

National & District Cup Management

Due to recent IT security upgrades with the Scottish FA Player Registrations, our Cup Management system, being administered by a third-party service provider, can no longer gain access to the Player Registration Database which has resulted in any team lines you receive for our National & District cup fixtures being unpopulated.

This issue will not be fixed in the near future, and presently we are unsure it can be amended this season, and ultimately may result in a change of the Scottish Amateur FA's Cup Management system.

Therefore, until further notice it has been agreed that teams have three options regarding their team lines for their National & District Cup matches for this season.

- 1. Teams can use their normal League/Association team lines and simply mark the competition as the Scottish Amateur Cup, Sunday Trophy, or appropriate District Cup, along with the other match details.
- 2. Teams can complete the blank team line they will receive automatically from the Cup Management System, however as you will know this is a PDF document and the spacing is not user friendly for writing on.
- 3. Teams can use the attached general Team Line, which is a word document, and the players details can be added along with the other relevant details of the match and the competition.

All other aspects of the Cup Management system are operational as normal and teams will still receive the results text message after the match, as this issue only impacts on the populated team line.





Regarding the details of your Match Official for each fixture, once allocated the details of your Referee will be available either on the blank automated team line you will receive, or available at the Scottish Amateur FA website at the appropriate competition under the National or District Cup tabs.

https://www.scottishamateurfa.co.uk/

For Referees, the team lines and reports for National competitions should be forwarded to The Administration Department, SAFA, Hampden Park, Glasgow, G42 9DB, or email the reports to SAFA@scottish-football.com and post the original team lines to the office, for the Scottish Amateur Cup & Sunday Trophy only, and to the appropriate Match Secretary for each District Cup.

Points to remember:

- Referee Fees for all competitions is now £50 and 20p per mile travel expenses, split equally between the teams, the home team pay for the ground.
- Replays are only in the Scottish Amateur Cup if the first match ends in a tie, all other competitions must be decided by penalty kicks if tied after 90 minutes. However, in SAC and Saturday District cup matches for semi-finals and final ties, Cup Rule 12 applies, and extra time is played. There is no extra time in the Sunday Trophy or Sunday District competitions.

We understand that this unforeseen issue is disappointing and far from ideal, but in making the above decision we hope to minimise the disruption to everyone.

Thank you for your co-operation.

