ELITE YOUTH FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND



21-26 JULY 2024

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TOURNAMENT DETAILS 2024

Arrival Date: Sunday 21st July. All teams to arrive NOT LATER than 4:00 pm at their accommodation. **Welcome Parade and Opening Ceremony:** Sunday evening 21st July 2024

Competition Dates: Monday 22nd July to Friday 26th July 2024 Departure Date: Friday 26th July / Saturday 27th July 2024.

Entry Fee: £200 UK sterling paid with submission of application form. A deposit of £2000 (UK Sterling) payable by Friday 15th March 2024 towards the cost of the team's accommodation. Teams not having paid this deposit will not be included in the draw. NOTE: THIS £2000 IS NON-REFUNDABLE. Remainder to be paid by Friday 7th June 2024.

DETAILS AND AGE GROUPS

Minor Section - Players born on or after 1st January 2011. (MAXIMUM NUMBER 16 teams) Junior Section - Players born on or after 1st January 2010. (MAXIMUM NUMBER 16 teams) Premier Section - Players born on or after 1st January 2008. (MAXIMUM NUMBER 16 teams)

The Premier and Junior Sections of SuperCupNI are open Tournaments and eligible teams may be either club teams or teams representing more than one club. Northern Ireland representation in the Premier and Junior Sections is through the County Structure. The Minor Section teams may be either Club teams or teams representing more than one Club. However Northern Ireland teams in the Minor age group must be club teams, which play in a recognised League.

In the event of oversubscribed number of applicants for any section a process will be used to select the 16 teams and will be based on the following criteria, geographical location, a teams record of achievement in their current league or competition, a team's record of performance if they have participated in SuperCupNI previously, the Organising Committee may also seek references from various football sources.



Group games will be played on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for points, three points for a win and one point for a draw. Teams will progress to the Semi Finals, as detailed in the Tournament Rules (available and issued before the Tournament) of the following competitions:

- SuperCupNI Cup
- SuperCupNI Globe
- SuperCupNI Vase
- SuperCupNI Bowl

5 GAMES 3 OFFICIALS EACH GAME MINOR - 30 MINS EACH HALF JUNIOR AND PREMIER -35 MINS EACH HALF

> SQUAD SIZE 16-18 PLAYERS

Semi Finals will be played on Thursday 25th July and Finals and 3rd/4th place games will be played on Friday 26th July. Please note that the structure of the Tournament may need to change in the event of the numbers of teams being different to what has been planned. Games in the Premier and Junior Sections will be 35 minutes each way (70 minutes); Minor Section games will be 30 minutes each way (60 minutes)

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Northern Ireland teams will be responsible for their own travel arrangements. For teams from outside Ireland, organisers will collect from ship, air and rail terminals on their arrival in Northern Ireland. **TEAMS ARRIVING AT REPUBLIC OF IRELAND TERMINALS e.g. DUBLIN AIRPORT, WILL BE CHARGED A CONTRIBUTION OF £600 TOWARDS THE COST OF A COACH TO THEIR TOURNAMENT ACCOMMODATION AND THE RETURN TO THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND.** There are three airports serving Northern Ireland viz Belfast International Airport, George Best Belfast City Airport and City of Derry Airport. All major airlines serve these airports. The Organisers will also provide transport to and from the teams' fixtures and where necessary, training sessions. Sightseeing and ALL other transport to excursions or other tournament games can also be arranged but there will be an added cost for these journeys. Details of cost are available from the Tournament Organisers.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

Accommodation and meals will be organised by the Tournament Organisers and no participating teams may make their own arrangements. Accommodation can range from university accommodation and guest house through to different graded hotels. All accommodation is of a good standard.

In hotel accommodation, where single rooms are requested and are available, there will be a single room supplement. The three Tournament meals included in the daily rate are: breakfast, main substantial meal and one other meal. Teams requiring extra meals and/or drinks must make arrangements themselves through the appointed Courier with the hotel/guest house/ halls of residence on their arrival and these extras must be paid for direct to the accommodation provider before the team's departure.



TOURNAMENT COSTS

Costs will be calculated for each team on an individual basis and for detailed costs, relevant to your team, please contact us directly by email at **jimsandford@supercupni.com**

When contacting for costs, it would be helpful to know the following: Number of players; Number of adults; Date of arrival; Date of departure; Point of arrival and Point of departure; Additional transport journeys/tourist trips required.

APPLICATIONS TO ENTER

PREMIER SECTION AND JUNIOR SECTION CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS: FRIDAY 12TH JANUARY 2024.

MINOR SECTION CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND TEAMS IS FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER 2023.

APPLICATIONS FOR TEAMS OUTSIDE NORTHERN IRELAND IS FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER 2023.

OUR AIM

The Organisers strive to ensure that all young people participating in the Tournament do so in an enjoyable and safe environment in which they have fun and feel valued. We aim to promote a safe environment for all young people and to assist all staff, officials, coaches and volunteers to respond appropriately should they have any concerns about the welfare of any young person. Therefore, if successful in your application we will expect your Club to adhere to the safeguarding policies, procedures and guidelines that are available on our website. On confirmation of your Club's successful application, you will be forwarded further details.

Further Information can be obtained from Jim Sandford Mobile: 0044 (0) 7860 841193 Email: jimsandford@supercupni.com Web: supercupni.com



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