



## **U8 Division**

Any rules not altered here remain as defined by FIFA, and the laws of the game:

U8 Division: size 3 ball

Number of players on the field: 5 maximum per team. Each team must have the same number of players on the field.

- ⚽ Every player plays half the game or more
- ⚽ No earrings, jewelry or wristbands at any time
- ⚽ Goalkeeper will be used for the game (GK is 1 of the five players on the field)
- ⚽ Duration of game is 2-20 minute halves; 5 minute half time
- ⚽ Free substitutions: any stoppage of play
- ⚽ Throw-ins: allow re-throws with instruction to help the player learn
- ⚽ Equipment: shin guards with socks “over” them are mandatory (Soccer cleats are optional)
- ⚽ Games officiated by the team’s coaches, only (1) coach from each team is allowed on the field during the game (No parents are allowed on the field at any time)
- ⚽ Fouls and Misconducts: All fouls will result in an indirect kick with opponents 6 yards away, Penalty kicks will not be taken in this age group, Coaches explain why foul was called
- ⚽ Offside will not be called
- ⚽ Goal kicks must be taken inside the goal box with opponents at least six yards away

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