

## **BLACK HILLS RAPIDS SOCCER CLUB**

# REC SOCCER GAMEDAY – U5/U6

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**WHERE:** Dakota Fields Complex, 3737 N Elk Vale Road, Rapid City, SD

**WHEN:** Your schedules are posted on your Sports Engine account. Login to your account at [www.blackhillsrapids.com](http://www.blackhillsrapids.com). On the left-side of your account homepage there is a schedule tab.

**UNIFORM:** Your team has their own team color. Players should wear that shirt each week for games. In the case of a color conflict with the opponent coaches will provide players with pennies to wear over their shirt.

### **GAME LENGTH:**

Teams will practice for 30-minutes. After their practice, teams will play four 6-minute quarters against the opposing team. Coaches need to keep game time.

### **HOW MANY PLAYERS ON THE FIELD?**

Games should be 4v4, but if there aren't enough players, coaches can decide to play 3v3.

### **ARE THERE OFFICIALS? WHAT ARE THE RULES OF THIS AGE GROUP?**

There are not officials at this age. Coaches should be on the field to help manage the game.

There are no goalkeepers at this age, there is no offside, and no penalty kicks. Players cannot head the ball.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COACH:**

You will notice on the Complex Map that on Field 9 each letter corresponds to two fields. For example: if you are on Field 9-A you will spend your 30-minute practice on one field and your opponents will be on the other.

After your practice, you and your opponent will come together to play the game. We want players to play as much as possible. If both teams have eight players available, you should split your teams up between the two fields and play two games at once. Each coach should be able to manage a field on their own.

It is up to the coaches as to how they should split up players between fields. This can be at random, or you can have a "first team" field and a "second team" field. Although, this should not be indicated to the players.