

## Referee's Quick Guide to NCSL Divisional Differences August, 2008

### Law 1: Field Of Play

NCSL may modify these as needed to accommodate field dimensions

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Length (yds)	50	70	80	100	110
Width (yds)	30	40	50	60	60
Center (yds)	5	5-10	10	10	10

### Law 2: The Ball

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Size	3	4	4	5	5

### Law 3: The Number of Players

NCSL may modify these as needed to accommodate team size

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
# of Players/Team (Including Keeper)	7	8	9	11	11

### Law 4: Player's Equipment

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	Per FIFA and NCSL modifications				

### Law 5: The Referee

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Coach	Appointed	Appointed	Appointed	Appointed	Appointed

### Law 6: The Linesman

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	N/A	Parent	Parent	Parent	Parent

**Law 7: The Duration of the Match**

NCSL may modify these as needed to accommodate scheduling

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Periods:	Quarters	Quarters	Halves	Halves	Halves
Duration of period	12 min.	12 min.	30 min.	35 min.	40 min.
Quarter Break:	3 min.	3 min.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Half Break:	5 min.	5 min.	5 min.	5 min.	5 min.
Overtime:	No	10 min.	15 min.	15 min.	15 min.
Shootout:	No	No	No	No	No

**Law 8: The Start/Restart of Play**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	Per FIFA and NCSL modifications				
Exceptions: Can score goal directly From Kick-off, GK, CK?	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Restart Following Injury	IFK to team having had clear possession at stoppage, otherwise drop ball				

**Law 9: The Ball In and Out of Play**

<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Per FIFA				

**Law 10: The Method of Scoring**

<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Per FIFA				

**Law 11: Offside**

<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
No	Modified	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Law 12: Fouls and Misconduct**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	Per FIFA and NCSL modifications				
Penal Foul	Indirect	Indirect	Direct	Direct	Direct
Technical Fouls	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect
Cards	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Charging Goalkeeper	No Contact		No contact in GA if in control		
Slide Tackling	No	No	Per FIFA	Per FIFA	Per FIFA

**Law 13: Free Kicks**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Indirect Kicks	All	All	Yes	Yes	Yes
Direct Kicks	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Distance of Opponent	5 yds	5 yds	10 yds	10 yds	10 yds
Penalty Kicks	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Law 14: Penalty Kicks**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Penalty Kicks	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Law 15: The Throw-In**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
Attempts:	2+ Tries	Per FIFA	Per FIFA	Per FIFA	Per FIFA

**Law 16: The Goal Kick**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	Per FIFA and NCSL modifications				
Exceptions: Can Score Directly?	All kicks IFK No	All kicks IFK No	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Law 17: The Corner Kick**

	<b>U7</b>	<b>U9/U10</b>	<b>U11/U12</b>	<b>U13/U14</b>	<b>U15 - U17</b>
	Per FIFA and NCSL modifications				
Exceptions: Can Score Directly?	All kicks IFK No	All kicks IFK No	Yes	Yes	Yes