

## U7/U8 Tournament Rules

1. Games will begin **on time**. If matches do not begin on time, they will be shortened to keep the tournament schedule running on time. Games will be played on one field. The standard duel field format will NOT be utilized for the Fall Fling.
2. All games will be played in accordance with FIFA Laws except where specifically modified in these tournament rules.
3. Games will be 25 minutes-two twelve minute halves-one minute to change ends.
4. 4v4 (4 field players, no goalkeeper) per team for U-7/8.
5. No goalkeepers. **NO STANDING IN GOAL.**
6. League Play
  - Round Robin: Finals for first and second place.
  - Groups: Winner of each group will play each other in a final match. There are no final matches except in six or seven team groupings.
  - Five Team Groups: First and second place winners will be determined on points after the completion of all matches.
  - Six Team Groups: First and second place teams in each bracket will play a semi-final match. To guarantee that all teams play a minimum of three matches with a consolation match comprised of the third place teams in each bracket will play a match.
  - Seven Team Groups: First and second place teams in each bracket will play a semi-final match. To guarantee that all teams play a minimum of three matches with a consolation match comprised of the third place teams in each bracket will play a match.
7. All kicks are indirect, except handled balls.
8. Players must be at least 3 yards away from all free kicks.
9. Score will be recorded on points: win=3, tie=1, loss=0.
10. Forfeits will be recorded as a 3-0 win for the appropriate team as goals count towards the tiebreaker.
11. Tie breakers:
  - Most points,
  - Head to head,
  - Goal difference(max of 3 goal difference per game)
  - Least goals against,
  - Most goals for,
  - FIFA Penalty Kick (sudden death) NO KEEPER.
12. Goal kicks, corners, and throw-ins are included.
13. Slide tackling is forbidden.
14. Kick- can be in any direction.
15. Restart within eight seconds of placing the ball for a free kick.
16. Teams are required to have a dark and light colored jersey for each match.
17. No offside
18. Dangerous Play-Offending player must sit out five minutes, and then can rejoin play.
19. Jewelry of any kind is not permitted.
20. If color conflicts- the first team mentioned changes.
21. The clock runs for injury time. No time added.
22. Substitutions are made on the fly. Referee permission is not required.
23. Coaches/Team Representatives are responsible for spectators/parents.
24. Displays of temper or dissent are cause for ejection from the game.
25. Intentional handling of ball to stop goal is penalty kick.
26. Referee ruling is final. NO PROTESTS.
- 27. Have fun!!**

## U9/U10 and U11/U12 Tournament Rules

1. Games will begin **on time**. If matches do not begin on time, they will be shortened to keep the tournament schedule running on time. Games will be played on one field. The standard duel field format will NOT be utilized for the Fall Fling.
2. All games will be played in accordance with FIFA Laws except where specifically modified in these tournament rules.
3. Games will be 25 minutes-two twelve minute halves-one minute to change ends.
4. 6v6 (5 field players, plus goalkeeper) per team for U-9/10. 8v8 (7 field players, plus goalkeeper) per team for U-11/12  
NOTE: when there is a U- 10/12 combine division, the younger group rules prevail when U10 plays U12 games. When U12 plays U12 games, the U12 rules prevail. U12 teams may play 6v6 if both teams agree prior to the start of a match with a referee present.
5. League Play
  - Round Robin: Finals for first and second place.
  - Groups: Winner of each group will play each other in a final match. There are no final matches except in six or seven team groupings.
  - Five Team Groups: First and second place winners will be determined on points after the completion of all matches.
  - Six Team Groups: First and second place teams in each bracket will play a semi-final match. To guarantee that all teams play a minimum of three matches with a consolation match comprised of the third place teams in each bracket will play a match.
  - Seven Team Groups: First and second place teams in each bracket will play a semi-final match. To guarantee that all teams play a minimum of three matches with a consolation match comprised of the third place teams in each bracket will play a match.
6. All kicks are indirect, except handled balls.
7. Players must be at least 3 yards away from all free kicks.
8. Score will be recorded on points: win=3, tie=1, loss=0.
9. Forfeits will be recorded as a 3-0 win for the appropriate team as goals count towards the tiebreaker.
10. Tie breakers:
  - Most points,
  - Head to head,
  - Goal difference(max of 3 goal difference per game)
  - Least goals against,
  - Most goals for,
  - FIFA Penalty Kick (sudden death) NO KEEPER.
11. Goal kicks, corners, and throw-ins are included.
12. Slide tackling is forbidden.
13. Kick- can be in any direction.
14. Restart within eight seconds of placing the ball for a free kick.
15. Teams are required to have a dark and light colored jersey for each match.
16. No offside
17. Dangerous Play-Offending player must sit out five minutes, and then can rejoin play.
18. If colors conflict- first team mentioned changes.
19. Jewelry of any kind is not permitted.
20. If color conflicts- the first team mentioned changes.
21. The clock runs for injury time. No time added.
22. Substitutions are made on the fly. Referee permission is not required.
23. Coaches/Team Representatives are responsible for spectators/parents.
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27. **Have fun!!**