

Futsal Rules different from soccer

Although a variety of rules in futsal differ from soccer, many are the same. Aside from the most apparent differences (such as 5 players on the field), below is a list of some of the most significant differences. *The highlighted rules will be modified for the futsal festival.

Rules different from soccer:

1. Length of game (2 x 20 min halves)
2. 1-minute timeout per half per team.
3. 4 seconds for kick ins & corner kicks (opponents must be 5 meters away).
4. No goal kicks. Goal clearance from keepers hand. Within 4 seconds.
5. No offside
6. Only 1 pass back to keeper per possession in own half (resets each time opponents touch ball)
7. Substitutions on the fly
8. Don't sub in at halfway line. Sub in at "substitution zone" in own half.
9. Accumulated fouls (6th in own half not in penalty area, kick can be taken from 2nd penalty mark)
10. Red card = power play (down 1 player for 2 minutes or until goal is scored by opponent)
11. Free kick distance 5 meters
12. Penalty area is 6 meters (not 18 yards) from goal. And arcs to 6 meters from each post.
13. 2 PK marks - 1st 6 meters from goal. 2nd 10 meters from goal.
 - a. Goalie can be within 5 meters
 - b. All other players 5 meters away from ball and behind imaginary ball line.
14. Center circle is 1/3 the size of soccer - 3 meter radius from ball (6 meters across)