

W27 FUTSAL RULES > OCTOBER 13TH

If an indoor rule is not covered, you can assume it is the same as the outdoor rule.

GENERAL RULES

A) Futsal requires minimal contact.

B) The Keeper can play the ball for up to 4 seconds in their own half. If the Keeper is in their opponent's half, they have no time restriction.

C) Once the Keeper plays the ball in their half, they cannot touch the ball a second time, double-touch, unless it has been touched by an opponent.

D) The Keeper can throw the ball over the center line from within their penalty area, but they cannot kick the ball over the center line from within their penalty area.

E) No offside.

F) An attacking player cannot remain stationary in their opponent's penalty area.

G) Penalty-Kick Mark, top of the arch, all players but the Keeper and the Kicker must be on the center line or further back.

H) Team Parity, to help to provide an enjoyable experience for all players/teams, when there is a 5-goal differential, the team with the lead goals must be made from a pass, and from their team's attacking half of the field, until the goal differential is below 5. Otherwise, a goal-kick will take place. If this measure doesn't provide some degree of team parity, additional team parity measures will be taken, such as asking a player/s to switch teams during a half or at halftime. A player's scoring will be limited to 3 goals, with any subsequent goal being a goal-kick.

I) Older Division Shots On Goal, must be taken from their team's attacking half of the field throughout the game.

SUBSTITUTIONS

A) Game Time Substitutions will be made on-the-fly, and one player at a time. A player must enter the field from their team area, and can only enter the field after the player they are substituting for has left the field. Failure to do so will result in a too many players on the field foul, and an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team from where the ball was when the game was stopped.

KICKOFF

A) Opposing players must give 5 yards until the ball is in play.

B) Can go in any direction.

C) A goal cannot be scored from a kickoff unless it has touched another player.

BALL OUT OF PLAY

A) Kick-In, A ball kicked out by one team becomes the other team's ball. The team kicking in has 4 seconds once the ball is set to get the ball back into play, or it becomes the opponent's kick-in. Players taking a kick-in cannot step into the field while kicking the ball back into play. Goals cannot be scored from kick-ins. If the ball hits the ceiling or backboard, a kick-in is taken at the closest touchline point.

B) Goal-Kick, When the attacking team puts the ball over the goal-line, the defending team gets the ball. The Keeper must put the ball back into play within 4 seconds of retrieving and setting it, and put the ball back into play by throwing it. The throw must leave the penalty area. The defending team must stay out of the penalty area during a goal-kick. If a defending player touches the ball before it leaves the penalty area, the Keeper retakes the throw. The Keeper cannot touch the ball a second time, double-touch, unless it has been touched by an opponent.

C) Corner-Kick, To be taken at the field corner, at the point where the touchline and goal-line meet.

INDIRECT FREE KICK

A) Opposing players wall must be 5 yards from the kicker. If the attacking team takes more than 4 seconds to take the kick after the ball has been set, it becomes the defending team's indirect kick.

B) Impedes the progress of an opponent without also playing the ball.

C) Dissent by word or action.

D) Prevents the Keeper from putting the ball back into play.

E) Delaying the restart of play.

F) Player not adhering to the substitution procedure.

G) The Keeper plays the ball for more than 4 seconds after setting it in their own half, does a double-touch, or kicks the ball over the center line from within their penalty area.

H) An attacking player stationary in the opponent's penalty area.

FOULS RESULTING IN DIRECT KICKS

A) Kicking or attempting to kick an opponent, tripping or attempting to trip an opponent, jumping at or charging an opponent.

B) Strikes or attempts to strike an opponent.

C) Pushing an opponent.

D) Holding an opponent

E) Tackling an opponent.

F) Handling the ball.

SENDING OFF FOULS

A) A player sent off cannot re-enter the game for 3 minutes.

B) Sending-off fouls will result in a direct kick.

C) Slide kicking or tackling.

D) Dangerous play, such as a player's foot making contact with another player's body, or high kicks.

E) Player making contact with an opponent from behind.

F) If contact is made with an opponent in a careless, reckless, or excessive force manner.

G) Denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by handling the ball.

H) Denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by fouling an opponent.

6TH ACCUMULATED FOUL

A) Upon a team's 7th accumulated foul in each half, the other team is awarded a direct kick taken from the penalty mark, the top of the arch. The defending team cannot build a wall to block the kick. All players but the Keeper and the Kicker must be on the center line or further back.