

Attachment 07

Modified Laws of the Game St. Mary's Soccer U14 and U18 Playing Recommendations for 11 v 11

Law 1 – The Field of Play (Figure 1)

Dimensions: The field of play must be rectangular. The length of the touchline must be greater than the length of the goal line.

Length: minimum 100 yards (300 ft) maximum 120 yards (360 ft)

Width: minimum 50 yards (150 ft) maximum 80 yards (240 ft)

Field Markings: Distinctive lines not more than (5) inches wide. The field of play is divided into two halves by a halfway line. The center mark is indicated at the midpoint of the halfway line. A circle with a radius of ten (10) yards is marked around it.

The Goal Area: A goal area is defined at each end of the field as follows: Two lines are drawn at right angles to the goal line six (6) yards (18 ft) from the inside each goalpost. These lines extend into the field of play for a distance of six (6) yards (18 ft) and are joined by a line drawn parallel with the goal line. The area bounded by these lines and the goal line is the goal area and is six (6) yards by twenty (20) yards in total.

The Penalty Area: A penalty area is defined at each end of the field as follows: Two lines are drawn at right angles to the goal line, eighteen (18) yards (54 ft) from the inside of each goalpost. These lines extend into the field of play for a distance of eighteen (18) yards (54 ft) and are joined by a line drawn parallel with the goal line. The area bounded by these lines and the goal line is the penalty area and is forty-four (44) yards by eighteen (18) yards in total. Within each penalty area a penalty mark is made ten (10) yards (30 ft) from the midpoint between the goalposts and equidistant to them. An arc of a circle with a radius of eight (8) yards (24 ft) from each penalty mark is drawn outside the penalty area.

Flag Posts: Conform to FIFA.

The Corner Arc: Conform to FIFA.

Goals: Goals must be placed on the center of each goal line. They consist of two upright posts equidistant from the corner flag posts and joined at the top by a horizontal crossbar. The maximum distance is twenty four (24) feet. The maximum distance is eight (8) feet.

Law 2 – The Ball: Size five (5).

Law 3 – The Number of Players: A match is played by two teams, each consisting of not more than eleven players, one of whom is the goalkeeper. A match may not start if either team consists of fewer than nine players, one of whom must be the goalkeeper.

Substitutions: Unlimited substitutions are allowed at any stoppage with the permission of the referee.

Playing time: Each player should play a minimum of 50% of the total playing time.

Law 4 – The Players Equipment: Conform to FIFA. Non-uniform clothing is allowed based on weather conditions, but uniforms must still distinguish teams.



Law 5 – The Referee: Registered referee.

Law 6 – The Assistant Referee: Use U.S.S.F. registered referees or club assistant referees.

Law 7 – The Duration of the Match: Conform to FIFA with the exception of the match being divided into two (2) halves of thirty (35) minutes each. There shall be a half-time interval of ten (10) minutes.

Law 8 – The Start and Restart of Play: Conform to FIFA.

Law 9 – The Ball In and Out of Play: Conform to FIFA.

Law 10 – The Method of Scoring: Conform to FIFA.

Law 11 – Offside: Conform to FIFA.

Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct: Conform to FIFA with the following exception.

Slide Tackling: Slide tackling is not allowed. If a player slide tackles, a direct free kick is awarded to the opposing team at the spot of the offense.

Law 13 – Free Kicks: Conform to FIFA.

Law 14 – The Penalty Kick: Conform to FIFA.

Law 15 – The Throw-In: Conform to FIFA.

Law 16 – The Goal Kick: Conform to FIFA.

Law 17 – The Corner Kick: Conform to FIFA.

Link to FIFA Laws of the Game:

<https://www.fifa.com/development/education-and-technical/referees/laws-of-the-game.html>

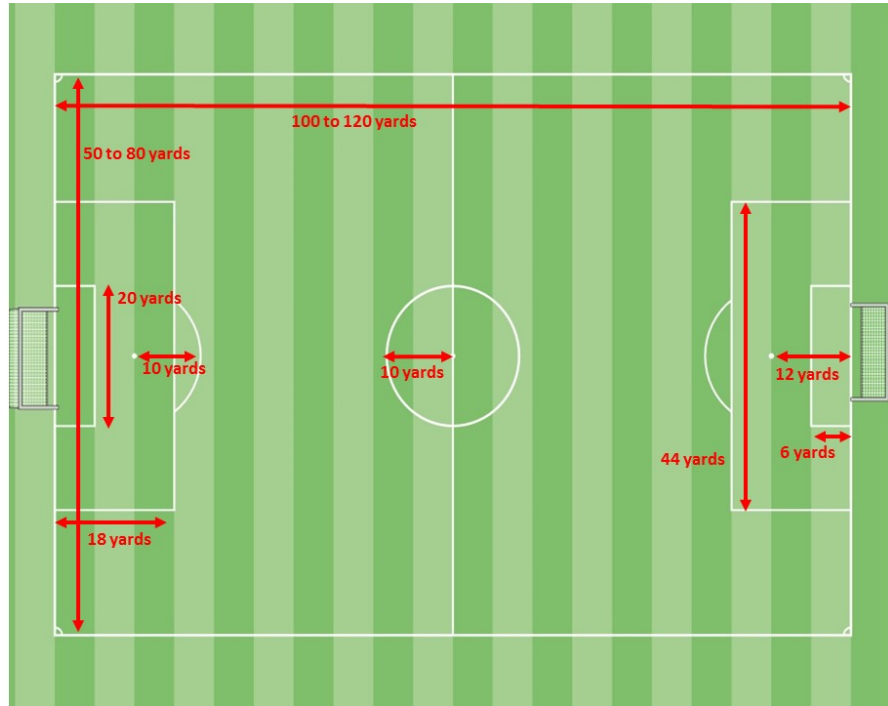


Figure 1