

**Hazlet United Soccer**  
**Frances G. Young Recreation Soccer Tournament**  
**2026 Rules of Competition**

**Age & Eligibility**

The competition is open to accepted teams composed of (14) or fewer players for small sided games meeting the age limit for the specified divisions. Players must have been born during or subsequent to the divisional year. Each team must be registered with a National Soccer Association and a league affiliated with USSF. Coaches must have Birth Certificate copies and medical release forms on game day. Game times are running times (no stoppage of the clock unless there is a serious injury requiring medical assistance). **NO TRAVEL TEAMS OR CARDED TRAVEL PLAYERS ARE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT.**

Age Bracket	Division	Ball Size	Game Length
U6(2020)	Rec	3	4x10
U7(2019)	Rec	4	2x25
U8(2018)	Rec	4	2x25
U9(2017)	Rec	4	2x25
U10(2016)	Rec	4	2x25
U11(2015)	Rec	4	2x25
U12(2014)	Rec	4	2x25
U13(2013)	Rec	5	2x25
U14(2012)	Rec	5	2x25

## **Laws of the Game**

All games shall be played in accordance with FIFA laws except as specifically modified by these rules.

## **Field and Game Equipment**

Teams must wear numbers on their uniforms and the numbers shall coincide with the game report. Where uniform colors are similar, the home team will change. Home team is listed first on the schedule.

Teams must check in at the game site 30 minutes prior to the scheduled kick-off.

## **Substitutions**

Substitutions without limit may be made with the referee's permission after a goal has been scored, at the beginning of the second half of play or on a throw in as long as that team has possession of the ball. Substitutions may also be made by the defending team during the attacking team's possession as long as the attacking team has chosen to make a substitution. Limited substitutions may be made with the referee's permission in the case of stoppage of play, for an injury on a one for one basis for the injured players or replace a cautioned player.

## **Game and Score Reporting**

There are no scores or standings being kept.

U6 will play with No Offsides and No Penalty Kicks

U7 thru U11/12/13/14 will play with Offsides and Penalty Kicks will be awarded.

**THERE WILL BE NO HEADING OF THE BALL FROM U7 THRU U11.**

**THERE WILL BE NO RUNNING UP OF THE SCORES AT ALL.**

## **Conduct**

Players, coaches and spectators are expected to conduct themselves within the spirit of the Law as well as the letter of the Law. Displays of temper or dissent are cause for ejection from the game and the field of play. Players, coaches and team officials ejected from a game by the referee shall be ineligible for at least the next scheduled game and may be subject to ejection from the balance of the tournament based on the severity of the action causing ejection. Referees must report any yellow/red cards awarded during a match to a tournament official. Anyone receiving a red card for fighting will be ineligible to play for the remainder of the tournament.

**TEAMS WILL SIT ON ONE SIDE OF THE FIELD AND PARENTS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE.**

## **Field Players**

U6 will play 5v5 (4 Field Players and a Goalie). If coaches agree they can play 6v6 (5 Field Players and a Goalie).

U7 thru U10 will play 7v7

U11 thru U14 will play 9v9

## **Determination of Winners**

Everyone is a winner. No standings are being kept. All players in each group will be receiving a participation award.

## **Golf Cart Rule**

Golf Carts: Anyone operating a golf cart or any type of ATV is required to have a valid driver's license.

### **Build Out Line Rule**

On a goal kick, a defensive free kick inside the penalty area, or when the goalkeeper has possession of the ball with their hands, the opposing team must move behind the build out line until the ball is put back into play. The goalkeeper can pass, throw or roll the ball to put it back into play (punts and drop kicks are not allowed). On a goal kick, a defensive free kick inside the penalty area, or when the goalkeeper has possession of the ball with their hands, the opposing team may cross the build out line when the goalkeeper changes possession from their hand to play the ball with their feet, or a second touch is made by another player on the goalkeeper's team, or the ball comes to a complete stop, or the ball crosses the build out line.

### **Inclement Weather**

Regardless of weather conditions, coaches and their teams must appear on the field of play ready to play as scheduled. Only referees and/or tournament directors can cancel or postpone a game. In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Committee shall have the authority to change the duration of the game, cancel any game or restart a game which has had less than one half played.

A refund of 80% of the registration fee will be issued if the tournament is cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

### **Cancellation of Tournament**

In the event of a cancellation of the tournament due to Covid 19 a refund will be issued.