

DCSSL GAME RULES: RECREATIONAL DIVISIONS

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	U5 - U7	U8	U9	U10	U11 - U12	U13+
# of Players	4 v. 4, no GK	4 v. 4, no GK (option: 5 v. 5 including GK)	7 v. 7 including GK (option in U12: 8 v. 8 or 9 v. 9 including GK)			9 v. 9 or 11 v. 11 including GK (depending on rosters)
Ball	3		4		5	
Goal Size	Pugg	Pugg (7 x 12 if GK added)	7 x 12	7 x 18	7 x 24	Full size
Length of Game	U5 and Fall U6: 30 min. practice, two 12-minute halves. Spring U6, U7 and U8: two 20-minute halves.		Two 25-minute halves.			U13 - U14: two 30- minute halves U15+: two 35-minute halves
Referees	No	As available	Yes			
Substitutions	No limit specified.		Only on a team's own throw-in, all goal kicks, or after a goal has been scored.			
Throw-ins	Liberal instruction.		Ball turns over on <u>second</u> improper throw-in.		FIFA rule in effect. Ball turns over on improper throw-in.	
Goal Kicks	None	Goal kicks taken from edge of penalty area.			FIFA rule in effect. Goal kicks taken from edge of goal box.	
Offside Rule	None		FIFA rule in effect; but only "clear" offside enforced.		FIFA rule in effect.	
Pass-back to GK	FIFA rule <u>not</u> in effect.				FIFA rule in effect. Indirect free kick results.	
Free Kicks	All free kicks are indirect.				FIFA rules in effect.	
Penalty Kicks	No PKs. Fouls in penalty area result in indirect free kick from edge of area.			FIFA rule in effect.		
Handball	FIFA rule in effect. Handball must be "intentional" to be called.					
Cards	No			Yes. Red cards result in one-game suspension.		
GK Playing Time	One-half game rule in effect.					No limit (but see Rule V.D.2)