

# Southern Clubs Development League Rules

**Southern Clubs Development League** rules follow USSF rules for recreational, academy and competitive divisions with a few exceptions included below.

All players must be registered and insured with US Club Soccer through **KYCK** 

At every game, each team must have proof that all participating players are registered with US Club Soccer, including team's US Club Soccer Official Roster and other US Club Soccer player paperwork (player ID cards and optional Player Loan Forms).

Teams that play ineligible or unregistered players could forfeit any matches where that player(s) participates.

Players may "play up" to an older division, but may not play in a younger division.

Players may play on multiple teams with the required paperwork and if the teams are NOT in the same skill division on the same weekend.

Players may play on teams in two different age groups as long as the player is age eligible for both divisions

Girls may play in boys divisions, boys may NOT play in girls divisions

For the SCDL U11 - U19 league, on a team in a boys division, no more than 50% of the players on the US Club Soccer Official Roster may be girls

## U5 players may play in U6 Example:

Billy was born November 2008 He plays on Mighty FC 08B team in U10B Bronze division.

- a. Billy may NOT play on another team in U10B Bronze
- b. Billy may play on a team in U10B Silver or U10B Gold with required paperwork
- c. Billy may play on a team in U11B with required paperwork
- d. Billy may NOT play on a team in U9B

## **Guest Players:**

Guest players are players rostered to a US Club Soccer Official Roster for one team, but playing for a second team.

Guest players are allowed in all divisions

The Player Eligibility Rules listed above apply to guest players

For a guest player from a different club, the team he/she is guest playing for must submit to SCDL a completed US Club Soccer Player Loan Form before the guest player plays in a game. The US Club Soccer Player Loan Form can be emailed to <a href="mailto:officestormfc@gmail.com">officestormfc@gmail.com</a> or given to a Site Director onsite prior to the game - For guest players on a different team within the same club, we must have either a completed.

- 3 guest players for 9v9 and below
- 5 guest players for 11v11
- US Club Soccer Player On Loan Forms are required and must be presented to the SCDL Sports site director prior to game time.

## **Length of Games:**

- Under 5-8 (4v4): 4x12-minute quarters

- Under 9-10 (7v7): 25-Minute Halves

- Under 11-12 (9v9): 30-Minute Halves

- Under 13-14 (11v11): 35-Minute Halves

- Under 15-16 (11v11): 40-Minute Halves

- Under 17-19 (11v11): 45-Minute Halves

#### **Ball Size:**

- Under 6-8-Size 3
- Under 9-12-Size 4
- Under 13-14-Size 5

#### Field Size:

- 4v4 games: approximately 20-25yds by 30-35yds
- 7v7 games: approximately 40-45yds by 60-65yds
- 9v9 games: approximately 50-55yds by 80-85yds
- 11v11 games: full size field

## **Goal Size:**

7v7 games: 6'tall x 18'wide9v9 games: 6'tall x 18'wide11v11 games: 8'tall x 24'wide

#### **Substitution Rule:**

- Substitutions at any stoppage for either team including throw-in, goal kicks, after goal scored, free kicks or at other stoppage with referee's permission.

#### Other Rules:

- Offside rule in effect
- All other rules and procedures follow USSF, including throw-ins, direct and indirect free kicks, penalty kicks, etc.
- Players may only play one game per division per week
- Any team who forfeits a game will be assessed a \$125 fine due before the next game played. A small portion of this will be retained for administration purposes with the remainder credited to the team forfeited against for not receiving their guaranteed games.

## **Modified Playing Rules for Under 5-8**

Maximum number of players on the field at any one time = Four (4)

Maximum number of players on the roster should not exceed - Eight (8)

All free kicks will be indirect.

Opposing players are to be at least five (5) yards away from the ball when the free kick is taken.

Offside are be called past the Build out Line.

#### **Build Out Line**

When the Keeper has the ball, opposing players will retreat behind the build out line. The SCDL as a developmental league encouraging coaches to allow the goal keeper and team in possession to build play. Once the team passes the build-out line the opposing team can then apply pressure.

#### **Home vs Away and Jersey**

The team listed as the home team will wear their primary jerseys. The Away team will change as to not conflict with the home teams color jerseys. At our complex, both teams and their coaches will sit on one side of the field and ALL spectators will sit on the other side.

Players are required to have like-colored jerseys/t-shirts with permanent numbers (ironed-on or permanent marker) at least 4 inches tall on the back of their jersey/t-shirt that match the numbers listed on the team roster. **TAPED NUMBERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED** – No exceptions. Scrimmage vests (mesh) without numbers may worn only over a permanently numbered jersey/t-shirt. No duplicate numbers on the same team. All players on each team must have a unique number. Goalkeepers are not required to have a number.

# **Length of Games**

**Section 1. (a)** Except as provided by US Club Soccer, the length of games, overtime periods, ball size for each age group is as follows:

Age Group	Game Length	Size	Number of Players	Roster/GameDay Max
19U	Two 45' halves	#5		28/22
18U	Two 45' halves	#5		28/22
17U	Two 45' halves	#5		28/22
16U	Two 40' halves	#5		28/22
15U	Two 40' halves	#5		28/18
14U	Two 35' halves	#5		28/18
13U	Two 35' halves	#5		28/18
12U	Two 30' halves	#4	9	28/16
11U	Two 30' halves	#4	9	28/14
10U	Two 25' halves	#4	7	28/12
8U	4 -10' quarters	#3	7	28/8
6U	4 – 10' quarters	#3	4 no goalkeepers	28/8

# **Recommended Goal and Field Sizes**

Age Group	Goal Size (in feet)		Field Length Min.   Max. (in yards)
19U	8' x 24'	50   100	100   130
16U	8' x 24'	50   100	100   130
14U	8' x 24'	50   100	100   130
12U	6' x 18'	45   55	70   80
10U	6' x 18'	35   45	55   65
8U	4' x 6'	15   25	25   35
6U	4' x 6'	15   25	25   35