Default Forfeit Procedure

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The following process will be applied if a team or teams forfeit during a competition if the tournament manager has not designated a process specific to the competition.

This procedure is modelled on examples provided by the WGU and JGU.

- 1. Points will not be awarded for a foreited game.
- 2. All the games involving the forfeiting team or teams will be void of points and results for the whole tournament.
- 3. The forfeiting team or teams cannot win a Group stage, regardless of the final results.
- 4. During the tournament, the team or teams that forfeited a game will not be able to participate in remaining tournament games unless the opposing teams agree. These games will be for practice only.
- 5. Under special circumstances this process can be varied by the tournament referee and tournament manager following a discussion between the parties.

In designing their own process or in applying clause 5, tournament managers may wish to consider the following options. Overall fairness must be considered carefully.

Options are:

-Any forfeited game should not be scored. All further games including the forfeiting team are scored

-In any forfeited games, points can be awarded at a preagreed margin, eg a 15-5 loss. However, if the forfeiting team amasses the same number of points as another team in contention for a significant placing in a round robin, then the team that believes it was disadvantaged can demand a play off to finalise rankings.