

# Soccer Meeting Agenda

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February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012

- Games begin Saturday, March 24th; last weekend of play is May 12th.
- All Games will be played on Saturday mornings at the Hernando Sports & Fitness Park on South St.
- Practices will be one night a week at the same fields, which night is up to coach.
- Score will be kept this spring and trophies awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams of each age division. EXCEPT FOR U6, ALL U6 WILL GET A TROPHY.
- In case of rain on game days, please check the website at [www.hernandoparks.org](http://www.hernandoparks.org) for cancelations. A decision will be made one hour to game time weather permitting.
- Game balls will be provided by the City Parks & Recreation Department.
- All games will have referees except for U6 division.
- Each player will receive a jersey, shorts, and socks as part of the registration fee.
- Cleats are not required but recommended.
- Shin guards are required for all players.
- No refunds once a child has been drafted to a team.
- Age divisions;
  - U6 – 4 and 5 year olds
  - U8 – 6 and 7 year olds
  - U10 – 8 and 9 year olds
  - U12 – 10 and 11 year olds
  - U15 – 12-14 year olds
- Coaches- we still need a few coaches. You don't have to know anything about soccer. Drills and equipment will be provided to you with rules of the game to help coach a team. Please see Scott Sartor or Michelle Dunn if you are interested in coaching.
- <http://www.soccer-for-parents.com/soccer-rules.html> This website is a great source of information for parents that are not familiar with soccer rules. Go to Soccer Rules on the left hand side of site and look for 10 Simple Soccer Rules for Parents.
- No Parents or spectators behind the goals.
- There are designated areas for players and coaches on the North side of each field and parents and spectators can sit on the South side. This allows the coaches to be able to easily find and communicate with their players.
- Please remember that our program is designed to allow young players to develop their skills on the field. It is not about how many games they win each season.

## Small Sided Game Play

### Recommended by US Youth Soccer Association for each age group

#### U6 – 4 v 4 – no goal keepers

- 4– 8 minute quarters
- 2 minutes in between quarters
- 5 minute half time
- Size 3 ball
- Coaches ref all games
- No offsides
- No Penalty kicks

#### U8 - 5 v 5

- 4– 12 minute quarters
- 2 minutes in between quarters
- 5 minute half time
- Size 3 ball
- One ref on field
- No offsides
- No penalty kicks

#### U10 – 6 v 6

- 2 – 25 minute halves
- 5 minute half time
- Size 4 ball
- One ref on the field
- No offsides

#### U12- 8 v 8

- 2 – 25 minute halves
- 5 minute half time
- *U12- size 4 ball*
- One ref on field
- Offsides will be called if it is intentional

#### U15- 8 v 8

- 2 – 25 minute halves
- 5 minute half time
- *U15 – Size 5 ball*
- Two refs on field
- Offsides will be called if it is intentional

**REFEREES HAVE THE FINAL SAY ON THE FIELD.**

**REMEMBER TO HAVE A SPORTSMANSHIP LIKE ATTITUDE AND HAVE FUN.**