

Renton Recreation

Pee Wee Soccer Rules

US Youth Soccer's Official Playing Recommendations combined with these supplemental rules developed by the City of Renton Parks & Recreation Department shall govern league play.

Law 1 – The Field of Play and The Basics:

The field of play is divided into two halves by a halfway line with a center circle and a goal box in front of each goal.

AGE	GAME LENGTH	BALL SIZE	# OF PLAYERS	GOAL SIZE	FIELD WIDTH	FIELD LENGTH
3/4 & 5/6	Four 6-minute quarters	Size 3	4v4, no goalies	Pop up goal	20 yds	30 yds
7/8	Four 7-minute quarters	Size 3	5v5 no goalies	4x6 feet	35 yds	55 yds

Law 2 – The Ball:

Ball: Size three (3) soccer ball will be used by all. Soccer balls will be provided by Renton Recreation staff and will be on-site when you arrive to the field. No need to take balls home each week.

Law 3 – The Number of Players:

For age divisions 3/4 and 5/6, the match is played by two teams of four (4) players. Age division 7/8 will play with two teams of five (5) players. Players designated as defenders should try to remain in their defensive half. Goalkeepers will NOT be used. Players may not be positioned in front of the goal for an extended period.

Law 4 – The Player's Equipment:

Shin guards are required for all players. Shin guards should be covered entirely by stockings.

Law 5 – The Referee:

Recreation Staff will act as referees and will call appropriate dead balls, restarts, and fouls. Coaches shall explain to players all calls stopping the game and substitute players that are playing in a dangerous manner. Coaches will be provided whistles and may be asked to referee if Recreation Staff is unavailable.

Law 6 – Practice:

We will have 30 minutes of devoted practice time before game play, which will take place at the same location as practice. Coaches are responsible for planning and leading practice time.

Law 7 – The Duration of the Match:

Matches shall be divided into four (4) equal, quarters. There shall be a quick break between each quarter. Renton Recreation staff and/or coaches shall maintain the game clock.

Law 8 – Substitutions:

Substitutions shall be made at the end of each quarter. Substitutions for injuries can happen at any time as long as referee is notified. *This rule is more flexible with younger age groups.*

Law 9 – Score:

No score will be kept. Remember the emphasis of this program is on a positive introduction to soccer, learning the fundamentals, and most importantly having FUN!

Law 10 – The Start and Restart of Play:

All opponents of the team taking the kick-off/free kick are outside the center circle until the ball is passed into play. Player should remain on their defensive half of the field until the ball is in play.

Law 11 – Fouls and Misconduct:

Called fouls shall result in a direct free kick. Renton Recreation staff and/or coaches will explain ALL infringements to the offending player. Red and yellow cards will NOT be shown for misconduct. Due to the nature of beginner soccer players and young age groups, many traditional fouls will not be called and play will continue.

Law 12 – Free Kicks:

ALL free kicks will be direct and a goal can be scored directly from the kick.

Law 13 – The Penalty Kick:

None.

Law 14 – The Throw-In & Kick-In:

When the ball goes out of bounds on a sideline, a throw-in or kick-in will occur, and all opponents must remain at least four (4) yards from the player until the ball is put back in play. Kick-ins will be used for divisions 3&4 and 5&6.

Law 15 – The Goal Kick:

A goal kick shall be taken in or on the goal box line. Opposing players move toward their defensive half of the field once a goal kick is called. Team in possession can put the ball in play once the opposing team is in their half or anytime before that. Opposing players can move toward the ball once it is passed into play.

Law 16 – The Corner Kick:

A corner kick will be taken within 1 ft of the corner of the field. Opposing players shall remain 5 yards from the corner until the ball is passed into play.



City of Renton Youth Sports Code of Conduct

By participating in this program, participants and guardians are agreeing to follow the code of conduct outlined below.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Good sportsmanship is expected from the players, spectators, and coaches. Children learn best by example. The following League Code of Conduct outlines player, spectator, and coach behavior. Those unable to follow this Code may be requested to leave the game site or be excused from participating in the City's youth sports program.

LEAGUE RULE

Coaches, spectators, and players are prohibited from communicating (verbally or nonverbally) in reference to the "officials' judgment" - for example, calls or non-calls. Coaches and players may ask for a rule clarification from an official only during pregame or end of a period. Infractions of this rule may result in possible suspension, or expulsion determined by the Recreation staff.

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT (as a player, before, during, and after the game...)

- I will be respectful, positive, and supportive of all players, coaches, spectators, and league officials/staff.
- I will play for the fun of it, not just to please my family or coaches. I will remember that the goal of the game is to have fun, improve my skills, and feel good about participating in youth sports.
- I will concentrate on playing with my best efforts in a safe, fair, and responsible manner. I will not intentionally harm or endanger another teammate or opponent. I understand that failure to do so may result in a suspension or dismissal from the program.
- I am responsible for my conduct and expected to be respectful and use appropriate language when communicating with coaches, participants, officials, and spectators.
- I will attend all practices and games unless I am sick or unusual circumstances keep me away.
- I understand that receiving disciplinary action from an official, school district staff, or recreation coordinator during the season may result in dismissal from playing indefinitely.

PARENT/SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT (as a parent/spectator, before, during, and after the game...)

- I will treat all participants with respect by always being positive and constructive to players and coaches.
- I will not use abusive or profane language or gestures and will always control my anger.

- I will treat all staff with respect while understanding that sometimes mistakes happen. Therefore, I will not openly criticize the referees or participants at any time before, during, or after the game.
- I will always cheer positively, providing encouragement for both teams.
- I will support my child's commitment to the team by assuring their attendance at practices and games in a timely manner. I will make every effort to communicate with the coaching staff should my child be unable to attend.
- I will emphasize effort and skill development over winning.
- I will not use tobacco products or consume alcoholic beverages before, during, or after any practices or games on school district property or the recreation centers my child is playing at.
- I understand that receiving disciplinary action from an official, site supervisor, facility staff, or recreation coordinator during the season may result in dismissal from the program/facility indefinitely.