



Dudley Sports FC

Tournament Rules U6 – U9 Boys & U8 – U11 Girls



- 📖 **GENERAL RULES:** Under 6 – Under 9 Boys & Under 8 – Under 11 Girls as per 2020/2021 season
- 📖 **SQUAD SIZE AND TEAM REGISTRATION** – Teams in all age groups will consist of squad size **not** exceeding 10 players. The playing squad will be as per registration form submitted before the event starts. **Players are not permitted to switch between teams.** Teams with more than the allowed number of players will not be permitted to continue in the event.

STANDARD MINI SOCCER RULES APPLY – TO CURRENT FA REGULATIONS

- 📖 **START OF PLAY** – There will be a kick off to start the game & after each goal. The first named team will start the game with the kick off and will also provide the match ball
- 📖 **DURATION OF PLAY** – All matches are to be 10 MINUTES one way
THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJUST THE DURATION OF MATCHES AT THEIR DISCRETION
- 📖 **FREE KICKS** – Opposing players must allow 2 yards from all free kicks and all free kicks are direct
- 📖 **THROW INS** – Normal over arm throw only, both feet on or behind the touch line, opposing players to be 2 yards from the ball
- 📖 **CORNERS** – Standard corners from the corner position. Both feet on or behind the lines, opposing player to be 2 yards from the ball
- 📖 **PENALTY KICKS** – Normal FA rules apply
- 📖 **RETREAT LINE** – As per standard mini soccer rules, players will retreat to the halfway line for goal kicks
- 📖 **POINTS SCORING** – 3 points for a win & 1 point for a draw
- 📖 **GROUP STAGES** – Group winners and Runners up will proceed to the knockout stages. To decide team placing if finishing on equal points: goal difference decides, if same goal difference - highest scores qualify, if still deadlock head to head results. If still the same then best of 3 penalty shootout (sudden death follows) decides winner
- 📖 **SEMI-FINALS & FINAL** – Playing time will be 10 minutes one way. If scores are level after the final whistle then a Penalty Shootout will decide the winner, 3 penalties each will be taken, followed by sudden death if the score remains level
- 📖 **MISCONDUCT** – Any player dismissed or totaling 2 cautions will not be allowed to take further part in the competition
- 📖 **MATCH BALL** – to be provided by the first named team of the fixture

THE COMMITTEE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO WITHOLD ANY TROPHY OR TAKE WHATEVER ACTION DEEMED SUITABLE REGARDING GROSS MISCONDUCT OR BREACH OF RULES.

All other Football Association Rules apply

MANAGERS, PLAYERS & SPECTATORS MUST RESPECT THE DECISION OF OFFICIALS ON THE DAY

