

U7/8 Papillion Soccer Club

Small-sided Games

Modified Playing Rules - Effective Fall 2018

NO SLIDE TACKLING

Number of Players	5v5 - 5 field players, Goalkeeper included in the 5 4 players must be present to start a game
Roster Size	10 Maximum
Field Dimensions	Rectangular: Between 25-35 yards by 15-25 yards recommended
Markings	The field of play is divided into two halves by a halfway line. The center mark is indicated at the midpoint of the halfway line. A center circle is not required.
Goals	6 x 12 Recommended. Goals must be anchored securely to the ground.
Goal Area	6 yards from the endline, 4 yards from the sideline
Penalty Area	NONE required
Flag Posts	Corner flags conform to FIFA. No flags required at the halfway line.
Corner Arc	NONE required
Ball	Size 3
Duration of play	The duration of the Match: The match shall be divided into four (4) equal, ten (10) minute quarters. There shall be two (2), five (5) minute breaks between quarters one and two and another two (2) five (5) minute breaks between quarters three and four. There shall be a halftime interval of five (5) minutes.
Offside	DOES <u>NOT</u> APPLY
Free Kicks & Corner Kicks	Conform to FIFA except that all opponents are at least 10 yards from the ball.
Start & Restart of Play	Conform to FIFA except that all opponents are at least 10 yards from the ball. Throw in's will be the method of re-start from the sidelines.
Headers	Not permitted. A deliberate header shall result in an indirect free kick awarded to the opponent at the spot of the infraction. If a deliberate head occurs within the goal area, an indirect free kick is spotted on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the infraction occurred.
Fouls & Misconduct	All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. If a child is being too rambunctious then the game official will ask the coach to make a substitution of that player to give the child a chance to calm down before returning to play. The referee/coach/parent must explain all infringements to the offending player. No cards are shown for misconduct.
Substitutions	UNLIMITED and at any stoppage. No substitutions on penalty kicks.
Penalty Kicks	None
Goal Kick	The ball is in play once it has left the goal area. Opponents must be at least 10 yards from the point the kick is taken.
Ball In & Out of Play	Conform to FIFA. The defending players must stand at least ten (10) yards from the ball until it is in play.
Method of Scoring	Conform to FIFA.
Roster exceptions	If one team gains a lead of more than 4 goals, the opposing team can add an extra player. Once the the score is even the added player should be removed from the field. If there are not enough players to add a sixth player, a player can be subtracted from the team leading by 4 or more goals.
Keper Safety Rule	If the goalkeeper is in the motion to pick up the ball, the play is dead. Is not based on specific possession. If the hand(s) is anywhere close to the ball, if the keeper is bending over attempting possession, that will constitute possession. Safety first.