

Soccer Note Card for Referees ... U9 through U12

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Miscellaneous Information:	
Restart After Delay	IFK for team that had possession
Goal Scored	'ALL' of the ball crosses over 'ALL' of the line
Goal or Cone Knocked Over	No goal, restart with Corner Kick or Goal Kick
Offside	Enforced from midfield line/center line. Indirect Free Kick for the defending team.
Non-penal fouls awarded an Indirect Free Kick(IFK); must touch another player before going into goal	Dangerous play, high kick, charging, impeding progress of a player, obstruction of goalkeeper, delay of game, unsporting behavior, slide tackling, pass back to goalkeeper. For complete list see handbook.
Penal fouls awarded a Direct Free Kick(DFK); can go directly into goal	Kicking, tripping, jumping at opponent, charging opponent in violent manner, charging from behind, striking a person, holding, pushing, handling the ball. For complete list see handbook.
Intentional Heading	Not allowed at U11 and younger; IFK awarded at spot of offense; if in goal area ball moved to goal line and placed on spot nearest to point where infraction occurred.
Build Out Line	Applies to U9, U10 and U11, U12(EYSA games). The Build Out Line will be hash mark midway between the center circle and the top of the penalty arc. Ball must be put in play before opposing team may enter build out area.

	U9 and U10	U11 and U12
Field Size	35 yds wide x 60 yds long (max. 45 yds wide x 65 yds long)	45 yds wide x 70 yds long (max. 55 yds wide x 80 yds long)
Ball Size	4	4
# of Players	7 v 7	9 v 9
Substitutions	Any stoppage w/ ref okay	Any stoppage w/ ref okay
Referee	Self-assignment via SnVYSA; back-up: home team volunteer	Self-assignment via SnVYSA; Back-up: home team volunteer
Asst Referees	None	May use AR
Match Duration	Two 25-minute halves	Two 30-minute halves
Scoring	IFAB	IFAB
Intentional Heading	Not Allowed	U11-Not Allowed U12-Allowed
Slide Tackling	None – award IFK	Allowed
Offside	Enforce from Midfield Line	Enforce from Midfield Line
Fouls/Misconduct	IFK or DFK - IFAB	IFK or DFK - IFAB
Penalty Kick Mark	10 yards	10 yards
Goal Size (feet)	6.5ft x 12ft	6.5ft x 18.5ft standard (7ft x 21ft max)
Goal Area (yards)	4 yards x 8 yards	5 yards x 16 yards
Penalty Area (yds)	12 yards x 24 yards	14 yards x 36 yards
Center Circle (radius)	8 yards	8 yards
Throw-Ins	U9 – retries; U10 – No retries	No retries
Goalkeeper	Yes; No punts; No pass backs	Yes; No punts; No pass backs
Advantage Rule	U9 – No; U10 – Yes, begin to call	Yes-Call Advantage