

City of Clovis Recreation

Tiny Kickers League

Rules and Regulations

Outcomes of the Program:

- To teach skills, build character, and have fun.
- To have fair play and sportsmanship!

We can have fun by building character through teaching skills. Remember: This is a positive learning experience. SHOUT PRAISE, WHISPER CRITICISM!!!

The City of Clovis Recreation reserves the right to modify these rules at any time. California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) rules for the current year will be used for all games with the following exceptions:

GAME

1. The game will consist of four 7 minute quarters
2. Official will be provided.

EQUIPMENT

- Soccer balls, cones, and goals will be provided for each practice.
- Players will use a size 3 ball
- Shin guards are mandatory

REQUIRED PLAYING TIME: Every child on the roster **MUST** play based on the rules below:

1. Each player must play at least 1 quarter uninterrupted
2. No players can be benched from playing
3. Coaches are responsible for substitutions
4. Players that arrive late are not guaranteed their full playing time

SCORE

1. Score will be kept, however standings will not.
2. If a team is up by 10 goals, scorekeeper will stop adding goals.
3. There will be NO playoffs or overtime for this league

OFFENSE

1. Five players per team on the field
2. Coaches are allowed on the field to guide players
3. Players can play the ball off the walls
4. No goalies are allowed
5. Players cannot enter the goalies box
6. Coaches can substitute at any time, substitute do not need to take place on a dead ball.

PENALTY

1. When players are fouled they will be awarded a free kick
2. If a players kicks the ball out of play, opposite team will free kick ball in play

3. During free kicks opposing team must be at least 6ft away
4. No sliding is allowed

DRESS CODE

- Players must wear the uniform provided by the City of Clovis Recreation.
- Uniforms should be tucked in and pants should be worn properly (on the hips).
- Headgear for medical, cosmetic, or religious reasons may be permitted, provided it is not abrasive, hard, or dangerous, to any other player and which is attached in such a way it will come off during play. The Recreation staff or official will rule on any headgear.
- NO jewelry of any kind.

XI. COACHES CONDUCT

- A. Coaches are very important role models for children in athletics. It is the coaches' responsibility to develop self-esteem, confidence, sportsmanship, and a positive attitude in the children that he/she coaches. Setting good examples for the children to follow can only do this. A goal of The City of Clovis is to have all of the coaches working within our programs setting good examples.
- B. Coaches should always keep their tempers in control and watch their conduct around the children. This includes practices, games, meetings, or any other City of Clovis Recreation activity. The City of Clovis Recreation will take whatever actions necessary to ensure that all coaches display proper conduct.
- C. Any coach who is ejected from a game will also be suspended during the team's next scheduled game. Also the right to coach a future team can be denied. (To be determined by The City of Clovis Recreation.)
- D. Coaches will be allowed to be on the field with players when in DEFENSE, but we ask that coaches stay in their designated 1st/3rd coaching boxes while on OFFENSE.
- E. If coaches or spectators display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, they will be asked to leave after the first warning. Yelling at officials, players, or staff will not be tolerated.
- F. If you are ejected a second time, this will result in being banned from the Tiny Sluggers League.

XII. SPECTATOR CONDUCT

- A. If parents or spectators from a particular team display unsportsmanlike conduct during a game, their team will be given a technical foul on the bench. It is important that coaches explain this to their parents/spectators. Yelling at officials, players, or staff will not be tolerated. Coaches need to help keep parents/spectators cheering for the players and not yelling at officials so as not to take away from the child's experience.
- B. Spectators are permitted to sit on designated bleachers along each foul line. Spectators are not allowed to sit, stand or pace along other areas of the field including the sideline opposite of team beaches.
- C. ONLY COACHES may be on the field with the players.