

Leavenworth County Soccer U14 Rules

Law 1 – The Field of Play

1. Dimensions: The field of play must be rectangular. The length of the touchline must be greater than the length of the goal line.
2. Length: minimum 110 yards maximum 120 yards
3. Width: minimum 75 yards maximum 80 yards.
4. Goal Post must be securely anchored.
5. Spectator and team benches should be on opposite sides of the field.

Law 2 – The Ball: Size five (5) to be provided by the home team.

Law 3 – The Number of Players:

1. A match is played by two teams, each consisting of not more than eleven (11) players, one of whom is the goalkeeper.
2. Minimum number of players is 7 including one of whom is the goalkeeper
3. Substitutions: Conform to FIFA plus the following;
 - a. Unlimited Substitutions
 - b. *Own teams corner kick.*
 - c. *Team not in possession of the corner kick, or throw-in may also substitute providing the team in possession of the corner kick, or throw in wishes to substitute.*

Law 4 – The Players Equipment:

1. Player may not wear any item of equipment that may be dangerous to themselves or others to include jewelry.
2. Player wearing a cast will require permission slip from a doctor and must be deemed safe by the referee. Non-uniform clothing is allowed based on weather conditions, but uniforms must still distinguish teams.
3. Shin guards are required be covered by socks and be age appropriate.
4. Toe cleats are not permitted and the shoe must be deemed safe by the referee.
5. Goalkeeper must wear a shirt that distinguishes him from other players. Goalkeeper may wear a soft-billed baseball cap.
6. Teams will not purchase uniforms which conflict with the referee's primary color of Gold.

Law 5 – The Referee: Registered referee.

Law 6 – The Assistant Referee: Use U.S.S.F. registered referees or club linesmen/women.

Law 7 – The Duration of the Match: Conform to FIFA with following exceptions:

1. The match will be divided into two (2) halves of 35 minutes each. There shall be a half-time interval of five (5) minutes.
2. Except for tournament play, games tied at the end of regulation will end as a tie.
3. Tournament. Overtime will consist of two 5 minute halves followed by Penalty kicks until a winner is decided. Halftime will consist of 2 minutes, and 5 minutes will be given following regulation time and the start of the 1st overtime period

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Law 8 – The Start and Restart of Play: Conform to FIFA.

Law 9 – The Ball In and Out of Play: Conform to FIFA.

Law 10 – The Method of Scoring:

1. Conform to FIFA.
2. At any time in the 2nd *half* of play, one team has a goal differential of 10 goals; game may be terminated at the losing coaches' discretion. Decision rest solely with the losing teams coach.

Law 11 – Offside: Conform to FIFA.

Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct:

1. Conform to FIFA.
2. Slide tackling is permitted.
3. Players receiving a yellow card will be required to leave the field and may be replaced. The player may re-enter the game at the next legal substitution.
4. ***Red Cards- Red cards issued to players or coaches will result in the person having to leave the field of play for the rest of the existing game and to have to miss his/her next scheduled game. Person must leave the playing area and in the opinion of the referee be far enough away from play to be of no further consequence before play resumes.***

Law 13 – Free Kicks: Conform to FIFA

Law 14 – The Penalty Kick: Conform to FIFA

Law 15 – The Throw-In: Conform to FIFA.

Law 16 – The Goal Kick: Conform to FIFA.

Law 17 – The Corner Kick: Conform to FIFA

Other

1. The linesman box is an area used by the linesman for performance of his/her duties. The box, beginning at the touchline extends 1 yard outside the playing field. This area shall be kept clear. An obstructed linesman cannot perform his/her duties effectively.
2. The coaches' box is an area used by the coach to perform his/her duties during the play of the game. It extends outward from the linesman box to a point 12 yards from each center line on their half of the field.
3. The referee shall stop the game when an injury appears and the player requires assistance. If a coach and/lineman see an injury before the referee, they should notify the referee.

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4. Coaches may decide at game time whether to play or postpone a game due to inclement weather. Consideration should be given to player's safety and condition of the field. Technically the decision to play or not, is not a referee's decision until the game has officially started. However, coaches should consult the official before a decision is made whether to start a match.
5. Dissent with a referee decision is not permitted. A coach may approach a referee at the quarter or half to ask questions. Many of the officials at this age group are young and or first year officials. Coaches are expected to treat them with respect to the task they are attempting. Coaches may document their grievance in writing and provide to the league or Referee Commissioner
6. No more than three (3) registered and rostered coaches may be on the sideline during any game.
7. All participants will play approximately 50% of each game