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United Futsal League 2023/24



November 27th – February 3rd
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League Rules & Regulations

The AYSO United Futsal league will adhere to and follow all rules and regulations related to the game of Futsal. There are some modified rules included so please be fully aware of the rules before entering and participating in the league. Any questions or concerns relating to the rules and regulations should be directed to the AYSO United Director of Coaching.

- **5 v 5 format (4 outfield players and a Goalkeeper)**
- **Goalkeeper must be designated and identifiable before kick-off**
- **Maximum of 4 substitutes allowed on the side-line (9 player roster limit, unless given prior approval from one of the Directors).**
- **Rolling clock of 2 x 20-minute halves and a 2-minute half time.**
- **Unlimited substitutes can be made throughout the duration of the match. The substituted player(s) must leave the field of play at the coaches' half-way line before their replacement(s) enters the field from the same half-way line. You DO NOT need the referee's permission.**
- **No throw-in's allowed, Kick-ins only.**
- **No Punting**
- **No Offside**
- **Players will have 5 seconds to get the ball back in play or possession will be awarded to the opposition from the nearest sideline.**
- **No slide tackles**
- **No 'Goal kicks', all goalkeeper restarts will start in the keepers' hands, and they will have 5 seconds to play the ball**
- **If a goal is 'scored' from an in-direct kick, no score will be given. The ball must touch another player before it counts as a goal.**
- **If a player receives a red card or 2 yellow cards resulting in a red, they must leave the field of play immediately and sit out the remainder of the match. The team CAN substitute for the red-carded player after either 2 minutes of elapsed playtime or if they concede whilst down to 4 players**



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- All red-carded players will be suspended for the following game
- If a team commits five (5) fouls during any one half, a penalty kick will be awarded to the opposition. The foul count will then reset, and after another Five (5) fouls, another PK will be awarded. The Foul count will automatically reset before the 2nd half of play.
- All ties in the Play-Off rounds will result in Penalty Kicks. Instead of the traditional 5 kicks each. Teams will have 3 kicks each before continuing to sudden death
- No Heading in ALL divisions. Futsal Balls weigh more than a standard soccer ball. If a player is deemed to have headed the ball intentionally, an in-direct kick will be awarded to the opposition from the nearest side-line.

Both teams must be present before kick-off time. If a team is running late or doesn't show, the 10-minute rule will be applied. If the team is not present and ready to play after 10 minutes, a 3-0 forfeit win will be awarded to the opposition. A team must have a minimum of three (3) players on the field for the match to commence. If the team does show before the 10-minute rule expires, the referee will deduct the elapsed time from the overall game-time.

Teams may be allocated as 'home' or 'away' on the schedule. The Home team is to wear a light jersey and the Away team is to wear a dark jersey. In the event of any uniform clashes, the home team must change. The referee will determine if this is needed and will discuss with the coach at the venue. All uniforms are to be of the same color and style and must have a number printed on the back of the jersey (no sports tape). Player numbers must be different to any other player on the team.

Players must be wearing shin guards and appropriate footwear (indoor shoes or non-marking shoes) before being permitted to play. Absolutely no cleats allowed. Players must also remove any jewellery before game play. Religious necklaces are the only exception if they are taped to the chest.



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- No 'Hard Casts' will be allowed, and the referee will determine if a 'Soft Cast' is safe before being permitted to play.
- Futsal balls will be provided for the games.

All Games will last for 42 minutes total. There are no clock stoppages during game play. It will be a running clock of a 20-minute 1st-half, 2-minute half-time, and a 20-minute 2nd-half. Game kick off and end times vary dependent on Gym availability.

A maximum of Four (4) coaches are allowed to appear on the roster and be present on the sideline during games, although we strongly advise that two (2) coaches are more than enough for this event.

Teams can 'Club Pass' players from team to team. Players that are 'Club Passing' must be included on the roster before the match. Teams are limited to three (3) club pass players per game, and they must not exceed the roster limit of Nine (9) players.

Locations and Parking

The AYSO United Futsal League will take place across Four (4) Locations:

- The Mini/Main Gym at Jefferson Middle School
- The Main Gym at Garfield Middle School
- The Main Gym at John Adams Middle School
- The Old and New Gyms at Lyndon B Johnson Middle School

Parking Maps will be sent separately.



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Additional Information

Although coaching from the side-line is encouraged, we strongly suggest that it is kept to a minimum, let the players play and have fun. All coaching points must be kept relevant to the game, encouraging, and delivered quickly and effectively. Excessive yelling, derogatory remarks, and unsportsmanlike conduct will result in a caution from the referee.

If at any time you feel the match needs to be stopped to address issues with Coaches and/or Parents, please firstly get the attention of one of the League Directors/Gym Masters listed below before approaching the coach/parent. Any questions you have regarding the games should also be directed to one of the Directors/Gym Masters below.



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