

Crested Butte Youth Soccer Rules

1. Number of Players:

- **U6:** 3 vs. 3 – No goaltender
- **U8:** 4 vs. 4 – No goaltender

2. Length of Game:

- **U6:** 4 – 6 minute quarters
- **U8:** 4 – 10 minute quarters
- **Halftime** Halftime will be 5 minutes long. 1st and 3rd quarter breaks will be 2 – 3 minutes.

3. Required Equipment

- Shin guards with socks or pants that cover them.
- Full water bottle
- Footwear that covers toes
 - i. No baseball or football cleats allowed
 - ii. No metal spikes
- Athletic clothing
- Size 3 soccer balls (provided by Parks & Rec)

4. Uniforms:

- Parks & Rec will provide jerseys that all participants must wear during games.

5. Player Safety

- No heading of the ball is allowed
- No jewelry or metal may be worn
 - i. Medical tags or devices excepted
- No brimmed hats or sunglasses
 - i. Prescription glasses allowed. It is strongly encouraged for participants to wear sport safe eyewear if possible.
- Soft hats (beanies) are allowed for warmth

6. Returning the Ball to Play

- **U8** throws the ball in if the ball is kicked out of play along a sideline. Goal and Corner Kicks will be utilized along goal lines.
- **U6** kicks the ball in if the ball is kicked out of play along a sideline. Goal Kicks and Corner Kicks will be utilized along the goal lines. Goal Kicks may be taken from any point along the goal line.

7. Offside rule is not enforced.

8. Goals

- May only be scored by a team while they are in their attacking half of the field.
- Goals may be scored on Corner Kicks.

9. Kick Offs will take place at the beginning of a game, the beginning of a new quarter or half, and following all goals. All kick-offs are indirect.

- The ball must move forward before being played backward. The initial touch player may not touch the ball again until another player touches the ball.

10. Free Kicks will be direct kicks. Players from the team committing the foul are required to start play at least 5 yards from the site of the restart.

11. Penalty Kicks shall be awarded if an official feels an obvious scoring chance was nullified by an infraction. Penalty kicks shall be taken from the center line in U8 and U6 games.

12. Substitutions

- Allowed during any play stoppage
- Unlimited number allowed



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