



Futsal Rules Winter 2012

- Duration of the Games (running clock and broken into two (2) halves)
 - **30 minutes (two halves of 15 minutes)**
 - No half time break. Teams can quickly grab water but need to flip sides and start second half.
- All games must be played with an approved Futsal ball.
- **The goalkeeper is not allowed to punt or drop kick the ball.** Must play the ball with a pass from the ground or with a roll from the hand. Goalkeeper may NOT throw the ball over the midcourt line.
- Scoring directly from the kickoff is NOT allowed. Two players must touch the ball before scoring from a kickoff.
- Number of Players on the Court
 - **4 field players plus a goalkeeper (5v5 format)**
- Substitutions are unlimited and will take place on the fly. All players except for the goalkeeper can enter and leave as they please. Goalkeeper substitutions can only be made when the ball is out of play and with the referee's consent.
- **All fouls and goalkeeper infractions will be honored with a DIRECT free kick.**

- Kick ins will restart the game any time the ball leaves the area of play. The ball must be stopped completely (on the touchline) and played in bounds with a pass from the feet.
 - Corner kicks are treated the same as a regular kick in.
 - The kicker must play the ball back in to the playing area within five (5) seconds of the ball leaving the court. This is only extended if the referee deems the ball was kicked further away or on to another court.
 - A player CANNOT score directly from a kick in or corner kick. The ball must be touched by a secondary player which is constituted as the goalkeeper.

- Goal Clearance (in place of a goal kick)
 - Must be taken inside of the penalty area.
 - Goalkeeper can either throw or kick the goal clearance but must be brought back in to play with in the five (5) second rule.

- Accumulation of Fouls
 - The referee will track the total number of fouls per half. If a team reaches **5 fouls in one half**, the other team will be awarded a direct free kick.
 - The free kick will take place from the free throw line. This kick is taken like a penalty kick in the outdoor game and can be scored directly from the shooter.
 - **A handball does NOT count as an accumulated foul in the total number of fouls.**
 - Total number of fouls will reset at halftime.
 - The opposing team is NOT allowed to set up a wall to block the free kick. (this is in place of a penalty kick in the outdoor game)
 - Yellow Card Infringement
 - If a player receives a yellow card, they must sit out the next 5 minutes of the game.
 - If a player receives a red card, the player is ejected from the game and will be forced to miss the next game too.