



APPENDIX 2

3 V 3 Official Laws

Under 5/6

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Under 7/8

Law I-The Field:

A. Dimensions: The field of play shall be rectangular, its length being not more than 35 yards nor less than 30 yards and its width not more than 25 yards nor less than 20 yards. The length in all cases shall exceed the width.

Recommendation:

U5/6 Length: 30 Yards Width: 20 Yards

U7/8 Length: 35 Yards Width: 25 Yards

B. Markings:

- Distinctive lines not more than five (5) inches wide
- A halfway line shall be marked out across the field
- A center circle with a four (4) yard radius
- Four (4) corner arcs each with a two (2) foot radius.
- Goal area: none
- Exclusion Box, 3 yards perpendicular to goal line from goal post, and 3 yards parallel to goal line.

Note: No player, attacker or defender may enter this box/area/zone before/ahead of the ball

C. Goals: (w)6 x(h) 4 feet.

***For Diagram : See U 5-6 &U 7-8 Field Dimensions and Markings**

Law 11- The Ball:

Ball size three (3)

Law III-Number of Players:

A. Maximum number of players on the field per team at anyone time is three (3) for U5/6 and four (4) for U7/8. Game are played without goalkeeper.

B. Maximum number of players on the roster should not exceed eight (8).

C. Substitutions:

- Prior to throw-in, in your favor.
- Prior to a goal, kick, by either team.
- After a goal, by either team.
- After an injury, by either team, when the referee stops the play.
- At quarter/ half -time.

D. Playing time: Each player SHALL play a minimum of 50% of the total playing time

E. Teams and games may be coed.

Law IV -Players Equipment: Conform to **FIFA** with the following exceptions:

A. Footwear: Tennis shoes or soft-cleared soccer shoes

Law V-The Referee:

A. Associate referee.

B. Parent/Coach or assistant

C. All rule infractions shall be briefly explained to the offending player.

Law VI-Linesman:

Use no linesmen or club linesmen

Law VII-Duration of the Game:

A. The game shall be divided into four (4) equal, eight (8) minute (U5/6) and twelve (12) minute (U7/8), quarters.

B. There shall be a two (2) minute break between quarters one and two and another two (2) minute break between quarters three and four.

C. There shall be a half-time break of five (5) minutes.

Law VIII- The Start of Play:

Conform to **FIFA**, with the following exception:

A. Opponent must be four (4) yards from the center mark while kick-off is in progress.

Law IX-Ball In and Out of Play: Conform to **FIFA**

Law X-Method of Scoring: Conform to **FIFA**

Law XI-Offside: There shall be no offside called during these games.

Law XII-Fouls and Misconduct: Conform to **FIFA** with the following exception;

A. No cautions or ejections shall be issued to players.

Law XIII-Free Kicks: Conform to **FIFA** with the following exceptions:

A. Shall be classified under one heading: **INDIRECT**.

B. Opponents must be four (4) yards away before kick is allowed.

Law XIV-Penalty Kicks: No penalty kicks are to be taken during these games.

Law XV-Throw-In/Kick-In:

A. (U5/6) Kick-in is considered as an indirect free kick with the opponent four (4) yards away from the ball.

B. (U7/8) A second or third throw must be allowed if the player commits a foul on the initial attempt. The referee/coach shall explain the proper method before allowing player to throw-in again.

Law XVI-Goal Kick: Conform to **FIFA** with the following exception:

A. Opponents must be four (4) yards away from the ball

Law XVII-Corner Kick: A kick-in from the corner will be taken in place of corner kick.

A kick-in is considered as an indirect free kick with the opponent four (4) yards away from the ball. (A true corner kick is a direct kick)

US Youth Soccer Recommendations

* Opposing parent/coaches and players should shake hands after each game.

*Participation awards for ALL- No trophies or awards just for best team.

*Parent/coaches, non-playing players and spectators should be there to enjoy and encourage the activity of the youngsters

*No alcoholic beverages or tobacco products will be consumed/used or allowed in

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