

REFEREES' COMMITTEE RULES

1 The referees in the North-East Divisions shall be under the control of and in connection with the North-East Football Association.

2 The entire management of the Referees' Committee shall be vested in the Referees' Committee appointed by the Council.

3 (a) Referees shall pay such annual fee as may be fixed by the Irish Football Association Ltd., such fee to cover registration with the Irish Football Association Ltd., Referee members of the Council shall be exempt from payment of fee, but shall not receive remuneration for services.

(b) In addition to such annual fee to the Irish Football Association Ltd., each Referee shall pay each year to the North-East Ulster Referees' Association, such fees as may be fixed, from time to time, by that Association.

4 The Referees' Committee shall consist of the Hon. Officials and two members from each of the Committees to be elected annually by the Council.

5 All applications for Registration must be made to the Secretary of the North-East Ulster Referees' Association who will forward details of registered referees to the Secretary of the County Antrim & District FA. Applications must be accompanied by registration fee, such fee to be returned if application is refused or candidate not passed for registration

6 All applications for registration should be made not later than 31st May in each season.

7 No Referee shall be appointed in any recognised competitive match who is not on the official register of this Association.

8 Complaints concerning the application of the Laws of the Game, whether arising from clubs, leagues or this Association, must be submitted to the IFA Referees' Committee in accordance with IFA Rules Suspensions of Referees shall debar them from acting until such suspension has expired, and Referees suspended and appealing cannot act until such appeal has been decided.

9 Semi-Finals and Final Ties of I.F.A. Ltd., and Semi-Finals and Finals of their Association shall, in all cases, have first claim on Referees.

10 Players ordered off the field must be reported to the Association by the Referee, and all reports by Referees arising out of matches in which they are officiating must be sent by post bearing postmark, or by email in the approved format, within two days of the date of the match. NOTE – A report shall not be rendered void by the non-observance of this rule. Referees failing to observe this Rule shall be dealt with in accordance with rule 8.

11 The Referees' Committee is expected to attend such matches as they think desirable for the purposes of observing the capabilities of the various Referees.