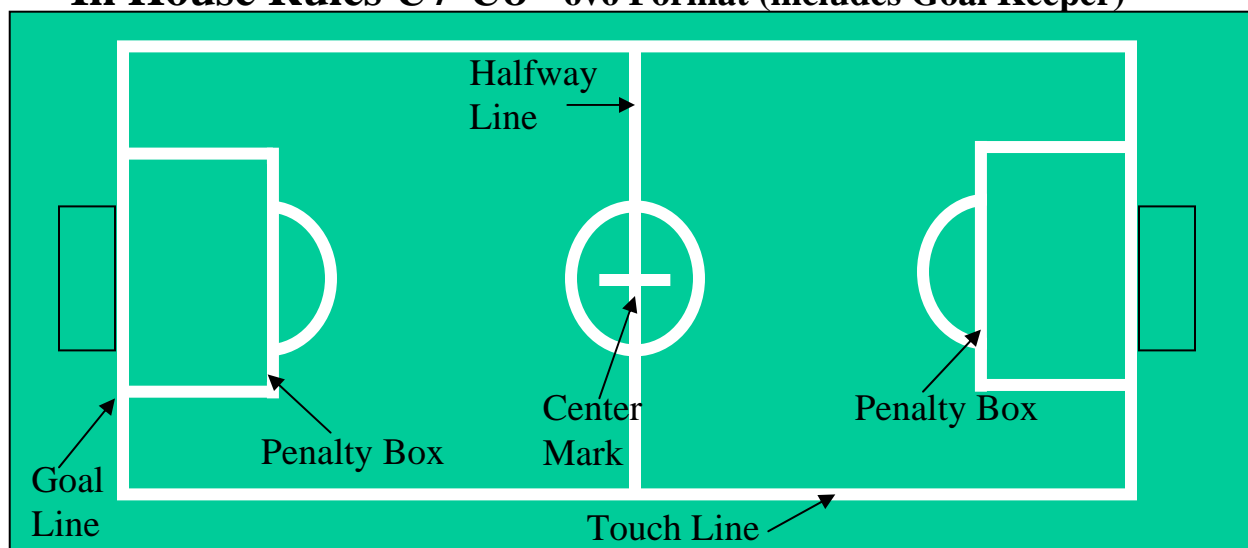


In House Rules U7-U8 6v6 Format (includes Goal Keeper)



Start of Game – Home team picks side of the field to defend and which touchline their player/spectators will sit. Players/Spectators of opposing teams must sit on opposite sides of the field – Teams can not be on the same touchline (sidelines). The coach/referee must insure this happens. All parents/spectators must be seated at the sideline and allow room for throw-in's. The ball is placed at the center mark. The team that did not win possession of the kick must be outside of their center circle arc and on their own half. The ball must rotate forward.

Substitutions are allowed on all balls that go out of bounds with permission of the referee.

Goal kicks – Balls are placed at the top of the penalty box. The opposing team must be outside the penalty box before the ball is kicked. The ball must go beyond the penalty box.

A **Goal is Scored** - The game will restart at the halfway mark. The non-scoring team will start the kick-off. See start of Game for placement of players.

All **free kicks** and throw-ins are indirect (must touch one player after kicked/thrown before a goal can be scored) Allow one retake and if the player still kicks/touches the ball twice award the kick/throw-in to the other team. Please let the player know not to kick/touch the ball twice.

Goal Line - No one is allowed behind the Goal Line (End Line) area during the game.

Coaches - Coaches are not permitted on the field with their players and must stay at touch lines only.

Game Duration – No Quarters. Two 20 Minute Halves. **Halftime** – 5 minutes; Teams are to switch sides of fields at the start of the second half.

Corner Kicks/Indirect Free Kicks - Players must be at least 7 yards from the ball.

Jewelry – Hair Clips – barrettes – Hair beads – All MUST be removed. Necklaces and bracelets may be worn if they are taped down. Earrings MUST be taken out even if they are starter earrings.

Goal Keeper – Goal Keepers can only handle the ball in the penalty box, otherwise the opposing team will be awarded an indirect free kick (No Penalty Kicks awarded in U7/U8) – No charging the goalies when they have possession (Touching the ball with one finger is possession).

Throw-In – Kick-ins will be replaced by throw-ins. Feet must be on the ground; player must face the field of play; Has part of each foot either on the touch line or on the ground outside the touchline; Uses both hands; Delivers ball from behind and over his/her head.

Offside rules do not apply in U7-U8

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