

CFSC U10 Division Rules and Sideline Behavior Form:

1. Each game is to start with eight players from each team. 1 Goalie and 7 field players with a size 4 ball.
2. No coaches are permitted on the field during play. Only coaches and their assistants may be on the player's side of the field during play. Spectators and parents should sit on the opposite side of the field at least 3 feet away from the touchline. No coaches, spectators or parents will be allowed to be behind either end line during play.
3. Duration of the game is two 25 minute halves with a five minute half time. Time will be kept by the referee. A coin toss will be used to start the match. Winner of the toss chooses which end of the field they will defend and the other team kicks off. Teams switch ends to start the second half and the other team kicks off.
4. Substitutions can take place by either team only when play is stopped (goal kick, after a goal or if the referee stops play). Substitution by the defending team at a throw-in is not allowed unless the possessing team also substitutes. Substitutions can NOT take place by either team on corner kicks. A coach may substitute for an injured player at any time.
5. ***PROTECT THE GOALIE***. A player CANNOT kick the ball out of the goalie's hands when the ball is touched by the Goalie. Once the Goalie has possession of the ball, all players should be backed away out of the penalty area. A goalkeeper may not take more than 6 seconds from the moment they have full control of the ball in their hands.
6. There is ***No Slide Tackling*** in U-10. If a player slides a direct kick would be taken from the spot of the foul. Penalties committed in the penalty box result in penalty kicks. Players need to begin to realize the need to be careful around the penalty area. The only exceptions are obstruction and an illegal pass back to the keeper. Those penalties result in indirect kicks at the spot of the foul.
7. There will not be a limit on team goals but coaches are encouraged to be good role models and exercise good sportsmanship. A team losing by 5 goals will be permitted to add a field player. A team losing by 6 goals will be permitted to add two players. When the goal differential becomes less than 5, the teams return to even strength. Furthermore, if a particular player scores most the goals for your team and your team is winning by 5 then that player should be placed in a defensive position to allow other players a chance to score.
8. Coaches need to respect our refs and the assistant refs. As such, verbal abuse will not be tolerated. If a coach is verbally abusive at a match the center ref will take the following actions. 1. A verbal warning will be given to the coach; 2. A yellow card will be issued to the coach and said coach will be written up by the ref; and 3. A red card will be issued to the coach requiring him to leave the premises and the coach's actions will then be reviewed by the club's board possibly resulting in further consequences.

* All other laws of the game will conform to the US Soccer Federation including offsides.

Sideline Behavior Policy

The Cuyahoga Falls Soccer Club expects that all parents and spectators will understand that the matches in the league are for the players and that parents understand that it is inappropriate for parents to be involved in the game. This includes any attempt to speak to or comment directly about the officiating of the game. The Cuyahoga Falls Soccer Club tolerates no comments to the referee, his or her assistants, or any club officials in the performance of duties before, during or after the match, on and off the field or properties.

Parents or spectators are to never yell or gesture in anyway to the opponents, players, staff or spectators.

Parents or spectators who assault (involving touching or striking) anyone including players, officials, coaches, other spectators, their own child, before, during or after a match will be referred to the local authorities and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. The Board of Control will also impose a ban of one or more future games including a lifetime ban.

Parents, coaches, staff or spectators who use foul and/or abusive language with or without direct threats will be banned from one or more future games, including a lifetime ban, at the discretion of the Board of Control. Those so disciplined may appeal to the Board of Control which is the final appeal.