

# Bucyrus Area Youth Soccer

## Under 9 Guidelines

-Field size 60 x 40 yards

-Duration of match: Two - 25 minute halves (no overtimes) Games will end in a draw if score is tied.  
(Kept by referee)

-Ball size is a #4

-Goal size is 6ft x 18ft

-Players on the field- The number of players on the field should be 7 per side. However this number can be flexible. Ranging from 6 to 9 depending on the teams player attendance that day. The number should be agreed upon by both coaches. The number includes the goal keeper.

-Minimum number of players is 5 or game is forfeited.

-Playing at Advantage: A team is not to play more than one player up on the other team.

-There is a goalkeeper and the goalkeeper **must wear a different colored jersey or practice vest** then the rest of his/her team so the referee can readily recognize that teams goalkeeper

-NO OFFSIDES

-NO PENALTY KICKS. Offenses in the box are awarded as direct kicks.

-Corner kicks and Goal Kicks are standard.

-Free kicks are standard and the distance of player separation from the kicking player should be a minimum of 8 yards.

-Coaches should remain by their bench and not enter field of play during the match unless granted permission by the referee.

-Subs are controlled at the discretion of the referee.

-NO yellow or red cards. If the referee feels a player is playing out of control he may asked the coach to sit the player. For a minimum of 5 minutes; but the player should have an understanding of what he or she is doing wrong before they re-enter the match.

-Team will loses possession for a foul throw-in.

-Score and league standings will be kept. The referee will report the final score of each match to the concession stand.

-Remember above all, that our main objective is for the kids to have fun and exercise.

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