

BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISION RULES

NOTE: OUR U7-U10 BOYS DIVISION STILL HAS 7 OPEN SPOTS. IF YOU KNOW ANY 2011-2014 BOY INTERESTED IN PLAYING SPRING SOCCER, PLEASE HAVE THEIR FAMILIES CONTACT ME AT RECDIRECTOR@HOOSIERFC.COM

Law I – Ball Size four (4)

Law II - Number of Players

- A. Maximum number of players on the field per team at any one time is seven (7). The minimum number of players to start the match is five (5). If a team only has five players to start, the opposing team must start only five players as well.
- B. Maximum number of players on the roster should not exceed twelve (12).
- C. Substitutions: Substitutions shall be unlimited and at the referee's discretion and will be permitted at any stoppage of play
- D. Playing time: Each Player shall play a minimum of 50% of the total playing time.

Law III – Player's Equipment

- A. Footwear: Soft-cleated soccer shoes.
- B. Shin guards: MANDATORY
- C. Socks must cover shin guards. Black shorts and black team socks for games.

Law IV – Duration of Game

A. The game shall be divided into two (2) halves of twenty-five (25) minutes each. Eight (8) minute half time.

C. Law V – Start of Play Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game, with the following exceptions:

- A. Opponents must be outside the center circle for kick-offs

Law VI– Ball In and Out of Play Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game

Law VII – Method of Scoring Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game

Law VIII - Offside. Offside should only be called if very obvious.

Law IV – Fouls and Misconduct Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game with the following exceptions:

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A. All infractions must be explained to the offending player.

Law V – Free Kicks Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game

A. Penalty kicks are awarded for foul infractions in the penalty box.

Law VII – Throw In

A. The player selected to throw must keep both feet on the ground while the ball is being thrown. Further, a portion of both feet must be on or behind the line as the ball is being thrown. If there is a foul throw-in, the referee must explain the proper method to the player and allow a re-throw. If the second attempt also results in an infraction, the opposing team shall be awarded the throw-in at the same spot on the field.

Law VIII – Goal Kick Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game with the following exceptions:

A. Opponents must retreat to dotted build-out-line

Law IX – Corner Kick Conforms to FIFA Laws of the Game

No Sweeper-Keepers: Coaches are strongly encouraged to not allow a player to “camp out” in front of the goal to prevent scoring as all players need to be encouraged to be involved in active play. Exception: Goalies.

Slide Tackles: Slide tackles shall not be permitted. Any player engaging in slide tackles should be counseled to not repeat.

No punting from goalies!

Intentional heading will result in an indirect free kick for the opponent. If it occurs in the defending team’s penalty box, the ball will be placed at the top of the 18 yard box.

Non-uniform clothing is allowed based on weather conditions, but uniforms must still distinguish teams. Please wear jerseys overtop extra layers.

Grounds Clean-Up: Each team shall clean up their respective areas before leaving.

We have gotten a lot of questions about formations. Great question. HFC would like the teams to play goalie, two defenders, three midfielders, and a forward.

Before each game, make sure the coaches and referee all agree on the rules for the game.