

### Modified Game Rules

This Document outlines only the Rules that have been modified from official FIFA soccer rules. All other FIFA rules not specifically modified below will still apply to Southlake MOD games.

### Summary of Rules Chart

	<b>U5/U6</b>	<b>U7/U8</b>
<b># of Players on Field</b>	4	4
<b>Game Period</b>	2 x 20 min halves	2 x 25 min halves
<b>Time Between Periods</b>	5 min	5 min
<b>Ball Size</b>	3	3
<b>Field Width (ft)</b>	60	75
<b>Field Length (ft)</b>	80	120
<b>Build out Line</b>	Half Line	Half Line
<b>Center Circle Radius (ft)</b>	9	15
<b>Goalie</b>	No	No
<b>Slide Tackling</b>	No	No
<b>Heading</b>	No	No
<b>Offside Rule</b>	No	No
<b>Penalty Kicks</b>	No	No
<b>Direct Kicks</b>	No	No
<b>Retake on Throw Ins</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>Goals Scored from Goal Kick</b>	No	No
<b>Goal Scored from Kick Off</b>	No	No
<b>Goal Scored from Throw in</b>	No	No

\*\* In the event that a U6 team plays a U7 team, the game should follow U6 specific rules for field size and duration. \*\*

U5-U6:

Goal kicks shall be taken 4 feet from the goal line. The ball must pass the 18 foot line before a player on either team can touch it. If the ball does not go past the line or is touched before it crosses the line, a re-kick is needed.

U7-U8:

Goal kicks shall be taken 6 feet from the goal line. The ball must pass the 24 foot line before a player on either team can touch it. If the ball does not go past the line or is touched before it crosses the line, a re-kick is needed. The opposing team must be behind the mid field line on goals kicks.

Guidance for U5-U8: *It is the **responsibility of the Coach** to ensure that each player will have the opportunity to play a minimum of 50% of the total playing time for every game that each player shows up to.*

Free Kicks: Keep in mind that there will not be paid Referees but the basic rules of Soccer should be applied as coaching moments to help our kids learn the basic rules of the game. So no hand balls, tripping, pushing etc.

All placekicks and throw-ins will be indirect. Meaning a goal can **not** be scored directly from any free kicks due to fouls, kick offs, goal kicks, or throw-ins. The ball must be touched by at least one other player first, if the ball does go directly into the goal without being touched by another player then play will restart with a goal kick by the defending team.

Slide Tackling is NOT allowed.

Corner Kicks will be done at all age levels.

· Sideline Behavior

Coaches are responsible for players and parents  
Coaches need to work together to resolve issues