

Marc J. Small Memorial Soccer Tournament

3v3 Rules

FIFA LAWS APPLY WITH EXCEPTIONS

Except as otherwise noted in these Rules, the FIFA Laws will govern the play of all games in this tournament.

TOURNAMENT EQUIPMENT:

All players must wear shin guards. Any player without shin guards will not be allowed to play. Ball sizes are: U8 - U12 use a size 4, U13 and over use a size 5.

FIELD DIMENSIONS:

The playing field is 30 yard long by 25 yard wide.

GOAL and GOAL ARC:

The goal itself measures four feet high by six feet wide. The goal arc is a 12 foot radius arc and is directly in front of the goal. There is no ball contact allowed within the goal arc, however any player may pass through the goal arc.

- If the ball comes to rest in the goal arc, a goal kick is awarded regardless of who touched the ball last. Any part of the ball or player's body on the line is considered in the goal arc and is an extension of such.
- If a defender touches the ball in goal arc, a goal is awarded to the offensive team.
- If an offensive player touches the ball within the goal arc, a goal kick is awarded to the defensive team.

GAME START AND DURATION:

The game shall consist of one 25 minute period. Games tied after regulation play shall end in a tie. Teams shall report to assigned fields a minimum of 5 minutes prior to assigned start time. In the event that a team is not readily available at game start time, the game shall begin by starting the time clock and one (1) goal will be awarded to the opposing team for each minute that team is late. The team may report and the game will commence and finish based on timekeepers clock. In the event any team is more than 5 minutes late for the start of their game, that game will be forfeited. There are no time outs in 3-v-3 soccer.

SIDELINES:

Players and coaches must be on the opposite side of the playing field from the spectators for the entire game. No one is permitted on the goal lines. No coaching is allowed on the spectator side of the field during a game. Coaches and substitutions will remain one yard behind the touchline. Spectators will remain two yards behind the touchline at all times.

SUBSTITUTIONS:

Substitutions may be made on the fly.

GOAL SCORING:

A goal may only be scored from a touch (either by offense or defense) within a team's offensive half of the field.

Free kicks and Out of Bounds:

No throw ins all out of bounds plays are kicks. All free kicks and out of bounds kicks are **indirect**.

DIVISION STANDINGS:

All division standings shall be determined by the following point system: (i) win=3 points, (ii) tie=1 points, (iii) loss=0 points, Points will be tallied to determine a winner in each division. In the event of a tie, the group winner will be determined in the following order of applicability:

In divisions with 5 teams – one team will play 4 games. The first game does not count for points.

1. Head to head (2 teams only)
2. Goal Differential up to 3
3. Most goals scored for (maximum of 5 per game)
4. 3 Least goals scored
5. TIE