

Sawyer Youth Soccer Rules: U-08

Rules:

- 4 players on the field for each team (no goalkeepers)
- Size 3 soccer ball
- There are two 20-minute halves.
- There is 1 referee. Please let Joe or Mike know if you don't have a referee.
- There is no "offsides"
- Shots must be taken from outside the 3 yd arc and attacking team is not allowed in the arc and the defending team is limited to a single player inside the arc. Defensive infractions result in an indirect kick from 5 yds outside the arc (closest to the point of infraction)..
- During a goal kick, all players on other team must retreat to midfield. The kicking team is encouraged, but not required to wait until opponent gets behind midfield. Play resumes once kick is taken.
- Goal kicks are taken from anywhere inside the arc.
- Head balls are not permitted.
- **All restarts from fouls are indirect.**
- Two consecutive illegal throw-ins result in loss of possession.
- Each player must play 50% of the game. No compromise here. This is probably the most common issue of complaints. Please figure out a system that works for you on how to keep track.
- Limit of 2 coaches (1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant with completed background checks) on sidelines of games.
- **All coaches on the sideline must have completed the background check.**
- No parents/coaches are allowed behind the goals during the game and need to remain on the sideline. Ne exceptions unless a parent is dealing with an injury but must return to their sideline.