



Establishment Regulation

**Football**

**Super Award**

## Part One

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### General Rules

#### Article (1)

The Establishment of an annual football award for the best player in the name of the “Super Award”. The Award recognises players for their achievements, creativity and excellence on the football field.

#### Article (2)

“The Super Award includes:

- “Super Award” for The Asian Footballer of the Year.
- “Super Award” for The African Footballer of the Year.
- “Special Super Award” for The Arabian Footballer of the Year.

As from the year 2010 the award shall include:

- “Super Award” for The European Footballer of the Year.
- “Super Award” for The American Footballer of the Year.
- “Super Award” for the World Footballer of the Year.

#### Article (3)

The candidates for the “Super Award” shall be as follows:

- Asian Players playing in the Asian local competitions or outside the continent.
- African Players playing in the African local competitions or outside the continent.
- Arab Players playing in Arab local competitions or abroad.

**As from the year 2010 onwards, the award shall include:**

- European Players playing in the European local competitions or outside the continent
- North and South American Players playing in the North and South American local competitions or outside their continents.

#### Article (4)

The award shall be given to one winner per category.

### **Article (5)**

The award consists of a statuette and a financial reward to be determined by the privilege owner, who also shall determine the method of delivery.

### **Article (6)**

If the winner cannot attend the award ceremony for any reason, he still has the right to win the certificate & trophy but not the cash amount.

## **Part Two**

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### **Award Candidate Standards**

#### **Article (7)**

1- Candidates for each category shall initially be nominated by a group of experts to be determined by the award Board of Trustees.

2- Nominated players must have been participating regularly and legitimately at league and/or international level during the year of nomination, unless there are exceptional circumstances such as serious injury.

3- In the case of a tie between two candidates or more, the technical committee will vote to choose between the candidates.

4- Any player who has made racist comments or been accused of racist behaviour that is known to the board of trustees, or been proven guilty of doping, or any form of misbehaving, will not be eligible to participate in the award.

5- Arab players can be eligible for both best player award in their continent (Asia or Africa) and best Arabic player award.

#### **Article (8) Nominations**

1- One Media representative from each member country of the Asian

football association (AFC) in addition to 10 elite sports Media representatives shall nominate the best 3 players from the continent in descending order, so that the 1st place will get 5 points, the 2nd place gets 3 points and the 3rd place gets 1 point. A short explanation shall be given to justify the choice of each player.

2- One Media representative from each member country of the Confederation of African Football (CAF) in addition to 10 elite sports Media representatives shall nominate the best 3 players in the continent in a descending order, so that the 1st place will get 5 points, the 2nd place gets 3 points and the 3rd place gets 1 point. A short explanation shall be given to justify the choice of each player.

3- One Media representative from each Arabic country in addition to 10 elite sports Media representatives shall nominate the best 3 Arabic players in descending order so that the 1st place will get 5 points, the 2nd place gets 3 points and the 3rd place gets 1 point. A short explanation shall be given to justify the choice of each player.

4- Points shall then be calculated to produce a list of the leading 50 players from Africa, 50 from Asia and 30 from Arab countries. This list will be passed on to the technical committee to be reduced to a shortlist of 10 players per category.

5- The list will be produced for the final voting.

6- After voting on the shortlist is completed, votes will be reviewed by the technical committee and must be approved by the board of trustees before the winners are announced.

### **Article (9)**

After due process, a final shortlist of ten players for each category (Asian, African and Arabic) will be determined, and then the winner for each category will be decided by a vote according to the following ratio:

- 1- Experts from coaching and management award 40 % of total points
- 2- Media representatives award 40% of the total points.
- 3- Players' representatives award 10% of the total points.

4- Public and readers through electronic voting award 10% of the total points.

### **Article (10)**

The selection method of the representatives of the team managers, experts and media participating in the rating shall be determined by the Board of Trustees.

1- For the preliminary nomination process:

One Media representative will be chosen from each country in Asia and Africa and from the Arabic countries, in addition to 10 elite sports Media representatives.

2- For the final nomination process:

A-40 Coaches and Experts will be chosen to participate in the final vote for Asian best player and similar number will be chosen for African best player.

B- 80 Media representatives will be chosen to participate in the final vote for Asian best player and the same number will be chosen for African best player, and this will include the “Super Magazine” editors and the award board of trustee.

C- Current players will be represented in voting by the 20 captains of the top teams in each of Asia and Africa according to the latest FIFA ranking, and if for any reason the captain chosen is not able to vote, the captain of the next ranked team will replace him.

### **Article (11)**

1- Preliminary nomination applications will be sent to the Media representatives on the 1st of September each year.

2- Announcement of the primary list for the best 50 players in every continent and the best 30 Arabic players will take place on the 1st of November.

3- Announcement of the shortlist of 10 best players in each category will be in the second half of November and the voting then begins.

4- The final results will be announced during a press conference,

with date and venue to be decided by the General Secretariat.

5- The Awards ceremony will be held at a suitable date & time fixed by the General Secretariat.

### **Article (12)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees shall approve the final result after deliberation and verification of all procedures and confirmation of the accuracy of the voting method and results.

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## Part Three

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### **The formation of “Super Award” Board of Trustees And Mechanism of its works**

### **Article (13)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees of “Super Award” shall consist of nine members:

- Chairman.
- Deputy Chairman.
- General Secretary
- 6 members

### **Article (14)**

The owner of the “Super Award” privileges shall nominate the chairman, deputy chairman, general secretary and six members from sport and media elite with valuable experience in the concerned field.

### **Article (15)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees meetings shall be held at the award headquarter (Abu Dhabi, UAE) or otherwise as decided later according to necessity. The Board of Trustee works shall be organized by its internal regulations. taking into consideration that the term of the

board of trustee is 2 years, after which a new board will be formed, which may include one or more from the former board members.

#### **Article (16)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees’ tasks shall be as follows:

- Approval of the standards that govern the award.
- Verification of conformity of the standards with the selected winners.
- Approval of the final results.

#### **Article (17)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees may employ specialized experts to calibrate the award standards and add a professional dimension to the award.

#### **Article (18)**

The members of the “Super Award” Board of Trustees and their specialized expert delegates shall perform their tasks independently, confidentially and in full transparency. One representative shall be chosen as the exclusive and official spokesman for the award.

#### **Article (19)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees shall forward the names of the winners during a maximum period of 21 days before the nominated date for announcing the winners of the award.

#### **Article (20)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees shall forward an additional list to replace the winners in the event that the winner refuse the award.

#### **Article (21)**

The “Super Award” Board of Trustees shall be authorized to issue the internal regulations for the organization of the Awards..

## Part Four

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### **Final Rules**

#### **Article (22)**

The owner of the “Super Award” privileges shall provide the Board of Trustee with all necessary means required for the performance of the tasks.

#### **Article (23)**

Copyright of this award rests with “Super Magazine” . In case of any violations of copyright, the violator will be subject to due legal process.

#### **Article (24)**

In case of any differences between the Arabic and English copy of the “Establishment Regulation”. the Arabic version will be approved.

#### **Article (25)**

The regulations shall be publicized in “Super Magazine” and available to other media.

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