



Riga City Cup 2026

Regulations

1. Goals and objectives

- 1.1. To determine the Tournament winner.
- 1.2. To develop and raise popularity of youth football in Latvia and upgrade tournament system.
- 1.3. Provide game practice during the off-season for Latvian teams.

2. Tournament management

- 2.1. The Riga City Cup 2026 Tournament will be organized and managed by “Futbolo aljansas”.

3. Venue and time

- 3.1. All games are organized on outdoor artificial turf.
- 3.2. Dates:
 - Boys U-14 (2012): 06-08.03.2026 (Football 11x11)
 - Boys U-13 (2013): 13-15.03.2026 (Football 11x11)
 - Boys U-12 (2014): 11-12.04.2026 (Football 9x9)
 - Boys U-11 (2015): 18-19.04.2026 (Football 7x7)
 - Boys U-10 (2016): 18-19.04.2026 (Football 7x7)

4. Participants

- 4.1. Football players:
 - 4.1.1. U-14 – born after 01.01.2012.
 - 4.1.2. U-13 – born after 01.01.2013.
 - 4.1.3. U-12 – born after 01.01.2014.
 - 4.1.4. U-11 – born after 01.01.2015.
 - 4.1.5. U-10 – born after 01.01.2016.
- 4.2. Number of players in Match (11x11) sheet – 18, number of substitutions – 7 (Unlimited). Number of people in team – max. 25.
- 4.3. Number of players in Match (9x9) sheet – 18, number of substitutions – unlimited. Number of people in team – max. 20.
- 4.4. Number of players in Match (7x7) sheet – 14, number of substitutions – unlimited. Number of people in team – max. 18.

5. Competition system

- 5.1. Football 11x11 (2012, 2013):
 - 5.1.1. Group stage. After the group stage games for places. 5 games in minimum are guaranteed for every team.
 - 5.1.2. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the tournament, the following criteria are applied, in the order given, to determine the rankings:
 - 5.1.2.1. higher number of points obtained in the tournament matches played among the teams in question;



- 5.1.2.2. superior goal difference resulting from the tournament matches played among the teams in question;
- 5.1.2.3. higher number of goals scored in the tournament matches played among the teams in question;
- 5.1.2.4. superior goal difference in all tournament matches;
- 5.1.2.5. higher number of goals scored in all tournament matches;
- 5.1.2.6. 11m. penalty's - 5 penalty shots to each team. Should tie persist, one penalty shot each team until there is a winner. Team have to use a different player for each shot until all players have been used.
- 5.1.3. If there is a tie game at the end of regulation time during the tournaments play-offs, the following rules will apply: 11m. penalty's - 5 penalty shots to each team. Should tie persist, one penalty shot each team until there is a winner. Teams have to use a different player for each shot until all players have been used.
- 5.2. Football 9x9, 7x7 (2014, 2015, 2016):**
 - 5.2.1. Group stage. After the group stage games for places. 6-7 games are guaranteed for every team.
 - 5.2.2. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the tournament, the following criteria are applied, in the order given, to determine the rankings:
 - 5.2.2.1. higher number of points obtained in the tournament matches played among the teams in question;
 - 5.2.2.2. superior goal difference resulting from the tournament matches played among the teams in question;
 - 5.2.2.3. higher number of goals scored in the tournament matches played among the teams in question;
 - 5.2.2.4. superior goal difference in all tournament matches;
 - 5.2.2.5. higher number of goals scored in all tournament matches;
 - 5.2.2.6. 9m. penalty's - 5 penalty shots to each team. Should tie persist, one penalty shot each team until there is a winner. Team have to use a different player for each shot until all players have been used.
 - 5.2.3. If there is a tie game at the end of regulation time during the tournaments play-offs, the following rules will apply: 9m. penalty's - 3 penalty shots to each team. Should tie persist, one penalty shot each team until there is a winner. Teams have to use a different player for each shot until all players have been used.
 - 5.2.4. If there is a tie game at the end of regulation time during the tournaments semifinals and finals, the following rules will apply: 9m. penalty's - 5 penalty shots to each team. Should tie persist, one penalty shot each team until there is a winner. Teams have to use a different player for each shot until all players have been used.

6. Law of the Game

- 6.1.** Matches are played according to FIFA and LFF (Latvian Football Federation) regulations.
- 6.2.** Match time, ball size, referees:
 - 6.2.1. Football 11x11 (2012): 2x20min., 5.size ball, 3 referees;
 - 6.2.2. Football 11x11 (2013): 2x20min., 4.size ball, 3 referees;



6.2.3. Football 9x9 (2014): 1x30min., 4.size ball, 1 referee;

6.2.4. Football 7x7 (2015): 1x30min., 4.size ball, 1 referee;

6.2.5. Football 7x7 (2016): 1x25min., 4.size ball, 1 referee.

6.3. A player, coach who received a red card during the game is suspended until the end of the game.

7. Medical assistance

7.1. Organizers of the Tournament are not responsible for the injuries that the participants cause to themselves or to other participants during the competition. There will be a First Aid station at the venues of the Riga City Cup 2026 where participants may receive ice, etc. for minor injuries.

8. Awards

8.1. A winner, runner up and the 3rd place winner of the Tournament will be awarded with cups and medals.

8.2. Trophies for the best players of tournament.

9. Financial provisions

9.1. Each team bears travel costs of their team. Each team bears the cost of a local transportation and accommodation.

9.2. Tournament fee:

9.2.1. Football 11x11: 400 EUR per team.

9.2.2. Football 9x9: 350 EUR per team.

9.2.3. Football 7x7: 300 EUR per team.

9.3. Bank details:

VšĮ Futbolo aljansas

SEB banka

LT75 7044060007947607

Accommodation and meals

Hotel Best Hotel***

Night – by request (3 meals a day)

Hotel Ibis Hotel***

Night – by request (3 meals a day)

Hotel****

Night – by request (3 meals a day)

10. Contacts

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