

MS KAIAC Soccer

Guidelines and Rules of Emphasis for Coaches and Referees



- A. Soccer is a gender-specific sport.
- B. A/B teams for Boys Soccer: students of lesser size and skill shall be assigned to B teams for safety precautions. The general expectation is that a majority of students on B teams will be 6th grade students. The remaining boys will be assigned to A teams. Any boy can be on A teams.
- C. B teams should be constantly assessed to prevent dominant B teams.
- D. Rosters for teams should be approximately 10 to 14 players. Teams may have less, but for fairness to the players, having a squad of less than fourteen ensures players more opportunity to play.
- E. Games will be 22 minutes with a minimum of 3 minutes between games.
- F. Players on the field: seven players including the goalie
- G. Opening possession will be determined by rock-paper-scissors
- H. Soccer attire:
 - H.1.athletic or soccer shoes
 - H.2.shin guards (required gear for all students)
 - H.3.goalie gloves (recommended)
 - H.4.goalie jersey: must be a different color from team uniform (soccer shirt, pinnies, or vest); each school provides their own
- G. Rules of Emphasis:

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- G.1. Throw-ins - both hands behind head and both feet on the ground; allow one retry per team without change of possession; subsequent violation will result in change of possession
- G.2. Off-Sides - will not be called unless cherry picking occurs (standing by the goal during game waiting for the pass)
- G.3. Deliberate Hand Balls - penalty kick may be awarded if done to prevent a sure goal (10 paces out)
- G.4. Major Fouls (unnecessary physical contact)
 - G.4.1. Kicking or attempting to kick an opponent
 - G.4.2. Striking or attempting to strike an opponent
 - G.4.3. Pushing an opponent
 - G.4.4. Charging an opponent
 - G.4.5. Tripping or attempting to trip an opponent
 - G.4.6. Jumping at an opponent
 - G.4.7. Holding an opponent
 - G.4.8. Slide tackling will NOT be permitted
- G.5. All fouls will result in indirect kicks
- G.6. Substitution - only during dead ball (goalie possession does not constitute a dead ball); must be within 10 seconds or the referee may resume play with the current players