## RULES OF THE GAME: Pre-K/K

These rules and philosophies align with US Youth Soccer and are very important in the development of our youth soccer players.

Game Times: 12-minute quarters, with a 2-minute break between quarters and a 5-minute halftime.

Ball Size: 3

Number of Players: 4 v 4
Goalies: No goalies
Substitutions: At any stoppage and unlimited.

Playing Time: Each player should have the same amount of total playing time.
Referees: Games shall be refereed and facilitated by both coaches. Please work together to guide, inform, and encourage kids throughout the match.

Fouls and Misconduct: No caution or send-off shall be issued to players.

## Offside: None

Field Structure: There will be a designated team and parent sides. Parents should view the game on one side and the coaches and players will be on the other side. This will allow players to focus on the game and give structure to the game atmosphere. Coaches, please help your parents learn that except in cases of medical emergency or unless specifically called by you, they should not be on the team side or enter the field.

Out-of-bounds: Throw-ins DO NOT occur during games. Instead of throw-ins, have the player kick the ball back into play from the appropriate area of the touchline. This saves time and keeps the game flowing. This also allows more touches on the ball per player.

Goal Kicks: Goal kicks ARE taken. Goal kicks occur when the offensive team kicks the ball over the end line. A player on the defensive team should take the goal kick, place the ball approximately 2-3 yards out from the goal, and kick the ball back into play.

Corner Kicks: Corner kicks are taken.

Blowouts: If you have a lopsided game with one team dominating another, try to split the teams up evenly and create a more competitive environment. All coaches must work together to develop and challenge these players.

## RULES OF THE GAME: 1st/2nd Grade

All of these rules and philosophies are in-line with US Youth Soccer and are very important in the development of our youth soccer players.

Game Times: 12-min quarters, with 2-minute break between quarters and a 5 - minute halftime.

## Ball Size: 3

Number of Players: 5 v 5
Goalies: No goalies
Substitutions: At any stoppage and unlimited.
Playing Time: Each player should have the same amount of total playing time.
Referees: Games shall be refereed and facilitated by both coaches. Please work together to guide, inform, and encourage kids throughout the match.

Fouls and Misconduct: No caution or send off shall be issued to players.

Offside: None
Field Structure: There will be a designated team side and parent side. Parents should view the game on one side and the coaches and players will be on the other side. This will allow players to focus on the game and give structure to the game atmosphere. Coaches, please help your parents learn that except in cases of medical emergency or unless specifically called by you, they should not be on the team side or enter the field.

Out-of-bounds: Throw-ins DO NOT occur during games. Instead of throw-ins, have the player kick the ball back into play from the appropriate area of the touchline. This saves time and keeps the game flowing. This also allows more touches on the ball per player.

Goal Kicks: Goal kicks ARE taken. Goal kicks occur when the offensive team kicks the ball over the end line. A player on the defensive team should take the goal kick, place the ball approximately 2-3 yards out from the goal, and kick the ball back into play.

Corner Kicks: Corner kicks are taken.

Blowouts: If you have a lopsided game with one team dominating another, try to split the teams up evenly and create a more competitive environment. All coaches must work together to develop and challenge these players.

## RULES OF THE GAME: 3rd/4th

These rules and philosophies align with US Youth Soccer and are very important in the development of our youth soccer players.

Game Times: 25 min halves, 10 min halftime. Please keep games under 1-hour so that the next game can start on time

Ball Size: 4

Number of Players: $7 \vee 7$
Goalkeepers: Yes
Substitutions: At any stoppage and unlimited
Playing Time: Each player shall play at least $50 \%$ of the total playing time.
Referees: Games shall be refereed and facilitated by both coaches. Please work together to guide, inform, and encourage kids throughout the match.

Fouls and Misconduct: No caution or send-off shall be issued to players.
Offside: None

Field Structure: There will be a designated team and parent sides. Parents must view the game on one side and the coaches and players will be on the other side. This will allow players to focus on the game and give structure to the game atmosphere.
Coaches, please help educate your parents that except in cases of medical emergency or unless specifically called by you, they should not be on the team side or enter the field.

Out-of-bounds: Throw-ins should occur, with one retake for a bad throw.
Goal Kicks \& Corner Kicks: Goal kicks and corner kicks are taken. As appropriate, consider having offensive players back up on goal kicks to avoid goal kicks becoming immediate goal-scoring opportunities if the players taking a goal kick cannot kick the ball far up the field.

Blowouts: If you have a lopsided game with one team dominating another, try to split the teams up evenly and create a more competitive environment. This would generally happen at halftime if the game seems lopsided. All coaches must work together to develop and challenge these players.

## RULES OF THE GAME: 5th/6th

These rules and philosophies align with US Youth Soccer and are very important in the development of our youth soccer players.

Game Times: 30 min halves 5 min halftime

Ball Size: 4

Number of Players: 7 v 7
Goalkeepers: Yes

Substitutions: At any stoppage and unlimited

Fouls and Misconduct: No caution or send-off shall be issued to players.
Playing Time: Each player shall play at least $50 \%$ of the total playing time.

Referees: The game shall be refereed by a licensed referee. If none are available, games shall be facilitated by both coaches. Please work together to create a positive game environment.

Offside: Yes
Field Structure: There will be a designated team and parent sides. Parents must view the game on one side, and the coaches and players will be on the other. This will allow players to focus on the game and give structure to the game atmosphere.

Out-of-bounds: Throw-ins should occur, with one retake for a bad throw.

The Goal Kick \& Corner Kick: Goal kicks and corner kicks are taken.
Blowouts: If you have a lopsided game with one team dominating another, try to split the teams up evenly and create a more competitive environment. This would generally happen at halftime if the game seems lopsided. All coaches must work together to develop and challenge these players.

## Rules of the Game: 7th/8th

These rules and philosophies align with US Youth Soccer and are very important in developing our youth soccer players.

Game Times: 30 min halves 5 min halftime

Ball Size: 5

Number of Players: 9 v 9
Goalkeepers: Yes

Substitutions: At any stoppage and unlimited

Fouls and Misconduct: No caution or send-off shall be issued to players.
Playing Time: Each player shall play at least $50 \%$ of the total playing time.

Referees: The game shall be refereed by a licensed referee. If none are available, games shall be facilitated by both coaches. Please work together to create a positive game environment.

Offside: Yes

Field Structure: There will be a designated team and parent sides. Parents must view the game on one side and the coaches and players will be on the other side. This will allow players to focus on the game and give structure to the game atmosphere.

Out-of-bounds: Throw-ins should occur, with one retake for a bad throw.

The Goal Kick \& Corner Kick: Goal kicks and corner kicks are taken.

Blowouts: If you have a lopsided game with one team dominating another, try to split the teams up evenly and create a more competitive environment. This would generally happen at halftime if the game seems lopsided. All coaches must work together to develop and challenge these players. Having a lopsided game does not create an environment to develop youth soccer players.

