

RULES AND REGULATIONS: U-6 DIVISION

LAW I: THE FIELD.

Field Dimensions: Approximately 35 yards long X 20 yards wide.

Markings: Distinctive lines not more than five (5) inches wide. A halfway line shall be marked out across the field.

Goal area: Six (6) yards from each goal post and six (6) yards into the field of play joined by a line parallel with the goal line.

Goals: Five (5) feet wide.

LAW II: THE BALL.

Size three (3).

LAW III: NUMBER OF PLAYERS.

Maximum number of players on field = four (4) per side (No goalkeepers).

Maximum number of players on the roster should not exceed eight (8).

Playing time: Each player SHALL play a minimum of 50% of the total playing time.

LAW IV: PLAYER EQUIPMENT.

Tennis shoes or soft-cleated soccer shoes.

Shin guards are MANDATORY!

LAW V: REFEREE.

Referee – One Parent/coach or Assistant – Alternating quarters.

Referee's decisions on points of fact connected with the game shall be final.

All rule infractions shall be briefly explained to the offending player.

LAW VI: LINESMAN.

Not required.

LAW VII: DURATION OF GAME:

The game shall be divided into four (4) equal ten (10) minute quarters.

There shall be a two (2) minute break between quarters.

There shall be a half-time break of five (5) minutes.

LAW VIII: THE START OF PLAY.

Opponents must be five (5) yards from the center mark while kick-off is in progress.

LAW IX: BALL IN AND OUT OF PLAY.

Ball must completely cross the touch line to be considered out of bounds.

LAW X: METHOD OF SCORING.

NO SCORE shall be kept.

LAW XI: OFF-SIDE.

There shall be no off-sides.

LAW XII: FOULS AND MISCONDUCT.

All fouls will result in an INDIRECT FREE KICK with the opponents' five (5) yards away.

LAW XIII: FREE KICKS.

All free kicks shall be INDIRECT.

A goal may not be scored until the ball has been played or touched by a second player of either team.

No kicks shall be taken by the attacking team within five (5) yards of the defending team's goal.

LAW XIV: PENALTY KICKS.

No penalty kicks are to be taken during these games.

LAW XV: THROW-IN.

Throw-ins shall conform to FIFA rules.

A second and/or third throw-in must be allowed if the player commits an error on the initial attempt.

LAW XVI: GOAL KICK.

Goal kicks may be taken from any point within five (5) yards of the goal line.

Opponents must be five (5) yards away from the ball.

LAW XVII: CORNER KICK.

Opponents must be five (5) yards away from the ball.

STYSA ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Opposing parent/coaches and players should shake hands after each game.

STYSA will not record league standings.

STYSA will not record final score.

Participation trophies will be awarded to ALL players.

No one shall sit or stand within ten (10) yards of the goal line or behind/along the goal lines.

Parents should not coach or instruct players during the game.

No foul language or gestures at practices or games.

No derogatory comments to players, referees, coaches or parents at practices or games.

Suspend or cancel games or practice when lightning is near.

No alcoholic beverages or smoking materials shall be consumed or allowed near the playing area.

Opposing teams and fans MUST be on opposite sides of the field.

No names are allowed on uniforms or names with numbers on banners.

No dogs at games or practices

Sweat pants of the same color as the shorts may be worn on cold days.

No jewelry i.e. earrings, bracelets, necklaces Medical Alert's must be taped

If needed, home team shall wear vests.