

WEST BROOKFIELD YOUTH SOCCER

Fall Soccer Rules and Guidelines for U8 Games

The goal is to introduce players to the fundamentals of soccer. Coaches will teach good sportsmanship and teamwork.

Games are 6 v 6 – including the goalie.

Size 4 soccer ball.

4 –12 minute quarters – running time and 2-minute break between quarters. 3 minute half time.

Teams should change sides after each quarter but do not have to if both coaches agree not to.

There are no scoring records or standings kept in this age group.

All games are considered ties.

All players and coaches shake hands after the game.

All players are required to wear shin pads. Cleats are optional but must be soccer style cleats. Baseball and football cleats that have a center toe cleat are not allowed.

No jewelry, no earrings, no casts, no metal hair clips or headbands.

Referee must check all players' uniforms prior to the game.

Game Rules:

Substitutions – Own throw-in, own corner kick, any goal kick.

Throw-ins, goal kicks and corner kicks – allow player 1 extra chance.

No pushing, tripping, or slide tackling – award a direct kick for all violations.

Explain all violations to the players involved.

No scoring on direct kicks.

No penalty kicks.

No offside – but keep players honest.

Keep the game moving.

Coaches are not allowed on the field when the game is in progress.

All coaches, parents, and players must follow the Zero Tolerance Policy.

Rain Outs – the league President will notify the home coaches.

Have a great season and most importantly have fun!