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Handbook

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## **AYSO CODE OF ETHICS**

### **TRUSTWORTHINESS**

Worthy of trust, honor and confidence  
Honest: trustful, sincere, non-deceptive, candid, not cheating  
Integrity: morally courageous, principled  
Promise keeping: dependable, reliable

### **RESPECT**

Regard for the dignity, worth, and autonomy of all persons (including self)  
Treat others with courtesy, civility, and politeness  
Tolerating others' beliefs and accepting individual differences without prejudice  
Refraining from violence, coercion, intimidation

### **RESPONSIBILITY**

Acknowledgment and performance of duties to other and self  
Accountability: answerable for consequences of decisions  
Pursuit of Excellence: diligent, persevering  
Self-discipline: self control, restraint

### **JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS**

Making decision on appropriate factors: impartiality, avoidance of conflict of interest  
Commitment to equity and equality  
Openness to information and ideas  
Reasonableness  
Due Process Consistency Fair Play

### **CARING**

Regard for well being of others  
Kindness  
Compassion  
Unselfishness  
Charity: altruism, giving

### **CIVIC VIRTUE AND CITIZENSHIP**

Recognition of and living up to social obligation  
Participation in democratic process Law abidance  
Protection of the environment  
Community service Doing one's share

### **AYSO MISSION STATEMENT**

To operate a soccer program where young people can learn to develop a positive self-image, self-confidence and other positive character traits through their interest and participation in soccer based on our philosophies of EBOPS:

- Everyone Plays
- Balanced Teams
- Open Registration
- Positive Coaching
- Sportsmanship

The HAYSL boards feels very strongly about providing the best and most positive environment for our young soccer players. We want parents to remember that children participate in our soccer program to

have fun; the game is for the children and not the adults. As parents we ask that you and your child try to learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league. We want our coaches, referees, parents, and guests to be positive role models for children. We ask that you encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game or practice. We ask parents to praise their child for competing fairly and trying hard. We want children to feel like a winner every time they leave the soccer field. We want to teach the children to play by the rules and resolves conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

We are asking you the parent to help your child learn the soccer promise written below. When the referee of the game lines the children up for game inspection, the children will shake the opposing team's hands and state the promise to each other.

We thank you for supporting our youth soccer program and we hope you and your child have a wonderful and positive season.

### **HAYSL SOCCER PLEDGE**

I will give the game my all. I will play by the rules and win or lose, I will show respect to all players, coaches, and referees.

### **VOLUNTEER**

The Hagerstown Area Youth Soccer League (HAYSL) is strictly a volunteer program. Without parental involvement this values based youth sports activity would not exist. Parents get involved because they have something to offer and because they want to ensure a quality program for their child.

As kids get older and retire from the program, parent volunteers also retire. The need for help is constant.

HAYSL has a wide range of positions. To name a few: Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Referees, Game Linesman, Field Liners, Recruiter of Team Sponsors, Assistant with the Registrar and also in Management as a HAYSL Board Member. To be involved requires a minimum of time and the rewards for the kids is great HAYSL has in place volunteer Certification and Training to aid in your success as soccer volunteer.

We would like your help! Please contact a HAYSL Board Member if you are interested in helping with our organization. For contact information see our website, [www.haysl.org](http://www.haysl.org).

### **SPONSORSHIP**

HAYSL depends on local businesses and organizations to help supplement funds needed to run a quality program. The need for sponsors is great. Sponsoring of a team assists in keeping registration fees lower while helping to purchase equipment, supplies, and uniforms for players, and training for over 120 volunteers. An investment in supporting this program is an investment in the character building of our community's youth.

Sponsorship is a great way to be in touch with your community and its future, our kids! If you are interested in supporting this program or would like more information please contact our sponsor coordinator via our website at [www.haysl.org](http://www.haysl.org).

### **BOARD MEETINGS**

All coaches, referees, and interested persons are encouraged to attend monthly Regional Board Meetings. Board Meetings are open to visitors and their input is welcomed. Visitors are requested to restrict their input to a maximum of five (5) minutes per subject. Closed sessions may be held when the subject matter dictates.

The number of Board Members can be increased or decreased as required to conduct business. A quorum shall consist of five (5) members.

## MODIFICATIONS

These Playing Rules and Regulations shall be modified by the Regional Commissioner and presented to the Regional Board for approval, as needed to conform with changes in the Laws of the Game, AYSO National Rules and Regulations, AYSO Section decisions, AYSO Area decisions, Standard Regional Guidelines, and Regional Board decisions that do not conflict with other mentioned documents.

## REGISTRATION

HAYSL will register players for each season based on the following, in accordance with the National Rules and Regulations and the Standard Regional Guidelines. The official HAYSL playing year begins July 1, and shall consist of separate Fall and Spring seasons. The fall season will be open to boys and girls between the ages of 4½ and 18, the Spring season will be open to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 18. The effective date of age determination shall be the players' age as of July 31 of the current playing year for divisions U-6 and above. The effective date for U-5 will be January 31 of the current playing year.

If a player has registered for Fall and returns for the Spring season, HAYSL will make every effort to return them to the same team providing that that team has multiple returning players, the teams remain balanced and the same numbers of teams are formed, which is determined by the number of registrants. New players in the spring season will be assigned to teams based on an athletic skills rating by the parent.

Birth certificates are required for all **FIRST TIME** HAYSL applicants, or anyone who has not played the previous season. No player may register without written consent of a parent or guardian.

The Regional Commissioner is responsible for assuring the eligibility of all players on teams within the Region.

Registration will be advertised by newspaper, newsletters, website and radio. HAYSL will provide a minimum of 2 registrations per season. After the final registration, any applicant who contacts the registrar will be added to a waiting list. All efforts will be made to place all remaining applicants on a team. This depends on the number volunteers at any given season. Applicants will be taken off the waiting list in the order in which they are added.

Players registering late in addition to registration costs will be charged a late fee of \$30.00.

After the season begins, those on the waiting list will be made available to coaches who lose players during the season in the order in which they are listed on the waiting lists. Coaches shall contact their Division Coordinator who will get a player from the Registrar.

Players may be a member of only one AYSO division team at any one time. Scholarships: Forms will be available at all registrations. Applications are subject to review and approval by the HAYSL Board. If approved the scholarship may provide partial or full registration fee and shin guards.

**Refund Policy:** Fourteen days after the last registration is the deadline for refunds. No refund will be given after this date except for the following two reasons: Medical Injury or Moving out of the area. After a player has been added to a team roster, no monies will be refunded, even if that player did not practice or play with a team.

## TEAM SELECTION

Player assignment to a Team will be accomplished beginning Fall 2007 by a 'blind draft' and/or by assignment by the Division Coordinator in conjunction with the coaches in that division based on a player ranking as determined by the player's coach in the previous season or, for new players, the parent's judgment.

Parents with more than one child, playing in the SAME Division, can request to have their children play on the same team.

HAYSL promotes new friendships and social interaction. NO ONE will be placed on a team because of car-pool reasons, to be with a friend or to be with a previous coach. Only the head coach's child, one assistant coach's child, and if applicable, a sponsor's child will be assured placement on a particular team, provided that the teams remain balanced.

Request to move players for convenience will NOT be allowed. Team names shall bear no resemblance to a religion or nationality.

Teams shall participate only in games approved by the Regional Commissioner and/or AYSO Special Games Committee.

## **PLAYER EQUIPMENT**

Shin guards are required to be worn at all games and practices. Shin guards are to be worn under the appropriate soccer socks, socks shall be pulled up and fully cover the shin guards. Players will not be permitted to practice or play games without shin guards!

Regulation jerseys, provided by the HAYSL program, are to be worn and tucked into shorts at all games. No additional lettering logo, stencils, or patches, etc, other than those furnished by the league shall be added to the uniform. Goalkeepers may wear padded keeper shorts. Shorts will be worn external to full length sweatpants, if sweatpants are worn for warmth or protection. Shortened sweatpants will not be allowed. Sport pants with any metal buttons or snaps are not allowed.

Soccer cleats are highly recommended, but are not required to participate. Cleats that in the opinion of the referee present a danger to players are not allowed.

All splints and cast are PROHIBITED in AYSO practice and games. Players are not allowed to wear anything that is dangerous to either themselves or other players: such as earrings, necklaces, ball caps, sunglasses, hair barrettes, headbands or hooded sweatshirts unless the hood is tucked underneath the jersey.

Knee braces may be worn if the metal parts are properly protected and in the opinion of the referee it does not present a danger to other players.

## **PARENT RESPONSIBILITY AND SOCCER ETIQUETTE**

All AYSO games shall be conducted in accordance with the current FIFA Laws of the Game and decisions of the international Board in effect at the date specified by the Area Director for his/her Area (approximately the time of the team formation for a given season), with exceptions noted here in Section I.

- Spectators shall not stand behind goal lines or stand within three (3) yards of the touchlines.
- Parents and players from the same team are encouraged to sit together to promote team spirit and camaraderie
- The highest standards of conduct and good sportsmanship must be maintained at all times.
- Abusive or foul language is forbidden.
- Coaching should be limited to the coaches themselves. Parental coaching from the touchlines are not permitted. Only encouragement and positive feedback should be spoken.
- Negative comments about or towards opposing players, coaches and referee will not be tolerated.
- Failure to abide by these standards will be subject to dismissal from the field and/or the league.
- **NO PETS are permitted at practice or games.**
- Smoking or use of any tobacco products is NOT permitted at practice or games. \*Parking at games or practices is restricted to individual parking spaces or areas provided. **There is to be no parking on any grassy areas at the schools or the fairground park.**
- Failure to park in appropriate areas may result in a parking citation by City or county Law Enforcement Agencies.
- Please drive slow in areas where children/spectators are moving to & from vehicles.
- Parent/Guardian must accompany a player to all practices and games. Coaches are not responsible for

your children. If they would become injured at a practice or game, a parent or guardian must be in attendance so they may see to their medical attention.

- Coaches are VOLUNTEERS, be respectful of the time they are dedicating to your child and be sure they are ON TIME for every practice and game.
- This is YOUR CHILD'S program, be involved, VOLUNTEER. Contact us via our website, [www.haysl.org](http://www.haysl.org).

## **PRACTICES**

Coaches are volunteering their time, please be appreciative by showing up on time to every practice.

All division teams, will hold, weather permitting, at least one practice per week. Please see AGE APPROPRIATE RULE MODIFICATIONS FOR HAYSL for divisional guidelines.

U10 and below: A parent or guardian MUST be present at ALL practices and games. If there is no parent/guardian present the player may not participate and must remain on the touchline.

Pre-season practices will not begin prior to the date approved by the Board and will not exceed three (3) sessions per week, including practice games.

After the first game of the season, practice will be limited to two (2) sessions per week and one game, so that the total number of games plus practices will not exceed three (3) meetings per week.

Practices may not begin before 1:00 pm on Sundays. Practices are not to exceed 2 hours per session

Teams will only practice on fields and at times assigned to them unless the Division coordinator approves change.

## **WEATHER**

Cancellations of practices are the responsibility of each individual team coach.

The only persons authorized to postpone a game are the Referee for that scheduled game, the Safety Director, the Referee Administrator or the Regional Commissioner.

**In the event of rain all divisions will assume that the games will be played and should proceed to the field unless notified by the coach or their representative.** In the event of rain at game time, U5, U6, U7 & U8 will not play their scheduled games. All other division games will proceed as scheduled.

If inclement conditions occur during the game, the Head Referee can suspend or terminate the game at each field at their discretion. If lightning is observed in the area, the game will be suspended immediately by the referee and the field cleared as quickly as possible. If there has been no apparent lightning for 20 minutes, the Referee MAY, at his/her discretion, continue the game.

Games postponed or terminated because of weather may be rescheduled. However, if one half or more of the game has been completed before it is terminated, the game will be considered official and the score at that point will be final. All weather related make-ups are to be scheduled with the appropriate Division Coordinator.

In the event of adverse weather conditions, please check our website at [www.haysl.org](http://www.haysl.org).

## **COMPETITION**

The referee is in charge from the moment he/she enters the field of play. The referee has full authority to enforce all discipline to insure the integrity of the game, up to and including the suspension of the game.

Coaches or other officials shall not enter the field of play unless requested by the referee.

All games must be played with equal players (except when a player is sent off by a referee or a coach

chooses to play short resulting from player injury).

If one of the teams does not have the minimum number of players specified to begin the game, the game shall be played by either the larger team playing down to equal the number of players on the opposing team or combining players from both teams to balance the game.

If a team is a "no-show" the game shall cease and be scored as a 1 - 0 forfeit for the other team.

Games are to be started within 5 minutes of the scheduled start time unless delayed by the previous game, by the decision of the referee or by the weather.

Each team will supply a linesman if no assistant referee is available. This person will assist the referee in signaling when the ball is entirely over the touch-line and goal line, and where experience lies; assist with improper throw-in's, off-side rule and signaling substitutions in U10 and above. The head referee has the final authority over all linesmen or assistant referees and may overrule their signals. The head referee may dismiss linesmen or assistant referees for improper conduct.

U5, U6, U7, U8 Special Rules: The offside rule is not enforced. The referee is instructed to warn the offending coach of "camping out" near the goal. Penalty kicks shall not be awarded. An indirect kick from the nearest point of the foul outside the penalty area within the field of play, with the ball released for play by the whistle of the referee, will be awarded. Two (2) attempts to make a correct throw-in will be given before turning the ball to the other team.

Restarts from the halftime break shall be a kick-off. Restarts for the quarter or midpoint substitution shall be made from the dead ball spot that determined the substitution break. (i.e. throw-in, corner kick, goal kick, kick-off).

Sliding tackles are not permitted in the U10 divisions and younger and are allowed in the U12 and older divisions. In the U10 division it shall be called as 'dangerous play' and an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team. In the U8 and younger divisions, the offending player will be given two warnings before being removed from the game for the rest of the quarter. This is done for safety reasons, players should be taught to "keep their feet". Play will resume with a direct free kick from the point of the offense. Sliding tackles that endanger the safety of a player result in a send off.

Heading of the ball is not permitted in the U5, U6, U7 and U8 divisions. This is a safety issue and is considered to be dangerous play which will result in an indirect kick for the opposing team.

Tie games will end in a tie during the regular season. Post-season tournament tie games will be decided prior to tournament in the tournament rule section

All games are played with a running clock. Allowances shall be made for substitutions of injured players, time wasting, or other unusual situations, the amount of which shall be a matter for the discretion of the referee.

## **PLAYING TIME AND SUBSTITUTION**

It is the policy of this Region that coaches play team members at least three quarters of every game BEFORE ANY PLAYER PLAYS IN ALL FOUR. Due to roster size it may occur that some team members may only play two quarters. If a player must sit out two quarters due to roster size that player must play one quarter in each half. That player will also play three quarters in the next game, requiring a different player to sit out two quarters. This is to be done consistently through out the season to assure equal playing time for all team members

Except as noted, all registered players in attendance at the AYSO games must participate and play at least three quarters of the game before any player plays in all four quarters, excluding overtime. Coaches violating this policy shall be subject to discipline by the Region. Such participation is controlled as follows: In all divisions, approximately midway through the first half, and approximately Midway through the second half, the referee halts the game, stops his/her watch. Stoppage is made when the ball is out of play and prior to the appropriate restart (i.e. throw-in, goal kick, corner-kick, kick-off, free kick, penalty-kick or drop ball). Additionally, substitutions may be made at halftime and as a result of an injury.



In U12 and below no player may play as goal keeper for more than two quarters or half of the game, and must play a minimum of one quarter of the game in another position. If a player is injured the coach may provide a substitute for the injured player. When substituting for an injured player, only the injured player is credited with playing time. The player must be recognized by the referee in order to legally return to the game.

Blood Policy: All bleeding players must be removed to the touchline for treatment, and will not be allowed to return to the field of play until bleeding has stopped. All blood must be cleaned from the player and clothing with blood must be changed or neutralized.

Late arriving players shall be substituted as follows: If the player arrives during the first quarter, the player must play a minimum of two of the remaining three quarters, including one in each half. If the player arrives during the second or third quarter, the player must play a minimum of one quarter.

Coaches and substitutes shall stay in the technical area marked on each field. No one shall be allowed behind the goal lines or stand within three (3) yards of the touchlines. Photographers may stand behind the goal line with the referee's permission. They must remain quiet and sufficiently back from the goal line.

Parents and players from the same team are encouraged to sit together to promote team spirit and camaraderie.

## **DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF COACHES and OFFICIALS**

It shall be the duty of each coach and official to:

\*Conduct him/her in a manner becoming a member of AYSO.

\*At all times encourage clean competition and good sportsmanship \*Train and coach their respective teams to the best of their ability. \*Uphold the Rules and Regulations of AYSO/HAYSL

\*Limit their touchline participation during AYSO/HAYSL games to positive instruction and encouragement. Touchline participation shall be limited to two coaches from each team and they shall be limited to a coaches' area that extends ten (10) yards on either side of the center line. **Negative comments and complaints about refereeing not be allowed.**

Upon team formation, each coach, assistant coach, or designated adult must have in his/her possession a player registration form for each player assigned to them, during team gatherings, practices, scrimmages, and games, (i.e., regional, interregional, area, sectional, national and tournaments.)

Present a healthy athletic environment for players by, neither consuming alcoholic beverages nor using tobacco products during practices or games or in the immediate vicinity of the soccer fields.

Advise your team parents to be on time for every practice and arrive 15 minutes prior to game time for proper stretching and warm up.

Parent or guardian of player should provide transportation to and from practices and games.

Coaches are strictly prohibited to transport any player (other than their children).

## **AVAILABILITY OF REFEREES AND COACHES**

If a referee is not present, the coaches concerned shall agree between themselves who shall referee and promptly start the games.

If the assigned referee arrives after the start of the game, he/she will immediately replace the substitute referee.

At game time each team must have a coach, an assistant coach, or a responsible adult, with a completed volunteer application on file, designated for that particular game to act as the coach. In the absence of such

an individual the game shall be suspended and the outcome determined by the Regional Board.

## **OFFICIATING / REFEREES**

AYSO Referees are entitled to the highest respect from coaches, players and spectators. The referee's calls are the opinion of the referee and shall be accepted without complaint. Some of the referees have no children playing in our region and all of them gladly give up their time to help us. Please **show them the respect they deserve** they are volunteers, and express your appreciation for their commitment to our soccer program. The region is always in need of referees. If you are interested, contact the Regional Referee Administrator.

Referees shall at all times impose the Rules & Regulations of Competition as defined by AYSO and the FIFA Laws of the Game in general. The Laws of the Game are intended to provide that games should be played with as little interference as possible, and this view is the duty of the referees to penalize only deliberate breaches of the Law. Constant whistling for trifling and doubtful breaches produce bad feeling and loss of temper on the part of the players and spoils the pleasure of the players and spectators.

Referees shall at all times put great emphasis on the welfare of the players and officiate the game in a manner inducing clean competition and good sportsmanship. If a player is injured, the referee at his/her discretion may stop play to ensure the welfare of the player, even if the ball has not gone out of play.

Referees shall not use Yellow or Red cards in U10 or below. The use of such cards in U12 is discouraged. This does not imply that referees may not caution or remove players if deemed necessary by the referee.

Penalty cards are not to be used against coaches or spectators. Coaches may be cautioned or removed if their actions are disrupting the game. Referees are instructed to book the offending coach and report the incident to the Regional Commissioner. Spectators may be asked to leave the area of the playing field if their actions warrant it. The referee may suspend or terminate the game if the offending party will not leave. The referee will report the offending party to the Regional Commissioner.

When a player, coach, or spectator is ejected from the game, the referee shall file a detailed report to the Regional Commissioner within 24 hours. Other persons involved in the event may, at their option, submit a detailed report of the incident to the Division Coordinator. A review panel will meet to determine what if any further discipline shall be imposed. There can be no appeal of the referees discipline imposed during a game.

When a coach, player, or other person involved feels that there has been a misapplication of the Laws of the Game he/she may submit a written report within 48 hours to the Referee Administrator. If the Referee Administrator finds that the referee has misapplied the Law, he/she shall instruct the referee on the correct application of the Law.

## **AGE APPROPRIATE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS**

### **U-5**

- No heading of the ball
- Scores and league standings are not kept
- The offside rule is not enforced
- One coach from each team is permitted on the playing field to assist in instruction.
- 30 minute practice before each game.
- No goalkeeper
- Players may be "cautioned" or "sent off" if needed but do not show cards. Handle discreetly.

### **U-6**

- No heading of the ball
- Scores and league standings are not kept.
- Direct free kick for all penalties; no penalty kicks or indirect kicks.
- The offside rule is not enforced
- 30 minute practice before each game.
- No goalkeeper
- Players may be "cautioned" or "sent off" if needed but do not show cards. Handle discreetly.

### **U-7/U-8**

- No heading of the ball
- Scores and league standings are not kept.
- The offside rule is not enforced.
- Direct free kick for all penalties; no penalty kicks or indirect kicks.
- Maximum two, one hour practices per week
- No goalkeeper
- Players may be "cautioned" or "sent off" if needed but do not show cards. Handle discreetly.

### **U-9/U-10**

- No heading of the ball.
- Maximum two, one hour practices per week.
- Players may be "cautioned" or "sent off" if needed but do not show cards. Handle discreetly.

### **U-12**

- Maximum two, one hour practices per week. Any one practice should not exceed two hours.
- Players may be "cautioned" or "sent off" but handle discreetly, use cards only if necessary.

### **U-15 & Above**

- Players may play goalkeeper four quarters.
- Maximum two, one hour practices a week. Any one practice should not exceed two hours.

## **DISCIPLINE**

Any person who cannot conform to the spirit of the Laws of the Game and these Local Playing rules may be denied further participation in the Region.

A review panel made up of the Referee administrator, Coach Administrator and the Child and Volunteer Protection Advocate will convene as needed to review an ejection of a player, coach, or other persons from a game, or the violation of these rules. They will recommend discipline to the Regional Commissioner. The Regional Commissioner shall review the recommended discipline and proceed with the action as he/she deems fit. This review panel does not have the authority to reverse a referees discipline imposed during a game. If it is found that the referee has misapplied the Laws of the Game or these rules the Referee Administrator shall instruct the referee so that the misapplication does not occur again.

If any member of the review panel has a conflict of interest regarding any individual involved in an incident reviewed by the panel, the Regional Commissioner shall appoint an alternate. If the Regional Commissioner has a conflict of interest, the Assistant Regional Commissioner shall serve in the Regional Commissioner's place. If there is no Assistant Regional Commissioner then the Area Director shall appoint a replacement.

## **TOURNAMENT & NON-LEAGUE PLAY**

The Regional Board must approve all Division playoffs or local tournaments including but not limited to: schedules, match-ups, game times, fields, invited teams, and number of games played per day. **Team rosters are required for tournaments.**

No team wearing an AYSO logo shall enter non-AYSO tournaments without prior approval of the Regional Board.

Coaches shall notify the Regional Commissioner two weeks in advance of all activities other than league practices and games.

**FIELD DIMENSIONS, BY DIVISION**

Division	Field Size (yards)	Penalty Area (Yards)	Goal Area (Yards)	Arc Radius (Yards)	Goal (Feet)	Penalty Mark (Yards)
U5	15 x 30	N/A	N/A	N/A	4ft wide	N/A
U6	25 x 50	N/A	N/A	N/A	6ft wide	N/A
U8	35 x 70	13 x 30	6 x 12	6	6.5 x 12	N/A
U10	40 x 80	14 x 36	6 x 15	8	7 x 18	10
U12	50 x 100	18 x 44	6 x 20	10	8 x 24	12
U15	75 x 110	18 x 44	6 x 20	10	8 x 24	12
U19	75 x 110	18 x 44	6 x 20	10	8 x 24	12

**NUMBER OF PLAYERS, BY DIVISION**

Division	Maximum Roster	Field Players	Minimum To Start
U5	6	3	3
U6	8	3	3
U8	7	5	4
U10	10	7	5
U12	12	9	7
U15	16	11	7
U19	18	11	7

**LENGTH OF THE GAME, BY DIVISION**

Division	Length Of Half (Minutes)	Midpoint Subs @	Halftime (Minutes)
U5	10	5 MIN.	5
U6	10	5 MIN.	5
U7/U8	20	10 MIN.	5
U9/U10	25	12 - 13 MIN.	5
U12	30	15 MIN.	5
U15	35	17 - 18 MIN.	5
U19	40	20 MIN	5

**THE BALL:** U5 to U8 will use a size three (3) ball. U9 to U12 will use a size four (4) ball. U15 and U19 will use a size five (5) ball.

# **ALERT!**

**You are  
entering  
an**



**By entering this  
kids zone,  
you agree to  
the following:**

- Kids are #1
- Fun - not winning - is everything
- Fans only cheer, and only coaches coach
- No yelling in anger
- Respect the volunteer referees
- No swearing
- No smoking
- Leave no trash behind
- Set a proper example for our children

**If you can agree to the above, we welcome you.  
IF NOT, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE LEAVE NOW.**

**AYSO - it's for the kids!**