

## **RULES OF THE UNDER 23 LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION (CHELL TROPHY)**

1. The competition shall be called the UNDER 23 LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION and will be known as the CHELL TROPHY. Entry shall be confined to Teams in membership of the EASTERN COUNTIES UNDER 23 LEAGUE. Entry is optional.
2. The Rules of the Challenge Cup Competition shall apply to this competition, except :
  - a. any reference to the League Rules shall mean the Standard Code of Rules applicable to the Under 23 League for the current season,
  - b. Rule 4 shall not apply, and/or
  - c. as specially provided for in the foregoing Rules.
3. Rounds will be played on a knock-out basis, although the first round may be played on a league or group basis. There will be no replays, with all matches being concluded at the first game, with penalties if necessary – there will be no extra time played. All rounds up to the semi-finals will be drawn on a geographical basis.
4. Referees and Assistant Referees (when assigned) will be appointed from the League's List of Referees. The match fee for referees and assistant referees will be the same as for Under 23 League games. Travelling expenses will be in accordance with those of the League.
5. All players registered with a League in which their club competes in the current season shall be eligible to play in the competition, except that no player shall be eligible to play for more than one Club in any one season.