

FOOTBALL

Football or soccer is a sport that is well known across the world. It is the world's most popular sport. It is played by 250 million players in over 200 nations.

It is played between two teams. Each team has eleven players. It is played with a spherical ball and on a rectangular field with a goal on each side. The object is to score the ball into the opposite or opponents goal. No one is allowed to touch the ball with their hands or arms while it is in the game except the goalkeepers but only in penalty area. Other players usually use their feet to strike or pass the ball, but they can also use their head and body, and they do even it sometimes. The game has two parts known as halves. Each has 45 minutes. Each half runs consistently, that means the clock doesn't stop when the ball is out of play. There is usually a 15 minute break between halves. The end of the match is known as full-time.

The team that scores the most goals by the end of the match wins. If the score is tie at the end of the game, the game is either a draw, or goes into extra time that lasts two times per 15 minutes. If it's a tie after that there is a penalty shootout.

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