



SPORTING RULES

41st FESTIVAL D'ARMOR
Challenge PAYSAGES D'IROISE (U14 / U15 Category)
Players born between January 1, 2010, and December 31, 2011

1 - Tournament Organizer

The UNION SPORTIVE PLOUGONVELIN (U.S.P) Association

A non-profit association (French Law 1901), registered with the sub-prefecture of Brest under No. 1487. The registration number W291002236 corresponds to the receipt of the association's modification declaration.

- SIRET No.: 7775928300019
- Activity Code: 926 C
- Youth and Sports Registration No.: 001342
- Head Office: Mairie de Plougonvelin, Rue des Martyrs, 29217 Plougonvelin, France

The association is represented by Mr. Loïc LE RU, co-president, duly authorized for the purposes of this document.

2 - Tournament Dates and Location

This tournament is organized annually during the Pentecost weekend in the municipality of Plougonvelin taking place on both **grass and synthetic fields** (Gr.A). Additionally, matches may also be held in other municipalities within the Communauté de Communes du Pays d'Iroise (C.C.P.I) and the Pays de Brest region:

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| Le Conquet | Gr.B | (grass field) |
| Plouzané | Gr.C & D | (synthetic field) |
| Saint-Renan | Gr.E & F | (synthetic field) |
| Milizac | Gr.G & H | (grass field and synthetic field) |
| Guilers | Gr.I & J | (grass field and synthetic field) |
| Locmaria Plouzané | Gr.K & L | (grass field) |

The final phases of the tournament will be played on Monday at the Plougonvelin site.

For 2025, the tournament will take place on **June 7, 8, and 9, 2025**.

The organizers will ensure that no official matches are scheduled on its facilities or for the teams participating in the tournament.

3- Participating Teams

Only teams affiliated with a recognized national association are allowed to participate in the tournament.

A player can only play for one team during the tournament.

The club delegation will consist of a maximum of 20 participants (16 players and up to 4 team officials).

4 - Game Rules

All matches will be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game established by the International Football Association Board (edition in effect on the day of the match), unless otherwise specified in these regulations.

The number of players per team is limited to 16.

5 - Tournament Committee

The organizer will establish a tournament committee responsible for overseeing the sporting aspects of the tournament. This committee will have the authority to resolve disputes, rule on complaints and/or appeals, and generally address any issues or difficulties not assigned to another authority under these regulations.

The committee will consist of the **Festival d'Armor** executive board and one or more representatives from official delegations (refereeing, district, league, or the French Football Federation).

If necessary, the tournament committee will report to the relevant national association and/or international football governing bodies (FIFA/UEFA).

6 - Referees

All matches will be officiated by referees licensed by the **French Football Federation (FFF)**.

Each participating team must designate an assistant referee, whose name must be provided to the main referee before the start of each match.

A match delegate will oversee substitutions and expulsions.

The referee must report the final result of each match to the tournament committee.

7 - Age Category

All eligible players must belong to the following age category:

- **For U14 / U15: Players born in 2010 and 2011.**

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- Players born in **2012** may participate if their **age-group exemption (playing up a category)** is officially validated on their sports license, with a limit of **three (3) players** per team.
- **U16 female players (born in 2009)** are also allowed to participate in the U15 tournament as part of mixed teams.

8 - Match Duration

Main Tournament and Consolation Tournament

Qualification matches will last **2 x 15 minutes**

Quarter-finals, semi-finals, and the final will also last **2 x 15 minutes**

The halftime break will be **5 minutes**

In case of a draw, there will be **no extra time**

9 - List of Players and Substitute Players

Each team may register a maximum of **16 players** for the tournament.

The list of **16 players** must be submitted on a match sheet **before the first group stage match on Saturday** at the designated tournament venues and will be verified by the club officials. This list **cannot be modified or completed** once the competition has started.

Each player must keep the **same jersey number** throughout the tournament.

Among the **16 registered players**, up to **4 players** from other clubs may participate provided that their official licenses are presented along with a **written authorization** from their original club.

Players holding an **A.N.S. (Attestation de Non-Sollicitation)** will be considered as licensed players of the team.

All players must be properly insured and belong to the age category specified in Article 7.

If any fraudulent activity regarding these conditions is confirmed, the team will be disqualified from the tournament.

The five substitutes will be allowed to participate in each match. A substituted player cannot re-enter the game once replaced.

A player who is sent off cannot be replaced and will be suspended for the next match.

The five substitutions will only be permitted in a maximum of three substitution sessions per team during the match.

10 - Tournament System

The tournament will be played according to the following system:

- 12 groups of 4 teams
- The top 2 teams from each group will qualify for the main tournament
- After this first phase, the qualified teams will be placed into a new group of three teams. The winner of each new group will advance to the quarter-finals

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- The quarter-finals, semi-finals, and final will take place from 10:00 AM on Monday, May 20, at the Plougonvelin venue

Consolation Tournament

- The 3rd and 4th place teams from the first group stage will enter the consolation tournament
- After the first phase, these teams will be placed into a new group of three teams. The winner of each new group will advance to the quarter-finals
- The quarter-finals and semi-finals will take place from 10:00 AM on Monday, May 20, at Le Conquet
- The Consolation Final will be held in Plougonvelin

11 - Match Schedule

The tournament committee reserves the right to modify certain match schedules to ensure the smooth running of the tournament.

12 - Points System

The following points system will be applied during the tournament:

3 points for a win

1 point for a draw

0 points for a loss

A) In the event of a tie on points at the end of the group stage, the following criteria will be used to rank the teams in the order below:

- > 1° Goal average (difference between goals scored and conceded)
- Head-to-head goal difference first
- Overall goal difference second

> 2° The best attack

>3° The average age of the sixteen participating players; the youngest team will qualify.

B) Quarter-finals, Semi-finals, and Final Matches for Both the Main Tournament and the Consolation Tournament

In the event of a draw at the end of these matches, the teams will be decided by a penalty shootout on the same goal, designated by the referee.

A first series of five penalty kicks will be taken by five different players, selected from the eleven players on the field at the final whistle.

If the tie persists after this series, the shootout will continue in the same order until one team scores one more goal than the other after the same number of attempts.

13 - Player Equipment

Each team must have:

- 2 sets of jerseys in different colors
- 1 first-aid kit
- 10 pennants (for exchanges before matches)

The team listed second in the match schedule must change jerseys if the referee determines that the two teams' colors are not clearly distinguishable.

14 - Disciplinary Sector

A red card - expulsion: A player who receives a red card will be suspended for the next match.

A yellow card - official warning: A player who receives two yellow cards during the tournament will be suspended for the next match.

If a player behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner, the case will be reported by the tournament committee to their national association, which will decide on the appropriate measures to be taken against the player.

If a delegation member behaves in a seriously inappropriate manner during the tournament, the tournament committee will formally report it in writing to the relevant national and international football associations.

At the end of Phase 2, all disciplinary records will be reset. However, a player who receives their second yellow card or a red card during the last match of Phase 2 will be suspended for the quarter-final on Monday morning.

15 - Proof of Identity

At the request of the Organizing Committee, licenses or official documents must be available. Each club official must ensure they have access codes to digital licenses in case of a dispute.

The list of players (including last name, first name, and date of birth) must be submitted to the Organizing Committee at the stadium before the first match on Saturday.

16 - Accidents

IMPORTANT: In the event of an accident requiring medical intervention, parental authorization is mandatory.

All participants and accompanying staff must be insured by their club for all accident-related risks.

17 - Complaints and Appeals

All complaints and appeals must be submitted to the tournament committee, which will make a final and binding decision.

The committee will not accept any complaints regarding refereeing decisions made on the field.

18 - Tournament Approval

The organizer is responsible for obtaining all necessary national and/or international approvals for the tournament at least two months before the tournament begins.

19- Match Agents

Only UEFA and/or FIFA-licensed match agents, a club, or an association are authorized to arrange the participation of clubs/associations in tournaments.

20 - Acceptance of the Rules

Participating in the FESTIVAL D'ARMOR implies full acceptance of these regulations. A signed copy of the rules, endorsed by the delegation's representative, must be submitted to the organizing committee by Saturday, June 7, at 2:00 PM at the latest.

Teams must commit to complying with health restrictions (vaccination pass, health pass, or testing requirements) that will be in effect at the time of the tournament.

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THE ORGANIZER

THE TEAM



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