

U9 SOCCER SENIOR TYKES

Basic Laws of the Game

Field -micro field

Number of Players- Maximum of 5 players on the field at one time, one being the goalkeeper. Unlimited substitutions on any stoppage of play, with consent of referee. All players shall receive equal playing time.

Ball size- Size 4 is used for games and practice.

Equipment- All players must wear shin guards under their soccer socks. Uniform is provided. Cleats are necessary at this age.

Referees- There are referees at this age group, and shall enforce the laws of the game. Referee has the discretion of stopping play due to bad weather conditions.

No stats are kept on wins/losses.

Goalies are to be used.

Coaches are not allowed on the field during the game.

The normal throw-in rule is to be applied, with one rethrow allowed.

Offsides that are blatant will be called.

Each team will provide a volunteer lines person when requested.

Start and Restart of Play- The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves forward. The kicker cannot touch the ball a second time until it has been touched by another player. The opposing team at a kick off should remain at least 6 yards back from the ball.

Duration of Game- Game time is 6:30pm, with 2 x 30 minute halves, with a break at the half. Coaches are encouraged to organize a fruit break schedule for parents to take turns sharing the responsibility. Be sure to be allergy conscious.

Practices- Start are usually one hour in length and on a different night of the week from their game. This is at the coaches discretion. For development reasons, attending practice is strongly recommended.

Game Conduct- Rough play and pushing will not be tolerated. Referee will call the game as per the Laws of the game.

Game Sheets- Are kept and need to be filled in with date, field # and team names, coaches will be responsible for getting this to the ref.

Parents- Will be encouraging to the coaches and players. Will respect the calls of the referees and will sit on the opposite side of the field from the players area.(no exceptions). Player are encouraged to stay on their side of the field during games.

Player Supervision Any player at this age should not simply be dropped of for practices or games Coaches will not be responsible for supervising the children when the parents are not in attendance at the field. The club strongly recommends that parents make appropriate arrangements with another individual in attendance who is willing to assume responsibility for your child.

Players- The emphasis of Sr. Tykes is for the players to work hard, further developing skills, in a fun environment at both practice and games.