



## **GCSA U7/U8 Guidelines** **Revised 03 September 2015**

**General Comment – Since introducing goalies into the U7/U8 age brackets, the general premise of these guidelines is to have the U7/U8 game more closely align with the U9/U10 guidelines.**

- 1) FIFA rules for Direct and Indirect Restarts will be followed.
- 2) Kickoffs are Direct
- 3) Goal Kicks are Direct
- 4) Corner Kicks are Direct
- 5) Dangerous play restarts will be Indirect.
- 6) No Slide Tackling - Any slide tackle in the vicinity of an opposing player will result in a direct free kick for the opposing team.
- 7) Passback to Goalkeepers hands will result in an indirect free kick from the point of the infraction.
- 8) For any foul that results in a Penalty Kick, the ball will be placed on the Penalty Box Line directly in front of the goal
- 9) 20 minute halves
- 10) Size three (3) ball
- 11) Unlimited Substitution at any stoppage of play
- 12) Throw-ins – One re-do attempt
- 13) Each team shall bring a “GAME FORM” to each game.
- 14) Game results “WILL BE” be recorded.
- 15) Winning team is responsible for submitting game forms to the designated League Commissioner.
- 16) Home team, in case of a tie, will be responsible for submitting game forms to the designated League Commissioner.
- 17) Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. No participation trophies. GCSA will provide the trophies.
- 18) Penalty Box will extend six yards out from the end line and 6 yards out from each goal post.
- 19) Goal Box is strongly recommended. If present, will extend 2 yards out from the end line and 2 yards out from each goal post.
- 20) Maximum number of players on the field for any one team will be five (5). One of the 5 MUST BE the goal keeper.
- 21) Minimum number of players on the field for any one team will be three (3). One of those players MUST BE the goal keeper.
- 22) Maximum number of players on the roster is 10.