

# Mini Soccer Rules

## 5 & 6 year olds

1. Size # 3 soccer balls will be used.
2. Maximum of 7 players on the field at any time during the game.  
(6 outfield players plus a goalkeeper).
3. One coach of each team will be allowed on the field of play.  
(But never within the goal area).
4. Game to be divided into 2 halves of 20 minutes each, with a five minute break at half.
5. The referee has to explain infractions to the offending players.
6. Throw-ins, same player will continue throw-in until successful.
7. On throw-ins, corner kicks, and goal kicks, the opposing team has to yield 5 yards. (ie the opposing players have to be at least 5 yards from the ball).
8. Unlimited substitution during any stoppage of play with permission of referee.
9. Players cannot at any time enter the semi-circle of an opposing team. To score a goal the ball has to be kicked from outside the goal box.
10. On a goal-kick, only the goalkeeper can restart the play with a goal-kick from within the goal box.
11. The goalkeeper cannot handle the ball outside the goal box.
12. NO DIRECT FREE KICKS.
13. NO PENALTY KICKS.
14. NO OFF-SIDE RULE. ( Advise coaches to avoid taking advantage of this rule).
15. ~~Two~~ goal rule. A player may only score up to a maximum of ~~2~~ goals in any one game, after that point the goals will not be counted.
16. The referees (Certified or In-House) have total control of the game and can stop a game at any time for whatever reason. Some of these reasons may be a coach or parent acting out of line, weather conditions, parents or coaches failing to observe FIFA rules or Club rules.
17. During a game, no assistant coach or parent helper is allowed on the opposite side of the field, behind or along side of any goal, or near the goal line for any reason.
18. FIFA rules to be used, except for the modification as stated above.
19. Any issues with parents or coaches must be discussed with the referee convenor immediately after the game.