



UNITED SOCCER RULES

Chandler

ALL DIVISIONS

- All players receive equal playing time
- All players must wear:
 - Provided uniform kit with no modifications
 - Shinguards (under the sock)
- No jewelry allowed (earrings must be removed or taped)
- Casts/splints must be foam or bubble wrapped for player safety
- Coaches and players from both teams on the same sideline
 - Spectators on opposite sideline
 - No one behind goal or coaching from end line
- Should participate in postgame elements after each game
 - Thank opponent with handshake line
 - Thank referee with high five or knuckles
 - Thank God with postgame prayer with opponent
 - Thank spectators with applause

GENERAL SOCCER RULES

- **Kickoffs** start each half and after each goal
 - Ball starts at midfield
 - Kicked any direction
 - Can not score directly from kickoff
 - Players start on own half of field
 - Defense outside of midfield circle
- **Goal Kicks** taken by defending team when opponent touches last on ball crossing end line
 - Ball placed anywhere inside goalie box
 - Can be kicked by anyone on team
 - Can score directly from goal kick
- **Corner Kicks** taken by attacking team when opponent touches last on ball crossing end line
 - Ball placed in nearest corner
 - Can be kicked by anyone on team
 - Can score directly from corner kick
- **In or Out?**
 - Ball must be 100% completely over a line to be called a goal or out of bounds

- **Handball**
 - Did the team gain an advantage from the handball?
 - Intention: did hand hit ball or ball hit hand?
 - Handball calls will result in direct kick
- **Fouls**
 - Foul calls will result in direct kick
 - Intentional pass back to goalie (using hands) & obstruction calls will be indirect kicks
 - Option to pull ball to nearest point on box
- **Substitutions**
 - Coaches can substitute after goals or “hockey-style” on the fly if not disruptive to game
- **Drop Ball**
 - Issue when ball still in play when referee stops game for injury
 - Opposing players face each other at spot where ball was when whistle blown
 - Referee drops ball
 - Play starts when ball hits the ground
 - Good sportsmanship would be to concede possession to team with injured player

SPECIFIC GAME RULES

- Five players on field
- 2 x 16 minute halves
- Size 3 ball
- No referees; coaches are on field directing traffic and keeping time
- Players coached to:
 - Actively pursue ball
 - No goalies allowed
 - Kickoff to start each half and after each goal
 - Do not switch sides at halftime
 - Can not score directly into the goal
- No offsides or penalty kicks