

SAY East U8 Passers Rules (Starting 2013)



Short-Sided Teams for the U8 Passer Division 6v6

The rules governing play for the Passer Division will be as follows:

1. The field shall be sixty (60) yards long, forty (40) yards wide; the center circle will be six (6) yards in diameter and the goal area shall be marked six (6) yards out from the goal post on the end line and six (6) yards out into the field and connected by a line running parallel to the end line. There will be a second line twelve (12) yards out from the goal line and twelve (12) yards out into the field. These lines will also be connected by a line running parallel to the end line. The goalkeeper will be able to go out to the twelve (12) yard line to distribute the ball. There will be no penalty area or penalty kicks.
2. The goal post shall be six (6) feet high and twelve (12) feet wide.
3. **There will be six (6) players on the field, one of whom shall be a goalkeeper.** All team members should take turns playing this position. Maximum number of players on the roster is recommended to be twelve (10) but maybe as high as twelve (12). The minimum number of players required for a game shall be five (5).
4. Player equipment requirements shall be the same as all other divisions.
5. There should be two (2) referees and all infractions should be explained to the offending player as best as possible.
6. Kick Off - Defenders must be six (6) yards from the ball until the kick off is taken.
7. **Offside - The offside rule shall not apply. Do NOT abuse this rule for unfair advantage!** Rule (exception) is not intended to allow players to "cheery-pick" goals
8. Fouls and Misconduct - All fouls shall result in an indirect free kick. The infraction must be explained to the offending player.
9. Free Kick - All free kicks will be indirect. Defenders must stay six (6) yards from the ball at the taking of the kick.
10. **Penalty Kicks - No penalty kicks will be taken.**
11. Throw In - When an improper throw in is taken, the referee shall stop play, explain the proper procedure to the player and allow the throw-in to be retaken.
12. Goal kick - A goal kick may be taken from any point inside the goal area.
13. Corner Kick - As usual except players must be at least six (6) yards away from the player taking the corner kick.
14. Handball fouls – no infraction if accidental or unintentional (player protecting ones self).