



Utah Youth Soccer Association

9U – Age Specific Rules

Special Rules for 9U:

- No scores, no standings, all about player development
 - All scores entered as 0-0 (while creating the match report, the ref should list the actual score in comments)
- Build Out Lines
 - Other team must retreat behind build out line when ball in goalkeeper's hands or on goal kick.
 - Other team can come in once the ball is thrown or kicked and clearly moves.
- 7 players on the field
- No punting by goalkeepers (indirect free kick – taken at the top of the penalty area)
- No heading (indirect free kick – taken at the top of the penalty area if this happens inside the defensive penalty area)
- No offside between midfield line and build out line
- Tournament roster to be used

Certified Club Linesmen:

- Each team to provide one for each game (must have at least 2 certified)
 - [Certified Club Linesman — Utah Youth Soccer Association](#)
- Ball in/out, help on subs, help on build out line. No calling fouls, offside or directional out of play calls.

Field Specifications:

- Field width 35-45 yards / length 55-65 yards
- Free Kicks / corner kicks (8 yards from ball)
- Penalty Spot 10 yards from goal
- Goal size: 6.5 x 12 recommended; 6.5 x 18 allowed
- Penalty area: 24 yards wide and 12 yards into field of play

Game Length:

- Two 25-minute halves, minimum of 5 minutes for half time.