



TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

15th VR-BANK-AALEN-CUP, organized by SSV Aalen 16th/17th of January 2010, in the Greuthalle, Aalen

1. The tournament will be carried out according to the regulations for indoor football matches, edition 10/2003, as set forth for by the German Football Association / WFV.
2. Only youth players who are in the possession of a valid player ID pass (pass requirement) are eligible to play. All passports must be turned in to the tournament management, along with the team roster, before the start of the tournament. Players on foreign teams who are unable to submit a player's ID pass must identify themselves with an official document (ID card, passport). Only those players born after 01.01.93 are eligible to play.
3. A team exists of a maximum of 12 players, from which only 5 are allowed on the field at any one time (1 goalkeeper, 4 field players). **The goalkeeper may leave the goal area, but is not allowed to cross the centre line.** Substitutions can be made as often as desired, but players must enter from the goal ends of the field. A player can only play for one team.
4. The playing time of matches No. 1 to No. 42 is 1 x 12 minutes, with no side change. The final (match No. 43) has a playing time of 1 x 15 minutes, with no side change.
5. The first-mentioned team on the programme begins the kick-off facing towards to right, as viewed from the control room. If both teams are wearing the same coloured jerseys, it is this first team that must change to their 2nd set.
6. The qualifying round will be played in 3 groups, each with 5 teams. The 3 top-placed teams from each of these 3 groups qualify for the intermediate round (3 groups, each with 3 teams). In the case of identical game points and goals in the qualifying round, the winner will be decided through 9-metre penalty kicks. If the goal differences are identical, the decision goes to the team with the most scored goals.
For the final round, the 3 front-runners as well as the best second-placed team from the intermediate round qualify.
7. In the case of identical game points and goals after the intermediate round, as well as with a draw during the qualifying matches, the winner will be decided through 9-metre penalty kicks. If the goal differences are identical, the decision goes to the team with the most scored goals. Only the final game may be prolonged by 1 x 5 minutes.
8. The field in Aalen has boards around the entire field. If the ball goes out over the side, it is brought back into play by rolling the ball in from the side. If it goes out over the goal end of the field, it is brought back into play with either a corner kick or a goalie kick or goalie throw-in. The goalie may choose which method he uses to bring the ball back into play. If the goalie throw-in or kick goes beyond the defensive half of the field without having been touched by another player, an indirect free-kick from the mid-field line will take place. The back-pass rule will be used (if a player back-passes with his foot to his own goalkeeper, the goalie is not allowed to pick up the ball with his hands – if he does so, an indirect free kick will be awarded to the other team).
9. When the referee declares a **two-minute penalty time**, the designated player must leave the field for the entire duration of this penalty and may not be substituted. The penalty time will **not** end early when a goal has been made. Players who have been sent off for the **duration of the game** due to a red card, are eliminated from the tournament and will be immediately barred from play; they are subject to penalization according to the statutes of the responsible officials. A team whose player has been sent off will be allowed to substitute that player after a time period of **3 minutes** has passed. The penalty time will be monitored by either the tournament organizers, or, respectively, the referee.
10. Objections and protests due to a breach of the rules by the referee are not allowed. Other possible disputes will be decided by the tournament officials.
11. Entrance into the hall's interior space is only permitted in sports shoes with light-coloured soles.
12. The organizers do not assume liability for the loss or theft of clothes or objects of value. Each participant is responsible for his own property.