

TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal Rules

House Rules

- **NO CLEATS ALLOWED.**
- **NO food, drinks, or chewing gum** allowed on the playing surfaces.
- **NO spitting allowed.**
- **Jewelry and sharp objects will not be worn** during games.
 - *This includes, but is not limited to watches, earrings, necklaces, rings and barrettes.*
- **Taunting, baiting or profane language is not allowed.**
 - *One warning will be given. The second incident will result in an ejection from the facility.*
- **Playing in casts or splints** is only allowed after presenting a valid Doctor's clearance and the area has been wrapped in a soft material such as bubble wrap and must be to the satisfaction of the Manager on Duty and the referee.
- **NO climbing or hanging on the wall system** surrounding any of the fields or practice areas.
- **NO climbing or hanging on the netting** surrounding the fields or the court dividers.
- **NO slide tackling** is permitted in any league.
 - *Sliding to block is not considered slide tackling.*
- **Players who are injured and bleeding** will be required to exit play immediately and attend to the wound.
 - *A player may re-enter the game ONLY after applying a bandage dressing that sufficiently covers the wound and has it approved by the referee.*
- **Parents are responsible for their child's behavior** at **ALL times** while they are in the facility.
- There will be **NO alcoholic beverages** allowed on TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal premises, including parking lot.
 - *Anyone found to have alcohol will be banned from TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal permanently.*
 - *Anyone found to be intoxicated during play will be banned from TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal permanently.*
- **NO fighting of ANY kind** is allowed on TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal premises, including parking lot. Any player or spectator ejected from a game must leave the facility immediately.
 - *First offense is a suspension from the current season. Any player leaving the bench to join a fight will receive the same penalty.*
 - *The second offense will result in a lifetime suspension from TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal.*
 - *No refund of any kind will be given when a player or team is suspended for any infraction.*
 - **If the police have to be called** out to TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal due to fights between players or spectators, that team will be required to forfeit the season. **NO refunds will be warranted.**
 - *The second offense will result in a lifetime suspension from TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal. NO refunds will be warranted.*
 - *Coaches or team managers are responsible for their team and its audience members.*
- If you want to **protest a game**, you must pay TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal a protest fee of \$100.00.
 - *Upon review of the game, if found in favor of your team, your team will be refunded their \$100.00.*
 - *Upon review of the game, if found NOT in favor of your team, the \$100.00 will NOT be refunded and the game stands as is.*

TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal Rules

- **League Play and Tournament Play:** Coaches will supply warm-up and game balls for their teams.
- **Practices or Instruction Sessions:** Participating teams/players participating in practice or instruction sessions, must supply their own balls.
 - *NO other balls will be allowed in TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal, this includes parents, siblings or friends playing on other courts while practice or clinic sessions are in progress.*

Seasons

- Fall - October thru November
- Winter – January thru February
- Spring – April thru May
- Summer – June thru August

Coaches:

- All coaches must be listed on the roster to be on the sideline for games.
- All coaches must also have a current TNSR or Association Background Check
- Cards can be obtained by contacting TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal. All background checks for coaches are run through JD Palentine. Background checks could take 5-7 days to be approved.

Rosters

- All players must be listed on the official TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal roster.
- It is the coach's responsibility to make sure players are on the roster. If a player is missing the coach must add them to the satisfaction of the officials 30 minutes prior to the match.
- Max Roster Size
 - 5v5 – 10 Players
 - 6v6 – 12 players
 - Teams may request to have more players than max, but they must have written authorization from the TNSR Mini-Pitch Futsal Director to do so. Only 10 - 12 players on game day will be allowed per above.

League Standings:

- No scores or standings will be kept for U4 thru U8 futsal games
- Points will be awarded for U9 and above as follows:
 - Three (3) points for a win
 - One (1) point for a tie
 - Zero (0) points for a loss
 - If a team forfeits the score will go down as 4 - 0
- The max point deferential that will be posted online is 4. Ex.) if your team wins a game 13 to 2 the score that will be posted online will be 6-2

Full Sided (5x5 U9 thru U18)

PLAYERS

Only currently registered players shall be permitted to play. At no time may a player or coach be allowed to participate without registration.

THE BALL

Approved Ball Specifications: All teams must present a quality futsal ball for their games. U7-U12 Size 3, U13 and Above Size 4. ONLY SELECT FUTSAL BALL ARE ALLOWED FOR THE GAMES.

PLAYER EQUIPMENT

-Equipment

Required Shirt (all members of team must have same basic color), shorts, socks (which completely cover the shin guards), shin guards, futsal, flats or turf footwear, numbers on shirts are not mandatory. HOME team wears light colors. If both teams have similar colors the HOME team must change to another color or wear bibs.

-Footwear

Flat soled or shoes designed for artificial surface. Rubber turf shoes are permitted, but not recommended. **Hard cleats are not allowed.**

-Goalkeeper

Colors that distinguish from other players and the referee. Field players playing as goalkeeper must wear goalkeeper jersey or bib. Protective headgear made of close-cell; slow-recovery rubber that stays soft in its final form are allowed. Gloves are allowed.

DURATION OF THE GAME

-Duration

1. Two 20-minute halves.
2. Running clock unless stopped by the referee.
3. Time extended to take a penalty shootout if not round-robin league.
4. Referees may add or subtract time for malfunction or timekeeper error.
5. Facility may designate other stoppages of clock such as in last two (2) minutes of a period.

-Intervals Between Periods

5-minute half-time.

-Time Outs

One one-minute per time per half per team at next stoppage; clock running.

-Overtime Period

No overtime except in playoffs and then as designated by facility.

BALL IN AND OUT OF PLAY

-Ball In Play

1. From start to finish excluding when deemed out of play by official.

-Ball Out of Play

1. Completely crossed the touch line, comes in contact with perimeter wall or ball contacts wall or net above the "high line" designated the top of the perimeter wall. Restart with free kick from point on touchline nearest spot where ball went out of play. Players may take one step and then kick the ball in. Players are not allowed to take a long run up to kick the ball in
2. Makes contact with player, coach, or bench personnel leaning over the touch line with hands or arms into field of play. Restart with free kick at that point, awarded to opposite team from the one who made contact with the ball.

Restarts – Ball Over Perimeter Wall

1. Kick-In: Kicked in from the touchline where it crossed the touch line. If ball exits through open bench door or inadvertently touches a substitute or bench personnel extending into field, restart taken by opponent. All defenders must be 5 yards from the ball. Deliberate interference shall be penalized according to Rules. Ball may be kicked in any direction and is in play after it is kicked and moves. A goal may NOT be scored directly
2. Goal Clearance: Ball over perimeter last touched by an opponent.
 - a. A throw taken by the goalkeeper from any point within the penalty area
 - b. Ball not in play until it has left the penalty area
 - c. A goal may be scored directly if ball does not cross three lines in air.

NOTES:

If the ball does not go beyond the penalty area, the throw must be retaken. Opposing players must be outside the penalty arch until the ball leaves the penalty area.

Goalkeeper taking the goal clearance cannot play the ball after it has left the penalty area until it has been touched by another player.

Referee must signal to goalkeeper for play to start, if he does not immediately put the ball into play. Verbal signal is permissible, goalkeeper has five (5) seconds to put ball back into play.

Penalty: Free kick top of penalty area.

Ball bounced by goalkeeper during a goal clearance does not result in a free kick at top of penalty arch due to the ball having not been put back into play.

All goalkeeper distributions must be made by either a throw from the keeper or they must place the ball on the ground and kick it. Goalkeepers are not allowed to punt or drop kick the ball.

Corner Kicks. – Are direct. The ball must be placed directly on the corner and kick must be taken within 4 seconds.

Penalty Kick. – Goalkeeper must stay in the line until the ball is kicked.

Slide Tackles. – TNSR does NOT allowed Slide Tackles to protect the players. You can slide to the ball but not slide tackle the player but it is not recommended due to surface friction.

Offside. - There is no offside in Futsal.

SUBSTITUTION

Substitutes

All bench personnel and players listed on the line-up are subject to the referee's authority. Any player who enters the field of play without having first presented on roster to the referee shall be assessed a five-minute unsportsmanlike conduct time penalty and must be substituted.

Unlimited Substitution

Unlimited substitution may be made at any time during play, provided substituted player is within touchline at own bench area as new player

enters the field. Neither player may participate in play while both are on the field. Violation: Two-minute team penalty from where the ball was.

Guaranteed Substitution

1. Restart may be delayed for up to fifteen (15) seconds to allow substitutions at the following times:
 - a. Goal is scored.
 - b. When time penalty awarded.
 - c. Injury stoppage.
 - d. Stoppage signaled by referee.
 - e. To allow exit from penalty box.
 - f. Ball over perimeter
 - g. Ball into superstructure
 - h. If play restarted with too many players, no penalty assessed.

FOULS/TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS

Fouls

Player commits any of the following offenses in a careless, reckless manner or with disproportionate force will be penalized by a free kick from the point of infraction.

These add to a team's total foul count:

- Kicking or attempts to kick an opponent (mandatory time penalty).
- Tripping or attempts to trip an opponent (mandatory time penalty).
- Jumping at opponent.
- Charges an opponent.
- Hitting or attempting to Hit an opponent, or "Knock" an opponent off ball (mandatory time penalty).
- Elbowing or attempt to elbow an opponent result in mandatory time penalty (elbow to face is an ejection for violent conduct).
- Pushing an opponent (mandatory time penalty).

Or commits any of the following:

- Contact with an opponent before contact is made with the ball.
- Handling the ball.
- Boarding (mandatory time penalty).
- Dangerous play (possible ejection for violent conduct).
- Fair charge, but ball not in playing distance.
- Obstructing when not playing the ball.
- Spitting at any person (ejection for violent conduct).

Six Team Fouls

A team's sixth non-time penalty foul in a half will result in a penalty kick being awarded. No time penalty is served. Fouls that result in a time penalty being awarded do not count in a team's six foul count.

Technical Violations

Player commits an offense that is not a foul but is a violation of a rule, which necessitates the awarding of a free kick at the point of the infraction. Did not count against team's total foul count:

- Secondhand touch by goalkeeper
- Goalkeeper takes hand possession from a pass back

Five-second violations by goalkeeper
Illegal handling by goalkeeper
Three-line violations
Kick-off violations
Free Kick restart violations
All two-touch violations.

TIME PENALTIES (Green Card)

Time Penalties

After the start of the game, time penalties may be awarded for offenses committed when play is in progress or during any stoppage (including between periods).

Time penalties will be classified as follows:

5 Minute Power Play Penalties: Green Card

5 Minute Misconduct (Non-Power Play): Yellow Card for Dissent

Ejectionable Offenses: Red Card send-off; team may not substitute

Team Time Penalties

Green Card

1. Five-minute time penalty the player is off the pitch across from benches. Notwithstanding the above, neither the player entering, nor the departing player may participate in play and or gain an advantage during the period of time when they are simultaneously on the field and the ball is in play. Such violation shall result in a 5-minute Team Power Play penalty. It shall be the coach's choice as to which player serves the five minutes. Green Card counts toward Yellow Card accumulation.

Unsporting Behavior: Green Card

Referee Discretion, a five-minute time penalty may be assessed any player who exhibits an Unsporting behavior.

Encroachment: Referee requests 15' and the player refuses or a player within 15' intentionally interferes with the restart. A five-minute power play time penalty is awarded and a team warning issued to the team that any further actions will result in a misconduct penalty.

Player entering the field of play without being rostered.

Ejectionable Time Penalties Red Card

A player or non-player shall be ejected for incidents of:

1. Violent conduct or serious foul play
2. Foul or abusive language or action
3. Head butting
4. Third man into an altercation
5. First man off the bench joining an altercation
6. Leaving the penalty box and joining an altercation
7. Spitting on or at an opponent or game official
8. Second card penalty in the same match. Blue or yellow card shown first, followed by red card.

If play is stopped to eject the player, a free kick is awarded to opposing team

at point where offense occurred.

The team may not substitute a player when shown a red.

EXCEPTION: *Youth player under supervision of an adult coach may remain in the bench area if parent or guardian is not present.*

Misconduct

A five (5) minute misconduct penalty shall be assessed against players who show disapproval, by word or action, of the decision by the referee or other game officials or acts in a severe unsporting behavior. These penalties shall be administered by:

1. Misconduct by players: yellow card is shown and a 5 minute time penalty is awarded no power play. No time is posted. Player may not leave penalty box until the next guaranteed substitution or when the ball has gone over the perimeter wall after the entire 5 minutes have elapsed. If a time penalty is awarded and that player is then guilty of dissent, that player will be assessed a Red.
2. Misconduct by non-players: yellow card is shown, no time penalty is awarded. No time is posted as this shall be considered administrative in nature and is recorded for purposes of multiple penalty and ejection for that individual.
3. Team misconduct: team misconduct shall be defined as physical or verbal abuse of the referees where the offender is not identifiable. For any team violation, referees shall assess a misconduct penalty to the coach of the offending team. This rule does not prohibit referees from penalizing individual players or non-playing personnel. For player / head coaches, the team misconduct penalty shall count towards the accumulation of penalties for such player / coach.
4. Team Violations: team misconducts and the following offenses will accumulate toward multiple misconducts (3) which will result in a power play being awarded.

Additional Team Violations:

Game delay, delay because a team is not present or ready to start the game at the commencement, after a timeout, at the conclusion of halftime as well as any other recommencement during the course of the game. Engaging in tactics that delay the restart of the game immediately following the referee's whistle to stop play.

- a. Illegal substitution – delay of game after a warning.
- b. Illegal substitution for playing with no goalkeeper Misconduct –

Technical Infractions

A 5-minute non-power play penalty may be assessed for the following offenses:

Player violations:

1. Guilty of gesticulation on a free kick
2. Violates penalty kick procedures after a team warning
3. Interferes in shootout procedures
4. Commits delay of game violation
5. Encroachment, after a team warning has been issued.
6. Circumventing the pass back rule
7. Referee crease violation
8. Equipment adjustment: player re-enters play without making

the requested equipment adjustment.

9. Intentionally kicking the ball away after a stoppage to delay the restart or in protest of the referee's call.

Game Misconduct (Red Card)

A Game Misconduct Penalty shall be assessed any player or non-player who is guilty of:

Insulting, offensive, or abusive language directed to an official or someone other than an opponent.

Physical contact with an official in dissent of a call.

a. Assault: Physical force (includes spitting on) directed at an official.

b. Abuse: A threat of physical force (includes spitting at) directed at an official.

c. Simple contact with an official is not considered assault or abuse.

Unseemly behavior (such as spitting) directed at officials or spectators.

Leaving penalty box to engage in dissent or confrontation. Substitute will serve remainder of any power play time penalty. Violent conduct toward a teammate, referee or other non-player opponent.

ADMINISTRATION:

Red Card is shown to a person; they are removed from the field of play. No substitute is allowed remainder of the match. If play is stopped to eject the player, a free kick is awarded to opponent.

After-game Misconduct: Referee shall not display red card but will notify the person the misconduct will be reported to TNSR.