

Louisville Futsal



Below you will find most of the specific futsal rules commonly called in this type of soccer. All other rules applied are in correlation with USSF outdoor soccer rules. To get a copy, or read over the FIFA Futsal Rules please go to www.louisville.superfleague.com and look under the “ABOUT THE GAME” link.

- 1) Goal kicks are called goal clearance in Futsal. This restart is executed by way of the goalie using their hands to execute when putting ball back into play, clearing the penalty box before a field player can touch it (no box area and the kicking with feet allowed). Once the goal clearance is executed the field player(s) can't use the goal keeper again until the team builds the ball up passed half field, or the opposing team touched the ball within the defensive half of the team in possession.
- 2) Substitution is done on the file during play. The exchange of a current field player and substitute occurs on the sideline within the designated 5 yard area with the tag of a hand. Failing to execute this substitution method will result in a free kick for the opposing team at the spot where the infraction occurred.
- 3) All out of bounds are indirect kicks (just like thrown-in with outdoor soccer).
- 4) Restarts/Free kicks need to be taken within 4 seconds once the ball has been placed and ball completely stopped where the restart/free kick needs to be taken.
- 5) At all times during the game, when the goalkeeper is in possession of the ball they have 4 seconds to get rid of the ball.
- 6) **(Louisville Futsal enforced Rule)** When distributing the ball from their hands, the goalkeeper can't throw the ball in the air over the 3 clearly marked lines on the futsal court. Doing so will result in a free kick from the second penalty mark located on the opposing teams offensive half.
- 7) Within one half, if a team accumulates 5 team fouls (please refer to the FIFA futsal rules to see what is considered an accumulated foul), the next foul (6th team foul) on that team will result in a free kick for the opposing team at the second penalty mark (the defending team's players can't form a wall for this free kick). This continues to happen for any other fouls that keep occurring that are in the excess of 5 team fouls within that one half. The team foul rule starts over after half time, but accumulated fouls that happen in the 2nd half will carry over into OT if this takes place.
- 8) In the case of an advantage given to a play where a foul has occurred, the official will signal to the score table that a foul has occurred, but advantage has been given. This foul is recorded at the score table and counts toward the total accumulated team fouls. So, if a foul has occurred, but advantage has been give, the score table records this foul, plus a possible foul that might occur later in the flow of play.

**ABSOLUTELY NO SLIDE TACKLING; KEY WORD TACKLING
WITH THE INTENT OF SLIDING!!!**