

AYSO Region 345 3v3 Tournament Rules

Field of Play: The field of play is 30 yards in length, 20 yards in width. Set up with 6U goals.

Players/Substitutions: Each team will consist of a maximum of 6 players per team (Players can only be on (1) roster). There will be always 3 players on the field. Substitutes are allowed on the fly. The player leaving the field must be off before the player entering the game steps on the field. Violation of this rule results in an indirect free kick where the ball is at the time of the illegal substitution. The minimum number of players on the field is 2. Once a team has checked in with their most up to date roster, no substitutions will be allowed, unless authorized by the 3 v 3 Tournament Committee. Allowing a player to play that is not on your roster is not allowed. **Any team violating these rules, knowingly or unknowingly shall forfeit those games.**

Player's Equipment: Each player must be in team uniform or shirts of the same color. Cleats & shin guards are required.

Ball Size: The ball size will be a size 3.

Officials: AYSO Region 345 volunteers will act as officials for the games.

Duration of the game: The games are 20 minutes in length with (8) eight-minute halves and (4) four minutes for half time. The time will be kept by one administrator who will blow the horn to start and end all the games. The clock is continuous.

Start/End of play: The horn indicates the beginning/end of the game.

Ball in and out of play: There are no throw-ins but kick-ins. The opposing player must be at least five yards from the player taking the kick. A player cannot score directly from the kick-in.

Scoring: The officials keep score and report the score to the schedule tent at the culmination of each game.

Offside: There is no offside.

Violations and Misconduct: The referee has the right to remove any player from the field of play for foul/violent, play/conduct. Slide tackling is not permitted-indirect free kick at the spot of infraction.

Free Kicks: All free kicks are indirect. The opposing player must stand at least 5 yards from the ball. Players **CANNOT** score directly from a free kick.

Penalty Kicks: Shall be awarded if, in the referee's opinion, a scoring opportunity was nullified by the infraction. It is a direct kick

taken from the half-field line with all players behind the half- field line. If a goal is not scored, the defense obtains possession with a goal kick. Penalty kicks are not live balls.

GOALS & GOAL BOX: The goal box, 12 feet wide and 8 feet deep, is directly in front of the goal. No player may touch the ball within the goal box; however, any player may move through the goal box. Any part of the ball or player's body on the line is considered in the Goal box; the player is an extension of the box. Goal Box-(1) if offense touches ball inside the goal box, an Indirect Free Kick will be awarded to the defensive team (2) if defense touches ball inside the goal box-the offensive team will be given an Open "Direct" Kick will all players behind the ball with no rebounds whether the ball hits the bar or not, the ball is dead & the game will resume with a kickoff.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Players, coaches, and spectators are expected to always act in the nature of good sportsmanship. Abuse of the referees will not be tolerated. Any instance of such conduct will disqualify the responsible team from the event.

Cheating of any kind will result in forfeiture of game or games occurred. The decision of the 3 v 3 Tournament Committee is final, and no protests will be granted.

Preliminary/Group play: Each team will play three preliminary/group games.

-- 3 points for a win, 1 point for a shutout (a maximum goal differential of 3 goals per win)

-- 1 point for a tie

-- 0 points for a loss

In the event of a tie at the end of the preliminary/group games the following criteria will determine who advances to the next round:

1. Head-to-head result of the teams in question. (However, in case of a three-way tie, head-to-head is thrown out and we start with goal differential)
2. Goal Differential (maximum of +3/-3)
3. Total goals for (maximum of 3 per game)
4. Total goals against (maximum of 3 per game)
5. Penalty Kicks-best of 3, followed by sudden death. All players on the roster must take a penalty kick before a player takes their second.

Semi's & Final's: Determined by the number of teams registered.

In the result of a tie, one five-minute period will be played followed by penalty kicks.

In the event that poor weather occurs, the 3 v 3 Tournament Committee is not responsible for any expense incurred by any team due to cancellation, in part or in whole, of the tournament due to external conditions. The 3 v 3 Tournament Committee has absolute authority to cancel games in the interest of players' safety. Cancelled games will not be made up and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be determined by the number of points in groups and then tie breakers will determine 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.