



# #BYC2023

6TH AUGUST - 10TH AUGUST 2023

# Organisers



# Partners



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# General Information

The tournament will be organised and facilitated by Playing for the Future C.I.C. from **6th - 9th August 2023**.

The Tournament shall be known as the Belfast Youth Cup.

The Tournament shall be organised by the Officers and Members of the Playing for the Future CIC committee which shall be known as the Organising Committee.

Please note that all participating teams must have their own insurance.

We will be filming some games and taking photographs for publicity purposes. If you have any children who do not have the relevant permissions then we must be notified in writing to [info@belfastyouthcup.com](mailto:info@belfastyouthcup.com) by **3rd August 2023**.



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# General Information



Section	Year group	Dates	Format	Competitions	Squad size	Times	Venue
Boys	2009	6th & 7th August 2023	11v11	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	18	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Boys	2011	6th & 7th August 2023	11v11	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	18	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Boys	2014	6th & 7th August 2023	7v7	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	14	9.30am - 4.30pm	Seaview Stadium, St Vincent St, Belfast BT15 3QG
Boys	2010	8th & 9th August 2023	11v11	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	18	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Boys	2012	8th & 9th August 2023	9v9	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	16	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Boys	2013	8th & 9th August 2023	9v9	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	16	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Girls	2010	10th August 2023	11v11	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	18	9.30am - 4.30pm	Ulster University Jordanstown, Shore Rd, Newtownabbey BT37 oQB
Boys	2015	10th August 2023	7v7	Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl	14	9.30am - 4.30pm	Blanchflower Stadium, 12 Holywood Rd, Belfast BT4 2HP



# Parking

## I Parking Information

### Ulster University Jordanstown

Please note that parking charges will apply on Monday - Thursday. There will be no charges on Sunday but people will need to take a ticket on entry to be able to exit.

The campus is now a cashless campus so card payments only at the exit points or at pay stations, signage is up explaining this.

### Seaview

Parking is limited. Please plan in advance. All parking is the responsibility of each individual.

### Blanchflower Stadium

Parking is available at the ground. Spaces are limited and parking is priced at £3.00.



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# Accommodation & Catering

If you have booked accommodation and have received an invoice payment **MUST** be made by **Tuesday 1st August** otherwise your booking will be cancelled. Please email [director@playingforthefuture.co.uk](mailto:director@playingforthefuture.co.uk) for further information.

Accommodation is self catering and based on campus at Ulster University. Single rooms with ensuite. Each team / club have their own floor allocated. There are five rooms per flat.

Outside caterers will be on site at UUU serving hot food and refreshments. Seaview & Blanchflower Stadium will have their own catering arrangements in place.



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# Squad Entries

Deadline to submit your squad is **Monday 1st August 2023**. Entry is submitted via online form only - no other methods will be accepted. See link below to complete your submission;

<https://forms.gle/aEjrZtn8ufi58u3u8>



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# Rules & Regulations



By entering the Tournament, teams undertake to accept the arrangements and decisions made by the Organising Committee. Participating clubs and associations shall be responsible for;

- The behaviour of the members of its delegation (officials and players) and of any person carrying out duties on its behalf throughout the competition for the whole duration of their stay in Northern Ireland.
- Providing compulsory health, accident and travel insurance cover for all the members of its delegation.

## Team Entry:

- Event entry is by application only.
- The Belfast Youth Cup is an open Tournament and eligible teams may be either club teams or teams representing more than one club.
- The Organising Committee shall have power to accept or reject any application for entry into this Tournament.
- Team entries accepted with full payment only. We reserve the right to exclude teams from the competition if payment hasn't been received once entry has been submitted online.
- The organising committee reserves the right to change the draw up to the time of kick off.
- Where a team withdraws and the organising committee are able to get a replacement team the new team will simply replace the withdrawing team in the draw.
- No refunds will be given to any team withdrawing at any stage.



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## Format:

- Group games will be played on day 1 / 2.
- Finals will be played on day 2.
- 4 competitions - Cup, Shield, Plate, Bowl
- All winners and runners up will receive medals.
- Refreshments and hot food will be available to purchase on the day from external providers.
- The organising committee reserve the right to change the format of the event right up to and including kick off

## Liability:

- The organising committee or venue owners will not accept responsibility for any loss, injury or death of any player/coach/club official taking part or involved in the Tournament.



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## Registration:

- Each player on each team list must conform to the age group that applies to the tournament.
- Each club will be held responsible for making sure that all their players are of the correct age. To clarify a point, players can be younger than the age group they are entered into but not older.
- Teams will be required to check-in on arrival. Please ask a member of staff on arrival for further details.
- If a team is late for check-in they may not be allowed to check in. If a team is aware that they will arrive late they should phone the organisers to inform them of the situation and they will be advised accordingly. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to accommodate this.
- If a team is refused registration for any reason no refund will be payable.

## Proof of Age:

- Each team must be able to provide proof of age for each player that is registered for their team on the day if requested to do so by the organisers at any stage during the tournament. Acceptable forms of identification will be a valid passport, birth certificate or league ID badges. Photocopies are accepted.
- Failure to provide proof of age will deem the said player ineligible.
- Any player that is found to be ineligible will result in the child being disqualified from taking part in the tournament.
- Any player found to be ineligible during play will be automatically disqualified from any further participation in the tournament. The organising committee reserves the right to take further action against any offending teams.



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## Matches:

- Rolling substitutions will be permitted. The referee has to be notified in order to stop play.
- Each team should be at the allocated pitch for their match 5 minutes before the kick off time. Failure to do so may result in missing out on a match and therefore losing points. We also reserve the right to deduct points.
- In all cases the match balls will be provided by the organising committee. Teams will be free to bring their own balls and use them for warming up but in all cases the balls provided by the organising committee will be used during the matches.
- Where the team kits colours clash the team first of the fixture list will wear bibs. Each team is responsible for bringing their own bibs.
- Referees will be provided by the organising committee. Their duties during the tournament will be the administration of the laws of the game and discipline issues and time keeping.
- The goalkeeper must not be in possession of the ball for more than 10 seconds. Any infringement of this results in a direct free kick 2m outside the area.
- All games should be played in a fun and sporting manner.
- The offside rule will be used in the 11v11 & 9v9 sections. The offside rule will not be used in the 7v7 sections.
- Keepers are not permitted to handle back passes from player in the same team. There will be no free pass rule in place.



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## Miscellaneous:

- The organising committee reserves the right to make changes and amend these rules to allow the smooth running of the tournament. Any rules changes or amendments will be communicated to the participating teams as soon as possible.
- The organising committee reserves the right to report all matters to the Northern Ireland Boys Football Association for further sanctions if the organising committee deems it to be necessary.
- The organising committee will arrange for photographers and/or videographers to attend the Tournament for publicity purposes. It will be each club's responsibility to inform the organising committee in writing if any child is not to be photographed or filmed at least 1 week prior to the tournament. If no information of this type is forwarded to the organising committee the assumption will be made that all photography/filming is permitted.
- All teams who participate in the tournament agree to co-operate fully with all publicity surrounding the event including any sponsors of the tournament.
- Any person(s) who, the organising committee has not authorised, takes photographs or video film is liable to all legal consequences that may arise. The organising committee will not accept responsibility for any person not authorised by Playing for the Future C.I.C.
- By applying to enter and /or taking part in this tournament it is deemed that each club accepts, and informs all players, coaches, team officials and supporters of, all rules set by the organising committee and agree to any sanctions by the organising committee.
- Players and officials are not allowed to display messages promoting drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, betting or gambling on their playing or team kit, equipment (including kit bags, beverage containers or medical bags etc) or body during time spent in the stadiums, training grounds or any other areas where accreditation is required to enable access.
- Any question of interpretation or any other matter not specifically covered by these rules will be determined by the Organising Committee. These rules may be reviewed and altered by the Committee, if circumstances were to change after they have been approved.