

MAN v FAT Football 11's Key Rules FAQ's

1. Player Registration	
1a. How do I register my interest for MAN v FAT Football 11's with MAN v FAT Football?	<p>Every member of the MAN v FAT Football Community will be sent an email with a MAN v FAT Football 11's registration link. By following the link found on www.manvfat.com/elevens each player can provide a few simple details before paying their £9 registration fee. The closing date for 2022/23 player registrations is 25th July 2022.</p> <p>If you are an existing 11's Team Manager or are committed to becoming your new MAN v FAT Football 11's Team Manager email events@manvfat.com to confirm.</p>
1b. How do I register for my MAN v FAT Football 11's Team?	<p>Once a MAN v FAT Football Club has appointed a MAN v FAT Football 11's Team Manager, the Team Manager will register the team for the MAN v FAT Football 11's competition on The Whole Game System.</p>
1c. When can I register for the 2022/23 season?	<p>Once a MAN v FAT Football 11's Team has been successfully affiliated the team can register for the competition. Players are able to register for the team using the WGS. Some County FA's will open affiliation throughout June, for others this will open in July.</p>
1d. How much will it cost me?	<p>Players will pay a £9 annual registration fee. Registration lasts for one season (August to May inclusive). If during the tournament season you are not a squad member for any game, You are able to request a full refund of your registration fee at the end of the season.</p> <p>Teams will need to pay their County FA for affiliation and insurance. Players will continue to contribute towards match fees ie referees, facilities etc as in previous seasons.</p> <p>Some helpful advice on managing your teams budget for the season can be found here.</p>

2. Player Eligibility	
2a. Which team can I register for?	<p>MAN v FAT FOOTBALL Players may register for the MAN v FAT Football 11's team associated with the club of which they play their weekly fixtures.</p> <p>If a player is registered at more than one MAN v FAT Football Club, they must decide which one to represent at MAN v FAT Football 11's</p>

	during the registration period and may not transfer during the playing season.
2b. What's the eligibility criteria?	<p>A player must be male, 18+, a registered and active member of MAN v FAT Football. A player may be in either the weight loss or maintenance phase of their MAN v FAT Football journey.</p> <p>The player must be registered for that club when the MAN v FAT Football 11's squad is registered (June/July) and remain registered for that club at the time of any tournament fixtures.</p> <p>If a player leaves or is terminated from MAN v FAT Football for any reason they will immediately become ineligible for MAN v FAT Football 11's.</p>
2c. Can I play for more than one club?	No, a player can only play for a MAN v FAT Football team representing the location where they take part in weekly club nights (their registered MAN v FAT Football Club). A player may only register for one MAN v FAT Football 11's team per season.
2d. Do I have to attend my MAN v FAT Football Club nights?	Yes, players must attend at least one weekly club night every four weeks at the club that they are representing to remain eligible. If a player does not maintain this attendance they are no longer eligible until they have attended at least one session.
2e. Can I play MAN v FAT Football 11's if my MAN v FAT Football payments are in arrears?	<p>No, if a player's monthly MAN v FAT Football subscription falls into arrears they will no longer be eligible to play MAN v FAT Football 11's.</p> <p>Once back up to date with outstanding payments, providing the player remains eligible under rules 2b and 2d, the player can return to MAN v FAT Football 11's.</p>
2f. Can I play MAN v FAT Football 11's if I am suspended from MAN v FAT Football for misconduct?	<p>If a player receives a ban from the FA you will not be able to play in tournament games*</p> <p>If you are suspended by the FA pending an investigation, you will not be able to play in tournament games*</p>

*It is the player's responsibility to make their team manager aware that they are not eligible to play, failure to do so may result in games being forfeited, results or points being altered for playing an ineligible player. The Competition Manager will continue to check eligibility via the FA systems and MAN v FAT system throughout the season.

3. Squad/Team Eligibility	
3a. Will my 11's team be required to affiliate?	Yes, as a fully FA Sanctioned Competition, registered teams are required to affiliate with their County FA. Teams will be able to utilise

	available FA Affiliated Referees as part of the affiliation.
3b. Will we need to purchase insurance?	Yes, Insurance is required as part of the affiliation process. This will be offered at a competitive rate by your County FA when teams affiliate.
3c. How many players will my team need?	Each squad must consist of a minimum of 20 eligible players and no more than 40. Although MAN v FAT will not be involved in anyway in player selection, we would recommend selecting as many players as possible within the 40. This will help to ensure teams have plenty of eligible players in the squad to choose from to help avoid forfeits and allow the team to continue in the competition even if a large number of players decide not to continue with MAN v FAT Football or MAN v FAT Football 11's. If a club registers 50 or more eligible players, they may choose to enter 2 teams, as long as rules 2c and all of 3c are adhered to.
3d. My MAN v FAT Football Club is in Wales or Scotland, can I still participate?	Yes, MAN v FAT are in ongoing discussions with the FAW and SFA to establish how we work with them on the tournaments. Pending sufficient player/squad registrations we'll be including groups in Scotland and Wales throughout the group stages. Believe it or not, teams will need to agree international clearance between the FA's which we're working on. The experience will be as close to the same as possible for Welsh and Scottish clubs although some elements may not be on the Whole Game System. Teams will be integrated into the knock out stages and all the way to the finals if you make it.

4. 2022/23 Season Dates	
4a. Player Registration	Closes 25 th July 2022
4b. Group Stage	From 27 th August
4c. Knock-out Stage	TBC
4d. Finals Day	TBC

5. Validity of Fixtures	
5a. Which group will I be in?	Pending team registrations, regional groups will consist of six teams. Where a MAN v FAT

	<p>Football Club registers more than one MAN v FAT Football 11's Team, every reasonable effort will be made to ensure the teams are in separate groups. Based on geographical locations it may be necessary for the Scottish teams to be placed into a group of their own as the closest teams that they could play would be in locations such as Carlisle and Newcastle. The Welsh teams may be able to be placed into groups from the Southwest of England, such as Bristol, Gloucester, Weston Super Mare etc.</p>
<p>5b. Who will my team play and when?</p>	<p>All group stage fixtures along with knock out stage fixture dates will be published on the Whole Game System at the start of the competition season. The pre-determined fixture dates will reflect a fixture window meaning the fixture must be played with two weeks. Teams will be expected to play in two fixtures per month during the group stages. The group stages will consist of five home and five away fixtures. The home team is responsible for arranging the kick off time, location, officials and any other useful information for the opponents and sharing this with sufficient notice. If a team does not arrange all elements and share with the opponents in sufficient time or either team is unable to fulfil the fixture the score will be recorded and points awarded accordingly.</p>
<p>5c. Who will be responsible for submitting match reports?</p>	<p>The match reports will be submitted by the referee for each of the games including any disciplinary issues that may have occurred. Managers may also need to submit a match report (details to be confirmed).</p>