Annexure 29 FFA Cup WA Preliminary Rounds

Article 1 - General

- 1. This document supplements the FFA Cup Competition Regulations as promulgated by Football Federation Australia.
- 2. This document outlines specific conditions relating to WA Preliminary Round matches.
- 3. Football West standard Competition Rules apply.

Article 2 - Competition Format

- 1. Entry is voluntary. Entries must be received by 5:00pm WST on Tuesday 6th February 2018 in order to be considered.
- 2. A club that has an outstanding debt owing to Football West from the 2017 season will not be permitted to enter.
- 3. Perth Glory FC may not enter.
- 4. There will be a maximum of 7 rounds. Should there be insufficient entries, the competition will start at a round calculated to ensure that the final WA Preliminary Round is Round 7.
- 5. The clubs that win their Round 7 matches will qualify for the National Round of 32 and will also compete in the State Cup Final on a date and at a venue to be determined by Football West.
- 6. Clubs that enter will be allocated entry into the competition at different stages according to the following schedule:
 - a) NPL Clubs Round 4;
 - b) State League Clubs Round 3;
 - c) Amateur Premier Division Clubs Round 2;
 - d) All other Clubs Rounds 1 and 2

However, Football West reserves the right to alter the stage at which any club enters the competition based on the number of clubs that enter or any other logistical factors.

- 7. Football West reserves the right to draw clubs outside the Perth metropolitan area against each other in Rounds 1 and 2 to minimise travel. A club that is required to travel more than 150 kilometres for a match is entitled to a travel subsidy of \$400 plus GST on a properly formatted invoice to Football West. Any such invoice must be received by the last business day of July in the Competition Season. For the avoidance of doubt, invoices received after that date will not be accepted and will not be paid.
- 8. After the draw of each round, participating clubs will be informed of the match date, time and venue.
- 9. In Rounds 1, 2 and 3, should scores be level at the full-time whistle, the outcome of the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark as described in the FIFA Laws of the Game.
- 10. In rounds 4, 5, 6 and 7, should scores be level at the full-time whistle, two periods of extra time of 15 minutes per period will be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game.
- 11. Should scores be level at the end of the second period of extra time, the outcome of the match will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark as described in the FIFA Laws of the Game.
- 12. Clubs that normally play their matches with the ability to use interchangeable substitutes should note that interchangeable substitutes ARE NOT permitted in the Westfield FFA Cup. Players are bound by Law 3 of the FIFA Laws of the Game stating that substituted players take no further part in the match.

Article 3 - Players

1. A player must be validly registered on MyFootballClub to be eligible to enter.

Penalty for Breach Forfeit

2. A player may only play for one club for the duration of the FFA Cup.

Penalty for Breach Forfeit

Article 4 - Admission

1. NPL clubs and State League clubs drawn at home may charge a ground entry fee equivalent to their relevant league match entry fees.

2. No admission may be charged for matches in which no NPL or State League clubs are involved.

Article 5 - Match Officials

- 1. Where an NPL or State League club is drawn at home, the home club is responsible for all Match Official Fees.
- 2. When any other club is drawn at home, each participating club is responsible for 50% of match official fees. This payment must be made in cash on the day of the match even if the away club is an NPL, State League or Amateur Premier club.
- 3. For circumstances in which a match official is allocated to a match involving teams from different divisions, the match official will be paid the fee to which he is entitled for the higher ranking team.