

Soccer etc.

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INDOOR LAWS OF THE GAME

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**UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, ALL FIFA AND
MYSA RULES APPLY.**

1. All kicks are DIRECT.
2. No THROW-INS. Restart along the boards where the ball left the field of play.
3. KICKOFFS may go in any direction.
4. Balls hitting the ceiling will be put back into play from directly under the spot where the ball hit -- Inside the RED line, the kick will be taken from the RED line, nearest the point where the ball hit the ceiling.

5. NO OFFSIDE.

6. Balls cannot be kicked over 3 lines in the air - Restart from the offenders RED line at the boards.

7. Kicks must be put back into play within FIVE (5) SECONDS.

8. All defenders must be FIVE (5) YARDS from the ball on free kicks. (2 minute penalty) Players DO NOT need to request the distance; it is automatic.

9. Any "indirect free kick" offense (dangerous play, etc.) or any FIVE SECOND violation within the PENALTY area, will result in a free kick at the top of the penalty arc.

10. SUBSTITUTIONS are unlimited and may be done "on the fly" at any time. Players leaving the field must be within THREE (3) yards of the door when the substitute enters the field. If play is disrupted, a restart by the opponent will be awarded. Any team actively playing with too many players MAY be issued a 2 minute penalty - Referees Discretion

NO JUMPING OVER THE BOARDS - 2 minute penalty.

10a. U-8, U-10, U-12 teams only: Coaches may REQUEST a waiver of the FIVE SECOND rule on their own kicks to make a substitution.

FOULS AND PENALTIES

Penalties will be awarded at the REFEREE'S DISCRETION.

BLUE - 2 minute penalty: team will play shorthanded for the entire 2 minutes, unless scored upon.

YELLOW - 5 minute penalty: team will play shorthanded for the ENTIRE 5 minutes.

RED - 5 minute penalty: team will play shorthanded for the ENTIRE 5 minutes; player is SENT OFF, minimum 1 game suspension. Any player receiving 2 RED CARDS in one season will be suspended for the rest of that season.

1. MATCHING PENALTIES - Both teams will play shorthanded for the entire penalty, regardless of goals scored.

2. SLIDING is not allowed.

Slide to play the ball without endangerment = restart by opponent

Slide tackling = 2 minute penalty

ANY slide within goal area = 2 minute penalty AND penalty shot

3. SPITTING is NOT allowed - 2 minute penalty

4. PROFANITY, TAUNTING, INSTIGATING - 2 minute penalty

5. FIGHTING - RED CARD and a minimum 2 GAME suspension.

Second offense = Suspension from current session, possibly next

session, depending on amount of games left in current session.

6. Any TEAM receiving THREE (3) RED CARDS in one session, will be EJECTED from the league.

7. Any team or player returning from any suspension will be considered on probation. If the team or player receives ONE (1) RED CARD, that team or player will be suspended.

MANAGEMENT reserves the right to review ALL incidents and determine the severity of the punishment.

PLAYERS / TEAMS

1. Each team will be allowed a maximum of SIX (6) players on the field at a time (5 field players, one goalkeeper). A goalkeeper must be on the field at all times (FIFA). (U10,U12 have 6 field 1goalkeeper)

2. Teams must have at least FOUR (4) players to start and play. If a team does not have the required amount at game time, the opposing team can accept the forfeit win UNLESS they want to wait for the remaining players to show up to play a competitive match. Game clock WILL BE STARTED; teams have until 10:00 mark of 1st half to decide.

3. Games consist of Two (2) Twenty-five minute halves, running time. The game clock will start ON TIME, whether teams are ready or not. There is NO pre-determined “warm up” time. Players can “warm-up” in the warm-up area before the game.

4. ALL PLAYERS , youth and adult must wear shin guards. Cleats are allowed on the Main Field ONLY.

5. NO JEWELRY - ALL YOUTH TEAMS

6. HOME bench takes all kick offs. HOME bench is responsible for color conflicts in uniform.

GOALKEEPER

1. Keeper has FIVE (5) seconds to put the ball back into play after gaining possession and control.

2. Keeper may not throw the ball over the MIDFIELD LINE in the air. Restart from the RED LINE, at the boards, nearest the offending keeper.

3. Keeper may not dribble the ball back into the penalty area and pick it up.

4. Keeper MAY slide in the penalty area only.

5. Keeper will not serve any 2 minute penalty, but will serve any FIVE (5) minute penalty.

6. Keeper cannot punt the ball back into play.
7. No offensive player may be “in the crease” / goal area unless the ball is there first. A foul will be called if the offensive player interferes with play.
8. Keeper shall not be approached or obstructed until completion of the drop kick.

HOUSE RULES

1. Use of soccer balls in designated areas ONLY, or they will be confiscated.
2. No gum chewing
3. Only team members and coaches allowed on the bench. (2 coach limit)
4. No individual will be allowed to coach more than one team within the same division.
5. Players must be on ONE ROSTER ONLY per division.
6. ALL PLAYERS must be rostered with Soccer etc. and have a signed release form on file in the Field Office.

7. Referee may add time at the end of a match for a defensive penalty (TEN second max.) Stoppage of clock is at the referee=s discretion.

8. No one is allowed to touch or operate the game clock during a match, unless otherwise instructed by the referee.

9. TWO POINT RULE - Adult leagues only.

Any team scoring from behind the RED line will be awarded 2 points.

The entire ball must be behind the RED line and may not touch another OFFENSIVE player before entering the goal.

10. Blood - No player shall be allowed to remain on the field if that player has an open wound or is bleeding.

11. Bicycle kicks are not allowed.

DIVISION LEVELS

When there are two divisions (U-12a and U-12b) the following will occur:

(from session 1 to session 2)

a. Last place team in div. A, based on record, moves to div. B

b. First place team in div. B, based on record, moves to div. A

Any team currently holding a spot in a specific age level will have the right to reserve THAT AGE level for next session. Management

reserves the right to modify this rule as applicable to insure a competitive balance.

PLAYOFF RULES

1. In case of a tie during a semi-final or final (only) there will be a three-person shoot out. Any three players may shoot including the keeper; must be the same keeper throughout.

a. All non-participating players must remain on the bench.

b. If the shoot out goes beyond three players, the shoot out becomes sudden death. Each team may select, in any order, the remaining players from the bench until every player has taken a shot, including the goalkeeper.

2. In the case of a suspension, all playoff tournaments will be considered ONE complete game.

Three team shoot out format: 1 v 5, 5 v 1... 1 v 3, 3 v 1... 3 v 5, 5 v 3

TOWN / CLUB POLICY

1. Town Team is determined as a team having NO MORE than TWO out of town players.
2. Club Team is determined as a team having MORE than TWO out of town players.
3. A Club Team will be required to play at one age level above their age group. (U-11 Club plays in the U-12a division, U-12 Club will play U-14)
4. Club or Division 1 players may only play in the age appropriate Level. (Division 1 u-12 Senior player can only play in the A division.)

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MANAGEMENT reserves the right to make changes in the above policies, at any time, in order to insure competitive balance and fair play in all leagues.

MANAGEMENT / EMPLOYEES / REFEREES: Any type of assault, physical or verbal, spitting, or to anyone=s property, by any individual on Soccer etc. premises, will be grounds for permanent suspension from the entire building and possible civil or criminal action.

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PLEASE REMEMBER... This is a private facility and is operated for the enjoyment of the game in all seasons. Although standings are kept, it is still considered to be non-competitive. Emphasis should be put on learning the game, staying in shape and above all, having fun.

Thank You!

Management & Staff

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