

MCSL "Laws of The Game" Modifications

U6 Rules, per MCSL By-Laws

- Size 3 Ball
- Coaches will referee all games
- Duration of game is four quarters of **8 minutes** in length, 5 minute halftime w/running clock **this can be adjusted per coaches agreement prior to game kickoff**
- Play is 4 vs. 4 with NO Goal Keepers
- No players are allowed to stand in the goal area
- Kick-ins or Throw-ins are allowed for balls out-of-touch; One re-throw shall be allowed if needed
- Goal kicks and Corner kicks are also used as needed
- All Fouls are restarted with indirect free kick
- Opponents shall be 4 yards away on all free kicks
- No Offside; No Penalty Kicks
- **NO SLIDE TACKLING**
- **NO HEADERS**; Foul is restarted with indirect free kick
- Coaches are allowed on the field during all gameplay to ensure safety and reinforce fun and learning!

U8 Rules, per MCSL By-Laws

- Size 3 Ball
- Referees, if available, are always in charge of the game. *In the absence of referees, games will be played as a scrimmage and coaches may be on the field of play and referee accordingly*
- Duration of game is four periods of **10 minutes** in length, 5 minute halftime w/running clock **this can be adjusted per coaches agreement prior to game kickoff**
- Play is 4 vs. 4 with NO Goal Keepers
- No players are allowed to stand in the goal area
- Only Throw-ins are allowed for balls out-of-touch; One re-throw shall be allowed if needed
- Goal kicks and Corner kicks are also used as needed
- All Fouls are restarted with indirect free kick
- Opponents shall be 4 yards away on all free kicks
- No Offside; No Penalty Kicks
- **NO SLIDE TACKLING**
- **NO HEADERS**; Foul is restarted with indirect free kick

U10 Rules, per MCSL By-Laws

- Size 4 Ball
- Playtime is two **25 minutes** halves, with a 10 minute halftime
- Play is 7 vs. 7, but can be adjusted per coaches agreement prior to kickoff
- Referees, if available, are always in charge of the game. *In the absence of referees, games will be played as a scrimmage and coaches may be on the field of play and referee accordingly*
- **NO SLIDE TACKLING**
- **NO HEADERS**; Foul is restarted with indirect free kick
- Offside infractions penalized and called by referee only
- All fouls restart per "Laws of the Game"
- Penalty kicks are allowed for this age group
- Substitutions allowed at any dead ball with referee discretion
- No re-throws allowed if foul throw occurs
- Opponents shall be 8 yards away on all free kicks or outside the penalty box on goal kicks
- Coaches must remain in the "technical area" or within 4 yards of the team bench

U12 Rules per MCSL By-Laws

- Size 4 Ball
- Playtime is two **30 minutes** halves, with a 10 minute halftime
- Play is 9 vs. 9, but can be adjusted per coaches agreement prior to kickoff
- Referees, if available, are always in charge of the game. *In the absence of referees, games will be played as a scrimmage and coaches may be on the field of play and referee accordingly*
- Offside infractions penalized and called by referee only
- All fouls restart per "Laws of the Game"
- Penalty kicks are allowed for this age group
- Substitutions allowed at any dead ball with referee discretion
- No re-throws allowed if foul throw occurs
- Opponents shall be 8 yards away on all free kicks or outside the penalty box on goal kicks
- Coaches must remain in the "technical area" or within 4 yards of the team bench

NOTE: All players must get EQUAL PLAYING TIME at all ages.

Free unlimited substitutions allowed for all ages.

Players always shake hands after each match.

Shin Pads are MANDTORY for games and practices and must be completely covered by the socks.

No Jewelry of any kind is permitted. No tape or bandages shall be used to cover earrings. No hard or soft casts are permitted.

Baseball style cleats are not permitted.