

GARDEN CITY CENTENNIAL SOCCER CLUB

VILLAGE INTRAMURAL LEAGUE



FIFA RULE MODIFICATIONS

3rd GRADE

The following modifications will apply to the FIFA Rules for all Division III games:

LAW II-Number FOUR (#4) Ball will be used.

LAW III (section 1) - A game can be played by any team that has a minimum of five (5) players. Less than five (5) players constitutes a forfeit. However, as the main reason for this league is for participants to have fun, play and learn the game all attempts will be made to field a full team. This includes recruiting other GC Centennial Soccer Club intramural players from this or other younger age divisions provided the permission of the recruited players parent and coach is obtained. The recruited player must play a defensive position other than keeper.

Each team will field seven players (six field players plus a keeper). In the event a team cannot field a full complement of players the opposing coach will be restricted to fielding a number of players equal to that of the other team.

LAW III (section 2) - There is no limit on player substitutions, however, substitutions can only be made at a stoppage of play and only when the permission of the referee is received. Every player is to have playing time that is equivalent to one-half of each half time period (i.e. 10 minutes per half or a total of 20 minutes per game).

LAW III (section 3) - Keepers MUST be changed at half time. Two (2) different players are to play the keeper position each game.

NOTE: All players are to play the keeper position at least once during the season. Keepers can be substituted as part of the substitution process except where noted. This should not be used as a delay tactic.

LAW VI-Linesman –If there is only one referee each coach shall select an ADULT linesman to assist the Referee in watching the lines. The referee shall have the authority to override the call of a linesman.

LAW VII- Duration of the game - 20-minute halves and a 10-minute half time break.

Note: The game clock will be in the control of the referee. The clock may be stopped if a player is injured and there is an extended game delay as a result of the injury. The clock will not be stopped for player substitutions. Coaches are not to use player substitutions in order to run down the clock and to gain an advantage for their team.

LAW XI-Offside - Will be called only if it appears obvious that an offside infraction did indeed occur. Offside occurs when an offensive player receives a pass in the offensive side of the field ahead of the other players. Further there is no defensive player (other than the keeper) between the offensive player and the goal.

LAW XII (section 5) - Goalkeepers can take up to a maximum of six seconds before putting the ball into play. The number of steps is unlimited.

LAW XV -Throw-ins - Improper throw-ins will be retaken twice before the ball is turned over to the opposing team.

LAW XIV- Penalty kick – The defending team will not be allowed to change keepers prior to a penalty kick. **There will be no direct penalty kicks.** An infraction in the penalty box (i.e. hand ball, trip) will result in the awarding of an **indirect** free kick from the corner of the penalty box closed to the infraction. If the infraction takes place in the goal box an indirect kick will be awarded from the corner closet to the infraction of the penalty box. **REPEATED INFRACTIONS IN THE PENALTY BOX WILL COME UNDER THE REVIEW OF THE DIVISION LEADERS AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE GIRLS INTRAMURALS.**

LAW XVI-Goal kicks - Will be retaken twice if the ball does not pass the penalty line. The ball will then be awarded to the other team for a throw-in from the sideline opposite the penalty line.

LAW XVII -Corner kicks - Will be retaken twice if the ball is kicked out without touching another player. The ball will then be rewarded to the defensive team for a goal kick.

End of Modifications.

Players should be given an opportunity to play every position during the season. Each player should be given an opportunity to do throw-ins, goal kicks, & corner kicks.

It is suggested that the opposing Head Coaches go over the modifications with the Referees prior to the start of each game to ensure that there is no confusion on anyone's part during the game. If you have any questions about the above modifications or the FIFA LAWS, please direct them to your Division Leaders, or the Director of Girls Intramural Soccer.

Coaches are to call their Division Coordinator on Sunday evening to report their game scores and three outstanding players for the weekend games. Remember, the Coordinator is a volunteer just like the rest of us and will not chase any Coach for this information. If you do not call the Children lose out, not us. The call must be made by Sunday night in order for us to make the paper's deadline.