

## 9U – Age Specific Rules

Special Rules for 9U:

- No scores, no standings, all about player development
  - All scores entered as 0-0 (while creating the match report, the ref should list the actual score in comments)
- Build Out Lines
  - Other team must retreat behind build out line when ball in goalkeeper's hands or on goal kick.
  - Other team can come in once the ball is in play.
- 7 players on the field
- No punting by goalkeepers (violation results in an indirect free kick)
- No heading, even inadvertent (violation results in an indirect free kick)
- No offside between midfield line and build out line

Certified Club Linesmen ("CCL")

- We assign one center referee for these games so -
- Each team must provide one CCL for each game (must have at least 2 certified)
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- Ball in/out, help on subs, help on build out line. No calling fouls or offside.
  - Run from the half-line to the end line.

Field Specifications / law specifications

- Field width 35-45 yards / length 55-65 yards
- Free Kicks / corner kicks (8 yards from ball)
- Penalty kicks (spot 10 yards from goal)
- Goal size: 6.5 x 12 recommended; up to 6.5 x 18 allowed
- Penalty area: 24 yards wide and 12 yards into field of play
- Ball size 4

Game length:

Two 25-minute halves, minimum of 5 minutes for half time

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