

SRI LANKA UNIVERSITIES SPORTS ASSOCIATION
(SLUSA)

INTER-UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

2026

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Dates

05th, 06th and 07th September 2026

Venue

Wayamba University of Sri Lanka

1. Dates and Venue

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2. Rules and Regulations

2.1 The championship will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of FIFA and the Football Federation of Sri Lanka (FFSL), as adopted by the Sri Lanka Universities Sports Association (SLUSA).

2.2 If both teams wear jerseys of the same colour, the home team shall change its jersey.

2.3 Players' jersey numbers must be within the range of 01–22.

3. Participation

3.1 Each university may enter one men's team for the championship. The composition of each team shall be as follows:

Competitors	Team Manager	Team Coach
22	01	01

A staff member from the Physical Education Unit/Department must accompany each team and remain with the team throughout the championship at the venue.

4. Match Duration

4.1 All matches shall be played in two halves of 30 minutes each, with a 10-minute half-time interval (30–10–30).

5. Points and Qualification

5.1 The following system shall be adopted for selecting teams for the quarter-finals.

5.2 The following points shall be awarded for the preliminary round matches:

Result	Points
Win	3
Draw	1
Loss	0

5.3 If the scores are level at the end of normal playing time, a penalty shoot-out consisting of five (5) penalty kicks shall be conducted to determine the winner. If the scores remain level, additional penalty kicks shall be taken until a winner is determined. However, for the purpose of group standings, the match shall be recorded as a draw. The result of the penalty shoot-out will only be used as a tie-breaker where applicable.

6. Rankings

6.1 The ranking in each group shall be determined in descending order as follows:

6.1.1 Higher number of points obtained in all group matches.

6.1.2 If two (2) or more teams are equal on points, the following criteria shall be applied in the order listed below.

6.2 Tie-Breaking Criteria

6.2.1 Higher number of points obtained in the group matches played between the teams concerned (head-to-head).

6.2.2 Superior goal difference in all group matches.

6.2.3 Higher number of goals scored in all group matches.

6.2.4 If the teams are still equal, the results of the penalty shoot-outs in the preliminary round matches shall be considered.

6.2.5 The lower disciplinary points calculated from yellow and red cards received in the group matches.

6.3 Fair Play Criteria

Each participating team shall receive disciplinary points as follows:

- 6.3.1 One (1) point per yellow card.
- 6.3.2 Three (3) points per indirect red card (as a consequence of two yellow cards).
- 6.3.3 Four (4) points per direct red card.
- 6.3.4 Five (5) points per yellow card followed by a direct red card.

6.4 The participating team with the lowest disciplinary points shall be ranked higher. The remaining teams shall be ranked accordingly.

6.5 The drawing of lots or the Competition Committee shall decide upon any cases not covered above.

7. Technical Committee

- Mr. MLA Tahir — SEU (Chairman)
- Mr. GWSR Wickrama — WAY (Tournament Secretary)
- Mr. SMAB Samarakoon — PER
- Mr. JMS Jayasinghe — COL
- Mr. S. Sivasegaran — VAU
- Mr. M. Ilanpirayan — JAF
- Technical Delegate — FFSL

8. Jury of Appeal

- SLUSA President or Secretary
- President — SAB, Wayamba University

- SLUSA Vice President
- Chairman of the Football Sub-Committee
- Organizing Secretary

9. Technical Committee Meeting

The Technical Committee Meeting will be held on 04th September 2026 at 7.00 p.m. at the Physical Education Unit, Wayamba University of Sri Lanka.

Note: The presence of the Team Manager and Team Captain is compulsory.

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PROTEST & APPEAL FORM — COMPETITIONS

Instructions: The duly filled appeal form (in accordance with Technical Regulation No. 02) should be handed over to the Secretary of the respective competition, or to an authorized member of the Organizing Committee for the sport discipline concerned.

Section A — Appeal Details

Name of the University:	
Designation of person forwarding the appeal:	
Name of the person forwarding the appeal:	
Has this complaint been referred to the referee concerned? (Yes/No)	
If yes, date the complaint was made:	
Time the complaint was made:	

Section B — For Office Use Only

Date and time the appeal was received:	
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Decision of the Jury of Appeal:

Date and time of decision: _____ a.m. / p.m. Date: ____ / ____ / 2026

Signature (Chairman, Jury of Appeal)