

# MCYSA Modifications of the LOTG

- All games shall be played in accordance with the FIFA Laws of the Game except as modified or clarified in the...
- MCYSA Attachment A of the Referee Handbook
- The next 20 slides are a summary of the key modifications for MCYSA matches

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# Law 1 – Field of Play



- ANCHORED Goals
- Lines (minimum standard?)
- Corner Flags
- For all divisions PK's are taken at 12 yards
- D5 and D6
  - Smaller field, Smaller goals, smaller PK areas, 8 yards for encroachment

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# Law 2



TABLE 2 - GAME BALL SIZE

| AGE GROUP                      | BALL SIZE |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Divisions 1, 2 and 3 (U19-U13) | 5         |
| Divisions 4 and 5 (U12-U10)    | 4         |
| Division 6 (U8)                | 3         |



# Law 3

TABLE 3 - NUMBER OF FIELD PLAYERS

| AGE GROUPS               | NUMBER OF FIELD PLAYERS |          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
|                          | Minimum*                | Maximum* |
| Divisions 1- 4 (U19-U13) | 7                       | 11       |
| Divisions 5 & 6 (U10-U8) | 6                       | 8        |

\* - One of the players MUST be a goalkeeper



## Law 3 (cont.)

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- Players who will be late **must** be identified to the referee. If they arrive before the start of the second half, they must present themselves to the referee, together with their player pass at a substitution opportunity during a stoppage of play.
- Players arriving after the start of the second half will not be allowed to participate in the match, unless the team is playing with fewer than eleven (11) in a full sided game or fewer than eight (8) in a small sided game. However, the only late players that will be allowed to play are the ones needed to reach the maximums (if there wasn't a send off). The remaining players, which arrive after the start of second half, must go to the spectator's side of the field.



## Law 3 (cont.) Substitutions U9-19

Substitutions are unlimited except as noted below, but may be made only with the referee's permission under the following circumstances:

- By the team taking a throw-in, or,
- By either team after a goal, or,
- By either team at the end of a half, or,
- By either team at a goal kick, or,
- If play is stopped for an injury; equal subs, injured player must come off if coach enters the field (except Goalie), or,
- During the stoppage of play when a caution (yellow card) is issued to a player on the field; at this time the opposing team may also substitute on a one-for-one basis.



# Law 3 (cont.) Substitutions U8

- *Substitution for Division 6 (U8)\**
- Substitutions will be unlimited by either team at any stoppage in which normal player substitution would be allowed, but only with the referee's permission.
  - \*Clarified 9/11/10



# Law 4 - Equipment

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- 5 S's
- Home Teams change if there's a conflict
- NO hard casts even if padded
- Knee Braces permitted if no exposed metal edges
- NO JEWELRY!
- *"A Player must not use equipment or wear anything which is dangerous to himself or another player"*





# Law 5 – The Referee

- No MCYSA Modification



# Law 6 – Assistant Referee (AR)

- DSC – No MCYSA Modifications
- 1 Referee and only 1 Assistant Referee. AR must remain on touchline for the entire game. Club AR on opposite touchline
- Club Assistant Referee:
  - Volunteer and help the referee when there are no assistant referees.
  - Club Assistant Referee help by raising the flag when the ball leaves the field.
  - Not a SAGE Rep., not a coach, not a child, not vocal



# Law 7 – Match Duration

- 2 Equal Halves
- Allowance is to be made for lost time

TABLE 4 - DURATION OF GAMES

| AGE GROUP  | TIME                               |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Divisions 1 and 2 (U19 – U15)  | Two forty-five (45) minute halves  |
| Division 3 (U14 – U13)   | Two forty-minute (40) halves       |
| Division 4 (U12 – U11)   | Two thirty-five (35) minute halves |
| Division 5 (U10 – U9)  | Two thirty (30) minute halves      |
| Division 6 (U8)  | Two twenty-five (25) minute halves |
| <u>All MCYSA games must at least have a five (5) minute halftime break</u> |                                    |



# Law 8 – The Start and Restart of Play

- No MCYSA Modifications



# Law 9 – The Ball in and Out of Play

- No MCYSA Modifications



# Law 10 – The Method of Scoring

- No MCYSA Modifications



# Law 11 - Offside

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- **No Offside in D6 (U8).** However, coaches are to refrain from deliberately playing or placing players in an offside position to attempt to gain an advantage.



# Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

## D5 (U9-U10)

- Time wasting of goalkeeper – NOT enforced\*

## D6 (U8)

- Time wasting of goalkeeper – NOT enforced\*
- Pass back to goalkeeper – NOT enforced
- Throw in to the goalkeeper – NOT enforced

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\*Coaches are to refrain from deliberately using the pass back to goalkeeper in order to attempt to gain an advantage. If in the opinion of the referee, such an attempt takes place, the referee may call the pass back and restart with a IFK.





# Law 13 – Free Kicks

D5 (U9-U10) and D6 (U8)

- Encroachment distance will be 8 yards



# Law 14 – Penalty Kick

- No MCYSA Modifications



# Law 15 – The Throw in

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D5 (U9-U10) and D6 (U8)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> chance provided
- Reminder – Purpose of a throw in is to get the ball back into play



# Law 16 – The Goal Kick

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D6 (U8)

- Goal kicks can be a free kick or a punt



# Law 17 - Corner Kicks

D5 (U9-U10) and D6 (U8)

- Encroachment distance will be 8 yards

