

U6s + U7s Game Day Guidelines



fair play + good sportsmanship

My team has less than 4 players to take the field.

Ask other coach to either share players for that game or reduce his players on the field to match.

My team has scored 5 more goals than the other team.

Ensure your team is retreating to their own goal line and allowing the other team to make one pass before attacking.

My Team has scored 6 more goals than the other team.

Continue with above practice and reduce your player numbers on the field by one person.

My Team has scored 7 more goals than the other team.

Maintain above and allow the other team to put on extra 1-2 players

Mercy rules are in place to keep kids playing football, enjoying the game and growing their love and connection to the outdoors and team sport.

play scenarios

Other team kick off

Defending team to start on their own goal line, and only move forward once one pass is made from other team.

Goal Kick

Defending team to start from halfway (or goal line if a few goals up) and only move forward once one pass is made from other team.

Kick in from side

Ensure all players are at least 2m back from the kick taker. Encourage defending team to allow kick taker to attempt to pass to teammate before making movement towards ball.

Goal defending

Encourage players to not stand on the goal line defending their goal. Players to be at least 2-3m away from goal unless game play is within 10m from goals.

Accidental Handball

Always allow play to keep going if accidental handball occurs. (no free kick)

Deliberate Handball

Stop play for deliberate handball and free kick to opposition. Ensure direction is provided to the player handling the ball that no hands are allowed. Free kick instruction should be to pass to teammate, not shoot at goals.

Fouls (dangerous tackles, blatant pushing, etc)

Stop play and free kick to opposition. Ensure direction is provided to the player that their actions are not allowed. Free kick instruction should be to pass to teammate, not shoot at goals.

Encourage FUN, FAIR PLAY and TEAMWORK

Any questions, please call Natalie on 0404 198 213