

## **Laws of the Game for U-12 through U-14 Teams**

### **All Games are played under FIFA Laws.**

Each team will provide a suitable ball to the referee at the start of the game. U-12 size 4; U13 and 14 size 5.

Game Length All league and tournament games shall be regulation length as follows:

U12 play two 30-minute halves. U13 & 14 play two 35-minute halves

Substitution Substitution will be unlimited, and may be made by either team on goal kicks, re-starts after goals, at the beginning of the second half, by the throwing team on throw-ins, and after injuries

Uniforms and Equipment All uniforms must be numbered. Duplicate numbers on any team are not permitted. It is the home team's responsibility to change uniforms if a color conflict arises. Pinnies, which permit the underlying number to be discerned, are acceptable for this purpose. Shirts must be tucked in and socks must cover shinguards. Boxer shorts, bike shorts, jama's and the like, unless of the same color as the shorts over them, must not hang below the uniform shorts. The use of shinguards is mandatory. Referees will exclude players not so equipped from play. If weather is exceptionally cold, players may wear additional clothing of the same color as their uniforms.

Conduct and Responsibility: Coaches are responsible for their own conduct and for the conduct of their players and fans at all games. Abusive or obscene language, violent play, violent conduct or other behavior detrimental to the game will not be tolerated. Failure of a coach to control his/her players and fans may result in action against him/her by the referee.

Coaches must stay at least 10 yards from the half-way line during the games. They must refrain from loud, persistent or intrusive coaching of field players from the touchline. Parents and other spectators must remain on the opposite sideline. Failure to observe these rules will be considered behavior detrimental to the game and may be punished accordingly.

Coaches and managers who are ejected or are under suspension must leave and remain completely away from the playing site. Failure to abide by this rule may result in additional disciplinary action. Please review the Zero-Tolerance Policy printed below for further information on the responsibilities for coaches.