

# Modified Playing Rules for U5/U6

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No league standings...No official score kept  
Participation trophies/awards for all players

### Placement on Field

Parents/coaches/spectators should be at least 6 yards from outside touchline and 20 yards from goal line.

NO running the length of the field except players in the game.

Coaches are allowed on the field to help the players for the first three (3) weeks of the season as long as the ball is NOT in play. Once the ball is in play, all coaches must be off the field.

### Equipment

Ball size three (3).

Shin guards are MANDATORY.

Socks are to be worn on the OUTSIDE of the shin guard completely covering it (not under the shin guard and folded over).

Tennis shoes or soft cleated soccer shoes - NO baseball or football cleats.

Each player shall have a number on the back of his/her jersey not less than four (4) inches high.

No jewelry or metal hair clips.

### Number of Players/Playing Time

Maximum numbers of players on the field is four (4). No goalkeeper.

Game Length is four (4) quarters of ten (10) minutes each.

One (1) minute break between quarters.

Five (5) minute half time break between quarters 2 and 3.

All players get equal playing time regardless of skill or ability.

### In-Bounding the Ball\*\*

Corner Kick (All players must be 3 yards from the ball, except for the player kicking the ball.

Goal Kick (All players must be outside the penalty area, except for the player kicking the ball.

Throw In (All players must be 3 yards from the ball, except for the player throwing the ball.

\*\* Reminder - all kicks and throw-ins are indirect

### Game Substitutions

Substitutions can only be done between quarters, except for injuries or player initiated substitution.

### Fouls/Misconduct

Conforms to FIFA with the following exceptions:

All fouls result in an indirect free kick with the opponent five (5) yards away.

Referee must explain all infractions to the offending player.

No caution or ejection shall be issued except by a neutral referee.

### Free Kicks

Conforms to FIFA with the following exceptions:

All free kicks are indirect

A goal may not be scored until the ball has been played or touched by a second player of either team.

No kick shall be taken by the attacking team within the defending team's goal box.

### Penalty Kicks

NO penalty kicks at this age division.