

Gainesville Regional Soccer League

6 vs. 6 Women's Soccer Rules and Regulations

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Unless otherwise noted, all games will be governed by the Rules of the Gainesville Regional Soccer League (GRSL) with the following 6 vs. 6 modifications:

PLAYERS & EQUIPMENT

1. 1. Each team shall consist of 6 players each (including 1 goalkeeper). Each team must have a minimum of 4 players in order to begin a game.
1. 2. Due to injury, a team may continue with less than the minimum number of required players. An ejection that leaves a team with less than the minimum number of required players will result in a forfeit by that team.
1. 3. Players will use a size 4 ball, which will be provided by the home team.

TEAM ROSTER LIMITATIONS

2. 1. The maximum number on a recreational 6 v 6 women's team roster may be 12. Of these, a maximum of 10 can be adults over the age of 18, and 2 may 17 years of age.

GAME FORMAT

3. 1. The field will be approximately 64 x 40 yards. The penalty box shall start at the goal line, and go 10 yards into the field of play. The total width of the penalty box shall be 24 yards. The penalty spot shall be inside the penalty box, 10 yards away from the goal line, centered with the goal. There shall be an arc at the top of the penalty box, with an 8 yard radius. There shall also be a circle at the midfield line (center circle) with an 8 yard radius. See also Three Line Violation.
3. 2. Each game will consist of two 30-minute halves with a running clock. The clock will only stop for injuries. The game officials will be responsible for keeping the game clock. Halftime will be 10 minutes. Water breaks will be allowed if both captains agree at the start of the match.

SUBSTITUTIONS

4. 1. A team may substitute on the fly. The player leaving must be in the substitution zone located on the field of play at the midfield line before the substitute is permitted on. If any infractions occur on a substitution, an indirect kick will be awarded, from the spot where the ball was at the time the referee blew the whistle, to the team that did not commit the infraction. An infraction is defined as a player entering the field before the exiting player has entered the substitution zone.
4. 2. No substitutions may be made during a penalty kick, or if a throw-in occurs in the substitution zone.

THREE LINE VIOLATION

5.1. The three lines consist of the midfield line and two lines parallel to the midfield line and at a distance halfway between the midfield and end lines. It is a violation for any free kick, set ball, goal kick, punt, pass or throw by a goalkeeper or any field player to cross the three lines in the air without touching a player first. When a team violates this rule, the opposing team will be awarded a free kick where the ball crossed the midfield line.

OFFSIDES

6. 1. There will be no offside penalty.

OFFICIALS

7. 1. One referee will be assigned for each match.

SCORING

8. 1. The following points will be allocated:

a. Win=6 points

b. Tie=3 points

c. Loss=0 points

d. Shutout=1 point

e. Forfeit-3-0 win (6 total points)

f. In the event of a forfeit, the non-forfeiting team is awarded 6 points (for a 3-0 win). The forfeiting team will have 3 points removed from their team standings, and have 3 goals charged against them (for a 0-3 loss).

PLAYOFFS/TOURNAMENT

9. 1. At the end of the regular season, teams will be assigned a number, corresponding with the number of points accrued throughout the season. The team with the most points will be the first place team, the team with the least amount of points will be the last place team.

9. 4. If any of the 4 teams advancing to the semi-finals has to forfeit their semi-final game, the next place team in line will replace that team. For example, if the 4th place team has to forfeit the semi-final game, the 5th place team would then play in place of the 4th place team in the semi-final match.

9. 5. The final will consist of the two winners of the semi-final games.

9. 6. The two teams who lost in the semi-finals will play each other in a third place game.

9. 7. For Semi-final, Third Place and Final games that end in a tie after regulation play will be extended to at most two, 10 minute sudden death extra period (first goal wins). If the game remains tied at the end of the two overtime periods, then the game shall be decided by a shootout until a winner is determined. The shoot-out will proceed as follows:

- a) The referee shall choose the goal at which all of the penalty kicks shall be taken.
- b) Each captain will select any five different players on or off the field, including the goalkeeper, to take the penalty kicks.
- c) The winner of a coin toss shall have the option of kicking first or second. The visiting team calls the coin toss.
- d) Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
- e) Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
- f) If the score remains tied after each team has had 5 penalty kicks, each team will select additional players to take kicks in a sudden death situation. Each team will alternate kicks until one team scores and the other team does not score, thus ending the game without more kicks being taken.
- g) No player may take an additional kick until all those players who were listed on the game report and present have kicked.