



## SMALL SIDED SOCCER - DIFFERENCES FROM LAWS OF THE GAME- v10 Oct 2024

|   | UNDER 9 & 10   | UNDER 11 & 12   | UNDER 13  |
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| <b>FIELD SIZE</b>                                       | Length 36 to 55 m<br>Width 30 to 36 m  | Length 60 to 75 m<br>Width 42 to 55 m   | Length 60 to 75 m<br>Width 42 to 55 m   |
| <b>GOAL/PENALTY AREA</b>                                | Goal Area<br>10 metres out from each goal post   | Penalty Area<br>11 metres out from each goal post   | Penalty Area<br>11 metres out from each goal post   |
| <b>GOAL SIZE</b>  | 1.8 x 3.6 m  | 1.8 x 5.5 m   | 1.8 x 5.5 m   |
| <b>BALL</b>   | Size 4   | Size 4  | Size 4  |
| <b>NUMBER OF PLAYERS</b>                                | U9 6 v 6 U10 7 v 7 - minimum of 5  | U11,12 8v8 - minimum of 5 required  | U13 9v9 - minimum of 5 required   |
| <b>ID CARDS</b>   | NO, Coach ID only (must have)  | NO, Coach ID only (must have)   | NO, Coach ID only (must have)   |
| <b>SUBSTITUTIONS</b>                                    | Unlimited  | Unlimited   | Unlimited   |
| <b>DURATION OF GAME</b>                                 | 2 X 25 minutes   | 2 x 30 minutes  | 2 x 35 minutes  |
| <b>HALF TIME</b>  | 5 minutes  | 5 minutes   | 5 minutes   |
| <b>SCORES RECORDED</b>                                  | NO (coaches may record for tiering)  | NO (coaches may record for tiering)   | NO (coaches may record for tiering)   |
| <b>RETREAT LINE</b>                                     | Goal Kick only<br>Location<br><i>Halfway line</i>  | Goal Kick only<br><i>1/3 (Offside) line</i>   | Goal Kick only<br><i>1/3 (Offside) line</i>   |
| <b>Defenders advance</b>                                | After second player touches or ball crosses retreat line.  | After second player touches or ball crosses retreat line.   | After second player touches or ball crosses retreat line.   |
| <b>Foul result</b>                                      | 1st infringement - retake, second IDFK from retreat line   | 1st infringement - retake, second IDFK from retreat line  | 1st infringement - retake, second IDFK from retreat line  |
| <b>Keeper possession</b>                                | Defenders shall not pressure keeper but no official retreat line.  |   |   |
| <b>OFFSIDES</b>   | None   | Attacking third of field  | Attacking third of field  |
| <b>FOULS</b>  | All Free Kicks are Indirect (IDFK)   | Both Direct and Indirect Free Kicks   | Both Direct and Indirect Free Kicks   |
| <b>Cards</b>  | No cards issued to players.<br>Cards can be issued to coaches.   | Cards issued as required (Div 1 and 2 reported on BC Soccer Discipline, Div 3 sent to NSYSA RefAssignor)  | Cards issued as required (Div 1 and 2 reported on BC Soccer Discipline, Div 3 sent to NSYSA RefAssignor)  |
| <b>Free Kick in Goal Area awarded to Attacking Team</b> | Free Kick taken from Goal Area line perpendicular (from Goal Line) to where offense occurred.  | Penalty Kick (from Mark) or IDFK (from Penalty Area line perpendicular to where offense occurred.)  | Penalty Kick (from Mark) or IDFK (from Penalty Area line perpendicular to where offense occurred.)  |
| <b>Free Kick in Goal Area for Defending Team</b>        | Free Kick taken where offense occurred, not in play until leaves Goal Area   | Free Kick taken where offense occurred, not in play until leaves Penalty Area   | Free Kick taken where offense occurred, not in play until leaves Penalty Area   |
| <b>Penalty Kicks</b>                                    | None   | For Direct Free Kick Fouls in Penalty Area, mark 9 m from goal line   | For Direct Free Kick Fouls in Penalty Area, mark 9 m from goal line   |
| <b>DISTANCE FROM BALL</b>                               | 7 m Free, Corner, Kick off; 4 m Drop Ball; 2 m Throw   | 9 m Free, Corner, Kick off; 4 m Drop Ball; 2 m Throw  | 9 m Free, Corner, Kick off; 4 m Drop Ball; 2 m Throw  |
| <b>THROW IN</b>   | Foul throw -> one retake<br>Second attempt fails then opposing team take Throw In  | U11 Foul throw -> as U9/10<br>U12 Foul throw -> Opposing team gets Throw In   | Foul throw -> Opposing team gets Throw In   |
| <b>GOAL KICK</b>  | Anywhere In the Goal Area<br>Ball in play when kicked, does not need to leave Goal Area<br>Goal cannot be scored directly from Goal Kick | Anywhere in Penalty Area<br>Ball in play when kicked, does not need to leave Penalty Area<br>Goal may be scored directly from Goal Kick in opposing goal only | Anywhere in Penalty Area<br>Ball in play when kicked, does not need to leave Penalty Area<br>Goal may be scored directly from Goal Kick in opposing goal only |
| <b>CORNER KICKS</b>                                     | Goal cannot be scored directly from Corner Kick  | Goal may be scored from Corner Kick directly  | Goal may be scored from Corner Kick directly  |