

# Sports Zone

## 3v3 soccer rules

Games will be 20 minutes in length.

Teams will receive 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss.

Tie breakers in order: head to head, goal differential up to 5, least goals allowed, subtract a point for each yellow card, then best of 3 penalty shots.

The goals are 6 feet wide by 4 feet high.

The goal area is a ten foot arc. There may be no ball contact in the area; however, any player may pass through the area. If the ball comes to a rest in the area, a goal kick is awarded regardless of who touched the ball last. If defender touches the ball in the area, a goal is awarded. If an offensive player touches the ball in the area, a goal kick will be awarded.

Substitutions may be made on the fly as long as the player leaving the field is within 3 steps of the touchline. All substitutions must be made with 10 feet of either side of midfield.

A goal may be scored only from a touch from a team's offensive side of midfield.

No offsides in 3 v 3 soccer.

No sliding to either tackle the ball or to save a ball. The result is an indirect kick for the opposing team. (Unless it is in the arc, then it is a goal)

In all dead ball situations, including the kickoff, the defenders must be at least five yards away from the ball. If the defensive player's goal area is closer than five yards, the ball shall be placed five yards away.

All dead ball kicks are indirect with the exception of a penalty kick. (A penalty kick will be awarded if; in the referee's decision an absolute scoring opportunity was nullified by an infraction. The kick will be taken from the midfield line with all players behind the line. If the goal is not scored, the defense obtains possession of the ball with a goal kick.

Any player that receives two yellow cards in one game will automatically be suspended for the remainder of the game and the next game. Any player accumulating three yellow cards will automatically be suspended from the tournament.

**Situations or occurrences that these rules do not address are covered in the Sports Zone league and facility rules or will be to the sole discretion of the tournament director.**

