

U9 Divisional Rules

Players on the Field: 7v7 (6 in the field, 1 keeper)

Game Length Time: Four 12 minute quarters

Ball Size: 3

Roster size: 14 players max

Referees: Games are self-refereed. No more than 1 coach per team on the field during a game. 1 assistant coach per team allowed on the sideline. Coaches advised to remain close to the sidelines and not stand in the middle of the field or in the goal mouth.

Player Substitutions: Unlimited, all players should play a minimum half of the game. From the sidelines only after the coach-referee is notified. Only allowed on kickoffs, goal kicks, injuries, or personal team throw-in.

Stoppage time: Only at quarters (except for injured players); no overtime

Goalies: Yes (Must wear gloves at all times and not share them)

Offsides: No offsides. Kickoffs- A second player must touch the ball before the initial player can touch the ball after the initial touch. Opposing team must stand outside of the center circle. Kick-Ins: Ball is considered out of bounds if it has completely crossed the boundary line.

Goal Kicks: Now when goal kicks or free kicks are taken in the penalty area by the defending team. - They do need to clear the penalty area for the goalies teammates to play the ball

Free Kicks: Penalty and indirect kicks (ball must touch another player before crossing goal line) allowed; ball must be at least 10 yards from goal line before kicking. Opposing team must stand back more than 5 yards from the kicker.

Make-up Games: Games are made up at the discretion of the Executive Director.

General Expectations: Parents, players and fans are encouraged to sit at least three feet from the sideline. No interference with game play and coach-referee calls should be respected. No parent or Coach is allowed to stand behind/beside the goal and talk to the keeper or any other player on the team for player and parent safety reasons.