

# Bucyrus Area Youth Soccer Under 15 Guidelines



-Duration of match: Two - 35 minute halves (no overtimes until season end tournament) Games will end in a draw if score is tied. (Kept by referee)

-Ball size is a #5

-Players on the field- The number of players on the field should be 9 per side. However this number can be flexible. Ranging from 8 to 10 depending on the teams player attendance that day. The number should be agreed upon by both coaches. The number includes the goal keeper.

-There is a two female on field minimum for the duration of the match.

-The goalkeeper is required to wear a different colored jersey then the rest of his/her team, the opposing team and the official to decrease any confusion in the goal area.

-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 10 yards.

-Yellow cards and Red cards do apply.

-Coaches will be sent off for misconduct. In this event an assistant coach will need to be present to coach the team or the game will be forfeited.

**-Coaches should remain by their bench and not enter field of play during the match and fans should remain on the fan side of the field of play (opposite side of the player/coach area).**

-Subs are controlled at the discretion of the referee.

-There is a blowout rule max positive goal diff +5 so there is no incentive to run up score for standing (if you win 10 to 2 you only get a positive of 5 that goes toward your teams standings).

-A mercy rule goes into effect when one team is 5 points ahead of its opponent. The team leading is then required to shoot outside of the 18 yard box.

-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 play the best of their ability.**

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Thank You

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