

## 1. KEY DIFFERENTIATING RULES IN FUTSAL WITH RESPECT SOCCER

- 5 meters (about 5.5 yards) distance on restarts
- Kick-in instead throw-in
- 4 seconds to execute a kick in, corner kick, and goal clearance
- No offside
- 6 accumulated fouls per half per team result in a Penalty kick without a wall from the 10 meters (about 11 yards) second PK mark. If the 6<sup>th</sup> foul occurred closer to the goal than the 10 meters PK mark, the team can choose to take the kick from the spot the foul occurred (without a wall).
- Coaches have a 1 minute time-out each half. The timekeeper grants a timeout when the team that has requested it is in possession of the ball and the ball is out of play,
- Rollin substitutions:

Each team starts with one goalkeeper and four outfield players on the pitch. Over the course of the match, additional players may be used and these can be substituted on and off an unlimited amount of times. A further feature of futsal is that changes can be made without stopping the game. Substitutions must take place in the clearly designated substitution zone.

- Changing benches

Players change benches as per the Futsal Laws of the Game. Note each team bench must always be located in their defensive side. This is in order not to take advantage of substitution on the fly on an attacking side. Also note that in the initial coin toss, the home team decides what bench side they want to be on.

Note: In Idaho Futsal, we do not enforce this rules for U12 teams or younger.

- Red Card / send-off:

The offending team plays with one less player for two full game minutes or unless scored upon before the two-minute penalty expires. Then, a substitute may replace the player who was sent of. The offending player serves a minimum

one-match suspension.

### - Pertaining Goal Keepers:

- Cannot touch the ball again in any way within his own half after releasing the ball into play unless an opponent has touched it or it has gone out of play. Therefore, a goal keeper cannot clear the ball to himself or herself.
- Goal kicks do not exist. The equivalent is a goal keeper clearance with their hands. But a GK can pass or kick the ball like any other player when receiving the ball from a kick-in or after an opponent loses possession and then a teammate passes back to the goalie.
- No punting allowed by the Goal keeper during a GK clearance.

## IMPORTANT REFERENCES

- **SUMMARY OF FUTSAL RULES**

[Futsal Rules \(usyouthfutsal.com\)](http://usyouthfutsal.com)

- **COMPLETE FUTSAL LAWS OF THE GAME 2022-23**

[FUTSAL - Laws of the Game 2022-2023\\_EN.pdf \(sportngin.com\)](http://sportngin.com)

## 2. IDAHO FUTSAL HOUSE RULES

Official Futsal FIFA Rules and Regulations as stated under the Laws of The Game (see above) will be enforced. Exceptions are noted below (House Rules):

- 22 minute halves, running clock. During time outs, the referee will stop the clock. Referees can also stop the clock at their discretion for unusual circumstances.
- Coaches have 1 time out available in each half. Time outs are 1 minute long. The referee grants a timeout when the team that has requested it is in possession of the ball and the ball is out of play.
- No changing benches at half time:
  - House Rule applies only to U12 and younger age brackets: No changing benches by players during half-time, but teams switch court direction as usual.
  - U13 and older teams follow the regular Futsal rules: Players change benches as per the Futsal Laws of the Game. Note each team bench must always be located in their defensive side. This is in order not to take advantage of substitution on the fly on an attacking side. Also note that in the initial coin toss, the home team decides what bench side they want to be on.
- Halftimes are two minutes, which basically allows for a quick drink by players and then taking positions on the court. Teams clear off courts immediately after end of game to allow the next teams

to warmup and take the benches. Coaches are not allowed to interfere with the next game by meeting with their team on the court.

- **No heading** in matches involving U12 or younger teams. When a player deliberately heads the ball in a game, an indirect free kick should be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense. If the deliberate header occurs within the penalty area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the penalty area line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred. If a player does not deliberately head the ball, then play should continue.
- Goal keepers can execute a goal clearance (that is, throwing the ball with their hands) anywhere on the court with the exception of the opponent's penalty area.

See section 4.9 at [Idaho Futsal \(usyouthfutsal.com\)](http://usyouthfutsal.com) for the latest house rules each season.