

# NKSL Modified Laws for Small Sided Games Summary

Spring 2008

USSF Soccer Laws are applied with the following modifications

Age	U6	U8	U10	U12	U14
<b>Law 1 Field of Play</b>					
Length	20 to 30 yards	45 to 60 yards	45 to 60 yards	70 to 80 yards	
Width	15 to 25 yards	35 to 40 yards	35 to 40 yards	45 to 55 yards	
Recommended	20 yards X 30 yards	35 yards X 50 yards	40 yards X 55 Yards	45 yards X 70 yards	
Center Circle	4 yard radius	6 yard radius	6 yard radius	8 yard radius	
Goal Area	None	6 yards from each goal post, 6 yards into the field of play	6 yards from each goal post, 6 yards into the field of play	6 yards from each goal post, 6 yards into the field of play	
Penalty Area	None	10 yards from goal post, 10 yards into the field of play	10 yards from goal post, 10 yards into the field of play	14 yards from goal post, 14 yards into the field of play	
Penalty Mark	None	None	8 yards from Goal Line	8 yards from Goal Line	
Penalty Arc	None	None	6 yard radius from Penalty Mark out side Penalty Area	8 yard radius from Penalty Mark out side Penalty Area	
Corner Arc	None	1 yard radius	1 yard radius	1 yard radius	
Goal	6 ft X 12 ft or smaller	6 ft X 18 ft or smaller	6 ft X 18 ft	6 ft X 18 ft or larger	
<b>Law 2 Ball</b>	Size 3	Size 3	Size 4	Size 4	
<b>Law 3 Number of players</b>	3 V 3	6 V 6	6 V 6	8 V 8	
	No Goalkeeper	Including Goalkeeper	Including Goalkeeper	Including Goalkeeper	
Substitutions	Unlimited at any stoppage	Start of Qtr/half, Goal Kick, Goal, both teams when an injured player, for a yellow carded player. own possession on Throw-in, Team not in possession on Throw-in may sub when team in possession is also substituting.	Start of Qtr/half, Goal Kick, Goal, both teams when an injured player, for a yellow carded player. own possession on Throw-in, Team not in possession on Throw-in may sub when team in possession is also substituting.	Start of Qtr/half, Goal Kick, Goal, both teams when an injured player, for a yellow carded player. own possession on Throw-in, Team not in possession on Throw-in may sub when team in possession is also substituting.	

Minimum to start play		5	5	6	
<b>Law 4 Player Equipment</b>					
		Glasses must have strap	Glasses must have strap	Glasses must have strap	
Color conflict		Home Changes	Home Changes	Home Changes	
<b>Law 5 Referee</b>	Game manager, parent, coach, or grade 9 referee	Grade 9 or 8 referee	Grade 9 or 8 referee	Grade 9 or 8 referee	
<b>Law 6 Assistant Referee</b>	None	None	Not required, may use Assistant Referees	Grade 9 or 8 referee	
<b>Law 7 Duration</b>	4 - 8 minute quarters	4 - 12 minute quarters	2 - 25 minute halves	2 - 30 minute halves	2-35
	2 minutes after 1st & 3 qtr, 5 minute half	2 minutes after 1st & 3 qtr, 5 minute half	5 minute half time	5 minute half time	
	Each player shall play a minimum of 50% total playing time.	Each player shall play a minimum of 50% total playing time.	Each player shall play a minimum of 50% total playing time.	Each player shall play a minimum of 50% total playing time.	
<b>Law 8 Start &amp; Restart of Play</b>	4 yard from ball	8 yards from ball	8 yards from ball	8 yards from ball	
<b>Law 9 In &amp; Out of Play</b>					
<b>Law 10 Method of Scoring</b>					
<b>Law 11 Offside</b>	None	None	A referee should make the off sides call when he can determine, with confidence, an infraction has occurred.	Yes, three man system	
<b>Law 12 Fouls &amp; Misconduct</b>	All infringement shall be explained.	All infringement shall be explained.	All infringement shall be explained.		
	No Slide Tackling	No Slide Tackling			
			Indirect free kick is awarded if a goalie punts the ball from his penalty area to his opponents penalty area. Ball is placed on the center mark.	Indirect free kick is awarded if a goalie punts the ball from his penalty area to his opponents penalty area. Ball is placed on the center mark.	
	No Cards	No Cards			

<b>Law 13 Free Kick</b>	All free kicks are direct 4 yards from ball	All free kicks are direct 8 yards from ball			
<b>Law 14 Penalty Kick</b>	None	None			
<b>Law 15 Throw In</b>	Allow a second attempt	Allow a second attempt			
<b>Law 16 Goal Kick</b>	2 to 3 yard from goal line where ball went out. Opposing players 4 yards from the ball.				
<b>Law 17 Corner Kick</b>	Opposing players 4 yards from the ball.	Opposing players 8 yards from the ball	Opposing players 8 yards from the ball	Opposing players 8 yards from the ball	

**Teams will be randomly formed by applying the USSF and KYSA Recreational Team Formation Guidelines. Guidelines can be found in the State Rule of The Kentucky Youth Soccer Association, at [www.kysoccer.net](http://www.kysoccer.net)**

**NKSL Modification to Random Formation:**

"Players will be automatically moved up to the next Age Group on the basis of birth year only. Returning players (those who played in the Member Organization during the prior playing season) may be assigned to the same coach with whom he/she played the immediately preceding season, even if the coach and player move up an age division, provided compliance with all other rules of formation."

**Team Size**

<b>Min / Max</b>	3 to 6	6 to 12	6 to 12	8 to 16
<b>Recommended</b>	5	9	9	12

**Rec Referee**

<b>Fees</b>	\$10.00 Center	\$14.00 Center	\$16.00 Center	\$20.00 Center, \$14.00 AR
<b>Per Coach Split</b>		\$ 7.00 per coach	\$8.00 per Coach	\$24.00 per coach

**Club Linesman** Home Team Provides - Should not be paid.

No two man system!

U14 & U16 Center \$24.00. \$16.00 AR \$28.00 per coach
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