

YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 3-4 & 4-5 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Four players per team on the field (Three in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 3

Length of Game: Four quarters. Each quarter is six minutes.

Officials: One official

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Not kept for this division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take
 the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball. The other
 team must go back to midfield during a goal kick.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least four yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 4 yards from the ball
- Offside No penalty for offside in this division
- Penalty Kicks No penalty kicks in this division
- Heading No heading allowed in this division

Coaches

- One coach is permitted to be on the field at a time. Coach must stay out of the way of play or referee may ask coach to stay on sidelines for the remainder of the game.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents.

Spectators

 Fans are encouraged to cheer and support both teams. All are expected to be courteous and be positive role models for players. Spectators will respect coaches, players, game officials and other spectators at YMCA events.



YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 5-6, 6-7 & 6-8 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Six players per team on the field (Five in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 3

Length of Game: Four quarters. Each quarter is ten minutes.

Officials: One official

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Not kept for this division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take
 the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball. The other
 team must go back to midfield during a goal kick.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least four yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 4 yards from the ball
- Offside No penalty for offside in this division
- Penalty Kicks No penalty kicks in this division
- Heading No heading allowed in this division

Coaches

- One coach is permitted to be on the field at a time. Coach must stay out of the way of play or referee may ask coach to stay on sidelines for the remainder of the game.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents.

Spectators

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YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 8-9, 8-10 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Seven players per team on the field (Six in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 4

Length of Game: Two halves. Each half is 20 minutes.

Officials: One official

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Not kept for this old division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least eight yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 8 yards from the ball
- Offside No penalty for offside for this division
- Penalty Kicks Regulation penalty kicks for this division
- Heading No heading allowed for this division

Coaches

- All coaches will remain at the team bench area on the sideline and are not permitted on the field unless there is an injury timeout. Coaches may not coach from behind the goal or end line.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents

Spectators

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YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 9-11 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Seven players per team on the field (Six in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 4

Length of Game: Two halves. Each half is 25 minutes.

Officials: Two officials

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Will be kept for this division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least eight yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 8 yards from the ball
- Offside Regulation offside rules for this division will be enforced
- Penalty Kicks Regulation penalty kicks for this division will be enforced
- Heading No heading allowed for this division

Coaches

- All coaches will remain at the team bench area on the sideline and are not permitted on the field unless there is an injury timeout. Coaches may not coach from behind the goal or end line.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents

Spectators

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YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 10-11 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Eight players per team on the field (Seven in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 4

Length of Game: Two halves. Each half is 25 minutes.

Officials: Two officials

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Will be kept for this division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least eight yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 8 yards from the ball
- Offside Regulation offside rules for this division will be enforced
- Penalty Kicks Regulation penalty kicks for this division will be enforced
- Heading No heading allowed for this division

Coaches

- All coaches will remain at the team bench area on the sideline and are not permitted on the field unless there is an injury timeout. Coaches may not coach from behind the goal or end line.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents

Spectators

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YMCA of Northwest North Carolina Soccer 12-14 yr. old Rules

Number of Players: Nine players per team on the field (Eight in the field and one goalkeeper)

Ball Size: Size 5

Length of Game: Two halves. Each half is 25 minutes.

Officials: Two officials

Playing Time: Players shall play a minimum of 50% of game. No player shall play more than 75% of total playing time unless all other players present have played at least 75% of total playing time. Substitutions can be made at any dead ball during the game. Players are encouraged to play different positions.

Score: Will be kept for this division

Fouls/Penalties/Free Kicks

- Goal Kicks Ball is placed on the goal line in front of the goal. Any eligible player can take the goal kick. Ball must leave the penalty box area to be considered a live ball.
- Corner Kicks Opponents remain at least eight yards from the ball until it is in play.
- Throw-Ins Both feet must stay on the ground until ball is completely out of hands
- Fouls All fouls shall result in a direct free kick. The referee and/or coach will explain all
 infringements to the offending player. No cards shown for misconduct. Fouls are trips
 (intentional or unintentional) and hand balls (Below the shoulder)
- Free Kicks All kicks are direct and all opponents are at least 8 yards from the ball
- Offside Regulation offside rules for this division will be enforced
- Penalty Kicks Regulation penalty kicks for this division will be enforced
- Heading Allowed for this division

Coaches

- All coaches will remain at the team bench area on the sideline and are not permitted on the field unless there is an injury timeout. Coaches may not coach from behind the goal or end line.
- Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their teams and parents

Spectators

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