

U8 DKO Classic



Tournament Rules

- ❑ U8 play - 2x20 minutes
- ❑ 5-min. halftime
- ❑ Size 3 ball
- ❑ Numbers of players- 7v7 8 player maximum roster
- ❑ Goal Kicks from within penalty area line.
- ❑ Substitutions: Any stoppage by either team.
- ❑ Any attempt of throw in is accepted.
- ❑ No offside
- ❑ No direct or penalty kicks
- ❑ 6-yards clearance for indirect kicks.

RULES

1. **TEAM CHECK-IN**-Check in at the Tournament Check-in 60 minutes prior to first match.

All players must be deemed safe to play by the referee or assistant referee. (Shin guards covered, no rings or sharp objects, hard casts or jewelry, proper cleats or footwear)

- Medical ID necklaces can be worn if taped to chest. Medical ID bracelets can be worn if taped to wrist.
 - All players must also have a unique number on his/her jersey and all jerseys must match in color. Jersey number must match number listed on roster.
 - The home team must ensure they have a change of jersey color if the referee asks for a change due to color conflict. The home team is the first team listed (on the left) on the schedule.
2. All throw-ins must be done correctly (teams will be given 2 chances and then the throw in will be switched to the other team).
 3. Penalty kicks will NOT be allowed.
 4. All major and technical fouls will be enforced, resulting in indirect free-kick as appropriate.
 5. Off-sides will NOT be enforced.
 6. Either team may substitute on their own throw in or either team's goal kick. *A team may substitute on the other teams throw in if the other team is also*

making a substitution. Teams may also substitute before a kick-off, after a goal is scored, and any time there is a stoppage for injury.

7. Goal kicks for U8 will be taken from anywhere in the penalty area.
8. NO headers.

Please remember - THIS IS YOUTH SOCCER. WE ASK THAT EVERYONE CONDUCT THEMSELVES ACCORDINGLY, MAKING THIS A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE FOR OUR YOUTH PLAYERS.

9. Referees, while respecting the Laws of the Game, will do their best to keep the game flowing, simple, fun, and most importantly, safe for the players.
10. Coaches will be absolutely responsible for the **behavior of their parents** on the sidelines. Referees will reserve the right to **eject coaches or terminate games** in which parents and spectators are unable to **control negative behavior directed towards referees, players, or other spectators of the game.**

SPECTATORS

- a) Spectators must remain between the spectator-defined areas.
- b) No firearms or alcoholic beverages allowed at any field.
- c) Spectators can cheer, encourage, and support players **BUT in absolutely no case can they discourage, distract, or comment on opposing players or teams.** If a field marshal or tournament committee member feels the need to give a warning, or ask a spectator to leave, they can do so.
- d) If a referee asks a spectator to leave the fields, **they must do so immediately.** If they do not cooperate, the local authorities will be called.
- e) Parents or guardians are responsible for other family members, their behavior, and safety.