

## **SOCCER RULES & REGULATIONS UNDER 4**

**FIELD OF PLAY (DIMENSIONS):** Length: 15 yards; Width: 10 yards.  
Dimensions are smaller to accommodate the 3-versus-3 game and are appropriate for the movement capabilities of 3-year-old children.

**BALL SIZE:** Size 3.

**ROSTER SIZE:** Maximum of Six players per team.

**NUMBER OF PLAYERS (ON FIELD DURING GAMES):** Three per team.  
Total of Six players on the field at a time

**DURATION OF THE MATCH:** Two Fifteen minute periods.  
Half-time will be 5 minutes in length.

**SUBSTITUTIONS:** All substitutions will be made at the coach's discretion.

**OFFSIDES:** There shall be no offsides called during these games.

**FOULS AND MISCONDUCTS:** No caution or send off shall be issued to players. If a child is being too rambunctious then the coach shall make a substitution of that player to give the child a chance to calm down before returning to play. It is recommended that the coaches explain ALL infractions to the offending player.

**FREE KICKS:** There shall be no free kicks neither called nor taken during these games.

**PENALTY KICKS:** There shall be no penalty kicks neither called nor taken during these games.

**THROW-INS:** There shall be no throw-ins during these games. Parents will surround the field and help keep the soccer ball in play.

**GOAL KICKS:** There shall be no goal kicks during these games.

**CORNER KICKS:** There shall be no goal kicks during these games.

**PLAYING TIME:** Each child shall play for a total of at least 15 minutes per contest.

**OTHER RULES:** Parents line around field & assist in keeping the ball in play. There is no out of bounds in this age group.

**\*\*\*NO SLIDE TACKLES TO BE ALLOWED IN THIS AGE  
GROUP\*\*\***