

FUTSAL RULES

DURATION OF THE MATCH

- U8 – U12 Boys and Girls – 30 Minute Games
- U13 – U17/18 Boys and Girls – 35 Minute Games

1. NUMBER OF PLAYERS

- Each league, regardless of age group, will consist of four(4) field players and one goal keeper on the field at all times.

2. SUBSTITUTION PROCEDURES

- Substitutes may be made at any time, whether the ball is in play or not. To replace a player with a substitute, the player being substituted for must leave the field before the substitute may enter.

3. CHANGING THE GOALKEEPER

- Any player may change places with the goalkeeper
- The player changing places with the goalkeeper must do so during a stoppage in the match and must inform the referee before the change is made
- A player or substitute replacing the goalkeeper must wear a goalkeeper's jersey

4. SPECIAL RULES

- No field players are permitted to slide. Goalkeepers are only allowed to slide in the penalty area.
- Goalkeepers are not permitted to drop kick the ball or score directly from a throw.
- Restarts – players have 4 seconds to get the ball back into play.

5. CAUTIONS AND SEND-OFFS

- Caution (Yellow Card) and Send-Offs (Red Card) – No time penalty assessed for a Caution
- Two (2) cautions in the same game will result in an automatic Send-Off
- The player Sent-off is out for the rest of the game
- The team of the player sent off can substitute for that player after two (2) minutes of playing time or after the opposing team scores, whichever comes first
- The substitute cannot come on until the ball is out of play and has the referee's consent

6. Accumulated Fouls

- Once a team has accumulated six (6) fouls per game a direct free kick is awarded.
- Infringements committed within twelve (12) meters (40 feet) of the goal line shall be punished with a direct free kick taken from the first penalty spot. Infringements committed from twelve (12) meters (40 Feet) or further away from the goal line shall be punished with a direct free kick from the second penalty spot
- Until the ball is kicked into play, all players other than the goalkeeper and kicker shall remain behind an imaginary line that is in line with the ball and parallel to the goal
- The goalkeeper shall remain in his penalty area at least five (5) meters (15 feet) away from the ball.
- The kick must aim at the goal, with the intention of scoring
- No other player may touch the ball until it has been touched by the field, rebounded from the goal post or crossbar, or has left the field of play
- If the infringement took place in the penalty area (and does not merit a penalty kick), the free kick is to be taken from the six (6) meter (19 Feet) Penalty Area line on the spot nearest to where the infringement occurred

7. THE KICK-IN

- A kick-in is a method of restarting play
- A kick-in is awarded to the opponents of the player who last touches the ball when the whole of the ball crosses the touch line, either on the ground or in the air, or touches the nets
- A goal may NOT be scored directly from a kick-in.