

General Rules and Regulations

1. **The goal of this division is mimic the game in its truest form with limited modifications.**
2. The time limit of each game shall be two 25-minute halves, with a 5-minute halftime. The clock will run continuous during the game. There are no timeouts.
3. Any rules not specifically covered in this rule set will default to FIFA/IFAB; the league manager has the ability to modify these rules throughout the course of the season to provide for circumstances that may come up that have questionable effect on the league and game play.
4. Players who are of age 9 through age 12 on March 1st (Spring Season)/September 1st (Fall Season) are eligible to play in this division.
5. This is an 8v8 division with goal keepers (7 field players).
6. Substitutions are allowed during any and all dead balls; players must report to center field prior to being waved on by the referee.
7. Home team, as determined by the schedule, will start with the ball first half. Visiting team, as determined by the schedule, will start with the ball second half.
8. If a player receives a yellow-card on the field, the player must be immediately removed. The player is eligible to return to the game as a legal substitute as soon as the next dead ball.
9. There is no use of heads in this division.
10. Advantage will be attempted to be played in all areas of the field.
11. No slide tackling will be allowed. If a slide tackle attempt occurs, and there is no contact, an indirect kick for the opposing team may be granted if the slide interferes with the play. If there is contact, a direct kick is assessed from the spot of the infraction.
12. Offsides will be called

Equipment

1. A size 5 ball will be used for game play.
2. Shin guards must be worn at all times for the safety of each individual player.
3. No metal cleats are allowed. No jewelry can be worn except for small earrings with tape over them.

Participation and Role of Coaches

1. Coaches are not allowed on the field, except in case of injury or time-out.
2. Discussions with referees about a rule/call are expected to be contained to the specifics of the judgment, and should not interfere with the referee's ability to officiate.