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TITLE 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER 1: NAME, ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Article 1: Name and Organization

1.1. The Cameroonian Football Federation organizes a national competition called the "CAMEROON CUP."

1.2. The Cameroon Cup is contested by elimination in two phases: the preliminary phase and the final phase.

Article 2: Structures Responsible for Organization and Administration

2.1. The Executive Committee and the Secretary General of FECAFOOT are responsible, respectively, for the organization and administration of the Cameroon Cup.

2.2. The Secretary General of FECAFOOT may delegate the administration of the preliminary phase of the Cameroon Cup to the Secretaries General of the Regional Leagues.

CHAPTER 2: TROPHY, MEDALS AND OTHER AWARDS

Article 3: Trophy

3.1. A work of art, the property of the Federation, will be presented at the end of the final to the winning club, which will keep it for one year. It must be returned to the Federation's headquarters by the holding club, at its own expense and risk, within ten (10) days following the quarter-final matches of the Cameroon Cup, under penalty of disciplinary sanctions imposed by the competent judicial body.

3.2. In addition to the aforementioned object, a performance bonus will be awarded to the winning club.

Article 4: Medals

FECAFOOT will award medals as follows:

- Twenty-five (25) gold medals to the winning team of the Cameroon Cup;
- Twenty-five (25) silver medals to the runner-up team of the Cameroon Cup.

Article 5: Other Awards

5.1. FECAFOOT reserves the right to grant other awards at the end of the Cameroon Cup final to clubs, players and coaching staff as follows:

- Runner-up club;
- Best Player of the final;

5.2. The nature and terms for granting the awards referred to in paragraph (1) above will be defined by resolution of the FECAFOOT Executive Committee.

CHAPTER 3: REPRESENTATION OF CAMEROON AT THE CAF CONFEDERATION CUP

Article 6: Conditions of Participation

6.1. a) The winning club of the Cameroon Cup will automatically represent Cameroon at the CAF Confederation Cup, subject to a confirming resolution of the Executive Committee and obtaining

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the CAF club license.

b) In the event of a duly established default by the winning club, or where that club achieves a "Championship/Cup" double, the runner-up club will represent Cameroon at the CAF Confederation Cup in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1(a).

c) In the event of a duly established default by the runner-up club, the best-placed team at the end of the championship will represent Cameroon at the CAF Confederation Cup, subject to a confirming resolution of the Executive Committee and obtaining the CAF club license.

6.2. Defaulting clubs are liable to a fine of 5,000,000 FCFA, without prejudice to the application of any of the sanctions provided for by the Statutes and Regulations of FECAFOOT.

6.3. If the competition has not begun or is halted due to force majeure, the best-placed club in the championship that is not qualified for the CAF Champions League will represent Cameroon at the CAF Confederation Cup, subject to the provisions of paragraph 1(a).

CHAPTER 4: LICENSES, QUALIFICATION AND RESPONSIBILITY OF CLUBS

Article 7: Qualification Licenses

7.1. The provisions of the FECAFOOT General Regulations apply in full to the Cameroon Cup.

7.2. Any player authorized to regularly take part in the championship played by the club's first team may take part in the Cameroon Cup.

Article 8: Responsibility of Clubs

8.1. Every club entered in the Cameroon Cup is responsible to FECAFOOT for the actions of its license holders and its spectators. It must take the necessary measures to ensure good order and safety before, during and after matches.

8.2. Every club entered in the Cameroon Cup that habitually accepts the direct or indirect benefit of interventions in its favor by supporter groups, friends or any third parties, is responsible to the Federation for all acts committed by these groups that are contrary to FECAFOOT's texts.

8.3. Failure to comply with the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 above is liable to the sanctions provided for by FECAFOOT's texts and regulations.

CHAPTER 5: TRAVEL EXPENSES OF MATCH OFFICIALS AND CLUBS

Article 9: Travel Expenses of Officials

9.1. The travel expenses of match officials are covered by FECAFOOT or, by delegation, by the Regional League concerned.

9.2. Where a match is postponed, match officials will receive compensatory allowances.

9.2. The payment of allowances owed to match officials who traveled for matches postponed or interrupted during the first half of play due to force majeure is made by FECAFOOT or, by delegation, by the Regional League concerned.

Article 10: Travel Expenses of Clubs

Every team entered in the Cameroon Cup bears in full the transport and accommodation costs related to its travel.

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CHAPTER 6: PROHIBITIONS

Article 11: Prohibition on Recourse to Ordinary Courts

In accordance with the FECAFOOT Statutes, teams, players, officials, coaches and match officials of the Cameroon Cup are not authorized to bring disputes before an ordinary court, but only before FECAFOOT's judicial bodies, until all internal FECAFOOT remedies have been exhausted.

Article 12: Doping

12.1. Doping is prohibited. FECAFOOT and the Regional League concerned will inform the teams participating in the Cameroon Cup of doping control procedures and prohibited substances by circular.

12.2. The FECAFOOT Disciplinary Code, the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations and other applicable FIFA directives apply to the Cameroon Cup.

CHAPTER 7: COMMERCIAL RIGHTS, STADIUM REVENUE, ADVERTISING AND BROADCASTING RIGHTS

Article 13: Commercial Rights

13.1. FECAFOOT owns and manages all commercial rights relating to the Cameroon Cup.

13.2. FECAFOOT will publish the commercial guidelines governing all commercial rights for the Cameroon Cup. All teams must observe these commercial guidelines and ensure that they are also respected by their members, officials, players, delegates and other affiliates, under penalty of sanctions imposed by the competent judicial bodies.

Article 14: Stadium Revenue, Advertising and Broadcasting Rights

14.1. For the Cameroon Cup, revenue consists of ticket sales for all official matches, income from television, broadcasting and digital platform rights, and advertising inside and outside stadiums, and all other forms of revenue or admissions, for the entire duration of the Cameroon Cup.

14.2. Television, broadcasting and digital platform rights on the one hand, and advertising revenue inside and outside stadiums as well as the exploitation of symbols on the other, will be the subject of separate contracts freely negotiated between FECAFOOT and commercial partners for one or more successive seasons.

14.3. The television, broadcasting, digital platform and advertising rights for the draw ceremonies of the preliminary phase and the final phase belong to FECAFOOT. They will be the subject of separate contracts freely negotiated between FECAFOOT and commercial partners.

14.4. FECAFOOT reserves the right to assign the above-mentioned rights free of charge to the Regional Leagues in order to cover part of the costs of organizing the preliminary phase.

TITLE II: PRELIMINARY PHASE

CHAPTER 8: PARTICIPATION, ENTRY AND CLUB COLORS

Article 15: Participation

The preliminary phase of the Cameroon Cup is open to clubs entered in the Regional Championship, the Departmental Championship 1 and the Departmental Championship 2, with

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the exception of clubs that have been declared to have forfeited by decision of the competent FECAFOOT body.

Article 16: Entry

16.1. The clubs referred to in Article 15, paragraph 1 above may take part in the Cameroon Cup. Their entry, together with the related fees, is made at the time of their entry into the championship in which they participate.

16.2. The holder of the Cameroon Cup is automatically entered and is exempt from entry fees.

Article 17: Club Colors

17.1. Players taking part in a match must be decently dressed in jerseys bearing their club's colors. These colors must be declared and communicated to the League concerned before the start of the season.

17.2. In the event of a conflict of traditional colors, a draw determines which club must change jerseys.

17.3. Clubs participating in the preliminary phase of the Cameroon Cup must have their players wear jerseys and, where applicable, tracksuits and shorts free of any advertising, unless prior authorization is obtained from FECAFOOT.

17.4. From the round from which the Federation has contracted with an industrial or commercial firm, clubs must have their players wear the jerseys and, where applicable, the tracksuits and shorts supplied by the Federation and bearing that firm's label, under the conditions provided for by the contract.

17.5. Failure to comply with the requirements of paragraph 4 above is liable to the sanction of exclusion from all competitions organized by FECAFOOT and its Leagues for a maximum period of two (2) years.

CHAPTER 9: COMPETITION FORMAT

Article 18: Organization

18.1. The preliminary phase is contested at the level of the Regional Leagues.

18.2. The preliminary rounds are organized at the level of each Regional League by the Secretary General of FECAFOOT or, by delegation, by the secretary general of the Regional League concerned. At the regional level, they pit clubs of Departmental Championship 2, clubs of Departmental Championship 1 and clubs of the Regional Championship against one another. The match pairings are established by a public and transparent draw at each round.

18.3. During the draw for the first round, clubs of the Regional championship are first paired against clubs of Departmental Championship 2, and then against those of Departmental Championship 1, until all clubs to be drawn have been paired;

18.4. Reserve teams of clubs of the Elite One Championship, the Elite Two Championship and the Regional Championship are not admitted to participate in the Cameroon Cup;

18.5. The FECAFOOT Executive Committee defines the arrangements for designating the best loser(s) as needed.

Article 19: Laws of the Game and Duration of Matches

19.1. All matches of the preliminary phase of the Cameroon Cup are played in accordance with the laws of the game in force as enacted by the International Football Association Board.

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19.2. Teams meet in single matches.

19.3. Each match lasts 90 minutes, i.e. two periods of 45 minutes separated by a 15-minute break.

19.4. In the event of a tie at the end of regulation time referred to in paragraph 3 above, there will be no extra time; the teams will be separated directly by a penalty shoot-out.

Article 20: Match Ratification

20.1. The ratification of a preliminary-phase match is automatically carried out by the FECAFOOT General Secretariat or, by delegation, by the secretary general of the Regional League concerned, provided the officials' reports do not report any violation of FECAFOOT's Statutes, Codes, Regulations, Decisions and Directives.

20.2. In the aforementioned case, a ratification note from the Secretary General of FECAFOOT or the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned records the results achieved on the field and establishes the list of clubs qualified for the next round of the competition.

20.3. In the event of a violation of FECAFOOT's Statutes, Codes, Regulations, Decisions and Directives, the competent judicial body rules within 7 days.

Article 21: Pairings

The pairings for preliminary-phase matches are established by a public and transparent draw carried out by the Secretary General of the League concerned at each round.

CHAPTER 10: PLAYING FIELDS

Article 22: Choice of Fields

Preliminary-phase matches are played as single matches on a field chosen by the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned.

Article 23: Unplayable Fields - Lack of Visibility - Insecurity

23.1. The referee alone is qualified to declare a field unplayable. He may take this decision as soon as he arrives in the locality where the match is to take place. If there is still time at that point, he must do everything possible to notify both clubs of his decision.

23.2. A match that has not started due to the unplayable state of the field or lack of visibility is played the following day. If the conditions that caused the postponement persist, the match is played on a later date.

23.3. A match that has started, and during which the total duration of interruption(s) exceeds 45 minutes due to bad weather or insecurity, is definitively stopped by the referee's decision. The following provisions then apply and also concern matches stopped by the referee for lack of visibility:

if the match is stopped in the first half or during half-time, it is to be replayed the following day. In that case:

- Goals scored in that match are no longer valid;
- Only players listed on the match sheet of the interrupted match and who have not been sent off are authorized to take part in this match;
- They may replace the player(s) who were sent off with players from the starting eleven.
- Yellow cards are retained.

If it is in the second half, the match will be replayed on a later date to be set by the Secretary General of the League concerned, with the same officials. In that case, only players from the club who were qualified as of the date of the interrupted match are authorized to take part in this

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match. The match will continue for the remaining time with the score at the time of the stoppage.
23.4. Additional accommodation costs incurred by teams as a result of a match being postponed to the following day give rise to payment of a compensatory allowance. Its award and amount are determined by the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned in light of the supporting documents produced.

CHAPTER 11: MATCH OFFICIALS

Article 24: Referees and Assistant Referees

24.1. Referees, Assistant Referees and fourth officials are appointed by the Central Referees Commission or, by delegation, by the Regional Referees Commission at the request of the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned. They will be selected from the list of referees established and validated at the start of the season by the League. They must hold a currently valid license.

24.2. In the event of the absence of one of the appointed referees, the two clubs may not use this absence as grounds to refuse to play if a Federal Referee 2, a Federal Referee 1 or a regional referee holding a currently valid license is present at the stadium.

24.3. If several referees referred to in paragraph (2) above are present, the Match Commissioner refers the matter to the General Secretariat of the Regional League concerned for the appointment of a referee, after consultation with the Central Referees Commission or, by delegation, the Regional Referees Commission.

24.4. In the absence of referees referred to in paragraph (2) above, the match may not take place.

24.5. If the Referee is prevented from carrying out his duties, he will be replaced by the 4th official if the latter is a referee. Otherwise, he will be replaced by the 1st assistant referee.

24.6. If the 1st assistant referee is prevented from carrying out his duties, he will be replaced by the 2nd assistant referee, with the 4th official becoming the 2nd assistant referee.

24.7. If the 2nd assistant referee is prevented from carrying out his duties, he will be replaced by the 4th official.

24.8. After each match, the referee will prepare and sign an official report, which he will send within twenty-four (24) hours to the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned.

24.9. In his report, the referee will record as much detail as possible on incidents that occurred before, during and after the match, as well as any significant event such as misconduct by players or coaching staff resulting in a caution or sending-off, and unsporting conduct by supporters and/or officials or any other person acting on behalf of a club.

Article 25: Match Commissioner

25.1. The Secretary General of the Regional League concerned appoints a Commissioner for each match.

25.2. In the event of a delay by one of the clubs present, he assesses whether the match can be played.

25.3. The Commissioner is specifically responsible for ensuring compliance with the competition regulations and the proper organization of matches.

25.4. In agreement with the Referee, he decides on the measures to be taken to ensure the proper conduct of the match.

25.5. He must also send to the Secretary General of the Regional League concerned,

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- within twenty-four (24) hours following the match, a report recording:
- Any incidents of any kind that may have occurred;
 - The measures he suggests to prevent their recurrence;
 - His observations on the playing field and the facilities;
 - The quality of the medical and security coverage.
- 25.6. In the Commissioner's absence, his duties automatically fall to the referee.

CHAPTER 12: TECHNICAL MEETING, ARRIVALS AT THE STADIUM, MATCH SHEET AND PRESENTATION OF LICENSES

Article 26: Technical Meeting

26.1. A technical meeting, chaired by the Match Commissioner, is held at the stadium where the match is to take place three hours before the scheduled kick-off time of the match.

26.2. The following are required to attend this meeting, at which the wearing of a mask is mandatory for all:

- The Match Commissioner;
- The General Coordinator;
- The 4th official;
- A representative of each club present, holding a currently valid license issued by FECAFOOT;
- The Stadium Coordinator;

26.3. Club representatives must present the jerseys their teams will wear during the match.

26.4. Any absence from the technical meeting is liable to a fine of 25,000 (twenty-five thousand) CFA francs for clubs and one of the sanctions provided for by the Statutes and the FECAFOOT Disciplinary Code for officials.

Article 27: Arrivals at the Stadium

27.1. Arrivals at the stadium take place as follows:

- For clubs: two hours before the scheduled kick-off time of the match;
- For referees: three hours and fifteen minutes before the scheduled kick-off time of the match;
- For the Commissioner: three hours and fifteen minutes before the scheduled kick-off time of the match.

27.2. Any late arrival is liable to the sanctions provided for by the FECAFOOT Disciplinary Code.

27.3. Arrivals at the stadium are recorded by the match commissioner and the referee.

Article 28: Match Sheet

28.1. The match sheet must include a maximum of 20 players (11 starters and 9 substitutes) per club. The first 11 named must start the match, and the other 9 take their place on the substitutes' bench. The numbers on the players' jerseys must correspond to the numbers listed on the match sheet. The goalkeeper and the captain must be identified.

28.2. Both clubs must submit the match sheet to the referee and the Coordinator at least 90 minutes before kick-off.

28.3. Once the match sheets have been completed, signed and submitted to the referee and the Coordinator, and if the match has not yet started, the following instructions must be followed:

- If one of the 11 starters is unable to start the match for any reason, he may be replaced by one of the nine substitutes and then becomes part of the substitute players. During the match, however, five substitutions will still be possible;
- If one of the substitutes listed on the match sheet is unable to take his place for any reason, he cannot be replaced.

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28.4. Late submission of the match sheet is liable to a fine of two hundred thousand (200,000) CFA francs for clubs and one of the sanctions provided for by the Statutes and the FECAFOOT Disciplinary Code for officials.

28.5. The original match sheet must be sent to the Secretary General of FECAFOOT by the officials within twenty-four (24) hours after the match. If not sent within this period, the sanctions provided for by the Disciplinary Code apply.

Article 29: Presentation of Licenses

29.1. Referees require the presentation of licenses before each match and verify the identity of players. If a player does not present his license, the referee may prohibit him from being listed on the match sheet and from taking part in the match.

29.2. Where the opposing team lodges prior reservations regarding the participation in the match of the player referred to in paragraph 1 above, and the referee nevertheless allows him to take part in the match, that player's team will lose the match by forfeit if the said reservations, once duly converted into complaints, are found admissible and well-founded by the competent judicial body.

29.3. A player who does not present his license may, exceptionally, take part in the match, provided that he is formally identified and that his club pays a penalty equivalent to the cost of the license, against a receipt, before the start of the match. The club is further required to present the said license to the authority responsible for organizing the competition within 24 hours after the match for transmission.

CHAPTER 13: BALLS AND OCCUPATION OF SUBSTITUTES' BENCHES

Article 30: Balls

30.1. Clubs must each supply a ball in good, regulation condition, under penalty of one of the sanctions provided for by the Federation's Texts and Regulations.

30.2. Additional balls may be placed around the field by FECAFOOT, provided their use remains under the Referee's control.

30.3. All balls used in matches must bear the following markings: FIFA Quality PRO, FIFA Quality, IMS – INTERNATIONAL MATCH STANDARD.

30.4. If the ball is damaged at kick-off, on a goal kick, a corner kick, a free kick, a penalty kick or a throw-in, play must be restarted.

30.5. The ball may not be replaced during the match except with the Referee's authorization.

Article 31: Occupation of Substitutes' Benches

31.1. The substitutes' benches are occupied by the clubs present as follows:

- a. The home club occupies the bench located to the left of the Match Commissioner's table;
- b. The visiting club occupies the bench located to the right of the Match Commissioner's table.

31.2. Only the following persons are permitted to occupy the substitutes' bench:

- a) A Head Coach holding currently valid technical and professional licenses issued by FECAFOOT;
- b) An Assistant Coach holding currently valid technical and professional licenses issued by FECAFOOT;
- c) A Goalkeeping Assistant Coach holding currently valid technical and professional licenses issued by FECAFOOT;
- d) A Physical Trainer holding currently valid technical and professional licenses issued by FECAFOOT;

- e) A Doctor holding a currently valid license issued by FECAFOOT;
- f) A Physiotherapist holding a currently valid license issued by FECAFOOT;
- g) An Equipment Manager holding a currently valid license issued by FECAFOOT;
- h) An official holding a currently valid license issued by FECAFOOT;
- i) Substitute players duly listed on the match sheet or players who have been substituted, i.e. a maximum of seven players.

CHAPTER 14: NUMBER OF PLAYERS – NUMBER OF SUBSTITUTIONS – ADDED TIME

Article 32: Number of Players

32.1. Every match is played by two teams composed of a maximum of eleven (11) players each, one of whom is the goalkeeper. No match may take place or continue if either team has fewer than seven (7) players.

32.2. If a team ends up with fewer than seven (7) players because one of them deliberately left the field, the referee is not obliged to stop play and may apply advantage. However, play may not resume after the first stoppage if the team does not have at least seven (7) players.

32.3. Starting and substitute players must be designated before kick-off. However, if a team is forced to start a match with fewer than eleven (11) players, only late-arriving starting and substitute players listed on the match sheet may play upon their arrival.

32.4. A starting player who deliberately leaves the field before kick-off without valid reason or the Referee's prior authorization must be sent off for improper conduct tending to distort the course of a match. If, in the Referee's opinion, the club is complicit in this conduct, the club in question may not replace the excluded player and will start the match with ten (10) players, without prejudice to other sanctions provided for by FECAFOOT's Texts and Regulations.

Article 33: Number of Substitutions

33.1. In accordance with the temporary amendment to Law 3 decided by the IFAB due to the COVID-19 pandemic in its circular No. 19 of 8 May 2020, each team will be authorized to use a maximum of five substitutes.

33.2. To avoid excessively disrupting the course of the match, each team will have a maximum of three opportunities to make substitutions during the match; in addition, these substitutions may be made at half-time.

33.3. If both teams make a substitution at the same time, each will be considered to have used one of their three substitution opportunities.

33.4. In the event of a confirmed or potential cardiac arrest or concussion, following a three-minute assessment period on or off the field, the substitution must be made immediately without this resulting in the team playing with fewer players. This substitution will be made independently of the number of substitutions regulated by paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

Article 34: Added Time

The Referee uses each period to compensate for stoppages in play caused by:

- Substitutions;
- The assessment of injury and/or the transport of injured players off the field;
- Time-wasting maneuvers;
- Disciplinary sanctions;

- Stoppages in play of a medical nature, in particular “recovery breaks” (a maximum of one minute) and “cooling breaks” (90 seconds to 3 minutes);
- Checks and reviews carried out as part of video assistant refereeing.

Any other cause, including any significant delay in the resumption of play (for example, celebrating a goal).

CHAPTER 15: RECORDING OF ABSENCE - FORFEITS

Article 35: Recording of Absence

35.1. In the event of the absence of one or both teams, this is recorded by the referee fifteen (15) minutes after the scheduled kick-off time.

35.2. The times at which the absence(s) are recorded are noted on the match sheet by the referee.

Article 36: Insufficient Number of Players and Abandonment of Match

36.1. A team presenting itself on the field with fewer than seven players to start the match is declared to have forfeited.

36.2. If a team cannot present itself on the field at the scheduled time due to duly established force majeure, and where all arrangements had been made to arrive at the match venue in good time, the Commissioner, or failing that, the referee, assesses whether the match can be played. In the event of a dispute, the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission decides whether the match should be replayed.

36.3. Any team abandoning the match is considered to have forfeited on the field.

Article 37: Effects of Forfeit - Withdrawal

A club declaring forfeit or declared to have forfeited is automatically suspended from the following edition of the Cameroon Cup, in accordance with the provisions of Article 29 A of the Disciplinary Code and Article 130 of the General Regulations.

CHAPTER 16: COMPLAINTS - APPEALS

Article 38: Complaints

38.1. Complaints regarding the eligibility of players, officials and coaches, duly supported and formulated in the manner prescribed by the Federation’s General Regulations, are addressed to the secretary general of the Regional League concerned, who submits them for a decision to the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission.

38.2. Complaints on technical matters must be duly supported and formulated in the manner prescribed by FECAFOOT’s General Regulations. They are addressed to the Secretary General of the Regional League, who submits them, for a decision, to the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission.

38.3. Any club that is the subject of reservations formulated for failure to present a license must send to the Secretary General of the Regional League, within the following twenty-four (24) hours, all information necessary for the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission to examine the complaint.

38.4. For any player who is the subject of reservations formulated for fraud, the presumed false license is retained by the referee, who sends it directly to the Secretary General of the Regional League for transmission to the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission. Mention of this retention is made on the disciplinary form given to the clubs, indicating the license number, the name(s) of the player(s)

concerned and the reason for the retention.

Article 39: Appeals

39.1. An appeal against decisions rendered by the Regional Ratification and Discipline Commission may be lodged before the FECAFOOT Appeals Commission by any interested natural or legal person.

39.2. Appeals must be lodged within 72 clear hours following notification of the decision to the party concerned.

CHAPTER 17: FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Article 40: Revenue

A share of gate receipts is allocated to clubs in accordance with the revenue-sharing scale in force.

Article 41: Financial Provisions in the Event of a Match to Be Replayed

In the event of a match being replayed, the share of gate receipts due to the teams is in accordance with the provisions of Article 45 above.

TITLE III: FINAL PHASE

CHAPTER 18: ORGANIZATION, PARTICIPATION, ENTRIES AND CLUB COLORS

Article 42: Organization and Participation

42.1. The final phase comprises the matches of the round of 32, the round of 16, the round of 8 (quarter-finals), the semi-finals and the final.

42.2. The round of 32 pits clubs of the Elite Championships (I & II) against amateur clubs that won the last preliminary round. Match pairings are established by a full, public and transparent draw, first systematically pairing a club from the "MTN Elite One" Championship or the "MTN Elite Two" Championship against a club from the amateur championship coming from the last preliminary round.

42.3. However, given that clubs from the professional championships are more numerous than those from the preliminary phase, at the end of the draw, one or more matches may pit clubs from the professional championships against each other.

42.4. For participation in the round of 32, the quotas for the Regional Leagues are defined by the FECAFOOT General Secretariat, assisted as needed by the National and International Competitions Commission, taking into account the number of clubs entered in the Regional Championship, Departmental Championship 1 and Departmental Championship 2.

42.5. The FECAFOOT General Secretariat, assisted as needed by the National and International Competitions Commission, also defines the arrangements for designating the best loser(s) as needed.

42.6. The pairings for the round of 16, round of 8 (quarter-finals) and semi-final matches are established by a full, public and transparent draw carried out by the FECAFOOT General Secretariat, assisted as needed by the National and International Competitions Commission.

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Article 43: Structures Responsible for Organization and Administration

The Executive Committee and the FECAFOOT General Secretariat are responsible, respectively, for the organization and administration of the final phase.

Article 44: Entry

44.1. The final phase of the Cameroon Cup is open to clubs entered in the "MTN Elite One" Championship, the "MTN Elite Two" Championship, and clubs from the last elimination round of the preliminary phase.

44.2. Clubs of the "MTN Elite One" Championship and the "MTN Elite Two" Championship must participate in the Cameroon Cup. Their entry, together with the related fees, is made at the time of their entry into the championship in which they participate.

44.3. Any club that withdraws or is declared to have forfeited during the final phase is automatically excluded from the following edition, without prejudice to other sanctions provided for by the Disciplinary Code and the General Regulations of FECAFOOT that may be imposed on it by the Ratification and Discipline Commission.

44.4. The holder of the Cameroon Cup title is automatically entered and is exempt from entry fees.

Article 45: Club Colors

The provisions of Article 17 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 20: COMPETITION FORMAT

Article 46: Laws of the Game and Duration of Matches

The provisions of Article 19 of these regulations apply.

Article 47: Match Ratification

47.1. The ratification of a final-phase match is automatically carried out by the FECAFOOT General Secretariat, provided the officials' reports do not report any violation of FECAFOOT's Statutes, Codes, Regulations, decisions and directives.

47.2. In the aforementioned case, a ratification note from the Secretary General of FECAFOOT records the results achieved on the field and establishes the list of clubs qualified for the next round of the competition.

47.3. In the event of a violation of FECAFOOT's Statutes, Codes, Regulations, decisions and directives, the Federal Ratification and Discipline Commission rules within 7 days.

CHAPTER 21: PLAYING FIELDS

Article 58: Choice of Fields

The matches of the round of 32, round of 16, round of 8 (quarter-finals), semi-finals and the final are played as single matches on a field chosen by the Secretary General of FECAFOOT.

Article 59: Unplayable Fields - Lack of Visibility - Insecurity

The provisions of Article 23 of these regulations apply.

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CHAPTER 22: MATCH OFFICIALS

Article 60: Referees and Assistant Referees

The provisions of Article 24 of these regulations apply.

Article 61: Match Commissioner

The provisions of Article 25 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 23: TECHNICAL MEETING, ARRIVALS AT THE STADIUM, MATCH SHEET AND PRESENTATION OF LICENSES

Article 62: Technical Meeting

The provisions of Article 26 of these regulations apply.

Article 63: Arrivals at the Stadium

The provisions of Article 27 of these regulations apply.

Article 64: Match Sheet

The provisions of Article 28 of these regulations apply.

Article 65: Presentation of Licenses

The provisions of Article 29 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 24: BALLS, OCCUPATION OF SUBSTITUTES' BENCHES, NUMBER OF SUBSTITUTIONS

Article 66: Balls

The provisions of Article 30 of these regulations apply.

Article 67: Occupation of Substitutes' Benches

The provisions of Article 31 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 25: NUMBER OF PLAYERS – NUMBER OF SUBSTITUTIONS – ADDED TIME

Article 68: Number of Players

The provisions of Article 32 of these regulations apply.

Article 69: Number of Substitutions

The provisions of Article 33 of these regulations apply.

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Article 70: Added Time

The provisions of Article 34 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 26: RECORDING OF ABSENCE - FORFEITS

Article 71: Recording of Absence

The provisions of Article 40 of these regulations apply.

Article 72: Insufficient Number of Players and Abandonment of Match

The provisions of Article 41 of these regulations apply.

Article 73: Effects of Forfeit - Withdrawal

The provisions of Article 42 of these regulations apply.

CHAPTER 27: COMPLAINTS - APPEALS

Article 74: Complaints

74.1. Complaints regarding the eligibility of players, officials and coaches, duly supported and formulated in the manner prescribed by the Federation's General Regulations, are addressed to the Secretary General of FECAFOOT, who submits them for a decision to the Federal Ratification and Discipline Commission.

74.2. However, from the round of 16 onward, reservations regarding player eligibility are inadmissible.

74.3. Complaints on technical matters must be duly supported and formulated in the manner prescribed by the General Regulations. They are addressed to the Secretary General of FECAFOOT, who submits them, for a decision, to the Federal Ratification and Discipline Commission.

74.4. For any player who is the subject of reservations formulated for fraud, the presumed false license is retained by the referee, who sends it directly to the Secretary General of FECAFOOT.

Article 75: Appeals

75.1. An appeal against decisions rendered by the Federal Ratification and Discipline Commission may be lodged before the FECAFOOT Appeals Commission by any interested natural or legal person.

75.2. Appeals must be lodged within 72 hours following notification of the decision to the party concerned.

CHAPTER 28: FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Article 76: Revenue

The provisions of Article 45 of these regulations apply.

Article 77: Financial Provisions in the Event of a Match to Be Replayed

The provisions of Article 46 of these regulations apply.

TITLE IV: MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 78: Time Limits

The time limits set by these regulations are clear/full-day time limits.

Article 79: Prevention of Multi-Club Ownership and Protection of Competition Integrity

In order to preserve the integrity, independence and fairness of competitions organized by FECAFOOT, no club may be admitted to or maintained in the same competition where there exists, directly or indirectly, a situation of common ownership, control, management or influence with another entered club, likely to compromise its sporting independence or to influence the normal conduct of the competition.

Every club is required to declare to FECAFOOT any situation likely to fall within this article and to provide, upon first request, the information and documents necessary for its verification.

In the presence of serious indications of such a situation, FECAFOOT may order any necessary precautionary measure, in particular the refusal or suspension of a club's qualification, until the final decision of the competent body.

Refusal to cooperate, concealment of information or the provision of inaccurate information exposes the club to the administrative and disciplinary measures provided for by FECAFOOT's regulations.

Article 80: The Champions Trophy

80.1. The Cameroonian Football Federation organizes every year a competition called "the Champions Trophy," consisting of a match between the Champion of MTN Elite One and the Winner of the Cameroon Cup.

80.2. A work of art, the property of the Federation, will be presented at the end of this match to the winning club, which will keep it for one year. It must be returned to the Federation's headquarters by the holding club, at its own expense and risk, within ten (10) days following the quarter-final matches of the Cameroon Cup, under penalty of disciplinary sanctions imposed by the competent judicial body.

80.3. In addition to the aforementioned object, a performance bonus will be awarded to the winning club.

80.4. If, for any reason, the competition ceases to be held, the trophy must be returned to FECAFOOT.

80.5. FECAFOOT will offer medals to both teams. The winning club will receive twenty-five (25) gold medals for the players and seven (7) gold medals for the officials, and the losing club will receive twenty-five (25) silver medals for the players and seven (7) silver medals for the officials.

80.6. The match will be played as a single leg in a city chosen by the FECAFOOT Executive Committee.

80.7. The match will be played in two halves of forty-five (45) minutes each. If, at the end of regulation time, the two teams are tied, there will be direct recourse to a penalty shoot-out, in accordance with FIFA's laws of the game, to determine the winner.

80.8. A team that qualifies for the Champions Trophy and refuses to take part will not be authorized to defend its national title and may not take part in any competition organized by FECAFOOT for the following season, in addition to a maximum fine that will be imposed on it.

80.9. The teams involved will not be authorized to wear jerseys bearing advertising without the written authorization of FECAFOOT.

Article 81: Unforeseen Cases

Cases not provided for by these regulations and FECAFOOT's General Regulations are settled by the FECAFOOT Executive Committee.

Article 82: Official Languages

These regulations will be published in French and in English.

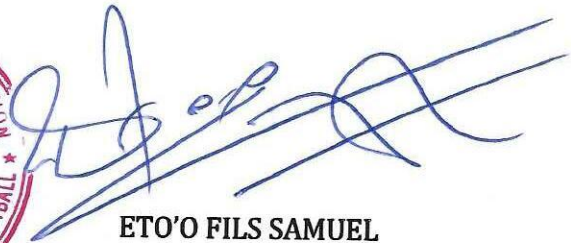
In the event of disputes concerning the interpretation of the English and French texts, the French text shall prevail.

Article 83: Adoption and Entry into Force

These regulations take effect from **11 SEP 2026**, the date of their adoption by the FECAFOOT Executive Committee.



MANDONG Isaac Noé
THE SECRETARY GENERAL



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THE PRESIDENT

