## **Naperville Yard**

# **Adult Soccer League Rules**

## Winter II, Jan – March 2024

#### General

- Shin guards and socks are mandatory
- Cleats, Indoor or Turf shoes are allowed no metal bottoms
- No jewelry allowed
- No gum, food, or spitting in the field area
- 50-minute running clock with half time around 25 minutes. Clock will continue to run.
- Each team needs 2 different colored shirts; in the event of a color conflict, the HOME team will change
  NO pinnies will be given out.
- Team balances must be paid off before Week 2 balances not paid off result in all games being changed to forfeits

#### Laws of the Game

- USSF rules apply, except for the following modifications
  - o 6v6 (including GK), 5 players minimum
  - No slide tackling
  - No offside
  - Kick off is Indirect
  - o All free kicks are Direct wall and defending players must be 3 yards away from the ball
    - All players in the wall must make the effort to move back 3 yards or be carded
  - All throw-ins are taken as kick-ins (will be indirect)
  - Goal kicks may not trave past the half line in the air unless touched first by a player
    - Restart with a direct kick from the center circle for the opposing team

### **Player Eligibility**

- All players must be 18 yrs. or older ID may be requested to verify age
- Teams will forfeit in the game if using underage or non-rostered players
- All players must appear on the team roster each session and have an updated waiver on file
- No additions will be allowed after the 4<sup>th</sup> week

### **Goal Keepers**

- No punts or drop kicks result is a direct kick from the center spot for the opposing team
- Ball placed down and kicked may travel past the half-line in the air
- If the keeper throws the ball into their opponent's or their own goal, the result is a goal

#### **Penalties**

- Blue Card: 2-minute penalty. Your team will play down 1 player until the penalty is up or opposing team scores a goal. You will receive a blue card for persistent fouling, repeated foul language, not giving 3 yards for the wall or a hard foul.
- Yellow Card: 5-minute penalty and your team will play down 1 player until penalty is up. 2 blue cards = 1 yellow card.
- Red Card: Team must play down 1 player for the remainder of the match. 1 game suspension plus a fine which will be determined by fighting, spitting, extreme language, flagrant fouling, etc. Player(s) receiving a red card must leave the facility and property.
  - League / Facility Manger may increase suspensions and have final say.

### **Fighting**

- Automatic expulsion of player / team from the league. NO REFUND.
- The same rule applies to any coach or fan that enters the field for a fight.

### Tie Breakers (for playoff standings)

- Head to head
- Goal differential, capped at 3
- Coin flip

#### **Playoffs**

- All teams will get either a consolation game or a playoff game-depending on the number of teams and standings.
  - o Playoff games may be scheduled on a different day if need be
- Referee has discretion to stop the clock under 1 minute in a close game for time wasting
- Games ending in a tie immediately moves to Penalty Kicks
  - 3 kickers per team, alternating teams
  - o If still tied, 1 and 1
  - All team players must take a PK before anyone goes again