

Managers & Coaches Information Manual 2018

- Season start—the season should commence on the first weekend in April for all teams. Finals are usually played during August.
- Playing times—Juniors' games are played on Saturday mornings between 8:00am and 12pm.
 Ladies games are played on Sundays, with kick-offs usually between 9am and 3pm. All
 senior men's games are played on Saturday afternoons. Some catch-up games due to bad
 weather or mishaps may be played mid-week or on Sundays (men & juniors) or Saturday
 (ladies). There is usually a maximum of one catch-up game per team per round.
- Uniforms—all players must be in the full kit. Shorts and socks are available for purchase form the Canteen. Socks \$10; shorts \$20.
- Late registrations and de-registrations—once the season has commenced, late registrations will only be taken monthly, and subject to spaces being available in a team. BDAFA does not accept any registrations or de-registrations from June of each year.
- Communication—between meetings will be by email to managers and coaches, please keep an eye out for messages, particularly regarding game changes, suspensions, ground duty etc.
- Coaches & Managers meetings—these will be held on the last Monday of the month, at the Marco Reserve Clubhouse commencing at 7.30 pm. A representative from each team (Manager and/or Coach) is expected to attend the meetings as this is the forum to discuss issues regarding the teams & undertake any paperwork, etc. The meetings will be kept to 1 hour maximum, and drinks and nibbles will be served following. Wet weather—please do not call Claire (Secretary) or Liz (Managers' Coordinator) on wet Saturday mornings. As soon as information is obtained the website will be updated and Liz will add to the WhatsApp group. The listed team managers if cancelled games are confirmed by BDFA. As a general rule tell your players (or parents) that unless they hear from you then the game is on. Bankstown Council has a wet weather line—1300 655 180. The line is updated daily at 9am and 2pm.
- Managers needs to provide Bank Details to Helen (treasurer) so that money can be transferred for ref fees. Managers are responsible for keeping information about payments on the finance sheets provided by Helen.
- Further information—about the competition, including fixtures, points tables, rules and By
 Laws, results and other club and association information are available on the Bankstown and
 District Amateur Football Association <u>BDAFA Website</u> (www.bankstownsoccer.com.au).
 Also refer to www.revesbyworkers.com.au for our Club information
- All information can be found at http://revesbyworkersfc.com.au/

Coaches and Managers

The running of the team is a co-operative effort between the Coach and Manager. While each has separate functions, it is important that each help the other in order to ensure the smooth running of your team. You should also encourage the player's parents to be involved.

All Coaches and Managers are encouraged to read the BDAFA Constitution and Regulations, located on the BDAFA Website and also the RWFC Constitution, which is on our website.

All Coaches are welcome to contact the Coaching Coordinator, (Claire) at any time for assistance or guidance. Managers can contact the Managers Coordinator, or secretary Liz Errington (0410 474 298).

Coaches

- 1. The Coach is responsible for the training and conditioning of players, and the selection of a team for each of the games. Coaches have a very special role to play in encouraging and teaching players, at any age—skills, respect, consideration, fair play, and the joy of participation.
- 2. All G6-G10 Coaches should be registered at Level 0 (grassroots) or higher. All other Coaches should hold a coaching accreditation relevant for the age group they are coaching. Coaches will have the opportunity to undertake a formal coaching course throughout the season, run either by us or BDAFA.
- 3. Coaching resources, and links to other resources, are available on www.footballnsw.com.au and www.myfootballclub.com.au
- 4. Coaches are requested to consider the upkeep of the playing fields when used for training, and to observe the principles of Football NSW's Save Our Surfaces campaign:
- <u>Shoot</u> –don't always practice shooting in the goal mouth areas. Use training poles or portable goals to rotate the areas used for this type if training.
- Overuse—rotate the area used for training drills and consider other options to avoid overuse.
- Sprinting/Shoes-complete sprinting and agility work off the field.
- The efforts of Coaches will ensure a better quality surface for matches and a safer environment for playing sport.
- 5. Coaches are responsible for ensuring the ball and ground equipment is appropriate for the intended use.
 - The Ball—in all matches each team will have at least one ball available for use. The referee will decide as to the fitness of the ball, which may not be dangerous and will meet the following size requirements:
 - No. 3 size not less than 22" nor more than 23" for U6–U9.
 - No. 4 size not less than 25" nor more than 26" for U10–U13
 - No. 5 size not less than 27" nor more than 28" for U14 and over
- 6. Normal playing time is as follows:

G6- G9 20 minutes each way
G10, G11 & G12 25 minutes each way
G13 & G14 30 minutes each way
G15 & G16 35 minutes each way
G17 to AA 45 minutes each way

7. The rules of the game can be found on the <u>BDAFA website</u>, and for small-sided age groups, at the end of this document.

Managers

The Manager is responsible for organising the team and parents. The Manager's duties are to:

- 1. Ensure that the team is correctly attired i.e. shorts, playing shirt, socks, shin pads and on the field at the correct time for the commencement of the match. BDAFA will impose 'Team Fines' if any player/s are out of uniform.
- Ensure the security of the player's ID cards. At the start of the season check that all cards are
 correct. At the start of each match each player must have his or her card before taking the
 field. If you have any queries about ID cards see Brooke Butler (Club Registrar). NB.
 Replacement cards will now cost us, so please do your best to look after them.
- 3. Collect the playing shirts and match ball at the end of the game and arrange for the laundering of the shirts prior to the next match. Club shirts should only be worn during official matches.
- 4. For Platinum League, ensure the team provides a Team Marshall for BOTH home and away games. This is a requirement of BDAFA to help curb the level of crowd misbehaviour at games. Each team will be provided with a Team Marshall vest and this must be worn by the designated Team Marshall at EVERY game. Whilst the game is in progress the Team Marshall should be adjacent to the field—not involved in other miscellaneous activities away from the field of play.
- 5. Make payments for the official referee (and any linesmen), taken from the team referee fee float, at the canteen for the respective field before kick-off fees are not applicable to G 6,7,8 & 9). Please ensure you sign the payment sheet and get the RWFC team payment book signed to acknowledge your payment. The BDAFA Team Sheet will be stamped "PAID", above your team, by the canteen staff at the time of payment—please always check this is done (or we will be fined). NB. The Club is fined if payments are not made, team sheets are not submitted and correct etc.

Referee fees are as follows:

Age Group	Referee	1 st Assistant	2 nd Assistant
Under 6 - 9	N/A	N/A	N/A
Under 10	\$31	\$16	\$16
Under 11/12	\$31	\$16	\$16
Under 13/14	\$34	\$17	\$17
Under 15/16	\$40	\$20	\$20
Under 17	\$48	\$24	\$24
Under 18	\$53	\$27	\$27
Under 19/21	\$63	\$32	\$32
Over 35+	\$63	\$32	\$32
A/A Women	\$63	\$32	\$32
All age men 2nd division +	\$63	\$32	\$32
All age men 1st division	\$73	\$36	\$36

NB. This is the full cost for referees, and **is split between both teams**. le each team pays half of the above-mentioned fees.

- 6. Complete the BDAFA official team sheet with all relevant details, have it signed off by the Ground Marshal, and give it to the visiting team at least 15 minutes prior to kick off. The referee should be given the team sheet prior to kick off. If an official Referee is in attendance he will keep the team sheet after the match. If the game is controlled by an unofficial Referee, you must hand the team sheet in at the canteen where you are playing (if at Marco it goes in the results box), ON MATCH DAY.
- 7. After each game, complete the results sheet next to the results (team sheet) box in the Marco Clubhouse. If you are playing away and are unable to return to Marco please sms the

- Recorder, Jo Tucker, prior to 5.30pm to advise the result of your game. This is essential to avoid fines from BDAFA. Example sms: RWC G14 T1 4 vs PanRSL G14 T2 2 (Revesby Workers Club Grade 14 Team 1 (score) 4 vs Panania RSL Grade 14 Team 2 (score) 2)
- 8. Arrange for an unofficial referee to take control of all home games where an official referee has not been allocated.
- 9. When a red card is issued during the game to a RWFC player, liaise with the referee at the conclusion of the match to ascertain the nature of the send-off. Advise the Club Secretary, Claire Geary, by 6pm of any red card infringements.
- 10. See that an injury form is completed for any player injured during a match or at training, signed and emailed to the Secretary as soon as possible after the injury occurs (we need to submit to BDAFA within 7 days). Failure to do so may prejudice any claim on insurance. It is best to lodge an injury form whenever a player is injured rather than to wait and see the seriousness of the injury. The injury form is available on the BDAFA website.
- 11. Update the RWFC website with the weekly team report.
- 12. Ensure the team does not train or play on closed grounds.
- 13. Remind all players to bring their own water bottle to training and games.
- 14. Encourage parents to drop off and pick up their child from the field, not from the carpark or roadway.
- 15. Promote the Junior Sportsperson Award (awarded annually to the overall best and fairest junior player from Grades 12-18, male and female) amongst team members. Each week the coach and/or manager should nominate the 3 best and fairest players within their team, and award them 3, 2 or 1 points respectively, and email the allocation to the Managers Coordinator, Liz Errington at the end of the season.
- 16. Organise the team and parents when rostered for Ground and Canteen Duty. It is the responsibility of all parents and/or players to fulfil their obligations in this respect. See below for details.
- 17. In the event that your team needs to forfeit a game, please notify the Club Secretary ASAP. Clubs must notify BDAFA 48 hours prior to the scheduled kick-off—or we incur a fine. Forfeit fees without due notice are \$25 plus the usual referee fees. Note that if a team forfeits twice during the season they may be removed from the competition.
- 18. Organise the team to help with running any relevant Gala Days.
- 19. Attend the monthly club meetings. If you or the coach is unable to attend, arrangements should be made for an alternate representative (parent) from the team. We need a representative from all teams at the meetings in order to run the Club effectively and communicate all the teams as to what is happening in the Club.
- 20. Organise the team for Club photos, usually held in May each year junior teams only.
- 21. Assist with organising fundraising from the team as required by the Club. NB. All fundraising activities are to have the approval of the Executive Committee prior to the commencement of any such activity.
- 22. Ensure BBQ and Club facilities are clean and in good order following team use.
- 23. Encourage the team to support any RWFC social activities.

Ground Duty

All RWFC teams will be rostered for Ground and Canteen Duty during the season. The duties are normally rostered so that a team has duty for approximately 3 hours, 2-3 times per season (subject to number of teams and the draw for Marco games).

Liz Errington, will endeavour to complete the ground duty roster as far in advance as possible. Please encourage your team to be involved and contact a member of the executive if anyone refuses.

The main requirements are:

Set-Up

- 1 A 7.15am start at the ground is required to allow sufficient time for setting up the fields. You will need at approximately 4 or 5 helpers to help set up. There will always be a Committee Member there to help assist and organise set up.
- 2 The condition of the park must be checked before matches to avoid injury. It is everyone's responsibility to report holes etc. Check for holes and fill them if need be (from the sand patch near St Christopher's Clubhouse).
- 3 Goal nets are to be put up, tying verticals to the posts and pegging the lower section to the ground securely. If Small-Sided Games are scheduled then the appropriate Mini Goal Posts also need to be put up. These Mini Goal Posts are to be dismantled and returned to the Gear Room at the conclusion of the Mini games.
- 4 Seating for both teams are to be provided inside the spectator line markings.
- 5 The field corner and centre poles are to be placed around the ground.
- 6 A garbage bin needs to be placed at each ground, and additional garbage bins are to be placed in the area between the canteen and the fields.
- 7 Dressing rooms are to be unlocked and the toilets checked for cleanliness and toilet paper.
- 8 Canteen helpers (2) need to commence from 7.30am, to assist the Canteen Manager in setting up the canteen, turning on appliances and preparing the food for the day.

Day

- 1 Canteen two people are required to assist in the canteen. NB. The Canteen is off-limits to anyone aged less than 16 years.
- 2 BBQ two people are required to work the BBQ, including cooking, collecting vouchers and ensuring cleanliness of the facility and food hygiene principles are observed.
- 3 Ground Marshal two people are required to act as Ground Marshals. The Ground marshals are to wear official orange vests provided and remain on the allocated ground for the entire period of duty. This is required by the BDAFA, and fines are incurred if ground marshals are not visible. The duties of the Ground Marshal are displayed on the Clubhouse door and circulated to all team managers separately.
- 4 Unofficial Referee to provide one in the event a RWFC team requires an unofficial referee and no one is forthcoming.

Take Down

1. On conclusion of the day's play, ropes, nets and corner posts are to be returned to the Gear Room. Please be tidy.

- 2. Any litter is to be collected, and the outside bins are to be returned to the waste area. The kitchen and Clubhouse garbage bins emptied and rubbish moved to the waste area.
- 3. All canteen stock is to be returned to the cupboards; all utensils washed and put away; the benches cleaned; and the floor mopped. This includes the BBQ. The fridge should be restocked with drink as required.
- 4. All dressing rooms, the canteen, gear room and clubroom to be swept and locked.

Official Team Sheet—BDAFA

The BDAFA Official Team Sheet can be downloaded from <u>BDAFA website</u> and completed prior to the start of the game. There are different team sheets for Premier league, AAL 1, competition grades, and small sided games.

Managers are encouraged to pre-complete the team sheet listing ALL team players and use this as a template for every match. If doing this, please ensure you strike out any players listed but not playing.

Please ensure the whole sheet is completed—we incur fines from BDAFA for incorrect data. The players do not have to sign the sheet—this is done by the Manager. The most commonly missed entries are:

- Team manager to sign sheet
- Ground Marshall to sign sheet
- Referee to sign the sheet

The completed team sheet will be retained by the Official Referee if in attendance. If a Referee is not in attendance and you are the Home Team AND playing on Marco 3 or 4, deposit the team sheets in the red box at the RWFC Clubhouse (by 5.30pm on the day of play). If you are playing on another ground, deposit the team sheet at that ground's canteen. Team's playing away from Marco 3 or 4 need to advise the RWFC recorder of the result by 6pm on the day of play.

Small sided games do not have team sheets but cards – provided by BDAFA.

Referees

Official Referees

An Official Referee may be appointed for your game by the Bankstown Referee's Association. NB. No referees are provided for small-sided games – it is up to the team to provide their own referee (not the Coach or Manager!).

Unofficial Referees

When an official referee is not present at the game an unofficial referee is to be chosen with the mutual consent of both teams (usually the home team provides the unofficial referee). Remember, these people are volunteering, so please treat them with respect. If you have a problem, report it to the Ground Marshall in attendance at the ground.

The selected referee shall control the entire match per BDAFA rules. It is not acceptable for two (or more) people to share control of the game.

When the selected person takes the field as Referee, the match is under their control. All directions must be adhered to regarding cards, spectators, players etc. You must ensure that the correct score is recorded on the Team Sheet at the completion of the match.

Unofficial Referees have the same rights and powers as official referees. Unofficial Referees can issue Yellow and Red cards. Incidents will be reported to the BDAFA and disciplinary action will result. The BDAFA Disciplinary Committee (DC) invariably supports and upholds the decisions of the referee.

G6, 7, 8 & 9 games are not allocated official referees.

Insurance, Liability and Injury Cards

If a player is injured during a game or at training an injury form must be completed and returned by email in pdf format to the Club Secretary **on the day of the incident** or within 5 days (the form is then sent on to BDAFA and must be with BDAFA within 7 days of the incident). The form must be signed. A sample is below. The form can be downloaded from the BDAFA website.

INITIAL NOTIFICATION OF INJURY FORM
Player Details
Surname: Given Name:
FFA ID Number: Club:
Injury Details
Date: Time: Ground: Opposition:
Occurred while participating in:
A) Summer Comp Winter Comp Futsal Training Other
B) ☐ SSG 6-10 ☐ Jnr Comp Boys ☐ Jnr Comp Girls ☐ All Age Men ☐ All Age Women
☐ PL 1&2 (*first / reserves)
Iniury type: C) Ankle Knee Leg Hand/Arm Head Other, specify Which side was the iniury: D) Right Left
How did the injury occur: E) In a tackle Player and / or goalkeeper collision While running /turning Goal keeping duties Other, specify
Was an ambulance called:
F) No Yes, *if available - Incident number
G) □ Witness □ Referee – I.D No
Name: Signature Contact details:
Club Official Details
Name:Signature:
Position Date: *only executive members are to sign this form and confirm all information is true and accurate.

Where any player is injured, whilst training with, or playing for RWFC, any medical cost incurred as a result of such an injury is to be paid by the player. The cost incurred should then be claimed by the player on Medicare and/or a private medical benefits fund as appropriate and then a claim

should be lodged directly with the Football NSW Accident Support Program insurer, along with any claim for loss of income. Claim forms are available online on the <u>BDAFA website</u>, and the Secretary must sign all claim forms prior to them being forwarded to the Insurer. Please note the form must be completed, signed and lodged by all parties and returned to the Insurer (via BDAFA) within 90 days of the injury having taken place.

RWFC shall not be responsible for any shortfall that might arise between costs incurred and loss of income, less the refunds received from Medicare, private medical benefits and any proceeds from the Football NSW Accident Support Program. Please note the insurance policy offers only minimal cover only, and does not cover ambulance costs.

Players who are injured pre-season, prior to their participation in any trial games, will be entitled to claim from the Club a full refund the registration fee paid (evidence of injury may be required). Players who are injured pre-season, and have played one or more trial games, will be entitled to claim from the Club a refund of the registration fee, less the compulsory BDAFA fee component. The Executive Committee will review claims form players are injured in the first official game and are required to stay off the field for the duration of the season.

Behaviour and Conduct

Remember that, as Coaches and Managers, you are responsible for the behaviour of your team and supporters at all times during the season. RWFC is proud of our reputation in BDAFA and we need to be constantly aware that we are not aggressive or abusive to players, officials and supporters of either the opposition or our own teams. Ensure that you can be proud of the behaviour of your own team and supporters. The www.playbytherules.net.au website offers free, online training courses for coaches, administrators, umpires and referees, as well as for participants and volunteers.

Codes Of Conduct

During the registration process, all players, parents of players, coaches and managers acknowledged the requirements commonly referred to as "Codes of Conduct". These codes outline what RWFC and BDAFA consider acceptable behaviour with the intention they will assist in controlling the behaviour of players, officials and spectators during the season.

The Codes of Conduct are:

- Players Code of Conduct
- Officials Code of Conduct
- · Coaches Code of Conduct, and
- · Parent Code of Conduct.

The Codes are on display in the clubhouse and are available on the RWFC and BDAFA websites. If you have any questions, please contact the Club Secretary.

Prohibited Employment Declaration

All coaches and managers of teams, under 18 and AA if you have someone under 18 are required to complete a Working with Children Check. This is a legal requirement for all people who work with and volunteer in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and can be completed through the Office of the Children's Guardian (kidsguardian.nsw.edu.au). You will need to complete the volunteer check online, receive confirmation from RMS and send your clearance number to Jodie Hayward, Member Protection Officer (jrhayward@optusnet.com.au). If you have already completed a volunteer check or an employment check, the number is valid and you do not need to complete another check. You will need to send this number, along with your date of birth

to Jodie. A WWCC lasts for 5 years. The club keeps these details on file and checks all volunteers engaged in contact with children each year. This is a legal requirement for all sporting clubs and other volunteer organisations in Australia.

Red Cards

If any player, coach or manager receives a red card the Club Secretary must be advised prior to 6.00pm (or immediately) on the day of the match. Any red cards received by players must be noted on the team sheet.

Different offences will attract different suspensions/sentences. All red cards attract a minimum of a one (1) week/match suspension period. These are automatic and cannot be appealed. Other offences will be subject to a BDAFA Disciplinary Committee which will send the club a 'Notice of Penalty' advising the 'automatic' penalty. If a player, coach or manager chooses to accept the 'automatic' sentence then they must advise the Club Secretary. If they wish to contest the penalty, they must contact the Secretary immediately so that the appropriate paperwork can be collated prior to the BDAFA deadline.

The referee will no longer be collecting the player ID card. Instead, the player, coach or manager concerned must surrender the card to the BDAFA office prior to the next scheduled game. Failure to surrender the card may result in a loss by forfeit. Please give cards to the Club Secretary.

If the mandatory (automatic) sentence is not accepted then the player and either the coach or manager MUST attend the required meeting of the BDAFA Disciplinary Committee. The venue and time will be advised by the Club Secretary. A member of the Club Committee will generally attend also.

Players under 12 years of age are not usually required to appear before the BDAFA Disciplinary Committee. Issues and incidents would ordinarily be referred to RWFC to be dealt with by the Club as seen appropriate. BDAFA are advised of the outcome of matters referred to the RWFC by BDAFA.

Yellow Cards

Any yellow cards received by players must be advised to the Recorder on the Team Results report. Note that any player who has accumulated 5 cautions (yellow cards) will incur an automatic suspension of two (2) matches.

RWFC Penalties

Any member or supporter violating the rules of the RWFC, or engaging in misconduct, or acting contrary to the general wishes of the Club, may be expelled or otherwise dealt with by the Disciplinary Committee at a meeting convened for the purpose, of which due notice will be given by the Club Secretary. The person will be suspended from all Club activities until such time as they do appear.

The RWFC Disciplinary Committee will have the authority to enforce one or any combination of the following:

request a player or official to provide a bond (maximum of \$200.00) to continue
playing—the bond will be returned at the end of the season, upon return of the player's
or official's card, except where the player or official has been involved in a subsequent
incident, in which case the bond shall be forfeited. Failure to post this bond will mean
immediate suspension from all Club activities.

- suspend a player, club official or supporter for a number of weeks
- revoke a player's or official's membership of the RWFC (without refund of registration fees)
- revoke a player's membership of the RWFC (without refund of registration fees) if that player's family, friends or supporters bring the game into disrepute

Any member so suspended shall forfeit all claims to property and privileges of the RWFC and cease to be a member. Should any such member desire to re-join the Club (except where expelled for life when Clause (b) shall apply) they must be proposed and may be accepted at a General Meeting.

The bonds and penalties imposed by the RWFC Disciplinary Committee are to be seen as supplementary to any penalties issued by BDAFA, Soccer NSW or the FFA. Suspensions issued by the RWFC Disciplinary Committee are to be served consecutively after any other suspensions issued by the governing bodies of football listed previously.

The decisions of the RWFC Disciplinary Committee are final and not subject to appeal.

Alcohol

Please note that under NSW liquor laws no alcohol is permitted to be bought and sold at games. Further, Bankstown Council insists that no liquor is brought onto the sporting fields or any building or facility on the sporting field without the written consent of the Council.

Smoking

Effective from 7 January 2013, smoking is banned in spectator areas at public sports grounds and other recreational areas in NSW. This includes the RWFC clubhouse, on the fields, and the area surrounding the fields, including any area where spectators are watching the event—covered or uncovered, with seating or without. This effectively makes all parks used for Football (or any other sport) non-smoking zones. Penalties apply and may be enforced. Council penalties apply to individuals of up to \$550.

Ground Locations

Ground	Address	Clubs
Allum Park	Maiden St Greenacre	Greenacre Eagles
Amour Park	Iluka St Revesby	Revesby Rovers
Buchanan/Kearns	Antwerp St Bankstown	Bankstown Sports
Coleman Park	Rabaul Ave Georges Hall	Georges Hall Thistle
Crest Soccer Complex	Carysfield Rd Bass Hill	Bankstown Sports Strikers
George Green/Graf	Avoca St Yagoona	North Bankstown
Gordon Parker Reserve	Auld Ave Milperra	Milperra Lions
Gosling Park	Chiswick Rd Greenacre	East Bankstown
Jim Ring Reserve	Woods Rd Birrong	Birrong Sports
Kelso Reserve	Marco Ave Panania	Panania RSL
Kinch Reserve	Third Ave Condell Park	Condell Park
Lockwood Park	Waterloo Rd Chullora	Chullora Wolves
Marco Reserve	Cnr Homelea & Marco Aves Panania	Revesby Workers, St Christopher's FC
Middleton Park	Smith St Bass Hill	Bankstown Dragons
Neville Reserve	Clarke St Bass Hill	Spears Sports
O'Neill Park	Cooper Rd Yagoona	Yagoona Lions
Playford Park	Gibson Ave Padstow	Padstow United

Stuart St Reserve	Stuart St Padstow	Padstow Hornets
Thurina Park	Lowana St Villawood	Villawood United
Walshaw Park	Buist St Bass Hill	Bass Hill RSL

Rules for Small Sided Games

Grade 6 & 7

- Number of Players—Grade 6 & 7: 4-v-4
- Field Size—30m x 20m
- Goalkeepers—No goalkeepers
- Start of play—Kick forward to a team-mate from the middle of the halfway line.
- Match time 15min each half (5 minutes for half-time)
- Re-start after a goal—A player from the team that concedes the goal will kick, pass or dribble ball into play from anywhere along back line. Defenders retreat to the half way line and move once ball is in play.
- Ball crossing the touch line—Kick, pass or dribble ball into play from touch line. Defenders should be 4.5 metres away from the ball.
- Ball crossing the goal line after touching the defending team last—Corner kick.
 Defenders should be 4.5 metres away from the ball.
- Ball crossing the goal line after touching the attacking team last—Kick, pass or dribble ball into play from anywhere along back line. Defenders retreat to half way line and move once ball is in play.
- Offside—No offside
- Fouls and misconduct—Indirect free kicks are awarded for acts of fouls and misconduct with defenders 4.5metres away from the ball. For deliberate or serious acts of fouls and misconduct in the attacking half of field a penalty kick is awarded from an 8m spot with an empty goal. All other players must stand behind the half way line.

SGSs are controlled by a Game Leader. The main role of the game leader is to keep the game moving fluently, limit stoppages and assist players with all match re-starts. Most importantly, they must make every effort to create an environment that ensures that all players have fun. This person can be a club official, parent, older child / player or beginning referee.

Considerations for the Game Leader include:

- Promote player development, participation and fun
- Discourage players from permanently over-guarding the goal—encourage maximum involvement for all players
- Ensure the correct number of players are on the field
- Use a "Ready, Set, Go" prompt to encourage quick decisions when restarting play
- Most fouls and misconduct at this level are not deliberate and serious. Give advantage to the attacking team and let the game flow, limiting stoppages
- Ensure team officials and parents create a safe and positive playing environment for the children

- Ensure team officials and parents uphold a player development and participation focus rather than emphasising winning and losing
- Ensure there are no positions at this age, children should be involved in all aspects of the game
- Praise and encourage both teams
- Be enthusiastic, consistent and approachable
- Remember the children are learning the game—be flexible and patient

Grade 8 - 11

- Matches will be non-competitive
- Each team will provide a size 3 (Grade 8-9) and a size 4 (Grade 10-11) match ball
- Matches will be played either on a BDAFA approved mini-field or on one half of a full-sized field with the touch line of the full-size field being the goal-line of the mini-field.
- Unlimited interchange will apply
- All players are to play at least half a match
- Goal-kicks will be taken anywhere within the defending team's goal-arc
- There will be no off-side but teams must not deliberately keep a player in an offside position
- Throw-ins will be taken as per FIFA Law 15
- Corner-kicks are to be taken 10 metres from goal-post closest to where the ball crossed the goal-line
- Players of the opposing team must stand at least 5 metres from the ball at the taking of corners, goal-kicks and free-kicks
- No coaching is permitted on the field. The coach may do so from the side-line in a quiet and non-hysterical manner. Coaching from behind the goals is not permitted
- Spectators are not allowed to stand on the centre-line of a full size field
- Junior/Cadet referees may be appointed
- The Indirect Free-kicks for offences by goalkeepers in FIFA Law 13 will apply

SSG Summary

Playing Format	Under 6 & 7	Under 8 & 9	Under 10 & 11
Numbers	4 x 4	7 x 7	9 x 9
Field Size	Length: 30m	1/4 Full Size Pitch	½ Full Size Pitch
	Width: 20m	Length: 40-50m	Length: 60-70m
		Width: 30-40m	Width: 40-50m
Field Markings	Markers or line markings	Markers or line markings	Markers or line markings
Penalty Area	Nil	5m Depth x 12m Width	5m Depth x 12m Width
Goal Size	Width: 1.5m - 2.0m	Width: 2.5m - 3.5m	Width: 4.5m - 5.0m
	Height: 0.9m - 1.0m	Height 1.8m – 2.0m	Height 1.8m - 2.0m
Goal Type	Goals, Poles or Markers	Goals, Poles or Markers	Goals, Poles or Markers
Ball Size	Size 3	Size 3	Size 4
Goalkeeper	No	Yes	Yes
Throw ins	No	Yes	Yes
Corners	No	Yes	Yes
Playing Time	2 x 15 Minute Halves	2 x 20 Minute Halves	2 x 25 Minute Halves
Halftime Break	5 Minutes	5 Minutes	7.5 Minutes
Referee	Game Leader	Instructing Referee	Instructing Referee
Points Table & Finals	No	No	No

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