



Lower Hutt City AFC

2023 Mari & Mike Rogers U10-U14 Girls

Tournament Rules

- This year's tournament is to be held at Fraser Park Sportsville on September 23rd and 24th 2023.
- Lower Hutt City AFC as tournament host may enter two teams per grade at their discretion. All other clubs may enter ONE team per grade, with subsequent teams being placed onto a waitlist.
- Tournament Director and first point of contact is Mike Yates 027 449 0221 or treasurer@lhcafc.org.nz or in his absence Renee Fortune 027 642 0036 or secretary@lhcafc.org.nz.

1. Player Eligibility

1. U10 - all players must be born between 1st January 2013 and 31st December 2014
U12 - all players must be born between 1st January 2011 and 31st December 2012
U14 - all players must be born between 1st January 2009 and 31st December 2010
2. All players, with the exception of the guest players, must be registered members of the club they are representing. For the purpose of defining eligibility of a registered player, the player must have taken the field in at least one junior or youth game (in a Federation approved competition) for that club prior to 1st September 2023.
3. Only two (2) guest players per team will be permitted. A guest player is defined as one who does not meet the eligibility criteria herein.
4. If a player is guesting from another club, written approval on club letterhead from the players registered club **must** be obtained prior to the tournament commencement and submitted to LHCAFC with your team lists prior to the tournament commencement.

2. Team Squad

1. Teams may have unlimited squad numbers.
2. Teams will be required to submit squad lists by **1st September 2023** and includes their National ID # from Comet. Squad lists **must** indicate which players are guest players – *Player IDs and proof of birth date may be requested should a dispute arise.*

3. Substitutes

1. U10 – U12: An unlimited number of substitutes and rolling substitutes maybe used. All players should get an even amount of playing time.
2. U14: Up to five (5) substitutes may be used and these maybe rolled on and off as required during the match.

4. Matches

1. Teams will play at least 4 round robin games then semis and finals.
 - a) **U10: 7 v 7 games** with rolling substitutions.
Pool matches and finals will be two 12 min halves with 1 minute halftime.
Semi-finals: Should the result be tied after normal time; a penalty shootout will be used to decide the winner.
Final: Should the result be tied after normal time, 5 minutes each way extra time (turn around straight away) will be played. Should the result remain tied a penalty shootout will be used to decide the winner. For the final, if the penalty shootout is tied, a coin toss will decide the winner.
 - b) **U12: 9 v 9 games** with rolling substitutions.
Pool matches and finals will be two 20 min halves with 5 min halftime.
Semi-finals: Should the result be tied after normal time; a penalty shootout will be used to decide the winner.
Final: Should the result be tied after normal time, 5 minutes each way extra time (turn around straight away) will be played. Should the result remain tied a penalty shootout will be used to decide the winner. For the final, if the penalty shootout is tied, a coin toss will decide the winner.
 - c) **U14: 11 v 11 games** with rolling substitutions.
Pool matches and semi-finals will be two 20 min halves with 5 min halftime.
The final will be two 25 min halves with 5 min halftime.
Semi-finals and finals: Should the result be tied after normal time, 5 minutes each way extra time (turn around straight away) will be played. Should the result remain tied a penalty shootout will be used to decide the winner. For the finals, if the penalty shootout is tied, a coin toss will decide the winner.
 - d) Three points will be awarded for a win, one point for a draw and none for a loss.
 - e) The top team from each group pool play plus the best second placed team will progress to the semi-finals.
2. All Match Information Sheets (MIS) must be provided prior to the match to the appointed referee as per the CF Regulations. At the completion of each game the MIS should be handed at the tournament control desk at the end of each game with the name of the goal scorer(s) and the MVP (as nominated by your opposition coach).

5 Referees

1. Where possible, match officials will be allocated for each game. If we are unable to supply a referee, you will be asked to supply a referee for a half each. **THE REFEREES DECISION IS FINAL.**

6 Player's equipment

1. Undergarments: Common sense shall be used in the wearing of undergarments and goal-keeper colours.
2. Home teams will be listed first in the tournament draw as provided. In the event of a colour clash then the second named team will need alternate shirts or wear bibs.

This year's *Mari & Mike Rogers Girls Tournament* is being played under the Capital Football Rules and Regulations 2023, full details can be found at:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/capitalfootball/more-info/competition-information-1/regulations>

7. Code of Conduct

All players and coaching staff are bound by the NZF Code of Conduct. We expect all members, referees, administrators, associates, coaches, players, volunteers and parents or guardians to understand the possible consequences of breaching the Code of Conduct and ensure that they abide by the Code.

The feature of the tournament is **FUN** and an opportunity for the children to have a break from serious competition.

Please remember

... these are kids,

... this is a game,

... the coaches are volunteers,

... the referees are human,

... this is NOT the English Premier League (or even the A-League!),

... enjoy the game.