



A.S.B.L. **BELGIAN AMERICAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE** V.Z.W.
Siège social: **Avenue de Bouchoutlaan 9**
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Dear members,

CADETS – U16

The BAFL and the National Youth Committee (Stijn De Backer, Pascal Decoo) invite you to partake in the 2017 Cadet U16 competition.

The format of this year's competition is the similar to previous years. This competition will run from March till end of May with a possible final in the Belgian Bowl.

7 – MAN FOOTBALL

- 7-man football on a full sized field with no field goals – it is possible that new field dimensions will be communicated.
- NCAA rules apply – 20 minute quarters running clock, Time out stops the clock
- 3 lineman are needed and maximum of 4 players in the backfield
- Linemen cannot catch a pass as per NCAA rules
- RULE modifications: No kick offs, no punts, field goals are allowed, After changes of possession (except interception or fumble recovery) the ball will be placed on the 35 yard line of the team on offense.
- Each team must have a license list of 15 players with minimum of 10 on gameday
- Cadets are players born 2001-02-03-04-05
- The season MAY start on the first Saturday of March 2017
- Saturday games are the rule, Sunday games a possibility.
- All cadet players need to be correctly licensed
- Every team must provide 2 team officials
- Games will be played with official size and weight NCAA marked Balls
- Each team must provide an ambulance with crew
- Home teams must provide 18 L of water
- Participation fee is 50 € payable to the BFL payable by the deadline
- Registration deadline is 01/02/2017

JUNIORS – U19

The BAFL and the National Youth Committee (Stijn De Backer, Pascal Decoo) invite you to partake in the 2017 Junior U19 competition.

There are two leagues. The first one is 9 man football with the same principles and format as last year, with the same requirements on player numbers. Then we have a 7 man set-up which is a preparation step to move to 9 man. So the 9 man football is the main championship league and the 7 man football is a developmental league.

Please find the specifics AND READ EVERYTHING VERY CAREFULLY!!! THE DEADLINES ARE VERY STRICT!



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9 – MAN FOOTBALL

- 9-man football on a full sized field with field goals
- NCAA rules apply – 12 minute quarters
- 3 lineman are needed and maximum of 4 players in the backfield
- Each team must have a license list of 20 players with minimum of 15 on gameday
- Juniors are players born in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002
- The season MAY start on the second sunday of September 2017
- Sunday games are the rule, Saturday games a possibility.
- All junior players need to be correctly licensed
- A 5 - man BAFOC crew will be present
- Every team must provide 2 team officials
- Team officials and coaches MUST be present at the BAFOC rules clinics
- Games will be played with official size and weight NCAA marked Balls
- Each team must provide an ambulance with crew
- Home teams must provide 18 L of water
- All junior coaches must attend the juniors rules clinic beginning of September
- Participation fee is 50 € payable to the BFL payable by the deadline
- **Registration deadline is JUNE 1st 2017**
- It is advised to teams who haven't participated last season to start out in the 7 man league!

7 – MAN FOOTBALL

- 7-man football on a full sized field with no field goals
- NCAA rules apply – 20 minute quarters
- 3 lineman are needed and maximum of 4 players in the backfield
- Linemen cannot catch a pass as per NCAA rules
- RULE modifications: No kick offs, no punts, field goals are allowed, After changes of possession (except interception or fumble recovery) the ball will be placed on the 35 yard line of the team on offense. Running clock – only time outs stop the clock.
- Each team must have a license list of 15 players with minimum of 10 on gameday
- Juniors are players born in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002
- The season MAY start on the second Sunday of September 2017
- Sunday games are the rule, Saturday games a possibility.
- All junior players need to be correctly licensed
- A 3 - man BAFOC crew will be present
- Every team must provide 2 team officials
- Team officials and coaches MUST be present at the BAFOC rules clinics
- Games will be played with official size and weight NCAA marked Balls
- Each team must provide an ambulance with crew
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REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Please register your team by June 1st to Stijndebacker@pandora.be and copy Pascal Decoo pascal.decoo@baf1.be so that we can publish the schedule by AUGUST 1ST.

PLEASE ALSO MAIL ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS

Registration procedure :

Participation fee is 50 € (non refundable) payable on the BFL account BE14 3101 9884 0083 before July 15th 2017.

An invoice will be provided later. **Payment confirms initial registration. So if you are registered but do not pay on time your registration will default.**

Based on this registration a preliminary schedule will be drawn up. By September 1st each team must provide a provisional player list with 20 players for 9 man football and 15 players for 7 man football. Failure to do so on time will result in a 250 € fine.

If a team who registers for 9 man football and by the 1st of September does not have the required amount of players can still participate in the developmental league but will still need to pay the fine.

If a team pulls out of the competition between Sept 1st and the end of the season will be fined 500 € and any costs incurred by participating teams.

Teams who forfeit a game because of insufficient players (before or during the game) will be fined 250 €.

Yours sincerely,

Stijn De Backer

Youth Player development