

SOCCER RULES & REGULATIONS UNDER 6

FIELD OF PLAY (DIMENSIONS): Length: 20-30 yards; Width: 15-20 yards.
Dimensions are smaller to accommodate the 3-versus-3 game and are appropriate for the movement capabilities of 4 to 5-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: Four eight minute quarters.
Half-time will be five minutes in length.

SUBSTITUTIONS: There shall be two mandatory substitutions, the middle of the first half of play and in the middle of the second half of play. At the other two times, substitutions are optional; at half-time and in the case of an injured player. You can freely substitute at any other time.

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 game official explain ALL infractions to the offending player.

FREE KICKS: All free kicks shall be indirect.

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

THROW-INS: One 'do-over' per thrower should be allowed if the throw-in is incorrect.

GOAL KICKS: The defending players must stand across half-field until the ball is in play. The ball is in play once it has left the goal area.

CORNER KICKS: The defending players must stand at least Four yards away until the ball is in play. The ball is in play once the offensive player kicks the ball.

PLAYING TIME: Each child shall play at least 50% of each contest.

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