

L.S.A.A. Handbook
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SUPPLEMENT B: SOCCER RULES

LSAA Soccer Rules

NFHS rules shall be followed except for the modifications listed below.

| Varsity (11 v 11) - 4 th – 8 th Grade | |
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| Field | Home team supplies corner flags |
| Ball Size | 5 |
| Red/Yellow Card | Player(s) receiving card must leave the field until the next substitution opportunity and may be replaced. Players who are ejected shall remain on the team bench under the control of the head coach. |
| | The accumulation of every 3 yellow cards in a season or 1 hard red card results in that player sitting out the next scheduled game |
| Substitutions | You may sub on the other teams throw in or goal kick if someone from the other team is also coming in. |
| | You can sub anytime on your own throw in and corner kick, during any goal kick, yellow or red card, injury timeout or goal. |
| Bad Weather | Coaches determine together at the game site. |
| | Referee determines once the game is started. |
| | A game is considered official if one half is played. |
| Field Location and Referee | Scheduled by the LSAA |
| Awards | Plaques will be awarded to the 1st place teams during the regular season and LSAA Tournament. 1 st and 2 nd place medals will be given at the LSAA Tournament |
| Payment | Each team pays one of the referees \$40 |
| Game Length | Games shall be 2 equal halves of 35 minutes (running clock). No overtime will be played except during tournaments, then teams will go directly to penalty kicks. |
| | There will be no stoppage for goals, cards or other routine incidents (exception: in the event of a serious injury requiring medical attention, the referee may, at his/her discretion, stop the clock or add time to the game) |
| Equipment | It is the responsibility of the head coach to ensure that all players are properly equipped (Coach will not be ejected from a game for this infraction) |
| | All players shall be properly equipped in accordance with the NFHS rules (Players must have shin guards, however the shin guards do not have to meet NOCSAE standards) |
| | No jewelry of any kind shall be worn by any player. Players may NOT tape over pierced earring. Players not meeting this standard shall not be allowed to participate in a game until the jewelry is completely removed |

| Junior Varsity (8 v 8) - 4 th – 6 th Grade | |
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| Field | Home team supplies corner flags |
| Ball Size | 5 |
| Red/Yellow Card | Player(s) receiving card must leave the field until the next substitution opportunity and may be replaced. Players who are ejected shall remain on the team bench under the control of the head coach. |
| | The accumulation of every 3 yellow cards in a season or 1 hard red card results in that player sitting out the next scheduled game |
| Substitutions | You may sub on the other teams throw in or goal kick if someone from the other team is also coming in. |
| | You can sub anytime on your own throw in and corner kick, during any goal kick, yellow or red card, injury timeout or goal. |
| Bad Weather | Coaches determine together at the game site. |
| | Referee determines once the game is started. |
| | A game is considered official if one half is played. |
| Field Location and Referee | Scheduled by the home team |
| Payment | Each team pays the referee \$22.50 |
| Game Length | Games shall be 2 equal halves of 35 minutes (running clock). No overtime will be played except during tournaments, then teams will go directly to penalty kicks. |
| | There will be no stoppage for goals, cards or other routine incidents (exception: in the event of a serious injury requiring medical attention, the referee may, at his/her discretion, stop the clock or add time to the game) |
| Equipment | It is the responsibility of the head coach to ensure that all players are properly equipped (Coach will not be ejected from a game for this infraction) |
| | All players shall be properly equipped in accordance with the NFHS rules (Players must have shin guards, however the shin guards do not have to meet NOCSAE standards) |
| | No jewelry of any kind shall be worn by any player. Players may NOT tape over pierced earring. Players not meeting this standard shall not be allowed to participate in a game until the jewelry is completely removed |