

Format (may be 5v5 or 6v6)

There are many variations on the 4v4 game, but they all emphasize short, accurate passing, ball skills in tight quarters, lots of off the ball movement and quick transition, all key elements to success on the larger pitch. The CESC World Cup League will feature the traditional 4v4 game, with pug goals, no goalies, on a field 25 yards wide and 35 yards long. Each game will be 25 minutes long, running time. See the Rules below.

The format will be non-results oriented officially—we all know the kids know the score:). Each team will have minimum 2 games on World Cup night.

Referees

Please Do NOT ARGUE with the refs—these are kids from our community and they are working hard to do a great job officiating. We appreciate your understanding!

Rules

FIFA and US Youth Soccer Association rules of the game apply with the following modifications:

1. The Field of play will be approximately 25 yards wide and 35 yards long. Pug goals will be used.
2. 4 players per side.
3. No goalies. Pug goals will be protected by a no-entry, semi-circle.
4. If the ball enters the semi-circle and is touched by a defensive player, then a goal will be awarded. If an offensive player touches it inside the semi-circle, a goal kick is awarded.
5. Unlimited, rolling substitutions. Players exit and enter at midfield.
6. Game time will be 25 minutes, running time. Each team will be guaranteed 2 games each Saturday.
7. Cones are considered "in."
8. NO offsides.
9. NO throw-ins. Kick-ins only. Goals may not be scored directly off a kick-in.
10. Direct kicks are unobstructed kicks at the goal, but must be taken no less than 15 yards from the goal. If a direct kick foul occurs within 15 yards of the goal, then the referee will move the ball back until the kick is 15 yards away from the goal.
11. A kickoff may move forward or backward. A goal may be scored off a kickoff.

12. The defense must allow a 5 yard cushion on all indirect kicks, corner kicks and kick-ins.
13. All ties stand.
14. Red cards result in automatic suspension for 1 game. The World Cup League Director has the right to increase the penalty for severe fouls.
15. Each game will be officiated by 1 referee.
16. After a goal is scored, the other team starts play at the center of the field on the whistle.
17. A whistle blown 3 times will indicate the end of each game.