

2011 Recreation Referee Guidelines / Age Group Specifications

Age Group	Players on field	Field Size	Goal Size	Ball Size	Game Length	Substitutions
U6	4	20 x 30	4 x 6	#3	32 Minutes (4-8 minute quarters) 2 minute "quarter-times" 5 minute halftime No overtime	At Quartertimes (Coach Controlled) or injuries
U7	7	45 x 70	5 x 10	#3	32 Minutes (4-8 minute quarters) 2 minute "quarter-times" 5 minute halftime No overtime	At Quartertimes (Coach Controlled) or injuries
U8	7	45 x 70	5 x 15	#3	40 Minutes (20 min halves) 5 minute halftime No overtime	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)
U9	8	45 x 70	7 x 21	#4	50 Minutes (25 minute halves) 5 minute halftime No overtimes	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)
U10	8	45 x 70	7 x 21	#4	50 Minutes (25 minute halves) 5 minute halftime No overtimes	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)
U11- U12	11	50 x 100	8 x 24	#4	60 Minutes (30 minute halves) 5 minute halftime No overtimes	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)
U13- U14	11	50 x 100	8 x 24	#5	70 Minutes (35 minute halves) 10 minute halftime No overtimes	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)
U15- U16	11	50 x 100	8 x 24	#5	80 Minutes (40 minute halves) 10 minute halftime No overtimes	Unlimited/ out-of-bounds, on any goal kick, on own throw-ins, or directly after a goal. (Referee controlled)

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Laws of the Game: <http://www.fifa.com/worldfootball/lawsofthegame.html>

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Age Group	Goalies	Throw in Violation	Offside	Other Changes- Please notify both coaches prior to match!
U6	NONE	Re-throw	None	No Goalies. Teams are split into two squads, and play opponents as split team. Coaches split referee duties. No slide tackling. All free kicks (for fouls) are indirect". No penalty kicks are allowed, all are indirect. *Indirect Kick- An indirect kick is when a team is awarded a free kick for an infraction, that must be touch by a second player before being kicked into the goal. If kicked "directly" into the goal, it does not count, and a goal kick is awarded to the opposing team.
U7	Can handle the ball for 10 seconds	Re-throw	NONE, But no "cherry picking" is allowed either. Forwards must stay within 5 feet of last defender (besides keeper)	Coaches split referee duties if no referee arrives. All Free-kicks are indirect. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. *Indirect Kick- An indirect kick is when a team is awarded a free kick for an infraction, that must be touch by a second player before being kicked into the goal. If kicked "directly" into the goal, it does not count, and a goal kick is awarded to the opposing team.
U8	Can handle the ball for 10 seconds	Re-throw once, then change possession	NONE, But no "cherry picking" is allowed either. Forwards must stay within 5 feet of last defender (besides keeper)	Coaches split referee duties if no referee arrives. All Free-kicks are indirect. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. *Indirect Kick- An indirect kick is when a team is awarded a free kick for an infraction, that must be touch by a second player before being kicked into the goal. If kicked "directly" into the goal, it does not count, and a goal kick is awarded to the opposing team.
U9	Can handle the ball for 6 seconds	Re-throw once, then change possession	Recreation- NONE, But no "cherry picking" is allowed either. Forwards must stay within 5 feet of last defender (besides keeper) COMPETITIVE- Yes- standard FIFA rules	Recreation- All Free-kicks are indirect. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. Competitive- All opponents must be 8 yards away on Free Kicks. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. Direct Kicks taken from top of penalty area.
U10	Can handle the ball for 6 seconds	Re-throw once, then change possession	Standard FIFA rules apply	Recreation- All Free-kicks are indirect. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. Competitive- All opponents must be 8 yards away on Free Kicks. No penalty kicks (PK's) are allowed. Direct Kicks taken from top of penalty area.
U11-U12	Can handle the ball for 6 seconds	Change Possession	Standard FIFA rules apply	Recreation/Competitive/Select All standard FIFA laws apply
U13-U14	Can handle the ball for 6 seconds	Change Possession	Standard FIFA Rules	Recreation/Competitive/Select All standard FIFA laws apply
U15-U16	Can handle the ball for 6 seconds	Change Possession	Standard FIFA Rules	Recreation/Competitive/Select All standard FIFA laws apply

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