

## Hampshire Township Park District U6 rules 2021

1. Use a #3 ball and we inflate it about 85-90%.
2. Preferably 6 vs 6. There will be a goalie.
3. We will try to play 8 minute "running clock" quarters with substitutions between quarters or at "dead balls" if necessary. We may play slightly shortened games on the first week and picture week due to time constraints.
4. All free kicks will be indirect (a second player must touch the ball before a goal can be scored)
5. No score will be kept.
6. There are no offsides. Officials are responsible for out of bounds calls.
7. No sliding. We would like the children to remain on their feet.
8. No kicks above the waist.
9. Players should play all positions. With equal playing time for all participants. Try to keep at least 2 players back on defense to help spread out players. Coaches may use whatever formation they choose.
10. One coach from each team will be allowed on the field.
11. No Jewelry, watches and anything else the refs proclaim unsafe will be allowed.
12. When a goalie has control of the ball, the defense must retreat to the midfield line. The defense cannot cross the midfield until the other team touches the ball.
13. Plastic cleats or tennis shoes are appropriate for play. Shin guards are mandatory
14. Lastly, please do your best to keep both teams happy. We will not provide a scoreboard, but the children will sometimes understand/realize when their team is getting beaten. The goal of this program is to learn soccer, but more importantly try to make as many kids as possible enjoy this great game and hopefully at the end of the activity we have put smiles on as many kids faces as possible regardless of which team they are on.