

AYSO 3V3 Tournament Rules

1. Games will be 16 minutes long with each player playing four minutes as goalie, substitute off the field and in the two forward positions.
2. Substitutions will be made every four minutes at the referee's signal (usually a stoppage in play). The teams have ten seconds to change. The substitute enters at goalie. Goalie goes forward. one of the forwards steps off. At the end of ten seconds the referee will signal "play on". Play continues whether or not all players are ready.
3. Goalies must wear something to distinguish themselves from the other players: a hat, arm or wristband. This article must be removed when the goalie moves forward. It's a good idea to have two of such an article for the team.
4. Kick-offs are taken from a spot at the center of the field. Kicks may be in any direction.
5. The goalie may handle the ball inside the goal area only.
6. Goal-kicks and restarts after a goal is scored are taken from anywhere within the goal area. The ball may be played in any direction. Opposing players must be at least 5 yards away from the ball and outside the goal area until the ball is in play. The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.
7. All Free kicks are indirect with the exception of:
 - Unnecessary roughness- a direct free kick is taken from the center spot on an open goal. Should the ball it scores or goes out of bounds, the defensive team gets a free kick from the spot the ball stops.
 - Intentional handball- a direct free kick is taken from the spot of the foul or a spot on the goal area line nearest the spot should the foul occur in the goal area.
8. There are no thro-ins. The ball is put in play by an indirect kick at the point it went out of bounds. Opposing players remain at least 5 yards away from the kick.
9. Decisions of the referee are final.
10. There is no offside rule.
11. Goalies may not handle the ball intentionally kicked by a teammate at any time.