

MODIFIED RULES FOR 6v6 PLAY

PLAYING FIELD

The game will be played side to side in half a normal field. The goal line and halfway line of the normal field will make the touchlines of the small field. The field dimensions shall be approximately 50 x 60 yds.

MARKINGS

Kick-off point at center of the small field. No goal area

Penalty area marked by the penalty line 12 yards from the goal line, one side of the field to the other side

GOALS Approximately 6 feet tall by 4 yards wide, where available.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS

A team will consist of 6 players (including the goalkeeper) and a minimum of 4 players.

The maximum roster size will be 11 players.

THE BALL The ball size is #4.

DURATION OF PLAY

All 6v6 matches shall consist of two 30 minute halves with a half-time interval of 5 minutes.

OFFSIDE The offside law does not apply.

8-YARD RULE

Opposing players shall be 8 yards from the ball on kickoffs, corner kicks, direct kicks, and indirect free kicks, rather than 10 yards as normally required for 11v11 play. On goal kicks opposing players are only required to be outside the penalty area.

PENALTY KICK

The penalty spot will be 9 yards from the center of the goal where goals 6 feet by 4 yards are used. Where goals 8 feet by 8 yards are used, the penalty spot will be 12 yards from the center of the goal. All players except the goalie and kicker must be behind the center of the field until the ball is kicked.

GOALKEEPER SAVE

After a goalkeeper takes possession, the ball must next touch a player or the field prior to entering the penalty area of the opposing team or there is a loss of the ball and play restarts with an indirect free kick at the halfway line. This rule applies to throws, punts, and drop kicks.

GOAL KICK

The goal kick shall be taken in the penalty area from anywhere at least 6 yards behind the penalty line. The ball is in play when it is kicked directly out of the penalty area. On a goal kick, the ball must next touch a player or the field prior to entering the penalty area of the opposing team or there is a loss of the ball and play restarts with an indirect free kick at the halfway line.

INDIRECT FREE KICK

Indirect kicks by the offensive team due to a foul by the defense within the penalty area shall be taken from the point on the "Penalty Line" nearest the spot of the infraction.

DROPPED BALL

A drop ball due to an event within the penalty area shall be taken from the point on the "Penalty Line" nearest the spot of the infraction.

NO HEADING

Heading by U10 Players is not permitted. If a player deliberately heads or attempts to head the ball, the opponents shall be awarded an indirect free kick from the spot of the infraction.