



## Summer Series 2023-24

### Finals Series Regulations

The following Regulations are promulgated under Regulations 6, 7.1.3 and 10.5 of the Summer Series 2023-24 Guidelines and Regulations. They should be read in conjunction with those Regulations.

#### Finals structure

The structure of the finals series shall be the same for all divisions. Places refer to positions on the division ladder at the end of the regular season. The team listed first is the home team. Game times will be adjusted to allow for possible tie-breakers.

Due to the odd number of teams, byes are scheduled as follows:

- **All teams** will have a bye on Saturday 17 February;
- The teams who **finish their division in 1st place** will have a bye on Saturday 24 February;
- The teams who **lose the elimination final** will have a bye on Saturday 2 March.

#### Week 1 (Saturday 24 February)

Elimination final (EF): 4th place vs 5th place

Preliminary final (PF): 2nd place vs 3rd place

BYE: 1st place

#### Week 2 (Saturday 2 March)

3rd place playoff: Loser PF v Winner EF

Grand final: 1st place v Winner PF

BYE: Loser EF

#### Game time

Game time shall remain as per Regulation 7, that is:

- 3 x 15 minute periods;
- No time stoppages during the game, except for time-outs.

However, the **last two minutes** of the **final period** shall be played as **effective time**.

#### Draws & tie-breakers

In the event of a draw at the end of regulation time:

- Elimination finals, preliminary finals and 3rd place playoffs will proceed immediately to a penalty shootout;
- In grand finals:

- A period of overtime will be played. The overtime will be preceded by a **two-minute break**; shall last for **two minutes**; shall be **golden goal**; and shall be **effective time**.
- If a result is not achieved after overtime, the match will proceed to a penalty shootout.