



GAME PLAY

LiL Kickers is a developmental league. Please make sure to remember it is about the kids. Many times in youth sports, coaches and parents will make the game about winning and forget that the big picture is to help them improve and build teamwork skills. There will be no scouts, and winning should not be your main focus. LiL Kickers is designed to allow all skill levels the opportunity to play at a recreational level. All teams should be focused on developing and not on the score. Three things to focus on are listed below.

1. **Teamwork:** Please focus on working as a team and learning the fundamentals.
2. **Positions:** All players should have the opportunity to play all positions.
3. **Playing Time:** All players should play equal time.

The player must be listed on the official season roster to be eligible to play.

The game will be played five (5) on five (5) with no goalkeeper. Each team will have a maximum of nine players allowed on their roster unless approved by the Statesville Recreation and Economic Vitality Department (SREV).

3. The field size shall be approximately twenty yards wide and forty yards long. Spectators must be a minimum of five yards behind the touch lines (side lines), and at least ten yards away from the goal lines.
4. Goal size is approximately 4X6.
5. The game will consist of four six-minute quarters with a three-minute halftime and one minute between quarters.
6. Soccer ball size is a size three.
7. Shin guards are mandatory and must be worn under socks.
8. The provided SREV jersey or approved jersey must be worn to participate in games. Jerseys must be tucked into shorts. No hats, jewelry, or metal spiked cleats shall be allowed.
9. One coach from each team will be allowed on the playing field to instruct players and call the game. There will be NO OFFICIAL.
10. Players must throw-in the ball if the ball goes out on the sideline. Corner kicks apply as well.
11. Substitutions are only allowed when your team has possession of the ball. If it is the opposing teams throw in or corner kick, you cannot sub.
12. No offside violations will be called.
13. Absolutely no slide tackling.
14. No Forfeits! If a team does not have a full roster, they can play with any number of players. Teams may share players to keep with the original format if necessary.