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Spring, 2004, KIDSPORTS Rules

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Lesson Objective...

“At the end of this presentation, you should be able to state”:

- 4 key **KIDSPORTS** Rules
- 3 reminders of key FIFA Laws in **KIDSPORTS** games
- How to address misconduct in **KIDSPORTS** games



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Note:

Where exceptions are not stated,
KIDSPORTS games are governed
by FIFA Laws of the Game.



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Three Topics

- 4 key KIDSPORTS rules
- Reminders of key FIFA Laws
- Conduct and Misconduct



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TOPIC 1: 4 Key Kidsports Rules

- Divisions/Competitive Levels
- Game Length/Ball Size
- Start Time
- Field Preparation



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1. Divisions

U12 – U14: Solo Referee*

U18 Boys: Referee/AR1/AR2

HS Girls: Solo

*One Exception:

Based on Competitive Level...



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1. Competitive Levels

Skill Levels within U12 – U14's:

Emerald: Most Competitive...

Cascade: Less competitive than
Emerald...

Valley: Less competitive than
Cascade



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1. Competitive Levels

Exception to system of mechanics:

In the boys and girls U14 Emerald
Divisions:

Diagonal system (Referee/AR1/AR2)
is used.



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1. Competitive Levels

If you are assigned to a U14 Boys or Girls Emerald game:

Club linesmen should be recruited by selection of the coach(es) in the event that AR's are not present.

(Duals are NOT used in Kidsports!)



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2. Game Length

- U12: Two 30-minute halves; 10-min. half-time
- U14: Two 35-minute halves; 10-minute half-time
- HS Girls: Two 35-minute halves; 10-minute half-time
- U18 Boys: Two 40-minute halves; 10-minute half-time



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2. Ball Size

- U12: Size 4 ball
- All other divisions: Size 5 ball



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3. Start Time

The game must start no later than 15-minutes past scheduled start time.

If a team is unable to field enough players by 15-minutes after the scheduled start time, the game is considered a forfeit, and the referee may leave.



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4. Field and game preparation

- Each team supplies one net.
 - The home team supplies the game ball.
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“Can a game begin without nets and/or corner flags?” Answer: Yes...but let Bob Tunison know!



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TOPIC 2: Reminders of Key FIFA Laws

- Law 3: Players
- Law 3: Substitutions
- Law 4: Player Equipment



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Reminder #1: Players

All teams must have a minimum of
seven (7) players...

To begin a game, or...

To continue a game.



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Reminder #2: Substitutes

- ❑ Unlimited substitution
- ❑ Substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee, on any dead ball
- ❑ Player's receiving a yellow card must exit and **MUST** be replaced...no choice!



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Reminder #3: Player Equipment

- ❑ No equipment shall be worn that is dangerous, as determined by the referee.
- ❑ Medical casts, if properly covered with soft material, are okay IF the referee does not think it poses a risk to anyone.
- ❑ Jewelry is considered dangerous, with the exception of taped religious or medical bracelets or necklaces.



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TOPIC #3: Conduct and Misconduct

The coach is responsible for the conduct of the players, assistants, and fans/parents.

In the event that the behavior/actions of a parent or fan are disruptive to the game, the referee will instruct the coach to control or remove that parent or fan.



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TOPIC #3: Conduct and Misconduct

- ❑ Any player receiving a caution **MUST** leave the field and **MUST** be replaced by a substitute.
- ❑ Referees **MUST** call Bob Tunison within 24-hours if they send off any player or coach.
- ❑ Referees **MUST** submit a written report with 24-hours to Bob Tunison if they send off any player or coach for VIOLENT CONDUCT.



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SUMMARY

1. 4 Key Kidsports Rules

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2. Reminders of FIFA Laws

- Law 3: Players
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SUMMARY

3. Conduct and Misconduct

- Coach's responsibility for team and parent/fan conduct
- Substitution for cautioned players is MANDATORY
- Immediate reports for ALL send-offs
- Written reports for ALL violent conduct



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What did you Learn?

Can you state:

- 4 key KIDSPORTS Rules?
- Covered FIFA Laws that apply to KIDSPORTS games?
- Basis of the rule regarding the issuance of cards?