

***Eastern Carolina Soccer Association
Laws of the Game Modifications***

U11 and U12 Recreation and Challenge

Law 1: The Field

- A.** Dimensions:
The field of play shall be rectangular. Minimum dimensions 45 yards wide and 70 yards long. Maximum dimensions 55 yards wide and 80 yards long.
- B.** Markings:
1. Distinctive lines not more than five (5) inches wide.
2. A halfway line shall be marked across the field.
3. A center circle with an eight (8) yard radius.
4. Four (4) corner arcs with a one (1) yard radius.
5. Goal Area shall be six (6) yards in depth and six (6) yards out from each goal post in width.
6. Penalty area shall be fourteen (14) yards in depth and fourteen (14) yards out from each goal post in width. A penalty kick mark shall be made eight (8) yards out from the goal line centered between the goal post.
7. Spectator Lines running parallel with both touchlines from penalty area to penalty area.
- C.** Goals:
Recommended: six (6) feet high and eighteen (18) feet wide.
Allowed: seven (7) feet high and twenty-one feet wide.
- D.** Coach's Area:
1. Teams on the same side of the field; coaches must stay in the area from penalty area to midfield outside the touchline on their end of the field.
2. Teams on opposite sides of the field; coaches are permitted to move from penalty area to penalty area outside the touchline on their side of the field.
3. A team is not permitted to have coaches on opposite sides of the field.
- E.** Coaches are permitted to confer with referees at the end of each period in a gentlemanly manner. This is not an opportunity to dispute calls, but rather a time for simple explanations of the rules.

Law II: The Ball Size four (4)

Law III: Number of Players

- A.** Maximum number of players on the field is eight (8). One of whom shall be the goalkeeper.
- B.** Maximum number of players on the roster will not exceed fourteen (14).
- C.** Substitutions: Player substitutions are permitted during possession throw-ins, goal kicks, after the scoring of a goal and at halftime.
- D.** Playing Time: Each player SHALL play in each half of the game.(Exceptions are defined in ECSA Challenge Policy III Participation.
- E.** A team must have six (6) players to start or continue a match.

Law VII: Duration of Game

- A.** The game shall consist of two equal halves of thirty (30) minutes.
- B.** There shall be a ten (10) minute break at halftime.
- C.** Teams will exchange ends of the field at the halftime break.