

2008 ALL STAR/SELECT TOURNAMENT RULES - MINI

Mini Soccer Rules for the Under 9 & Under 10 Divisions

The following rules of play are based on those presented in the Canadian Soccer Association's Mini-Soccer Manual.

Apart from the exceptions stated below and those evident on the plan of the field of play, the CSA's rules of mini-soccer are essentially the rules of regulation play as set forth by FIFA.

- The size of the goals is 5 metres by 2 metres (internal measures)
- Size 4 balls will be used.
- Each team is to consist of a maximum of 14 players.
- Games will be conducted on a 7-a-side basis, including goalie. Each team must have a minimum of 5 players including the goalie in order to play the game.
- A player who is "sent off" may be substituted. The playing status of the player "sent off" will be determined by the organizers.
- Duration of games as per schedule.
- There will be an interval of 5 minutes at half time.
- Unlimited substitution is allowed. Substitutions may only take place at half-time, after an injury, at goal kicks, after a goal is scored and at throw-ins for the team with possession at the referee's discretion.
- All free kicks will be indirect, except for penalty shots, in accordance with FIFA's rules of play. Penalty kicks will be taken from the top of the penalty area. Goals may not be scored directly from kick offs, goal kicks or throw-ins.
- At the taking of a kick-off, free kick, goal kick, corner kick, or penalty kick, opponents shall remain at least 7 yards from the ball until it has been kicked.
- Goal kicks and free kicks awarded to the defending team within its own penalty area may be taken from anywhere within that half of the penalty area nearest to where the ball went out of play.
- Offside shall not apply.
- Coaches are not allowed on the field during play. Nobody, apart from the referee and players, is allowed on the field of play while the game is in progress.
- As per CSA Mini Soccer Rules, all players may move anywhere and score from anywhere on the field of play.
- Anything not covered here, refer to full field rules for clarification and direction.