\$100.00) to five hundred US dollars (\$500.00);
 - The player, coach, or official in question will be suspended from participating in five consecutive matches;
 - These sanctions will be communicated to the club in writing by AFTL.
23. Players who are registered with two or more clubs and sign a professional player contract with two or more clubs, but the clubs have not officially made any transfers for the player to play for them, will face the following sanction:
- The player will be prohibited from participating in all futsal competitions organized by AFTL/FFTL for two consecutive years (except if the player is only sanctioned for six months, but the club must reimburse the funds paid to the player by the other club);
24. Players who agree with two or more clubs to perform dual registration with the organizing commission, but the clubs have not made any matches for the player

to participate in, will face the following sanction:

- The player may issue a letter to AFTL/FFTL to seek registration with another club;
25. Players who agree with one club and that club has made matches for the player, while another club also agrees with the player but has not made matches, will face the following sanction:
- The player must mandatory play with their first club. If the player violates or disobeys this rule, the player will be sanctioned and barred from participating in any official competitions organized by AFTL and FFTL for two years;
 - Players who agree with one club and that club has allocated only 25% of the contract amount to the player:
 - The player is free to seek another club;
26. Players who are registered with two or more clubs but sign a professional player contract with only one club:
- The player has the right to play for the club they signed the contract with;
 - However, if the player refuses, the player will lose their right to participate in the competition and be sanctioned for one year.
27. Personnel registered with one club as a Coach or Official and then repeat registration with another team as a Player or Coach or Official:
- All clubs that the personnel are registered with will be fined an administrative fee of one hundred US dollars (\$100.00);
 - The personnel will lose their right to participate in any club during the respective season.
28. If players, coaches, or technical team members commit acts considered as crimes (physical assault) or unsportsmanlike actions (unsportsmanlike conduct) against players, coaches, or technical team members of other clubs:
- Clubs whose players, coaches, or technical team members commit such acts will be fined an administrative fee of two hundred fifty US dollars (\$250.00);
 - Players or coaches or technical team members who commit such acts will be suspended from participating in five consecutive matches;
 - Furthermore, if the actions are more serious, they may be regulated according to the disciplinary regulations of FFTL or the Discipline and Ethics Code of FFTL.
 - Players or coaches or technical team members whose accreditation cards are lost will be fined fifty US dollars (\$50.00).
29. Players who have competed in Futsal League 1 or Futsal League 2 are not authorized to play for a new club participating in Futsal League 3. If a club, with the intention or accidentally, registers players who have competed in Futsal League 1 or 2 in their club:
- The Organizing Committee has the right to eliminate those players from the club and prohibit them from participating in Futsal League 3. If the club, for any reason, insists on using those players, the club will lose its participation rights in Futsal League 3 and be eliminated, except during the transfer

window.

30. Clubs that register Football Coaches at the FFTL/AFC level:
 - The Committee has the right to cancel the names of these Football Coaches, and the Club must continue to use them to lead the team in the current match, whether intentional or accidental, the Club will face an administrative sanction of one hundred US dollars (\$100.00).
31. If an act that is unsportsmanlike or fair play-related occurs in the technical area or bench area that can be identified by the committee and the Referee:
 - The Coach will receive a yellow card for such an act, and if the act continues, the Coach will receive a Red Card.
 - The Organizing Committee may tolerate advancing a game if clubs facing disaster on their trip to the field that seriously harms or kills players or technical teams.
32. Players or Coaches or Technical Team (local or foreign) who forge documents to register with a club:
 - Will be criminalized by governmental entities according to the laws and regulations in force in the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste;
 - Players or Coaches or local Technical Team members who commit such acts will be prohibited from participating in official futsal competitions organized by AFTL/FFTL during their lifetime;
 - Foreign players or Coaches or Technical Team members who commit such acts will be prohibited from participating in official futsal competitions organized by AFTL/FFTL for two years.
33. If a player or coach or technical team member attacks another player or a player from another team or a game official with the intention to harm or an accidental action:
 - The player or coach or technical team member involved will receive a direct red card and will be suspended from participating in three consecutive matches, and will be fined five hundred US dollars (\$500.00).
 - The Match Commissioner may cancel a match if clubs facing disaster on their trip to the field seriously harm or kill players or technical teams.
34. Players and officials who celebrate contracts of a professional nature and fail to fulfill their duties, and the club against which the contract was signed feels significantly prejudiced by the club's actions:
 - The Club must immediately pay the player or official based on the contract signed within seven (7) days after receiving notification from AFTL;
 - If the club continues to disobey, AFTL will issue a letter to disqualify the club from futsal competitions organized by AFTL and FFTL, unable to participate in any competition during the next two (2) years;
 - If the club that committed the act is the champion, the club will lose its title and the championship prize money, and the title and prize money will be awarded to the club that occupies the second place, as well as the clubs that are classified accordingly.

35. If a player carries the ball or any object to attack another player or a player from another team or a game official, the player will receive a straight red card and will be suspended from playing three consecutive matches (3), and will be fined five hundred US dollars (\$500.00).
36. The Organizing Committee may tolerate advancing a game if clubs facing disaster on their trip to the field seriously harm or kill players or technical teams.
37. Players or coaches or technical team members (local or foreign) who falsify documents to register with a club:
 - Will be criminalized by governmental entities according to the laws and regulations in force in the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste;
 - Players or coaches or local Technical Team members who commit such acts will be prohibited from participating in official futsal competitions organized by AFTL/FFTL for two consecutive years.
 - Foreign players or coaches or technical team members who commit such acts will be prohibited from participating in official futsal competitions organized by AFTL/FFTL during their lifetime.

ARTICLE 34

PROTEST

1. Protest serves as an objection to any matter directly impacting the game and issues contrary to the Futsal League Competition Regulations and the FFTL Code of Discipline and Ethics.
2. No protest shall block or impede any game.
3. No protest shall be related to the decision of the Referee concerning facts in connection with the game. Such decisions shall be considered final and mandatory and not subject to appeal, unless cited in the FFTL Code of Discipline and Ethics.
4. The Discipline and Ethics Committee of the FFTL shall determine whether a protest has basis or responsibility and may impose fines accordingly.
5. Any protest that does not conform to the established regulations shall be disregarded. Moreover, if the game has been completed, protests shall not be considered.
6. The Discipline and Ethics Committee of the FFTL shall make decisions regarding protests. The Committee may transfer protests to the Tournament Committee for decision-making when the protest is purely related to operational service matters.
7. For specificity, a valid protest shall:
 - a. Be submitted in writing to the General Secretary of the FFTL and their Deputy;
 - b. Be copied to the Futsal Association of Timor-Leste;

- c. Be copied to the Futsal Directorate.
8. Protest letters related to the decision of the Referee (also see Article 5; point 10) shall be addressed to:
 - a. Sent in writing to the Council for Resolving Futsal Referee Disputes; they can also be emailed to lorenco.guterres@fftl.tl;
 - b. Copied to the Organizing Committee or AFTL.

ARTICLE 35

DECISION ON FAIR PLAY CLASSIFICATION

1. Each club shall receive points based on the issuance of yellow and red cards, as follows:
 - a. Each yellow card issued shall earn: 1 point;
 - b. Each indirect red card (2 yellows resulting in a red card) shall earn: 2 points;
 - c. Each direct red card shall earn: 3 points;
 - d. Each yellow card followed by a direct red card (yellow then red) shall earn: 4 points.
2. Procedure for counting points from cards:
 - a. First, collect the total number of yellow cards;
 - b. Then, collect from these the number of indirect red cards;
 - c. Next, collect the total number of direct red cards;
 - d. Finally, collect any yellow cards followed by indirect red cards;
 - e. Yellow cards already counted for points will continue to count towards points for subsequent red cards, whether direct or indirect. (Example: if player with initial A receives a yellow card worth 2 points in one match, it means they have also received an indirect red card; the points collected will be 2 points for the yellow card only and will increase by 2 points for the indirect red card, totaling 4 points collected by player A).
3. The club that collects the most points will occupy the top classification.
4. The club that collects the fewest points and occupies the lowest classification shall be considered the Fair Play team.

EXAMPLE FAIR PLAY CLASSIFICATION TABLE:

Club Concerns	YC (x1)	YC2+RC (x2)	DRC (x3)	YC+DRC (x4)	Point
Club A*	4	1	1	0	9
Club B	6	1	0	2	16
Club C	5	3	0	1	15

**Club A is considered a Fair Play club.

**CHAPTER VI
INTERPRETATION, AMENDMENT, AND REPORTS**

**ARTICLE 36
INTERPRETATION**

Interpretation of the regulations and other matters herein shall be directly handled by the Organizing Committee - Futsal Association for the Tournament through consultation with the Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL), which shall make final decisions based on the regulations and circulars set forth in Article 1, point 2 of these regulations.

**ARTICLE 37
AMENDMENT**

1. The FFTL has the authority to amend the articles cited in these Regulations if deemed necessary to align with the Futsal Competitions Regulations of AFF, AFC, FIFA.
2. Amendments to any article in these Regulations shall be solely recommended by the Futsal Association of Timor-Leste (AFTL).

**ARTICLE 38
MATCH COMMISSIONER REPORT**

The Match Commissioner shall submit the Match Commissioner Report to the AFTL within twenty-four (24) hours after the conclusion of the match.

**ARTICLE 39
FINANCIAL REPORT**

The AFTL shall submit reports on the use of funds in futsal competitions within at least 30 days after the competition ends to the FFTL.

**ARTICLE 40
COMPETITION REPORT**

1. The competition report is an activity competition report;
2. The AFTL shall submit competition reports within at least 30 days after the competition ends;
3. The competition report shall include:
 - a. Introduction to the competition and its objectives;
 - b. Details of the organizing committee; Details of the referees, coordinator, and referee advisor;
 - c. Details of the participating clubs with their logos; Details of player identity with individual photos, sequentially according to the existing clubs from Division 1 to Division 2;
 - d. Details of the total number of players participating in the competition;
 - e. Details of the ages of the players in the competition; Photos of team players;
 - f. Competition schedule and format (League and cup);
 - g. Results and statistical analysis of each match;
 - h. Analysis;
 - i. Summary.

**ARTICLE 41
FINAL PROVISIONS AND EXECUTION**

This regulation is the responsibility of the Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL), Approved by the President of the Football Federation of Timor-Leste (FFTL) and the FFTL Executive Member responsible for Futsal, and shall come into effect and be immediately applicable from August 4, 2023.

Dili, July 26, 2023

Approved by:

Executive Committee of FFTL

Signed

Francisco M. C. P. Jerónimo
President of FFTL

Signed

Henrique da Costa
Executive Member of FFTL