

Edinburgh University Sports Union

Intramural Football Rules

1. Sports Union

Edinburgh University Sports Union is responsible for administering the IMS leagues and as such, all decisions taken by the IMS Committee (following consultation with VPIM or the IM coordinator) are to be abided by. The SU reserves the right to ban any participant from taking part in IMS activities for continued breach of code of conduct rules.

2. General conduct

Players should all wear footwear appropriate for the pitch surface and ensure the area round the pitch is left tidy. The IMS leagues are run in the spirit of good sportsmanship and this should be upheld in matches. Participants in IMS activities are representatives of Edinburgh University and as such, the conduct of players should be a credit to the University and not cause for complaint.

3. Cancellations

In order for games to be considered for rescheduling, they must be cancelled at least 72 hours in advance of their start time. If you need to cancel a game you must contact all of the following:

1. Either the Coordinator - Competitions (polly.pearse@ed.ac.uk) or Sport Participation Activator (callum.ball@ed.ac.uk)
2. Either the Vice-President Intramural (eusu.vpim@ed.ac.uk) , the IM Coordinator (eusu.imcoordinator@ed.ac.uk) or the IM Football Officer (eusu.imfootball@ed.ac.uk)
3. The Opposition Captain
4. The Referee

Failure to give at least 72 hours' notice to all parties will result in a forfeit which includes the recording of a 5-0 defeat and a deduction of 3 points. Failure to notify the referee will result in an obligation to pay the £50 match fee owed.

Failure to give more than 72 hours' notice for cancellations on 3 occasions throughout the year will designate the team at risk of disqualification from the league under the discretion of the Coordinator - Competitions.

It is very important that these cancellation procedures are abided by, as failure to do so will risk the wider allocation of pitches to Intramural Sport being cancelled.

4. Results

Results should be reported as soon as possible after the game to allow League tables to be updated promptly.

The deadline for results to be reported is 12pm the day after your fixture. BOTH teams are to report the results, regardless of the outcome, to ensure consistency and make sure they are reported on time.

If the result has not been reported by the end of the season's allocated fixtures, a 0-0 result will be given.

5. Membership

All individuals taking part in Intramural competitions must purchase a Sports Union Membership available on the SU website <https://www.eusu.ed.ac.uk/organisation/IntraMural/>

6. THE GAME RULES

The league will be run under SFA rules and regulations for the most part. The only difference is there is no substitution restriction and rolling substitutions are allowed providing the referee is made aware. Shin pads and appropriate footwear must be worn at all times.

- A maximum of ONE 1st team player is allowed on pitch at any one time
- No Professional or Semi-Professional players are allowed to take part.

7. Officials:

The first named team for each game is responsible for confirming the fixture with the referee who will be allocated by the IM Football Officer.

The fee for the referee must be paid either prior to or after the match and is to be shared by both teams, the fee will be £50. Individual referees may have payment method preferences. The Sports Union recommends paying in cash or agreeing an individual to send a bank transfer on behalf of the team.

8. Suspensions:

A player suspension may be issued under discretion of the Coordinator – Competitions.

Specific instances of ill-discipline will be noted by referees in a report which will then be brought to the attention of the Sports Union for consideration. A ruling will then be made on the resulting consequences for the team/player. This will then be communicated to the relevant captain and referees.