



# BRYSL-BRIGADE

## Brigade Recreational Youth Soccer League U8 Division 7v7 Rules and Regulations 2017

- Law 1 – The Field of Play: The field of play must be rectangular. The length of the touch line must be greater than the length of the goal line. Length: minimum 40 yards, maximum 50 yards, Width: minimum 20 yards, maximum 30 yards.  
Field markings: conform to FIFA.  
Center circle: 8 yards in diameter.  
Goal area: none  
Penalty area: 20 yards wide by 10 yards deep.  
Penalty spot: none  
Penalty arc: none.  
Flag post: conform to FIFA.  
Corner arc: 2 foot radius  
Goals: conform to FIFA except that the maximum distance between goal posts shall be 12 feet and maximum lowest point of the crossbar to the ground shall be 6 feet 6 inches.  
Goals must be safely secured.  
Field size shall be evaluated and modified on a yearly basis to accommodate actual site conditions and/or per BRYSL board modifications.
- Law 2 – The Ball: Size three (3).
- Law 3 – The Players: Teams shall play 7v7 of which one must be a goalkeeper. A team must have a minimum of 5 players to start a match. Maximum number of players on a team shall be 9. Teams and matches may be coed. Minimum number of girls on coed teams shall be established by BRYSL board prior to start of season. Substitutions may only occur at quarter breaks or injuries. Number of players shall be evaluated and modified on a yearly basis to accommodate fluctuation of actual registered players by BRYSL board.
- Law 4 – The Players' Equipment: Shall conform to FIFA. All players shall wear assigned BRYSL uniforms, shirt, short, & socks. Players out of uniform shall not be allowed to play. Age appropriate shin guards are required at all games and practices, no exceptions.
- Law 5 – The Referee: An official coach, program administrator or USSF referee may be used. All infringements shall be briefly explained to the offending player.
- Law 6 – The Other Match Officials: None used.

- Law 7 – The Duration of the Match: 20 minute halves. Halves shall stopped midway through each half at the nearest stoppage of play for substitution purposes only. Substitutions shall be 2 minutes approximately. Half time interval shall be 5 to 10 minutes.
- Law 8 – The Start and Restart of the Match: Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents of the team taking the kickoff are at least 8 yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Law 9 – The Ball In & Out of Play: Conform to FIFA.
- Law 10 – Determining the Outcome of a Match: Conform to FIFA. Score and standings shall not be kept in U8 non-competitive age group.
- Law 11 – Offside: None.
- Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct: Conform to FIFA with the exception that all fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The game official shall briefly explain all infringements to the offending player. No cards shall be shown to a U8 player.
- Law 13 – Free Kicks: Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents remain at least 8 yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Law 14 – The Penalty Kick: None.
- Law 15 – The Throw-in: Conform to FIFA. An illegal throw in shall be retaken by the offending player. Game official shall briefly explain to the player the proper throw in technique. Throw in shall be retaken until properly performed. A different player may be allowed to take the throw in lieu of the offending throw in player.
- Law 16 – The Goal Kick: Goal kicks shall be taken from the top of the penalty box. Ball is in play as soon as it is kicked. Opponents must be at least 8 yards from the ball.
- Law 17 – The Corner Kick: Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents remain at least 8 yards from the ball until it is in play.

BRYSL Rule A1- Player playing time: All players must play  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the game unless modified by BRYSL board for unique situations. If a player arrives during the first quarter, the player must play at least 2 remaining quarters. If a player arrives during the second or third quarter, the player must play at least 1 quarter. No coach shall reduce a players playing time for any reason. BRYSL board can reduce a players playing time at anytime the board deems it necessary for safety or disciplinary reasons on a case by case basis.

BRYSL Rule A2- All additional Rules and Regulations stated in the current year BRYSL Handbook shall apply.

BRYSL Rule A3- All laws, rules and regulations shall be evaluated and modified on a yearly basis to accommodate fluctuation of actual registered players and the needs of Brigade Recreational Youth Soccer League. Modifications shall be made by BRYSL board.

BRYSL Rule A4 - Per US Soccer, all deliberate headers (at the referee's discretion) will be penalized by a direct free kick at the spot of the offense. If the offense occurs inside the goal

area, the kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point where the offense occurred.