

Heartland Soccer Association

Official 6v6 Rules

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I. The Field

The dimensions:

- A. Length 60 yards minimum 75 yards maximum**
- B. Width 40 yards minimum 50 maximum**

Markings:

- A. Regular markings: half way line, center circle (8 yards diameter), four corner arcs, penalty area, and goal box.**
- B. Penalty area: length 12 yards, width 16 yards**
- C. Goal area: length 6 yards, width 8 yards**
- D. Penalty Spot: 8 yards**

Goals: A. The size will be '7 by '21

II. The Ball

Size Four (4)

III. Number of Players

- A. The maximum number of players on a roster should not exceed eleven.**
- B. The maximum number of players on the field at one time will be six (6) including the Goalie.**

Substitutions –Can be made during your team's throw-in, either teams goalkick or kick-off.

IV. Players Equipment

- A. Tennis shoes or soccer shoes with rubber cleats, no toe cleats allowed.**
- B. Shin guards are Mandatory. They must be covered completely by soccer socks.**

V. Referee

- A. There will be one (1) referee per field.**
- B. All rule infractions should be briefly explained to the offending player.
In addition, give second chances on throw-ins.**
- C. If hot weather is an issue, use good judgment. Longer breaks, more frequent subs and so on.**

VI. Linesperson

- A. Each team will provide a volunteer over the age of 15 to serve as club linesman/lineswomen at the referees' request.**

VII. Duration of the Game

- A. The game will be divided into two (2) twenty-five (25) minute halves.**
- B. There will be a five (5) minute break between halves.**
- *Remember that the visiting team should switch fields at half.
(6v6 Dual field play only)**
- *Home teams will take the outside sidelines and will not switch fields.
(6v6 Dual field play only)**
- *The visiting team will take the inside sidelines and switch fields at
halftime. (6v6 Dual field play only)**
- *Both teams (6v6 Single field play only) will take the inside side of field
with the parents of both teams on the outside of the field.**

VIII. Start of Play

- A. Opponents of the team kicking off must start outside of the center circle, while the kick-off is in progress.**
- B. In case of an injury re-starts with a drop ball.**

IX. Ball In and Out of Play

- A. The whole ball must cross the whole line in order for it to be out of bounds. If any part of the ball is touching the line it is still in play.**

X. Method of Scoring

- A. The whole ball must cross the whole line, similar to Law IX.**
- * No scores will be kept for U9 6v6 Dual Field Recreational divisions.**

XI. Off-Sides

- A. The referee will call if obvious from their perspective on the field.**

XII. Fouls and Misconducts

- A. Abide by FIFA laws with the opponents at least eight (8) yards away.**
- B. Remember that referees' should be explaining all infractions and fouls to the players.**

XIII. Free Kicks

- A. Opponents must be at least eight (8) yards away on all free kicks.**

XIV. Penalty Kicks

- A. There will be penalty kicks**

XV. Throw-Ins

- A. As per FIFA Laws of the Game**

XVI. Goal Kicks

- A. A goal kick will be taken from inside the goal area. All defensive players must be outside the penalty area.**

XVII. Corner Kicks

- A. Corner kicks will be taken inside the corner arc area on the appropriate side.**

XVIII. Sportsmanship

- A. Opposing coaches and players should always shake hands after a game.**
- B. No league standings or scores will be kept for U9 6v6 Dual Field Recreational divisions.**