



## Kemptville District Soccer Club

Senior Tyke  
U9

### Laws of the Game



#### Overview

These Laws are modifications of the FIFA Laws of the Game, and based on the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

FIFA Laws of the Game can be found at:

<http://www.fifa.com/worldfootball/lawsofthegame.html>

OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules can be found at:

<http://www.ontariosoccer.net/Rules/Rules---Playing/Mini-Soccer-Rules.aspx>

#### LAW 1: THE FIELD OF PLAY

The field is a size designed specifically for the U9 level.

#### LAW 2: THE BALL

The ball shall be size four (4).

#### LAW 3: NUMBER OF PLAYERS

The game shall be played by two teams, each consisting of 5 players, one of whom shall be the goalkeeper. Teams must dress a minimum of 4 players and may dress a maximum of 10 players.

#### Substitution Procedure

Unlimited substitution for a team shall be allowed at the following stoppages of the game:

- a. on the team's own corner kick
- b. on the team's own throw in
- c. on the team's own goal kick
- d. at half time
- e. after a goal has been scored

If the team with possession chooses to substitute, the other team may also substitute at that time.

The referee may refuse a request to substitute if in his opinion:

- a. there is little time remaining in the half
- b. there has been a substitution recently and the request is judged to be a time wasting tactic.

Should a player enter or re-enter the field of play, other than at a stoppage, without the permission of the referee, that player may be cautioned. If play is stopped to administer the caution, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team, to be taken in accordance with Law 13.



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A player who is sent off the field of play, in accordance with Law 12, may not take any further part in the game. The player may, however, be replaced by another member of his/her team.

#### **LAW 4: PLAYERS' EQUIPMENT**

Conform to Rule 4 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

#### **LAW 5: THE REFEREE**

Conform to Rule 5 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

#### **No Appointed Referee**

In the event that a referee cannot be appointed, then one coach, a head coach or assistant coach, from each will work together to act as the referee. There are several options:

- a. both coaches can be on the field at the same time
- b. one can work a half alone each
- c. if both teams agree, one of the coaches can be designated responsibility

Fair play and all FIFA Laws of the Game must be followed.

#### **LAW 6: THE ASSISTANT REFEREE**

Not applicable.

#### **LAW 7: DURATION OF THE GAME**

The game shall be divided into two equal halves of 25 minutes each. The interval between halves of play shall be not less than 5 minutes.

Only the referee or club representative, including the league convener, can terminate a game before full-time. In this case, the score at the time will be counted as it stands, unless a club representative or convener, based on a recommendation from the referee, feels that such an outcome would be unjust.

#### **LAW 8: START AND RESTART OF PLAY**

Conform to Rule 7 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

#### **LAW 9: BALL IN AND OUT OF PLAY**

Conform to Rule 8 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

#### **LAW 10: METHOD OF SCORING**

Conform to Rule 9 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

#### **LAW 11: OFF-SIDE**

Not applicable.



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### **LAW 12: FOULS AND MISCONDUCTS**

Conform to Rule 12 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

There is no slide tackling allowed. Slide tackling even if the player touches the ball first will result in a Free Kick in accordance to Law 13.

### **LAW 13: FREE KICK**

Conform to Rule 10 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

### **LAW 14: PENALTY KICK**

Conform to Rule 11 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

### **LAW 15: THROW-IN**

In accordance to Rule 13 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules, at U9, Kick-In will apply instead of Throw-ins.

- When the whole of the ball has crossed the touch-line, either on the ground or in the air, the ball shall be kicked-in from the point where it left the field of play, by a member of the team opposing that of the player who last played or touched it.
- The player taking the kick-in shall:
  - a. Face the field of play and
  - b. Kick the ball from on, or behind, the touch line.
- The ball will be in play immediately after it enters the field of play.
- If the player taking the "kick in" plays, or touches, the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.
- At the taking of a kick-in, all opponents must be at least 2 yards (1.8 meters) from the ball.
- A goal may not be scored directly from a kick-in.

### **LAW 16: GOAL KICK**

Conform to Rule 14 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

### **LAW 17: CORNER KICK**

Conform to Rule 15 in the OSA Mini Soccer Guide and Rules.

## **Kemptville District Soccer Club Guidelines**

### **Parents**

Parents will be encouraging to the coaches, players and referee. Parents must sit on the opposite side of the field from the teams. Players are expected to stay with their team during games. If a player goes



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over to the parent side of the field, then they risk losing their equal share of playing time. Coaches will not be responsible for supervising the children when the parents are not in attendance at the field. The club strongly recommends having a parent or other individual who has been given responsibility for that child in attendance.

### Game Sheets

All coaches must give two copies of the KDSC House League Game Sheets to the referee. The Game Sheet should include all the players that will be participating in the game. The referee will return one copy of the Game Sheet to the coach upon completion of the game. The coach should pass the completed Game Sheet to the convener or drop it off at the KDSC club office within 48 hours of the completion of the game. The KDSC House League Game sheets can be found at:

<http://www.kemptvillesoccer.com/forms.php>.

### Practice

Practice is usually one hour in length and on a different night of the week from their games. This is at the coach's discretion. For development reasons, attending practice is strongly recommended.