

Action taken for prevention of age fraud & Cards :

All entries of the respective age categories are received online from the state associations minimum 7 days prior to the championship. The player registration for the championship is also done online. Verification of the players is done through bonafide certificate, aadhar card and passport copy which are relevant documents certified by the government. Even after verification of these documents if there is any query or objection on a player, medical tests are to be conducted for the Under 11, 14 and 17 years Girls & Boys categories for the players during the National championship. These tests are administered by professional practitioners.

In case of a player found over age, the following consequences are implemented:

A team shall lodge protest against a player regarding his age, if the team has sufficient reasons to believe so. The protest in such a case must be lodged in writing within 30 minutes of the end of the game. The Technical Committee of that tournament shall decide on this protest and sanction the appropriate reprimand. The following reprimands shall be sanctioned in the above case:

- i) The player shall not be permitted to play further in that tournament.
- ii) He/she shall not be permitted to participate in any further tournament for the same calendar year.
- iii) If the tournament would be the last one in the calendar year, then the player shall not be permitted to participate in any further tournaments for the next calendar year.
- iv) A player found over age during the league stages of the tournament, the result of the last match played by that team shall not be considered for changing the decision if necessary. If the opponent team has lost the game, that team shall be declared as the winner. However, the reprimanded team shall further be permitted to participate in the tournament without the defaulter player. The above rule shall be applied for a team fielding not more than 2 (two) over age players in a match.
- v) A team fielding 3 (three) or more than 3 (three) overage players in a match, shall be disqualified from the tournament. The team shall not be permitted to play any match further in that tournament. For such kind of an offense, the team may be banned for a maximum of 2 (two) years from participating in any further tournaments in that respective age group.
- vi) For all the above offenses, the coach shall be banned from participating in any further tournaments for a period up to 2 (two) calendar years.
- vii) For the under 11, 14 and 17 years Boys & Girls category – Rs. 10,000/- fine for the State Association.