

1922

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The International Football Association Board.

PROPOSALS submitted under Rule 3 of the Board Rules, to be considered with any other competent business, at the Annual Meeting, to be held at Llandudno, on Saturday, June 10th, 1922, at 10-30 a.m.

Alteration to Laws of the Game.

Proposals by the Scottish F.A.

PRESENT LAW.

PROPOSED ALTERATION.

Law 1.--The game shall be played by eleven players on each side. The field of play shall be as shown in the plan at the end of these Laws, subject to the following provisions: The dimensions of the field of play shall be: maximum length, 130 yards; minimum length, 100 yards; maximum breadth, 100 yards; minimum breadth, 50 yards. The field of play shall be marked by boundary lines. at each end are the goal-lines, and the lines at the sides are the touch-lines. The touch-lines shall be drawn at right angles with the goallines. A flag with a staff not less than 5 feet high shall be placed at each corner. A half-way line shall be marked out across the field of play. The centre of the field of play shall be indicated by a suitable mark, and a circle with a 10 yards radius shall be made round it. The goals shall be upright posts fixed on the goal-lines, equi-distant from the corner fiagstaffs, 8 yards apart, with a bar across them 8 feet from the ground. The maximum width of the goal-posts and the maximum depth of the cross-bar shall be 5 inches. Lines shall be marked 6 yards from each goal-post at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of six yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the goal area. Lines shall be marked 18 yards from each goalpost at right angles to the goal-lines for a distance of 18 yards, and these shall be connected with each other by a line parallel to the goal-lines; the space within these lines shall be the penalty area. A suitable mark shall be made opposite the centre of each goal, 12 yards from the goal-line; this shall be the penalty kick mark. The circumference of the ball shall be not less than 27 inches nor more than 28 inches. The outer casing of the ball must be of leather, and no material shall be used in the construction of the ball which would constitute a danger to the players. In International matches, the dimensions of the field of play shall be-maximum leugth, 120 yards; minimum length, 110 yards; maximum breadth 80 yards; minimum breadth, 70 yards; and at the commencement of the game the weight of the ball shall be from 13 to 15 ounces.

Delete the sentence "A half-way line shall be marked out across the field of play" and substitute Lines shall be marked 40 yards from each goal-line across the field of play."



Law 6.—When a player plays the ball, or throws it in from touch, any player of the same side who at such moment of playing or throwing-in is nearer to his opponents' goal-line is out of play, and may not touch the ball himself, nor in any way whatever interfere with an opponent, or with the play, until the ball has again been played, unless there are at such moment of playing or throwing-in at least three of his opponents nearer their own goal-line. A player is not out of play when the ball is kicked off from goal, when a corner kick is taken, when the ball has last been played by an opponent, or when he himself is within his own half of the field of play at the moment the ball is played or thrown in from touch by any player of the same side.

From the second sentence delete the following words "within his own half of the field of play" and substitute "not within his opponents' 40 yards area."

'ALTERNATE PROPOSAL.

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Line 7, delete word "Three" and substitute word "two."

PROPOSAL BY F.A. OF WALES.

In International Matches the country playing at home shall have the right to a Saturday Fixture.

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To consider, if thought desirable, application for Membership to the International Board from a New Football Association in Ireland.

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