

**CENTRALIA RECREATION DEPARTMENT
OUTDOOR YOUTH SOCCER RULES**

This is a recreational league therefore the objective of this program is not on winning, but on the fundamentals of soccer, good sportsmanship, and having FUN!

ABSOLUTELY NO SLIDE TACKLING

- Number of Players:** 6 vs. 6 (5 field players and 1 goalie)
- Playing Time:** 4 – 8 minute periods with 1 minute between each period and a 3 minute halftime.
- A minimum of 3 different goalies per game.
- The Ball:** A size 3 ball will be used for Pee Wee Soccer
- Start of Play:** Players from both sides who are not kicking off must be line up on or behind the center circle while the kickoff is in progress.
- HEADER RULE:** NO PLAYERS MAY HEAD THE BALL IN THIS LEAGUE
- Goalies:** The goalie may play the ball with his/her hands in the goal area only (goalie box). Goalies can go up to the edge of the goalie box to put the ball back in play by throw, kick, or pass. For this league there is no 6 second time limit on the release. A team may change goalies only on a dead ball or timeout and inform referee.
- Throw-in:** A sideline throw-in is awarded when the ball goes out of play over the sideline. The game is restarted by a throw-in by a player of the opposing team of the player who last touched the ball.
- Corner – Kick:** A corner kick may be awarded to the attacking team when the whole ball passes over the goal line (except between goal posts) having been touched last by a defender.
- Corner – Kicks are taken from inside the corner on the side the ball passed over the goal line.
- All opponents must be at least 3 yards from the corner kicker until the ball is kicked.
- Goals can be scored directly from a corner kick.

Goal – Kick: A goal kick is awarded to the defending team when the whole ball passes over the end/goal line (except between goal posts) having last been touched by an attacking player.

The goal kick should be kicked directly into play from the goal area.

Opponents must be three yards from the ball.

Penalty Kicks: No penalty kicks are to be taken in Pee Wee Soccer.

Offsides: Offsides will not be called in Pee Wee Soccer

Goal Scoring: Goals can be scored from anywhere on the field but cannot be scored directly from a **KICK OFF OR THROW IN**.

After a goal is scored, the team against who the goal was scored kicks off from the center of the court.

Substitutions: Substitutions may be made during stoppages of play by referee and between periods. If a coach would like to substitute during a stoppage of play a referee must be made aware of the substitution and referee will call in the sub.

Substitutions may be made upon any injury of a player.

Equipment: It is required that players wear team shirt and shin guards.

All players must wear athletic shoes or cleats

Spectators: Spectators are not allowed to stand near or behind the goal area. Fans are reminded to conduct themselves in a way that will have a positive impact on the players. The Supervisor has the right to remove any spectator that is displaying unsportsmanlike conduct.