

CVSA Rules & Skills for Mini Soccer

U6 – Small mini fields with 4 teams per field (18-22 meters wide X 25-30 meters long)

25 minute practice with 2 – 15 minute halves

3 v 3, Use Pug nets, Size 3 ball, Coaches are permitted & encouraged to join the players on the field during play, No Goal Keepers, No penalty area, No throw ins, No off sides, No slide tackling, if the ball goes out just get the ball and play on, basically just encouraging the kids to passing the ball and try to get the ball in the net, we encourage **FUN FOR ALL**. If you have a player that is hesitant please encourage the parents to just let them watch a few games, if they are not pressured to play most often they will join in on their own at some point. **EQUAL PLAYTIME FOR ALL**

U7 – Small mini field with 2 teams per field (20-25 meters wide X 30-36 meters long)

25 minute practice with 2 – 15 minute halves

5 v 5, Small Goals, Size 3 ball, Coaches are permitted & encouraged to join the players on the field during play, Use Goal Keepers, No penalty area, No throw ins, Kick ins only, no off sides, No slide tackling, Coach them on Passing, Checking, Running with the ball and Getting the ball in the net. If you have a player that is hesitant please encourage the parents to just let them watch a few games, if they are not pressured to play most often they will join in on their own at some point. **EQUAL PLAYTIME FOR ALL**.

U8 – Small mini fields with 2 teams per field (20-25 meters wide X 30-36 meters long)

2 – 25 minute halves

6 v 6, Small Goals, Size 3 ball, Coaches are permitted & encouraged to join the players on the field during play, Use Goal Keepers, No penalty area, No throw ins, Kick ins only, no off sides, No slide tackling, Coach them on Passing, Checking, Running with the ball and Getting the ball in the net. If you have a player that is hesitant please encourage the parents to just let them watch a few games, if they are not pressured to play most often they will join in on their own at some point. **EQUAL PLAYTIME FOR ALL**

U9 – Small mini fields with 2 teams per field (20-25 meters wide X 30-36 meters long)

2 – 25 minute halves

6 v 6, Small Goals, Size 3 ball, Coaches are permitted & encouraged to join the players on the field during play. Use Goal Keepers, No penalty area, No throw ins, Kick ins only, no off sides, No slide tackling, Coach them on Passing (this will become a very useful skill when they move up to U10, the field becomes larger and the ability to use your team mates to help get the ball to the other end of the pitch becomes a necessary skill), Checking, Running with the ball and Getting the ball in the net. If you have a player that is hesitant please encourage the parents to just let them watch a few games, if they are not pressured to play most often they will join in on their own at some point. **EQUAL PLAYTIME FOR ALL**

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PLAYERS EQUIPMENT – Non-uniform clothing is allowed based on weather conditions, but uniforms must still distinguish teams. Shin guards are mandatory and must be worn under the socks. Jewelry is **NOT PERMITTED**, if a player must wear earrings, the earrings **MUST BE TAPED**.

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U10/11 – Larger fields with 4 teams per field (55 meters wide X 70 meters long)

2 – 25 minute halves

7 v 7, Small Goals, Size 4 ball, Coaches are the officials at this level, Throw ins are in affect (Please ensure that the player is aware of the correct way to throw the ball in – both feet touching the ground, hands behind the head at start of throw), No offsides, No slide tackling, Coach the players passing techniques, scoring techniques, checking,

U12 – Larger field with 4 teams per field (55 meters wide X 70 meters long)

2 – 25 minute halves

8 v8, Small Goals, Size 4 ball, Referees assigned, You will need to assign a parent to flag for each game (If your parents are hesitant please let them know that this is new for most parents and if they have questions they can ask the Official referee to clarify what is expected of them), Off side rules are in affect in the opposing 1/3 of the field ONLY (Please check with your referee as to where the opposing 1/3 is located and set out cones, this will help not only the official but also the players & the parent that has been chosen to flag that game for you. Throw ins are in affect (Please ensure that the player is aware of the correct way to throw the ball in - both feet touching the ground, hands behind the head at start of throw), goal & corner kicks in affect – Conform to FIFA with the exception that the opponent remains at least five meters from the ball until it is in play,

U10/11 & U12 BOYS & GIRLS

GOALS MUST BE PULLED OUT FOR 8:30 GAMES & PUT AWAY AFTER THE LAST GAMES

ASSIGN A PARENT TO BE IN CHARGE OF ORGANIZING SOME PARENTS TO DO THIS

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