

MYERSTOWN SOCCER CLUB  
AND ELCO UNITED  
INDOOR FUTSAL SOCCER  
TOURNAMENT

Rules and Regulations

All outdoor rules apply except for the following:

1. If a ball is kicked out of bounds on either touch line the opposing team will be awarded an indirect kick at the point where the ball went out of bounds
2. NO WALLS THIS YEAR
3. There is no off-side.
4. All substitutions are made on the fly. Substitutions entering the field of play cannot be immediately involved in play, so as to provide the substituting team an unfair advantage. Violations will result in loss of possession of ball, possibly a yellow card, and an indirect free kick for the opposing team from the spot where the infraction occurred.
5. Keeper area will be clearly marked and he/she may use their hands in the marked area. The keeper may **NOT** handle the ball if it is passed back to the keeper by a teammate.
6. Keepers can throw the ball, but it may not cross midfield in the air.
7. Keepers cannot punt or drop-kick the ball.
8. Keepers can place the ball on the ground and kick it over half (ball is live).  
Infraction of any of the Keeper rules will result in an indirect kick at midfield.
7. Teams must be in their team player's box on time and ready to play at the specified times as indicated in the schedule. **There is no time allotted for warm-ups.**
8. The ball that will be used for all games will be a **futsal ball**.
9. **There is no slide tackling.** A slide tackle will result in a direct kick from the point of the infraction. A 2-minute penalty will be assessed.
10. **There is no boarding or pushing into the sideline bleachers.** A direct kick will result from the point of the foul and a 2-minute penalty will be assessed.
11. If a **player kicks the ball and it hits the ceiling**, a 2-minute penalty will be assessed and the opposing team is awarded a direct kick from the approximate spot where

the ball hit the ceiling. If the team with a power-play (person advantage) scores, the penalty is over and the short-handed team may return to full strength.

12. Players must be 8 feet away from the spot of the ball on free kicks. **Exception:** A penalty by the defending team inside their goalie box will result in the ball being placed on the line of the goalie box nearest to where the infraction occurred.
13. After a goal is scored, a kickoff shall be awarded to the opposing team. To restart, the ball is placed at mid court and may be started immediately without a whistle from the referee, as long as the players are on his or her own half, and the referee indicates that he is ready for the restart. Kickoff restarts are indirect.
14. **No cleats or turf shoes, only sneakers. Shin guards are required for all players.**
15. Any fighting among players, coaches, and/or fans will result in immediate ejection of the person and/or possibly the team based on the incident (ELCO staff discretion). FIFA rules will be enforced regarding coach and player conduct. Coaches are permitted to provide tactical instructions to players. Dissent, unsporting conduct, unnecessary yelling by player or coaches, etc. could result in cards and or ejection from the game.
16. Teams must field a minimum of 4 players for the team to play. A team unable to field 4 players will forfeit the game and the opponent awarded a 1 - 0 score. Teams can only forfeit games due to injuries to rostered players or no shows.
17. **The clock will not stop at any time during the game** unless in the opinion of the referee there is a serious injury.

## Game Point System

Each age group winner will be determined by a point system:

- 3 for a Win
- 1 for a Tie
- 1 point for a Shutout
  - No bonus points will be awarded for a 0-0 draw

If two or more teams are tied on points at the end of play, the tie breaker determination will be in the following order:

Tie breaker formula

1. Head to Head
2. Goal Differential (maximum +5 per game)
3. Goals Against
4. Flip of Coin.