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AYSO 498 Madison, AL

2018 Spring

March 6, 2018

Parent Meeting 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Coach Meeting 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM



Madison City Hall

100 Hughes Rd, Madison AL, 35758

<http://www.ayso498.org>





Agenda

- Parent Meeting
 - AYSO Vision and Mission
 - Meet the Board Members
 - Spring Calendar
 - Game Schedules
 - Fields
 - Weather Policy
 - Safety
 - Other Programs
 - EXTRA™ Program
 - AYSO United
 - Madison Adult Soccer League (MASL)
- Coaches Meeting
 - Coach Administration
 - Referee Administration
 - Law changes
 - Training Courses



– AYSO Vision –

To provide world class youth soccer programs that enrich children's lives.

– Mission –

To develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs which promote a fun, family environment based on our six philosophies:

Everyone Plays® **Positive Coaching**
Balanced Teams **Good Sportsmanship**
Open Registration **Player Development**

Positive Coaching Alliance <http://www.positivecoach.org/>



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<https://youtu.be/Sr0hQtZXGPQ>



Regional Board

Position	Volunteer	Email
Regional Commissioner	Gene Scherer	commissioner@ayso498.org
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Coach Administrator	Hugh Hartwig	coach1@ayso498.org



Regional Board

Position	Volunteer	Email
Director of Referee Assessment	Open	refassessment@ayso498.org
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Uniform Coordinator	Betsy Walker	uniform@ayso498.org
Field Coordinator	Open	fields@ayso498.org



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

THERE ARE MANY POSITIONS **OPEN!!!**

YOU CAN BE A COACH, REFEREE, TEAM PARENT OR...

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!

Just Go Online and Register www.ayso498.org (select "Register Now")



Everyone Plays

Balanced Teams

Open Registration

Positive Coaching

Good Sportsmanship

Player Development



2018 Spring Season Calendar

March 5 - 10	Player evaluation sessions/group practices
March 11-18	Player evaluation sessions/group practices (Continued)
March 19-23	First week of Team Practices
March 24	Games Week 1
March 31	No games (Easter)
April 7	Games Week 2
April 14	Games Week 3
April 21	Games Week 4
April 28	Games Week 5
May 5	Games Week 6 (2018 Fall Registration Opens)
May 12	Games Week 7
May 19	Games Week 8
June 2-3	AYSO Section 5 Games in Charlotte, NC – All U10 and up teams are invited to attend



Game Schedule

- Published on <http://sportac.us>; check regularly
 - Typically only first 2 weeks published while Inter-Region games are planned
- Rescheduling of games
 - Rainouts will not be rescheduled
 - Teams may setup scrimmages with other 498 teams during scheduled practice days and times.
 - Teams will be responsible for locating fields. Can not displace other teams from fields.
 - Please notify Div Coordinator and Commissioner of any games/scrimmages between teams that are not at a regular practice/game schedule or field



Fields

- Link under Location in <http://sportac.us> and links on Region website



Sportac.us

Game Schedule

Current as of 2016-07-25 22:04:50

Start Date: 2016-04-01
End Date: 2016-06-01
Officer:
Team:
Location:

To print: You should be able to print the schedule directly from this page. Please report any problems you have.

1213 Games

ID	Status	Time	Location	Score	Home	Away
Friday, April 1, 2016:						
1229	Rescheduled	05:30 PM (45 min)	211	0 - 0	2016D-USBC-03-0000	2016D-USBC-03-0000
1230	Rescheduled	05:30 PM (45 min)	211	1D - 4	2016D-USBC-04-0000	2016D-USBC-04-0000
1231	Rescheduled	05:30 PM (45 min)	211	9 - 9	2016D-USBC-05-0000	2016D-USBC-05-0000



Uniform

- Players must wear their AYSO issued Jersey during games.
- Players must wear their socks over their shin guards.

HOME

- **IMPORTANT**
 - Must know if you are home or away team
 - Home/away shown on <http://sportac.us>
 - Always bring both uniforms to games; just in case

AWAY



Weather Policy

- **Lightning**

- “If you can see it, flee it. If you can hear it, clear it”
- Wait 30 mins after last occurrence
- Shelter in building, hard top car
 - NOT under trees
- Have a plan!!
- Check weather radar
- Obey field closures
- Pick a designated weather observer





Weather Policy

- Heat
 - Referee can add “drinks break” in hot weather
 - Time not added as stoppage
- Sign up for Park Status alerts
 - Region 498: www.madisonal.gov / click on NOTIFY ME
 - Region 894: https://www.rainedout.net/team_page.php?a=4191fb34ee4f88feac48
 - Region 160: <http://www.ayso160.org/>
 - Please give these links to your parents



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- Kids are No. 1.
- Fun, not winning is everything.
- Fans only cheer, and only coaches coach.
- No yelling in anger.
- Respect the volunteer referees.
- No swearing or abusive behavior.
- No alcohol, tobacco or drugs.
- No weapons.
- Leave no trash behind.
- Set a proper example of sportsmanship.
- **This includes the parking lots and all of City Properties**



<https://youtu.be/oR3AGB8Yxe8>



Referee

Referee Administrator: Christen Petersen

(ref1@ayso498.org)



Referees are Volunteers too!



https://youtu.be/vz6xZ3lhM_M



Safety

Safety Director – Dean Thomas (safety@ayso498.org)

– Heading

- No heading for 12U and below – practice and games
- 14U limited heading – practices: 20/week, games: unlimited
- 16U and 19U – no change

– Field safety

- Ground conditions, goal anchors, net condition





Recognize to Recover presented by Thorne - Concussion Initiative



Recognize to Recover



General Points

- Insurance covers players for playing and coaches for coaching;
anyone else are not covered for playing
- Concussion: Return to play
 - Signed Participation Release for the player
 - http://www.ayso.org/Assets/For+Volunteers/Coaches/Forms+Documents/participation_release_form.pdf
 - Signed by Parent/Guardian **AND** Licensed health care provider
 - Clearance from Safety Director required before player returns to play
 - Follow 5 step protocol defined by CDC Concussion Awareness training
- No protective headgear allowed
- Claim forms can be found at our web site or www.ayso498.org



AYSO Incident Report

AYSO INCIDENT REPORT FORM

Complete this form for any of the following: (check type)

☐ Injury/illness ☐ Threats ☐ Fights ☐ Property damage ☐ Calls to Police ☐ Other

Easy to fill out

- brief instructions on front of form
- detailed instructions on back of form
- mainly check boxes

Applies to games, practices, team parties

Report ALL injuries that keep a player from returning to activity

Form filled out within 30 days of incident

If in doubt, fill it out!!

http://www.ayso.org/Assets/libraries/resources/incident_report_form_with_instructions.pdf



EXTRA™ Program

EXTRA™ Program Director, Abigail Lenzner

(extra@ayso498.org)

A **PROGRESSIVE PLAYER PROGRAM** designed to provide a more challenging level of soccer for AYSO players who have the interest, skills and abilities.

- Retains the spirit and philosophies of AYSO
- EXTRA™ does not overshadow or harm the standard primary program
- Provides more competitive play the AYSO way
- More information at www.ayso.org/extra



EXTRA™ 498 Format

- EXTRA™ is optional
 - All age divisions may not have a team
- Team Coach has freedom to...
 - Enter tournaments (max 3 non-AYSO per year)
 - Participate in league play
 - Organize friendly matches

BUT MUST get approval before making commitment



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AYSO UNITED

THE AYSO PLAYER PATHWAY



EVERYONE PLAYS • BALANCED TEAMS • OPEN REGISTRATION • POSITIVE COACHING • GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP • PLAYER DEVELOPMENT



AYSO UNITED

Our pathway begins with our [AYSO Playground Soccer](#) program designed to introduce families and children to the physical literacy requirements to play soccer. This program is for our entry level players in the 3-5 Year age range, who will then progress into our **AYSO Core** program. Our AYSO Core program is designed around fun and learning and ran by a tremendous volunteer base who allow our players to play in a low-pressure environment. [\(Find your local program\)](#)

The next step in our Pathway is ["Extra"](#) which is a tryout-based program designed for players looking for a more challenging learning and playing environment. In this program the players will play at a higher level in a developmentally appropriate AYSO playing circuit, coached by the top AYSO Coaches with a focus on technical and tactical development.

The final phase in the youth system is the [AYSO United](#) (Club) program. In United, our top players are exposed to the challenges and competition of club soccer. In this environment the players work with high level coaches and play in USYS (US Club) leagues and compete against other youth club organizations. The United program builds on the foundations of all our AYSO Programs ensuring that the players selected are in the appropriate environment to enhance their skill level and competence in the game of soccer.



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Madison Adult Soccer League (MASL) **It's your turn to play!**

Easy and flexible schedule

- weekly Pick Up game and/or form a team for a tournament

Open to all skill levels

- We encourage people of all skills age 18 or older to get out and play

Single Fee – Annual fee \$50 for all seasons – Fall, Indoor, Spring

Visit www.AYSO498.org > Programs > Adult Soccer



Division Coordinators

Division	Boys	Girls
19U	Darin Dean/Alan Fritz	Josh Coffey
16U	Darin Dean/Alan Fritz	Josh Coffey
14U	Scott Coon	Jenni Field
12U	Jake Williams	Greg Fortier
10U	Jeff Castille	Christy McGuire
8U	David Diehl	Edward Stellmacher
7U	Patrick Nelson	Matt Dermody
6U	Katie Peak	David Hutchinson
5U	Bob Hannah	Bob Hannah
Playground	Gene Scherer	



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End of Parent Meeting Questions?



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Coaches Meeting Starts Now



Coach Administration

Coach Administrator – Hugh Hartwig (coach1@ayso498.org)

- **Everyone Plays**

- 3 quarter rule for all (including goalkeepers) players in all age groups.

- **Positive Coaching**

Positive **I**nstructional **E**ncouraging

- **Good Sportsmanship** - Show it and teach it!

- Try to keep score within 3 goal difference
- Teams thank referees after game
- **No dissent to referees - ZERO TOLERANCE for youth refs**
 - Referee Administrator (ref1@ayso498.org)



Coach Tasks

- **Pre-Season**

- Contact your parents/players ASAP after receiving team roster
- Verify player forms are eSigned.
- Player forms must be available at all games, practices, and AYSO activities. Electronic version are OK.

- **During Season**

- Player equipment
 - No jewelry of any kind - NO bracelets, neck wear, wrist bands, earrings, ear studs, body piercings
 - **Wear SHIN GUARDS covered by socks - NO roll downs**
- **Heat and cold injuries**



Coach Tasks

• Post Season

- Hand in Equipment Bags; usually at Concession Stand
- Destroy Player Forms; can hand in with Equipment Bag if prefer
- Rate players compared to all players in the age division

Rating	Description	Explanation
5	Beginning Player	Just starting to acquire the basic skills required to play at age-level.
4	Developing Player	Has basic ability with the skills presented throughout the season, and the player can use them to a small degree during games.
3	Mid-level	Player has acquired all of the age appropriate skills, uses them effectively during practice, and frequently during games.
2	Above Average	Player has acquired all of the age appropriate skills, uses them consistently both in practice and in games. than most other players.
1	Game Changer	Player has mastered all of the age appropriate skills, uses them consistently in practice and games without prompting.



CHALLENGER SPORTS™

- **Purpose:**

Increase skills and knowledge of our coaching staff.

Not substitute coaches

- **Coach:**

- Jordon Brown

- Host family – The Nichols Family

- **Scheduling a Challenger Coach visit:**

- Challenger training sessions start 5 March

- Calendar at

- <http://www.ayso498.org/Default.aspx?tabid=856568>

- Group email challenger@ayso498.org

The CHALLENGER SPORTS™

Your Complete Soccer Coaching Resource



CHALLENGER SPORTS™ YOUR TOTAL SOCCER SOLUTION.

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CATEGORIES

- + Free Demo
- + Freestyle Soccer
- + Foot Skills
- + Feints, Moves & Turns
- + Coaching Tips
- + Fun games for young players
- + Techniques
- + Warm-Ups
- + Passing
 - U8-U12
 - ☺ Pairs Passing
 - ☺ Square Pass & Move
 - ☺ Square Passing 1, 2 Pass
 - ☺ Square Passing Pass & F.
 - ☺ Square Passing Touch Ar
 - ☺ Figure of Eight Give & Go
 - ☺ Figure of Eight Passing
 - ☺ Pair Passing
 - ☺ Two Touch Angle Passing
 - ☺ Control to the Side
 - ☺ Pass and Follow

Pairs Passing



Organization:

Pair up the players and practice passing the ball across a 10 x 10 grid. Each player must be on their toes throughout the practice. The receiving player must first cushion the ball and then pass back with the inside of the foot.

Progression:

1. Upon receiving a pass, the players should use the inside or outside of their foot to control the ball to one side, and then return the pass to their partner.

QUICK SEARCH

NEWLY ADDED

General Play-Receiving to Play Forward-Tech
Practice (Small)
Defending-Defending Crosses-Recovering
Defenders
General Play-Combination Play-Combos to Create
Chances
General Play-Receiving & Turning-Technical Practice
Attacking-Attacking Overloads-Small Sided Games





Online Training

Director of Coach Instruction: Simon King

coachinstructor@ayso498.org

Director of Referee Instruction: Greg Duke

refinstr@ayso498.org

- Online courses at www.aysou.org

- Blue Sombrero Login ID

- AYSO Safe Haven

- CDC Concussion Awareness

- 6U Coach

- 8U Coach

- 10U Coach

- Intermediate Coaching Training

- Basic Referee

- AYSO's Summary of the Laws of the Game



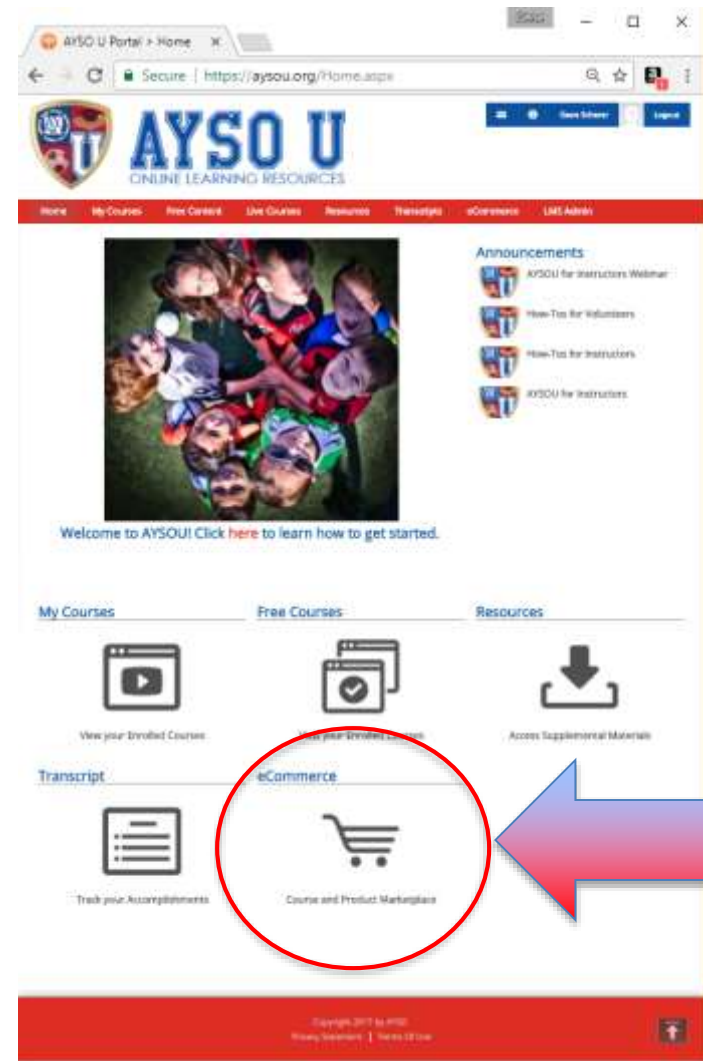
Contact Simon King (coachinstructor@ayso498.org) for AYSOU Coach course training vouchers

Contact Greg Duke (ref1@ayso498.org) for AYSOU referee course training vouchers



Accessing Courses

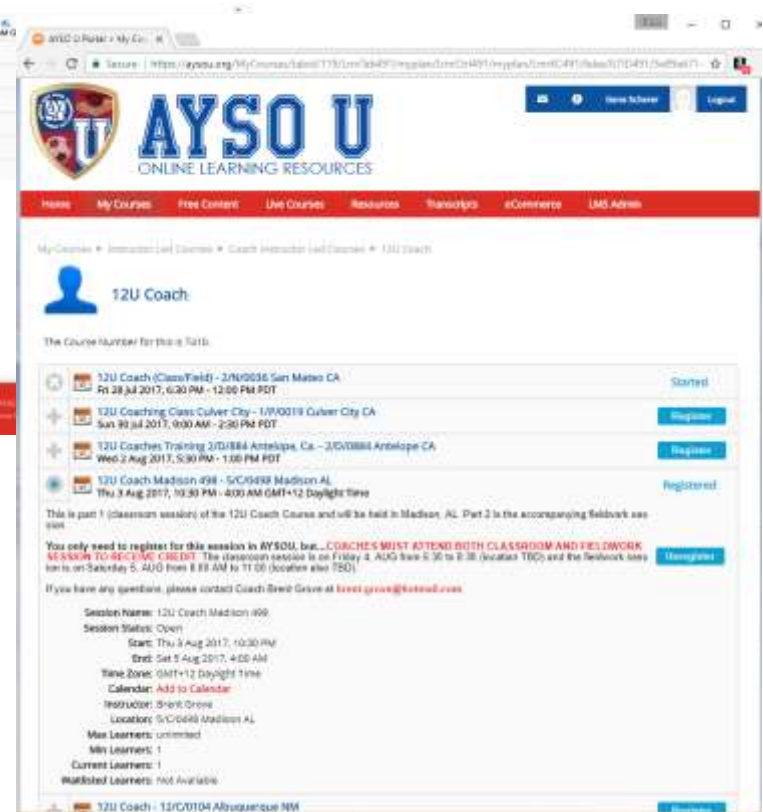
- Sign in to aysou.org/
- On “Home” and then “eCommerce, Course and Product Marketplace
- For Voucher, Contact Simon King (coachinstructor@aysou498.org)





In Person Classes

- Sign in to aysou.org/
- Click On “Live Courses”
- Find the Date of the course
- Find the Course
- Select Register



Contact Simon King
(coachinstructor@ayso498.org)



Training Requirements

• ALL VOLUNTEERS

- AYSO Volunteer Registration (Annually on www.AYSO498.org)
- Safe Haven – 2012 version (once only)
- CDC Concussion Awareness (Annually on www.AYSOU.org)

Division	Coach (min age: 18)	Referee
5U-6U	6U Coach (online + in person)	8U Official (min age: 10)
7U-8U	8U Coach (online + in person)	8U Official (min age: 10)
10U	10U Coach (online + in person)	Basic Referee (min age: 12)
12U	12U Coach (6 hours in person)	Intermediate Referee (min age: 14)
14U	Intermediate Coach (online + 12 hrs in person)	Advanced Referee (min age: 16)
16U	Advanced Coach (18 hrs in person)	Advanced/National Referee
19U	Advanced Coach	National Referee (min age: 18)



Scheduled Classes

Contact coachinstructor@ayso498.org with questions or sign up at <https://aysou.org/>

Become a Coach and Be a Child's Hero!

- FREE to Volunteers from Madison Region 498
- No Prior Coaching or Soccer Experience Necessary
- Nationally Accredited Coaching Program
- Taught by Certified and Experienced Coaching Instructors

Steps to Become a Certified Coach...

1. Submit your Volunteer Application through Blue Sombrero
2. Complete FREE AYSO Safe Haven & Concussion Awareness Training at AYSOU
3. Register for appropriate FREE In-person/Hands-on class at AYSOU (see chart below)
4. Email coachinstructor@ayso498.org for FREE voucher to the Online Coach Training & Coach Manual
5. Complete FREE Online Coach Training & receive your FREE Electronic Coach Manual
6. Complete FREE In-person/Hands-on class



Course	Day	Date	Time	Location/Field	Instructor
10U Field	Tue	6-Mar-18	5:00 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 South	Simon King
12U Field	Tue	6-Mar-18	5:30 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 South	Jim Dobbs/Brent Grove
6U Field	Thu	8-Mar-18	5:30 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 North	Bob Hannah
8U Field	Thu	8-Mar-18	5:30 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 North	Bob Hannah
12U Theory	Thu	8-Mar-18	6:00 pm-8:30 pm	Dublin Room C	Jim Dobbs/Brent Grove
10U Field	Fri	9-Mar-18	5:00 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 South	Bob Hannah
12U Field	Fri	9-Mar-18	5:30 pm-8:00 pm	Dublin 1 South	Jim Dobbs/Brent Grove
Intermediate	Sat	24-Mar-18	8:00 am-6:00 pm	Dublin Rooms A-C	Simon King
Advanced	Sat	TBD			



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Philosophy of Refereeing



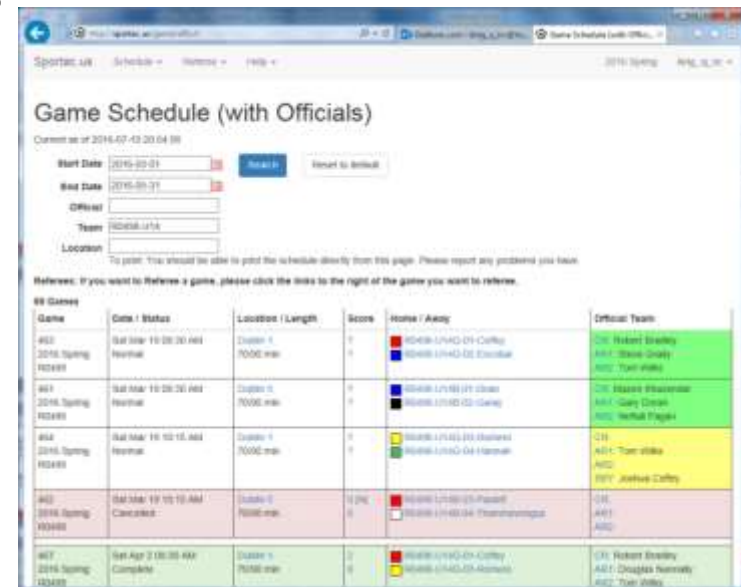
Fun, Fair, Safe

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Referee Administration

1. Register for Sportac.us account
2. Sign in and set preferences
 1. Current season
 2. Team Allocations for Points
3. Sign up for games





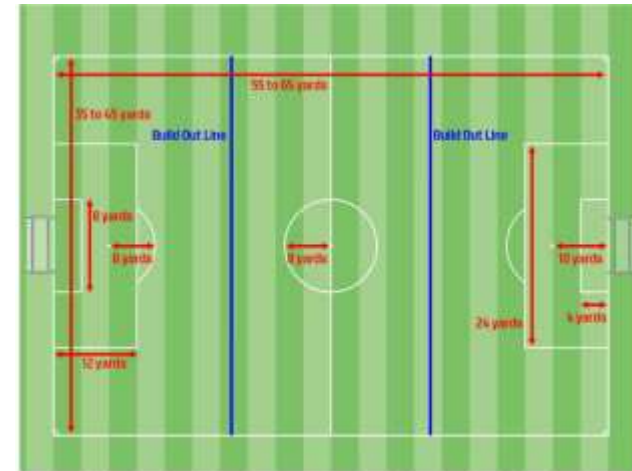
Law Changes

• 05U – 08U No Throw-ins

- Pass-in
- Dribble-in
- Opponents must be 2 yards away

• 10U Build out line

- All opponents must move (or be moving) beyond the buildout line
 - Goal keeper ball in hand
 - Goal kick
- Goal kick or keeper play to teammate on their side of build out line
- Opponents may cross line when the ball is in play
 - Crosses the penalty area on a goal kick
 - Released by the keeper
- Play must be to teammate on own side of build out line
- No offside on own side of build out line



• 12U and Below

- No Keeper Punting
- Keeper must play the ball from the hand or pass to team
- Treat as dangerous play (indirect free kick)
- At spot of punt, or on edge of goal area
- New Field Sizes

	Old	New
U6 → 6U	30y x 15y field; 4'x6' goal	25-35y x 15-25y field; 4'x6' goal
U8 → 8U	50y x 25y field; 6'x18' goal	25-35y x 15-25y field; 4'x6' goal
U10 → 10U	80y x 40y field; 7'x21' goal	55-65y x 35-45y field; 6.5'x18.5' goal
U12 → 12U	100y x 50y field; 8'x24' goal	70-80y x 40-55y field; 7'x21' goal



Law Changes

- Removal of “triple punishment” scenario
 - DOGSO sanctions: play down + PK + Red Card suspension
 - NEW LAW: “legitimate attempt to play the ball” results in fouls – player cautioned (YELLOW) instead of Sent Off (RED)
 - NOTES:
 - Only applies to fouls ***inside the penalty area***
 - Referee’s opinion if “legitimate attempt to play the ball”
 - Foul outside penalty area would be subject to a send off
- Kick-off now kicked in any direction, including backwards
- Players injured in a reckless or excessive force challenge (resulting in caution or send off) NOT required to leave field to receive treatment (expeditious treatment)
- Goalkeeper comes off line during PK is cautioned if the kick fails, and PK re-taken



[Click here for the Laws of the Game \(PDF\)](#)



Law Changes

- Kicker of penalty kick violates Laws, then kick NOT retaken.
Restart IFK for defending team
- Foul occurs when players are off field (through course of normal play), then restart is appropriate free kick on the touchline or goal line
 - Old Laws: play restarts dropped ball. Only misconduct committed off the field
 - New Laws: could result in a penalty kick being awarded
- Offside restarts now taken from the point on the field where the offending player was when they became offside
 - Old Laws: restart taken from the point where they were originally in an offside position





Referee Classes

– Basic Referee

- Prerequisites: Online Basic Referee course
- Classroom Sessions: March 10, 2018
 - Location: Madison Public Library,
142 Plaza BLVD, Madison, AL
 - Instructor: Greg Duke

– Intermediate Referee

- Prerequisites: Basic Referee
- Classroom Session: TBD
 - Location: TBD
 - Instructor: TBD



Referee Luncheon

- **Referee Update Training/Lunch**
 - Briefing and discussion on Laws of the Game 2017/18
 - Saturday, March 17, 1pm – 3pm
 - Location: Sam & Greg's Pizzeria, on Hughes Road





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Thank you for your time

Questions?