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# CISM REGULATIONS

## FOR FOOTBALL EVENTS

### 1 - MILITARY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL/MILITARY WORLD FOOTBALL CUP

1.1 - The Military World Championship Football (MWCF) or the Military World Football Cup (MWFC) are CISM competitions embodied in the General CISM Regulations and Statutes.

1.2 - As a rule, every active member nation in CISM may participate in the MWCF/MWFC.

1.3 - The MWCF/MWFC consist in general of a preliminary round (continental qualification) and a final round (world championship/world football cup).

1.4 - These Regulations and Guidelines for the MWCF/MWFC regulate the rights, duties and responsibilities of all member nations taking part in the MWCF/MWFC. The Regulations issued by CISM are binding for all member nations involved in the preparation, organization and hosting.

*Remark: For the Military World Football Cup, the CISM Headquarters issues additional rules, which the organizing nation must observe.*

1.5 - The CISM General Regulations and Statutes, these CISM Football regulations and complementary with the FIFA regulations in force apply. Any reference in these Regulations refers to the CISM General Statutes and Regulations valid at the time of application.

### 2 - CISM SPORTS COMMITTEE FOOTBALL (CSCF)

2.1 - The Sport Committee is composed of a President, a Secretary and several members, preferably at least one from each continent. The President CSC Football (PCSCF) and the Members CSC Football (MCSCF) are the ultimate CISM Sport authorities and oversee the technical conduct of a MWCF/MWFC.

2.2 - The responsibilities of the CSCF include, but are not limited to:

2.2.a - supervising general preparations and deciding on competition format, the draw and the information of groups;

2.2.b - approving the dates and venues of the matches and determining kick-off times;

2.2.c - approving the choice of stadiums and training sites in accordance with the host nation;

2.2.d - appointing a Head Referee of members of the CSCF for the championship;

2.2.e - deciding cases of abandoned matches and, if applicable, reporting cases to the CISM Discipline Commission for deliberation;

2.2.f - support to replace member nations that have withdrawn from the championship;





2.2.g - deciding with host nation about cases of participating member nations failing to adhere to the time limits and/or the formal requirements for submitting the necessary documents;

2.2.h - deciding on the rescheduling of matches due to extraordinary circumstances;

2.2.i - settling cases of force majeure;

2.2.j - dealing with any other aspect of the MWCF that is not the responsibility of any other body under the terms of these Regulations.

2.3 - The decisions taken by the CSCF are final and binding and not subject to appeal.

2.4 - Prior to the competitions, the CSCF makes sure that the equipment and sporting facilities conform to the standards required by CISM and/or International Federation regulations.

They report the result of their control to the nominated "Official CISM Representative" (OCR).

2.5 - The CSCF ensures that the CISM Football Regulations followed during the competition.

2.6 - To ensure the CSCF can do the duties properly, they need support in advance and during the championship from the host nation. For the current composition of the CSCF, see Annex 1. The requirements for the support CSCF see Annex 2.



### 3 - TECHNICAL JURY

The Technical Jury is responsible for a fair progress of a championship.

3.1 - The President CSCF appoints during the preliminary meeting the President (himself or a member of the CSCF) and one member (generally Team Manager) from each participating nation for the Technical Jury. All members of the CSCF will assist during the meetings as adviser for the Technical Jury without vote.

3.2 - Technical Jury meetings held exclusively in English language.

3.3 - Under no circumstance may any member of the Technical Jury belong to the organizing committee of the host nation.

3.4 - Each member of the Jury is entitled to one (1) vote. In case of a tie, the President of the Technical Jury has the deciding vote.

3.5 - The Technical Jury dissolve after the official closing of the championship.

### 4 - JURY OF APPEAL

4.1 - The Jury of Appeal will appointed during the Preliminary Meeting of the championship. The Jury of Appeal is composed of a President who is the "Official CISM Representative" (OCR), three (3) Chiefs of Mission (preferably a CISM Delegate or Chief of Delegation from his country) who are chosen among the participating nations, with a maximum of one per nation. The President and chosen members shall have different nationalities.

4.2 - Restrictions

The Chairman of the organizing committee (OC), the President CSCF and all members of the Technical Jury may



not serve in the Jury of Appeal. Only Jury members attend meetings of the Jury of Appeal, if necessary, interpreters appointed by the organizing nation. The President CSCF attends this meeting as a counsellor to the President of the Jury of Appeal but without being entitled to vote. The President of the Jury of Appeal may call for hearing any person whom he believes may be helpful.

#### 4.3 - Duties

The Jury of Appeal intervenes only in the following cases;

4.3.a - as a result of a written protest made by a nation dissatisfied with the decision reached by the Technical Jury,

4.3.b - when requested by the OCR,

4.3.c - upon request of the Chairman of the OC or the President CSCF,

4.3.d - each member, including the OCR, is entitled to one (1) vote. In case of a tie, the OCR has the deciding vote.

4.4 - Procedure of handling protests to the Jury of Appeal;

4.4.a - when a Chief of Mission considers that the Technical Jury's decision has not rendered justice to his protest, he can submit a protest against the decision of the Technical Jury in writing to the Jury of Appeal,

4.4.b - this appeal shall be submitted to the President of the Jury of Appeal within two hours after the written notification of the rejection by the Technical Jury,

4.4.c - the Jury of Appeal rules as a last instance. Its decision does not depend on any precedent and is final. All decisions taken by the Jury of Appeal are transmitted in writing to the OC for dispatch and to the General Secretariat for information,

4.4.d - the Chief of Mission will accept, in all cases, the decision made by the Jury of Appeal and will not set and tolerate unpleasant reactions towards the judges and referees, or towards the host nation.

#### 4.5 - Complaints

All complaints may be referred to the Board of Directors and, if necessary, to the General Assembly. A complaint cannot reverse a final decision of the Jury of Appeal.

4.6 - The Jury of Appeal dissolve after the official closing of the championship.

## 5 - HOST NATION

5.1 - The Host Nation is responsible for organizing, hosting and performance of the championship. It shall set up an Organizing Committee ("OC"). The OC and the CSCF work in close cooperation in advance, during and after the competition.

5.2 - The obligations and responsibilities of the host nation with respect to the championship stipulated in the CISM Regulations. They include but shall not be limited to;

5.2.a - ensuring that safety and order is maintained, particularly in and around the stadiums, the training sites, accommodations and other venues of the championship. It shall take adequate measures, including a sufficient number of ground staff and security stewards, to guarantee safety and to prevent and avoid outbreaks of violence;

5.2.b - concluding liability insurance against possible spectator accidents or deaths;

5.3 - The host nation shall discharge CISM from all responsibility and relinquish any claim against CISM and the members of its delegation for any damages resulting from any act or mission relating to the organization and course of the championship.

5.4 - The host nation shall ensure that any decision taken by the CSCF relating to its duties and responsibilities enforced immediately.

## 6 - COMPETITION FORMAT

6.1 - The final competition shall played in a group stage, followed by knockout stages, the play-off for third place and the final.

6.2 - In the group stage, the last matches in each group shall played simultaneously as well as in the knockout stages. For the matches for third place and final, if a game tied at the end of normal playing time, extra time will played. Extra time shall consist of two periods of 15 minutes, with an interval of five minutes at the end of normal playing time, but not between the extra times. The players shall remain on the pitch during both of these extra times.

6.3 - If the score is still level at the end of extra time, kicks from the penalty mark shall take part to determine the winner, in accordance with the procedure specified in the Laws of the Game (latest edition)

6.4 - In the group stage, the participating teams will divided into different groups (depending of number of participating teams).



6.5 - The system of play will be the league system, each team playing one match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw and none for a defeat.

6.6 - The ranking of each team in each group will be determined as follows;

6.6.a - greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;

6.6.b - goal difference in all group matches;

6.6.c - greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.

If two or more teams are equal on basis of the above three criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows;

6.6.d - greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;

6.6.e - goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;

6.6.f - greater number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned;

6.6.g - drawing by the CSCF.

6.7 - In the quarter-finals, the teams that qualify from the group stage will play the quarterfinals.

6.8 - The four teams that qualify from the quarter-finals will play the semi-finals.

6.9 - The winners of the semi-finals qualify for the final.

6.10 - The losers of the semi-finals will contest the play-off for third place.

6.11 - If the play-off for third place a draw happened at the end of normal playing time, extra time shall played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner. However, if the match played directly before the final and a draw happened at the end of normal playing time, no extra time shall played and the winner shall directly be determined by kicks from the penalty mark.

6.12 - If the final is a draw at the end of normal playing time, extra time shall played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner.

## 7 - PRELIMINARY ROUND

7.1 - The organization of the preliminary round (continental qualification) in the respective form is the responsibility of the CISM continental vice-presidents. They shall assisted in this by the members of the CISM Sports Committee Football (CSCF) for their continent. All continental competitions shall governed by the CISM Regulations Football in conjunction with the FIFA Regulations.

7.2 - On entering the preliminary round (continental qualification), all member nations automatically undertake to;

7.2.a - follow these regulations;

7.2.b - accept that administrative, disciplinary and refereeing matters related to the preliminary round shall dealt with the regulations submitted. CISM will only intervene in matters involving member nations if a continent requests assistance by CSCF.

7.3 - The Vice Presidents of each continent will inform the CISM HQ, the President CSC Football and the host nation in advance about the result of nominated nations from their respective continent.



## **8 - NUMBER OF TEAMS**

8.1 - The maximum number of teams for a MWCF will be decided in cooperation between the President CSCF and the host nation. The host nation and the defending champion are automatically qualified.

## **9 - DRAWING**

9.1 - The draw for the championship takes place at the annual General Assembly & Congress (GA&C) of CISM or organized by the host nation in the respective country.

9.2 - The CSCF shall form groups for the final competition by seeding and drawing lots whilst considering sporting and geographic factors.

9.3 - In the case of any withdrawals, the CSCF together with the CISM HQ may change the groups in accordance with the provisions in paragraph 2.

## **10 - PARTICIPATING MEMBER NATIONS**

10.1 - The member nations that qualify for the championship agree to comply with and ensure that every member of the delegation complies with these regulations, as well as with any other CISM circular letters, regulations, guidelines, directives and/or decisions.

10.2 - On entering the championship, the participating member nations automatically undertake to;

10.2.a - comply with the maximum number of players and officials as defined in the invitation file for the championship,

10.2.b - observe these regulations and ensure that all Delegation members are in accordance with them,

10.2.c - participate in all matches of the championship in which their team is scheduled to take part,

10.2.d - accept all arrangements relating to the championship made by the host nation in agreement with CISM,

10.2.e - ensure the provision of adequate insurance to cover their delegation members and any other persons carrying out duties on their behalf against all risks, including but not limited to injury, accident, disease and travel in consideration of the relevant CISM regulations,

10.2.f - the conduct of delegation members and of any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf throughout the championship and for the entire duration of their stay in the host country,

10.2.g - paying for incidental costs and expenses incurred by its delegation members and any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf during the course of their stay in the host country,

10.2.h - paying for any costs of extending the stay of any delegation member or any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf,

10.2.i - applying for visas in a sufficient time from the nearest consulate or embassy of the host country, if necessary.

10.3 - All participating Member Nations shall confirm their participation by submitting the originals of the official entry forms and any other required documentation as communicated by CISM or the host nation via the corresponding invitations or circulars, duly signed, to the host nation by the deadlines set in the invitation. The essential timely submission of necessary documents to the host nation is very important. The deadlines must be followed. If a participating member nation fails to adhere to the time limits and/or fails to meet the formal requirements for submitting the necessary documents, the host nation and CISM shall pass a decision.

## **11 - WITHDRAWALS, UNPLAYED AND ABANDONED MATCHES**

11.1 - If any participating member nation withdraws or will be excluded from the championship, the CISM authorities together with the CSCF shall decide on the matter at its sole discretion and take whatever action is necessary. CISM in cooperation with the CSCF may in particular decide to replace the gap in question with another member nation.

11.2 - Depending on the circumstances of the withdrawal, the CISM Disciplinary Commission may impose additional sanctions, including the suspension of the participating member nation concerned from subsequent CISM competitions.

11.3 - All participating member nation undertake to play all of their matches until eliminated from the championship.

11.4 - Any match which is not played or which is abandoned – except in cases of force majeure recognized by CISM – may lead to the imposition of sanctions against the relevant member nation by the CISM Disciplinary Commission in accordance with the CISM Regulations.

11.5 - If a participating member nation withdraws or a match cannot be played or is abandoned as a result of force majeure, the CISM Disciplinary Commission shall decide on the matter at its sole discretion and take whatever action is necessary.



11.6 - Further to the above provision, in the case of a match being abandoned as a result of force majeure after it has already kicked off, the following principles will apply:

11.6.a - the match shall recommence at the minute at which play was interrupted rather than being replayed in full, and with the same score line;

11.6.b - the match shall recommence with the same players on the pitch and substitutes available as when the match was abandoned;

11.6.c - no additional substitutes may be added to the list of players on the team sheet;

11.6.d - the teams can make only the number of substitutions to which they were still entitled when the match was abandoned;

11.6.e - players sent off during the abandoned match cannot be replaced;

11.6.f - any sanctions imposed before the match was abandoned remain valid for the remainder of the match;

11.6.g - the kick-off time, date and location will be decided by the host nation in cooperation with the CSCF.

## **12 - MATCH COMMISSIONER**

12.1 - The Match Commissioner for each match will be nominated by the CSCF.

12.2 - The main task of the match commissioner is to ensure that respect and behavior of the teams are appropriate. Upon request by the referees, he mediates between

team officials and players when tempers heated on the field to prevent incidents before they get out of hand.

12.3 - The specific roles of the match commissioner are;

12.3.a - carry out joint inspection of the field of play prior to the start of a game,

12.3.b - ensure that there is adequate security arrangement in place by the host OC,

12.3.c - The match commissioner has a duty to insist that the match be discontinued if there is no adequate security for the match officials,

12.3.d - presides over the meeting of referees and officials of both teams prior to the start of a game,

12.3.e - ensure that the football venue is free of unauthorized persons and objects in the course of the game. He watches the match in a good position and observes the performance of teams, the referee, and his assistants.

## **13 - MATCH OFFICIALS**

13.1 - The CSCF will nominate a Head Referee (member of the CSCF) for the championship.

13.2 - The Referees, Assistant Referees and Fourth Officials (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Match Officials") for the championship are appointed for each match by the nominated CISM Head Referee for this championship. Match Officials will be provided by the participating nations. The Match Officials should have preferably FIFA-Level.

13.3 - The Match Officials shall provide with training facilities. These training facilities must be in good condition and shall not be used for any other trainings, matches or events.

13.4 - If one of the Match Officials prevented from carrying out his duties, such Referee or Assistant Referee shall be replaced by the Fourth Official. The responsible match commissioner of the CSCF shall be informed immediately.

13.5 - After each match, the Referee shall complete and sign the Official CISM Referee report form. The Referee shall hand it over to the responsible match commissioner of the CSCF at the stadium immediately after the match. In the event of misconduct of players leading to caution or expulsion, unsporting behavior by supporters and/or by officials or any other person acting on behalf of an association or participating nation. At the match and any other incident happening before, during or after the match in as much detail as possible.

## **14 - START LISTS - TIMING - SUBSTITUTES' - BENCHES**

14.1 - All players shall be named on the start list for each match (max. 11 selected players and substitutes). Substitutes may take the place of the selected players at any time during the match. The number of substitutes is determined at the beginning of the championship, preferably during the first Technical meeting.

14.2 - The numbers on the players' shirts must correspond to the numbers indicated on the start list. The start list shall be signed by the Team Manager.

14.3 - Each team is responsible for arriving at the stadium at the latest 90 minutes before the kick-off of the respective match and providing the completed start list to the match commissioner upon arrival.

14.4 - Each team is responsible for ensuring that the start list is complete properly and submitted on time and that only the selected players start the match. In case of any discrepancies, the matter will be submitted to the responsible match commissioner and referee for this match.

14.5 - Any of the 11 players submitted on the start list may be replaced by an eligible substitute, but only if they are unable to begin the match due to injury or illness. The match commissioner and referee must be officially informed prior to kick-off.

14.6 - Further to the above, any injured or ill player who is removed from the start list will no longer be eligible to take part in the match, and thus cannot be selected as a substitute player at any time during the game. Such a change to the start list will not reduce the number of official substitutions that may be made by a team during the match. In accordance with the Regulations of the match, substitutions may still be made.

14.7 - Although no longer eligible to play as a substitute, the injured or ill player who is removed from the start list may be seated on the substitutes' bench.

14.8 - Only the players, who are identified on the official start list submitted to the match commissioner and referee, or confirmed as a warm-up injury/illness replacement player, may start the match. In the case of any discrepancies of players on the field of play at the beginning of a match, the matter will be submitted to the match commissioner and referee for a decision.

14.9 - No more people than on the start list are allowed to sit on the substitutes' bench. A suspended player or official will not be allowed to sit on the substitutes' bench.

14.10 - The use of any electronic communication equipment and/or systems between and/or amongst players and/or technical staff is not permitted.

## **15 - COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION**

15.1 - Each participating nation shall submit a list of the 'composition of the mission' (see invitation file from host nation) to the host and to the Secretary of CSCF. Any change requests to the list must be submitted in writing latest until the beginning of the preliminary meeting and are subject to the approval of the OCR and CSCF.

15.2 - The final list of players selected to participate in the final competition shall be submitted to the CSCF, using the official form, at least 2 hours before the first match of the championship, as stipulated in the relevant circular. The players and team staff on the final list must be the same as on the 'composition of the mission'.

15.3 - Only the players on the final list will be permitted to take part in the final competition. The numbers on the back of the shirts correspond with the numbers indicated on the final list. In the event of a goalkeeper needing to be replaced by an outfield player (due to injuries or red cards), each team provides a goalkeeper shirt without a name or number displayed on the back of the shirt in order to distinguish this replacement goalkeeper from the other players.

15.4 - The final list of players and officials will be published by the CSCF.

15.5 - Before the start of the matches, every player on the final list must prove his identity and nationality by providing the Military ID-Card. Any player who fails to submit these documents will not be allowed to take part in the championship.

15.6 - The host nation shall issue each player and team official with an official accreditation.

15.7 - The participating nations shall ensure that all accreditation data required by the host nation is submitted by the deadline stipulated in the invitation file.

## **16 - ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS**

In strict compliance with applicable CISM Regulations, all athletes representing their nations in CISM events are on active duty in the nation's Armed Forces. They understand that sanctions may be imposed against their nation, their mission, their team, individual athletes, or themselves for violation of this provision.

## **17 - VENUES, DATES, KICK-OFF TIMES, ARRIVAL AT VENUES**

17.1 - The venues, dates and kick-off times of the matches shall be proposed by the host nation, subject to the approval of the CSCF.

17.2 - The host nation in cooperation with the CSCF shall fix the dates and venues of the matches, allowing each team a minimum rest period of 1 day between matches.

## **18 - STADIUMS, INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT**

The fields of play, accessory equipment and all facilities for each match of the final competition shall be in optimum condition and comply with the FIFA Laws of the Game (latest edition) and all other relevant regulations. See FIFA website: <https://www.fifa.com/who-we-are/official-documents/#fifa-laws-regulations>



## **19 - OFFICIAL TRAINING AND PRE-MATCH WARM-UP**

19.1 - Weather and football ground conditions permitting, teams that are due to play a match in a stadium in which they have not previously played will be entitled to one 60-minute training session in that stadium on either the day before the match or two days before the match. Training times will be communicated by the host nation.

19.2 - The teams that qualify for the play-off for third place or final will be entitled to a 60-minute session in the stadium, even if they have already played a match in that stadium, subject to final approval by CSCF depending on weather conditions, pitch quality and other factors.

19.3 - In principle, a minimum of 15 minutes shall be set between the end of one team's training session and the start of the next team's training session.

19.4 - If the football ground is not in good condition or the training session would negatively affect the state of the football ground, host nation in cooperation with CSCF may shorten or cancel the training session and direct the teams only to inspect the field of play.

19.5 - The teams will be entitled to warm up on the football ground before each match, conditions permitting. In principle, such warm-up will be 30 minutes in length. If the ground is not in good condition or if warm-up sessions would negatively affect the state of the field of play for the match, or if there is extra time of the first match of a double-header match, CSCF in cooperation with host nation may shorten or cancel the warm-up session.

## **20 - TRAINING SITES**

20.1 - The host nation provide training sites for all participating teams.

20.2 - Unless otherwise approved by CSCF, all training site fields shall be close to FIFA standard.

20.3 - The training sites shall be situated within a maximum of 20-minute bus drive from the accommodation site.

20.4 - In principle, the teams shall use the training fields on a rotation basis in order to ensure that each team has the same conditions. Full details about the allocation of training sites shall be communicated by the host nation.

20.5 - The training sites shall have the same surface as the official football field and be in good condition, freshly mowed and fully marked in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

20.6 - The host nation shall provide support personnel and suitable training site equipment at all official training sites, including but not limited to cones and movable goals.

Each training site shall be equipped with at least one dressing room with lockers, showers and toilets.

## **21 - DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

21.1 - Disciplinary incidents dealing with in compliance with the CISM Disciplinary Code in force as well as with all relevant circulars and directives, with which the participating Member Nations undertake to, comply.

21.2 - CISM may introduce new disciplinary rules and sanctions for the duration of a championship. Such rules shall be communicated to the participating Member Nations one month before the first match of the championship.

21.3 - The participating Member Nations and their Delegation Members agree to comply with the CISM General Regulations as well as with all directives and decisions of the CISM bodies unless these Regulations stipulate otherwise. The Delegation Members agree to comply with all further CISM guidelines, circulars and decisions that have any significance regarding the championship.

## **22 - DISPUTES**

22.1 - All disputes in connection with the championship shall be promptly settled by mediation.

22.2 - In compliance with the CISM Regulations and Statutes, participating Member Nations may not take disputes to an ordinary court of law but to the exclusive jurisdiction of CISM.

## **23 - PROTESTS**

23.1 - For the purpose of these Regulations, protests are objections of any kind related to events or matters that have a direct effect on matches, including but not limited to the state of and markings on the pitch, accessory match equipment, eligibility of players, stadium installations and footballs.

23.2 - The Technical Jury rules as first instance on protests received in accordance with CISM Regulations.

23.3 - No protests can be made about the referee's decisions regarding facts connected with play. Such decisions are final and not subject to appeal. Each protest requires a deposit of €100. If the Technical Jury refuses the protest

and no appeal made, the €100 will be paid into a fund at the CISM Headquarters. Only if a protest is accepted, the nation receives the deposit back. Unless otherwise stipulated in this article, protests shall be submitted in writing two hours after the match finished and given to the President of the Technical Jury (or a member CSCF). The protest must be signed by the respective Chief of Mission according to the CISM Regulations. Each protest has to follow the articles of these rules on which it is based. Decisions reported in writing to the protesting delegation, the Official CISM Representative (OCR) and the Organizing Committee (OC).

## **24 - TEAM EQUIPMENT**

24.1 - Each participating nation must bring the following equipment to the championship, including numbers printed on the shirts and shorts in compliance with the regulations;

24.1.a - Official and reserve kits (two sets of shirts, shorts, socks), must be distinctly different and contrasting from each other,

24.1.b - Jersey sets of the goalkeeper's kit (shirts, shorts, socks), gloves and caps. These goalkeeper kits must be distinctly different and contrasting from each other as well as different and contrasting from the official and reserve team kits,

24.1.c - Equipment that will be worn by the substitute players and the technical staff sitting on the bench during the matches,

24.1.d - warm-up bibs (2 sets, contrasting colors) for warm-up of substitute players during the match.

24.2 - The participating nations shall comply with the CISM and FIFA Regulations in force. The display of political, religious, or personal messages or slogans in any language or form by players and officials on their playing or team kits, equipment (including kit bags, beverage containers, medical bags, etc.) or body is prohibited. The similar display of commercial messages and slogans in any language or form by players and officials is not allowed for the duration of their time at any official activity organized by CISM (including in the stadiums for official matches and training sessions, as well as during official media conferences and mixed-zone activities). Any violations shall be dealt with by the CISM Discipline Commission in accordance with the CISM Regulations.

24.3 - The CSCF in cooperation with the Head Referee will inform the teams which colors of Jersey sets they must wear for each match. It will be published in the regularly 'Technical Report'.

24.4 - The official and reserve Jersey sets and all goalkeeper sets must be taken with the team to every official match. Warm-up bibs (2 colors) must be brought for warm-up of substitute players during the match.

24.5 - Throughout the championship, each player wears the same number assigned to him on the start list. Such number shall be displayed on the back of his shirt.

## **25 - OFFICIAL FOOTBALL**

25.1 - The football used in the championship shall be selected and exclusively supplied by the host nation in cooperation with the CSCF. The football shall conform to FIFA standard, like description in the Laws of the Game (latest edition).

<https://www.fifa.com/who-we-are/official-documents/#fifa-laws-regulations>

25.2 - The teams involved in the championship shall be informed in advance by the host nation, which football will be used during the competition.

## **26 - FLAGS AND ANTHEMS**

26.1 - During the final competition, the CISM flag and the flags of the host country and both competing nations shall be flown in the stadium at every match.

26.2 - The CISM March shall be played while the teams are entering the field, followed by the national anthems of the two teams. The participating member nations shall submit a CD/Stick of their national anthem (maximum 90 seconds, no lyrics are permitted) to the host nation as mentioned in the invitation file for the championship.

## **27 - TROPHY, AWARDS AND MEDALS**

27.1 - The host nation in cooperation with the Official CISM Representative (OCR) and supported by the CSCF shall be responsible for the administration of the award ceremony, which takes place after the final match. All officials and authorities as well as all participating nations take part in the award ceremony.

27.2 - The host nation in cooperation with the OCR will select which authorities will present the medals and trophies.

27.3 - Medals will be presented to each of the top three teams in the final competition, i.e. gold medals to the winners, silver medals to the runners-up and bronze medals to the team ranked third. In principle, every person on the team list should be presented a medal (team manager, coaches, physicians, players...), preferably as well for the Chief of Mission.

27.4 - A Fair Play contest could be held during the championship. The OCR in cooperation with the CSCF and Match Officials of this championship will determine the ranking at the end of the championship. The Fair Play Trophy will be presented to the team finishing first in the fair play contest. Applicable rules are in the CISM Fair Play regulations - see Annex 4.

27.5 - Additional Trophies could be;

27.5.a - Top Scorer Trophy Award to the player who scores the most goals in the championship. If two players are still equal, the total minutes played in the championship will take into account, with the player playing fewer minutes ranked first.

27.5.b - Most Valuable Player Award to the best player in the championship based on a ranking compiled by the CSCF.

27.5.c - Most Valuable Goalkeeper Award to the best goalkeeper in the championship based on a ranking compiled by the CSCF.

## 28 - CISM ANTI-DOPING RULES

Doping strictly prohibited. CISM accepted the World Anti-Doping Code (the «Code»). These Anti-Doping Rules are adopted and implemented in conformance with CISM's responsibilities under the Code, and are in furtherance of CISM's continuing efforts to eradicate doping in the military sport. Anti-Doping tests are in effect on championships on world level. Anti-Doping Rules, like Competition rules, are sport rules governing the conditions under which sport playing. Military Athletes and other Persons who participate in the Military World Games, Winter World Games, World Military Championships and other Military Sports Events sanctioned by CISM accept these rules as a condition of participation and shall bound by them.

(see latest edition of CISM Anti-Doping Rules in force).

## 29 - LAWS OF THE MATCH

All matches played in accordance with the CISM Football Regulations and in accordance with FIFA Regulations, Laws of the Game (latest edition). In case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the translations of the CISM Football Regulations, the English version shall authoritative.

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## 30 - LANGUAGES

In case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the texts of these Regulations, the English text is authoritative.

## 31 - MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Any matters not provided for in these Regulations and any cases of force majeure during a championship shall decide by the OCR in cooperation with the host nation and the President CSCF. All decisions are final and no subject to appeal.

## 32 - ENFORCEMENT

These Regulations are approved by the responsible CISM authorities in January 2021 and came into force immediately thereafter.





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## REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT FOR CISM SPORTS COMMITTEE FOOTBALL (CSCF)

To ensure the CSCF can do the duties properly, they need support in advance and during the championship from the host nation.

→ The host nation should invite the President CSC Football for a pre-visit. All significant aspects of the preparation and execution of a championship could be discussed. The visit should be six to nine months prior to the competition in order to implement necessary changes in the preparations.

→ **The lodging** for the members CSCF during the championship must be together and in the same place of hotel/building.

→ **Working office for CSCF (10 seats)**, available (24/7) exclusively for CSCF (close to the lodging) Office equipment necessary as follows;

- IT-Technology:
  - 2 Computers or Laptops with *English Microsoft Software Version*,
  - 1 Printer with the option of color print, print paper, reserve ink cartridges, ...
  - Internet Access LAN & WIFI,
- Basic office equipment, (stapler, paperclip, scissor, etc.)
- Working desk with chairs for 6-8 persons,
- Telephone with international access.

→ Transportation, which will be used only by the President and members CSCF (cars + driver). Separate transport is necessary for the duties as Match Commissioners at different stadiums during the whole championship.

→ Meeting rooms

- One meeting room (20 seats) for the Technical Jury meetings.
- One meeting room (30 seats) for the FIFA Head Referee with all Referees meetings.  
(If not enough rooms available, the meeting room can be used for both meetings)



COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION (PROPOSAL)

NATION :

#	FUNCTION	RANK	NAME AND SURNAME (MAN OR WOMAN)
1	Chief of Mission		
2	Team Manager		
3	Coach		
4	Assistant Coach		
5	Doctor/Physician		
6	Intern. Referee (FIFA)		
7	Intern. Assistant Referee (FIFA)		
8	Media / Press		
9	Ad Libitum		
1	Player		
2	Player		
3	Player		
4	Player		
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30 PERSONS PER DELEGATION			

In strict compliance with applicable CISM Regulations (Chapter VII, art: 7.21), I, the undersigned Chief of Delegation, hereby officially confirm that all athletes representing my nation in the CISM event are on active duty in my nation’s Armed Forces. I understand that sanctions may imposed against my nation, my mission, my team, individual athletes, or myself for violation of this provision (CISM Regulations Chapter I, Art: 1.12).

DATE

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME



## CISM FAIR PLAY REGULATIONS FOR FOOTBALL

### 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

As part of its campaign to promote Fair Play, CISM regularly holds a Fair Play contest during its championships, based on an appraisal of the teams' conduct by CISM authorities such as the OCR, members of the CSCF and Match Officials.

1.1. The objective of Fair Play activities is to foster a sporting spirit among players, team officials and spectators, thereby heightening the fans' enjoyment of the game.

1.2. After each official match, the designated officials complete the appropriate Fair Play form.

1.3. Every match in the championship take into account.

1.4. The CSCF shall compile and publish the classification at the end of the final competition. Its decision is final.

1.5. Host nation and CISM will award the team that wins the fair play contest with a Fair Play Trophy.



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