

## MINI SOCCER RULES FOR UNDER 6 & UNDER 7

### Pitch Measurements

GOALS : 1.5m high x 4.5m wide

GOAL AREA : 10m radius semi-circle

CENTRE CIRCLE : 10m 5m radius circle drawn.

CORNER AREAS : 1m radius from centre.

Flags on posts must be placed at each corner.

FIELD SIZE : Length 60m maximum 45m minimum

Width 45m maximum 30 minimum

THE BALL : Size 3

### Duration of Games

Under 6 15 minutes each way, 5 minutes half time

Under 7 20 minutes each way, 5 minutes half time

### Players

- (a) Games will be conducted between teams on a maximum of 6 and a minimum of 4 players.
- (b) There will be no restrictions in the number of substitutes allowable.
- (c) Each team must have a goal keeper dressed in colours that distinguish him from all other players.

### The Playing Rules – Under 6 & 7

Games shall be played according to the FIFA Laws of Association Football with the following modifications.

1. Games will be conducted as friendly games. Competition Points and tables will not apply.
2. Goal kicks will be taken from the center of the arc defining the goal area.
3. Corner kicks will be taken from the corner area.
4. All free kicks will be indirect free kicks.
5. All free kicks awarded inside the goal area (i.e. for both teams) will be taken with the ball placed on the arc defining the goal area at the point nearest the position of the offence.
6. Defending players must be no less than 5m from the ball during the taking of any free kick, corner kick or goal kick.
7. The offside law shall not apply.
8. Players marking or obstructing the opposing goal keeper, whilst that goalkeeper is in control of the ball, will be penalised by an indirect free kick taken from the centre of the arc defining the goal area. Once the goalkeeper has controlled the ball all defending and attacking players shall be outside the goal area OR five metres from the ball whichever is the greatest. Once having control of the ball the keeper may place the ball on the ground to kick out of the goal area. The ball shall not be deemed in play until it has crossed the arc defining the goal area.
9. Players may be interchanged at any time during the match.
10. No coaching will be allowed from the sideline.
11. Coaches will be permitted on the field, but must remain outside of the goal area.
12. The “pass back to the goal keeper” rule will not apply in mini soccer.