

Division Game Requirements

Note: Please read carefully also the footnote below the chart below.

Age Division	Game Duration	Size of Ball	# Players Full Team	Minimum # of Players
U4 - U7	2 x 20 minutes halves with 20 minutes half time for practice	3	4 Only these divisions do not use Goalkeepers	3
U8	2 x 20 minutes halves with 20 minutes half time for practice	3	5 Including GK	3
U9 - U10	2 x 25 minutes halves with 10 minutes half time	4	7 Including GK	5
U11 - U12	2 x 35 minutes halves with 5 minutes half time	4	9 Including GK	6
U13 -U18	2 x 35 minutes halves with 5 minutes half time	5	11 Including GK	7

Note: Three special rules to be mentioned to allow fair and pleasant games:

RULE 1: In **U4-U7** Division games, the Referee MUST enforce equal number of players rule: so if one team has only 3 players but the other team has 4 then as per club's rules both teams MUST play with equal number of players on the field, so 3 players each. (The team with one extra player will still benefit by having one extra sub player).

RULE 2: In other age groups (**U8 -U18**) the rule is that teams should not be having more than an extra player than the other team on the field so we can avoid lopsided games. So, let's say the game is U14 and one team has 11 players but the other one only 7. Then the team with more players can only field 8 players at the time (so one more than the opponent which has 7). Coaches must rotate the extra subs regularly so they can still get playing time.

RULE 3: MANDATORY SHARING PLAYERS RULE for **U14/U18** divisions, avoiding forfeited games. Only on these full field divisions in order for us to avoid games being forfeited as of 2016 the club has introduced the MANDATORY SHARING PLAYERS RULE to allow the opponent to have the minimum required number of players which is 7. So, if one U14 or U18 team has only 6 players but the opponent has 9 then the opponent MUST lend the other team a player so they can have the minimum 7 required to play. The games then is sanctioned, the ref stays and final score after the game stands- **Please note that this rule is not in place during Playoffs.**