

AYSO REGION 425 REFEREE PROCEDURES U8

1. Above everything else, it is your job as Referee to insure a SAFE, FAIR, and FUN game.
2. Wear appropriate Referee attire: SHIRT - SHORTS - SOCKS.
Bring Lines Person's FLAGS - GAME CARD - WHISTLE - COIN - STOP WATCH.
3. Check the fields for rocks and foreign subjects. GOALS must be secure.
4. Assign a Lines Person from each team and explain their duties.
5. Line-up teams for inspection. Check players for jewelry, watches, proper cleats, shin guards
MANDATORY must be covered by socks, full uniform, shirts tucked in.
6. Ask for game ball from one of the teams, properly inflated in good condition for U8 size 3.
7. Call for captains at center of field. Referee flips coin, winner decides which goal to defend.
8. Count players 7 per side. No goal keeper or player that acts like a goal keeper.
9. Blow whistle for kick-off, hand signal direction. Ball is in play when touched.
10. Game time: 20 minutes half signal quarter at natural break half way into half. Quarter max.
2 minutes clock stopped. Half time 5 minutes clock stopped.
11. Substitutions at quarter or injury.
12. Special rule for U8: all fouls are DIRECT FREE KICKS, defending team 6 yards away. Corner
Kicks from mark at sideline. Goal Kick anywhere on the Goal Line. NO OFFSIDE. Second
chance for THROW IN. Handball must be deliberate. Accidental contact is not called. Fouls
most likely at U8, KICKING, TRIPPING, PUSHING and HOLDING.
13. NO COACHES ON THE FIELD.
14. Thunder Lightening - STOP THE GAME - LEAVE THE FIELD - IMMEDIATELY.
15. Injury, contact AYSO Web Site.
16. No placing players in the goal as de facto goal keepers.

THE REFEREE SHOULD INTERFERE AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE

HAVE FUN