



I – PURPOSES

Art. 1° - The BH CUP 2026 aims to value the work carried out by the entities in their youth divisions, contributing to the development and emergence of new athletes in Brazilian and world football, as well as to the appreciation of sport as an instrument of integration between peoples and nations.

II – ORGANIZATION

Art. 1° - The BH CUP 2026 will be promoted, organized, and directed by CRUZEIRO ESPORTE CLUBE, through its Youth Department and International Business Department, which will adopt all necessary measures to carry it out with quality.

Art. 2° - It will be the responsibility of the Coordinating Committee to prepare, issue, and publish the competition schedule and regulations and to elect a SPECIAL COMMITTEE that will judge acts of indiscipline and resolve doubts that may exist in the regulations.

Art. 3° - The entire competition will be played at Toca da Raposa I, with the fields defined by the Organizing Committee according to availability and technical feasibility analysis.

Sole Paragraph: For reasons of force majeure, the Organizing Committee may select different fields, inside or outside Toca da Raposa I, to hold any matches of the Tournament (valid for the qualifying, semifinal, and final phases).

III – PERIOD OF REALIZATION

Art. 1° - The BH CUP 2026 will take place from August 1 to August 7, 2026.



IV – FORMAT OF COMPETITION

Art. 1° - The BH CUP 2026 will be played by the registered teams and will be held in 03 (three) distinct phases listed below:

1.1 – Qualifying Phase

1.2 – Semifinal Phase

1.3 – Final Phase

V – QUALIFYING PHASE

Art. 1° - In this phase, the teams will be distributed into 2 (two) groups, each containing 5 (five) participants, the first group being called Group 1 (one) and the second group Group 2 (two).

Art. 2° - In the qualifying phase, the teams of Group 1 (one) will play against each other, as will the teams of Group 2 (two), with each team playing a minimum of 4 (four) matches.

Art. 3° - The following will qualify for the semifinal phase: the first and second placed teams of each group based on total points.

Art. 4° - In case of a tie between two or more teams in total points earned, the following criteria will be observed, in order, until the tie is broken:

- a) Higher number of wins;
- b) Greater goal difference;
- c) Greater number of goals scored;
- d) Fewer goals conceded;
- e) Fewer red cards;
- f) Fewer yellow cards;
- g) Draw.



IVI – SEMIFINAL PHASE

Art. 1° - The semifinal phase will be played as follows:

Game 21: 1st place Group 1 x 2nd place Group 2

Game 22: 1st place Group 2 x 2nd place Group 1

Sole Paragraph - In case of a tie at the end of the match provided for in this article, as many penalty kicks as necessary will be taken to determine the winning team in accordance with the CBF/FIFA 2021/2022 rulebook.

VII – FINAL PHASE

Art. 1° - The two winning teams of the semifinal phase will play the FINAL phase as follows:

Game 23: Winner Game 21 x Winner Game 22

Sole Paragraph - In case of a tie at the end of the match provided for in this article, as many penalty kicks as necessary will be taken to determine the winning team in accordance with the CBF/FIFA 2021/2022 rulebook.

VIII – SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Art. 1° - With the objective of guiding, resolving doubts, and judging if necessary, the SPECIAL COMMITTEE is elected and will be formed by 05 members, as follows:

Full Members:

- Adriano Andrade (Youth Manager C.E.C.)
- Rafael Caires (Youth Coordinator C.E.C.)
- Matheus Sales (International Business Department)



Alternate Members:

- Éder José Guedes
- Lucas Diniz (Director Cruzeiro Academy – Thailand)
- João Castro (Cruzeiro EC Lawyer)
- Gabriel Vaz (International Business Department)

IX – PLAYER REGISTRATION

Art. 1° - Each team may register 18 players. However, the delegation may consist of up to 23 people.

First Paragraph: 18 (eighteen) athletes may participate in each match.

Second Paragraph: Players born on or after January 1, 2012, will be eligible to play.

Third Paragraph: Players born on or after January 1, 2011, from International teams, if non professional, will be eligible to play.

Art. 2° - Only athletes in legal playing condition who present an identity card or passport may participate in BH CUP 2026. Identification documents will be checked during the technical congress.

Art. 3° - Participating clubs must send to the organizing committee, no later than July 31, 2026 at 16:00, the player registration form containing full name, position, date of birth, CPF, and jersey number to be used in the competition, as well as name, CPF, and role of staff members, to the email gabriel.paula@cruzeiro.com.br.

First Paragraph: Players must wear the uniform during the entire competition with the same number listed on the registration form sent by their team.

Art. 4° - A player may participate in BH CUP 2026 for only one team.



X – PENALTIES

Art. 1° - A team that includes a player not eligible to play, as previously established in these regulations, will lose the points of the match in favor of its opponent by the score of 1 x 0, solely for tie-breaking criteria established in these regulations.

Art. 2° - A player sent off with a red card or who has accumulated 2 (two) yellow cards will automatically be prohibited from participating in the subsequent match scheduled in the official table, regardless of other sanctions that may be applied by the Special Committee.

Art. 3° - At the end of the first phase, yellow cards will be reset.

Art. 4° - A player sent off during a match may not be replaced or return to the game.

Art. 5° - Matches will begin at the previously established time. No delay will be tolerated. If a team fails to comply, a formal warning will be issued and in case of recurrence, punishment may be applied.

Art. 6° - In case of WO, the team will be disqualified and eliminated from the tournament.

Art. 7° - Technical staff members sent off may not participate in the subsequent match.

XI – MATCH DURATION

Art. 1° - For the qualifying phase, quarterfinals, and semifinal, matches will last 50 (fifty) minutes, divided into two halves of 25 (twenty-five) minutes with an 8 (eight) minute interval. During the interval, teams may not leave the field of play.



XArt. 2° - For the semifinal and final phases, matches will last 60 (sixty) minutes divided into two halves of 30 (thirty) minutes with an 8 (eight) minute interval. During the interval, teams may not leave the field of play.

XII – POINT SYSTEM

Art. 1° - BH CUP 2025 will follow the points system observing the following criteria:

- a) Win: 03 (three) points
- b) Draw: 01 (one) point

XIII – AWARDS

Art. 1° - The champion and runner-up teams of BH CUP 2026 will receive 25 medals.

Sole Paragraph: Other awards may be established at the discretion of the coordination.

XIV – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Art. 1° - Each team may use in each match the 07 (seven) players listed on the bench, and the substitution area will be determined by the organization. The match will only be stopped in the case of goalkeeper substitutions. A substituted player may not return to the game.

Art. 2° - Associations may replace a previously registered player with another player until August 2. The request must be formal and sent by email to the coordination of BH CUP 2026. The request must include the information of the substituted player and the replacement player. After this date, player replacements will only be permitted in case of injury, upon presentation of a medical report.



Art. 3° - On the bench, in addition to the 07 (seven) substitutes listed on the match report, 5 (five) members of the technical staff may remain. All listed technical staff members must wear the identification badge provided by the organization at the Technical Congress.

Art. 4° - Before signing the match report, each team must deliver to the Tournament representative 02 (two) printed and dated lists containing the full name, jersey number, and date of birth of all players participating in the match, signed by the head of delegation. On this list, the team must indicate which players will start the match as starters. The lists must also include the full names and roles of the individuals who will remain on the bench.

Art. 5° - The match schedule may be changed if the tournament organization deems it necessary for the proper progress of the competition.

Art. 6° - The use of boots with aluminum studs is not permitted in BH CUP 2026 matches.

Art. 7° - The use of the match field for warm-up is not permitted. A separate field will be reserved for this purpose. The match field will be released by the organization 8 (eight) minutes before the start of the match.

Art. 8° - The use of shin guards by players during matches is mandatory.

Art. 9° - Each participating team must send to the organization two official match jerseys.



Art. 10° - In case of injury to any athlete from the participating teams during the matches or in case of any medical assistance needed within the facilities of Toca da Raposa I, CRUZEIRO ESPORTE CLUBE – SAF will be responsible only for the initial basic care (first aid), taking all possible measures to refer the patient to the nearest hospital or medical center. All other costs and expenses related to patient transport, treatment, X-rays, surgery, and/or any other medical needs will be the responsibility of the team for which the athlete is competing in this competition.

Art. 11° - If two (2) teams use the same predominant uniform color in the same match, it will be at the referee's discretion to request a uniform change. If a change is required, the team positioned on the right side of the match table will be responsible for changing its playing uniform.

Art. 12° - The Clubs grant exclusively to the organization of BH CUP 2026, throughout Brazilian and international territory, free of charge and irrevocably, the rights to capture, record, display, broadcast, and rebroadcast sounds and images on free-to-air television, pay television, and the internet of all matches of the Competition. The BH CUP 2026 organization may transfer, in whole or in part, to third parties, in Brazil and abroad, the rights granted by the clubs.

Art. 13° - Map indicating where members of the Technical Staff who are not on the bench are permitted to watch the match.



XV – FINAL PROVISIONS

Art. 1º - Cases not covered in these regulations will be resolved by the Special Committee in an irrevocable manner.