

Norton Youth Soccer Basic Rules of Play

The U6 Teams will have 2 practices prior to the start of the season. Once the season commences, the U6 program will be on Saturday mornings from 9 am – 10 am. From 9:00 am – 9:20 am, the teams will work on skill building and drills. This is the most important part of the hour, please utilize this time to develop player skills!

The teams will then participate in games from 9:25 am – 9:55 am.

All rules of FIFA will be adhered to, with the certain exceptions in each age group. All referees will be instructed of these exceptions. All coaches are expected to instruct players in the basic rules of the game. The exceptions in each age group are instructional in nature and are designed to allow the players to learn the basic elements of the game of soccer. Score and standing will not be maintained. All players will play a minimum of ½ of each game they are present at. No player shall play more than 3 quarters on one line. A line is defined as forward, midfield, defense and goal. Coaches will not let scoring go beyond a 5-goal differential. Spectators should be on opposite sideline.

Under 6 Rules

1. 3 players on the field at one time, no true goalie.
2. Game time will be 4 – 6 minute quarters. Games use running time. Quarter breaks should be limited to 1 minute.
3. One coach from each team will be on the field during the game to instruct players and to act as a referee. The coaches on the field will agree on all calls.
4. The other coach from each team will be on the sidelines to supervise the bench and may also instruct players from the sideline. (We recommend a “Team Blanket” to keep players in one location.)
5. Spectators should be on the opposite sideline
6. There will be no bad throw-ins. The coach will stop play to instruct the player on the proper procedure, and then have the same player take the throw-in again.
7. There are no offsides.
8. Size 3 ball.
9. Please be reminded of the Zero Tolerance Policy.