

**Amendments Specific to Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten**

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**LAW 1 – THE FIELD OF PLAY**

- One coach, per team, will be allowed on the field during game time for instructional assistance.
- The coach is not allowed to enter either team's penalty area.
- If the ball touches the on-field coach, an indirect kick will be awarded to the opposing team from the point of infraction. Continued infractions of this rule will be deemed unsportsmanlike conduct and a yellow card should be awarded to the coach who is interfering with play.
- A second coach (per team) will be permitted to stand off the field next to the defending goal to assist in directing the goalie.

Goal sizes will be as follows:

- Six (6) feet wide by four (4) feet high.

Field sizes will be as follows:

- Between forty (40) and fifty (50) yards long by twenty-five (25) to thirty (30) yards wide.
- Goal area is to be three (3) yards from each goal post and three (3) yards into field.
- No Penalty area or spot to be marked.
- Center Circle is to be five (5) yards in radius.

**LAW 2 – THE BALL**

- Kindergarten and Pre-K will compete with a size 3 soccer ball.

**LAW 3 – NUMBER OF PLAYERS**

- Kindergarten and Pre-K will have a maximum of 5 players on the field with one acting as goalie (Minimum number is 4 players).
- Kindergarten and Pre-K Divisions will have free substitutions on either team's throw-in, goal kick or corner kick.

**LAW 7 – DURATION OF THE MATCH**

- 4 equal quarters of ten (10) minutes each shall be played by Kindergarten and Pre-K division games. There will be 5 minutes between each quarter.

**LAW 11 – OFF SIDE**

- There will be no offside in Kindergarten and Pre-K games.

**LAW 12 – FOULS AND MISCONDUCT**

- All sliding tackles are not permitted in the Kindergarten and Pre-K divisions. This will be considered dangerous play.
- No time limit will be enforced for the goal keeper to distribute the ball from his/her hands.

**LAW 13 – FREE KICKS**

- For Kindergarten and Pre-K divisions all free kicks will be indirect.
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 5 yards from the point of infraction on foul kicks.

**LAW 14 – THE PENALTY KICK**

- There will be no penalty kicks for Kindergarten and Pre-K. In lieu of penalty kicks, an indirect kick will be awarded. The placement of the ball will be at spot of the foul, or no closer to the defending team's goal than the goal area marking (3 yards from goal)
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 5 yards from the point of infraction on foul kicks.

**LAW 15 – THE THROW-IN**

- In the Kindergarten and Pre-K divisions, if the throw-in is improper, it shall be re-thrown by the SAME player. If the throw-in is improper on the second attempt, the opposing team receives the ball for a throw-in at the same point of infraction.

**LAW 16 – THE GOAL KICK**

- Kindergarten and Pre-K divisions - unlimited tries to clear the ball from the goal area.

**Amendments Specific to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade games**

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The following are Amendments to the CYC Soccer Laws.

**LAW 1 – THE FIELD OF PLAY**

- For 1st grade games, one coach, per team, will be allowed on the field during game time for instructional assistance. No coaches are allowed to be on the field during game time for 2nd grade games.
- Coach is not allowed to enter either penalty area.

## St. Charles CYC 201 Soccer Rulebook Amendments

**UPDATED 6/25/17**

- If the ball touches the on-field coach an indirect kick will be awarded to the opposing team from the point of infraction. Continued infraction of this rule will be unsportsmanlike conduct and a yellow card.

Goal sizes will be as follows:

- Twelve (12) feet wide by six (6) feet high.

Field sizes will be as follows:

- Between fifty (50) to seventy (70) yards long by thirty-five (35) to fifty (50) yards wide.
- Penalty Area to be approximately twelve (12) yards from each goal post and ten (10) yards into the field.
- Center Circle to have a radius of eight (8) yards.

### **LAW 2 – THE BALL**

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams will compete with a size 4 soccer ball.

### **LAW 3 – NUMBER OF PLAYERS**

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will have a maximum of **8 players** on the field with one acting as goalie (Minimum number is 6 players).
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions will have free substitutions on either team's throw-in, goal kick or corner kick.

### **LAW 7 – DURATION OF THE MATCH**

- Two (2) equal halves of twenty (20) minutes each shall be played for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade division games. There will be 5 minutes between halves.

### **LAW 11 – OFF SIDE**

- There will be no offside in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade division games.

### **LAW 12 – FOULS AND MISCONDUCT**

- All sliding tackles are not permitted in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions. This will be considered dangerous play.
- No time limit will be enforced for the goal keeper to distribute the ball from his/her hands.
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 5 yards from the point of infraction on foul kicks.

### **LAW 13 – FREE KICKS**

- For 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade division games, all free kicks will be indirect.

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**UPDATED 6/25/17**

- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 5 yards from the point of infraction on free kicks.

### **LAW 14 – THE PENALTY KICK**

- There will be no penalty kicks for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade division games. In lieu of penalty kicks, an indirect kick will be awarded. The placement of the ball will be at the top of the Penalty Box, directly in the center. (Note: this should be marked with an “X”)
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 5 yards from the point of infraction on foul kicks.

### **LAW 15 – THE THROW-IN**

- In the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions, if the throw-in is improper, it shall be re-thrown by the SAME player. If the throw-in is improper on the second attempt, the opposing team receives the ball for a throw-in at the same point of infraction.

### **LAW 16 – THE GOAL KICK**

- For the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade divisions - only three (3) unobstructed tries to clear the ball from the penalty area.
- If on the third try it does not go out of the penalty area, the opposing team will be awarded a corner kick.

### **Specific to 3rd Grade Games**

The following are Amendments to the CYC Soccer Laws.

### **LAW 1 – THE FIELD OF PLAY**

Goal sizes will be as follows:

- Twelve (12) feet wide by six (6) feet high.

Field sizes will be as follows:

- Between fifty (50) to seventy (70) yards long by thirty-five (35) to fifty (50) yards wide. **Parishes are encouraged to make these fields as large as possible.**
- Penalty Area to be approximately twelve (12) yards from each goal post and ten (10) yards into the field.
- Center Circle to have a radius of eight (8) yards.

### **LAW 3 – NUMBER OF PLAYERS**

- 3rd grade will have a maximum of **8 players** on the field with one acting as goalie. (Minimum number is 6 players).

**LAW 11 – OFF SIDE**

- Off side will be called for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade games.

**LAW 12 – FOULS AND MISCONDUCT**

- Sliding tackles are permitted in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade divisions.
- The goal keeper has 6 seconds to distribute the ball from his/her hands.
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of **10 yards** from the point of infraction on free kicks.

**LAW 13 – FREE KICKS**

- For 3<sup>rd</sup> grade division games, free kicks will be direct or indirect, based upon the infraction.
- Defending players must maintain a minimum distance of 10 yards from the point of infraction on free kicks.

**LAW 14 – THE PENALTY KICK**

- Penalty kicks for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade division games will be taken from a spot with shall be equal to 10 yards out in front of the goal. Based upon field dimensions/markings, the placement of the ball should be at the top of the Penalty Box, directly in the center. (Note: this should be marked with an “X”)
- Defending players must remain a minimum of 10 yards away from the ball until it is kicked.

**All Divisions (Pre-K through High School)**

**LAW 7 – DURATION OF THE MATCH**

Overtime Requirement – District playoff games

The St. Charles CYC District will use the overtime guidelines as described in Law 7 of the current CYC soccer rule book.

**LAW 12 – FOULS AND MISCONDUCT**

- Two Yellow Cards in a 30-day period will result in a one game suspension for a coach or player. A red card received by a coach or player will result in a one game suspension. See Article 10 of the District By-Laws for further detail.

**DIVISION PLACEMENT**

**PRE-KINDERGARTEN THRU BANTAM MAJOR (4TH)**

All teams competing in the above 4th grade and younger divisions will not be required to declare if they are “Open” or “Closed”.

Placement of teams in a division is done by:

- Their previous record
- Requests from their Parish Soccer Coordinator
- At the discretion of the CYC District Soccer Chairperson

### **MIDGET (5TH) AND UP**

5th grade and older teams must declare “Open” or “Closed”

Placement of teams in a division will be by:

- Their previous record
- Requests from their Soccer Coordinator
- At the discretion of the CYC District Soccer Coordinator

### **DISTRICT PLAYOFF REPRESENTATIVES**

- See Article 13 of the District By-Laws for details on how playoff teams are determined.

### **STATEMENTS REGARDING THE POSTING OF GAME RESULTS AND DIVISION STANDINGS**

- Score differential does **NOT** count for anything in CYC soccer. We do **NOT** use it to determine final division standings.
- Division standings for the St. Charles CYC are determined by win/loss/tie records. If two teams end up with 7-3 records at the end of the season, they are considered tied.
- Basically, a win is worth 2 points, a tie is worth 1 point and a loss is worth zero points. So, if the top team in a division is listed with a 9-1-0 record and the next team in that division has a 8-0-2 record, those two teams are virtually tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place.
- Head to Head records are **NOT** taken in to account when determining a division champion.
- When needed, District Playoff games will be scheduled to resolve ties in the standings when needed for Archdiocesan Championship Tournament advancement purposes.