

# **2022-2023 Courts4Sports Futsal Rules for Winter League and 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Regional Futsal Championships presented by Back2Back Ministries**

[back2back.org](http://back2back.org)

We want the games to emphasize skill development & fun. Emphasis on dribbling, passing, ball control and shooting. Futsal is intended to be no contact or limited contact. Emphasis on skill, speed, and field vision.

Pele, Messi, Ronaldo & many of world's soccer greats developed their game in Futsal. The official indoor game of FIFA.

## **Pre-match rules**

No arguing with (or yelling at) officials, coaches, or players. We are all working together to have a positive and encouraging atmosphere of skill development and fun! We want this league/tournament to be family friendly.

**\*\*No profanity of any kind at any time for any reason (this can get you removed from property/league/tournament).**

Players must have shin guards and socks covering them. No jewelry. Players on the same team must wear similar-colored jerseys. All players must have an alternate jersey in the event of a color conflict. Home team (listed first) is required to change in the event of a color conflict. Referee decision on color conflict is final.

There must be one adult/coach (over 21) on the sideline the whole game, every game (except Adult Open Divisions).

Home team sits on side where scoreboard says home (makes it easier for fans to tell score).

Goalie Box is 3-pt area. Penalty mark is foul line, 6 foul pk line is second white line.

Please be respectful of the opposing team and do not run up the score. Running up the score could be considered Unsporting Behavior in which the head coach, at the discretion of the referee, may be penalized with a caution. If your team is winning by a large margin, try: 1) only scoring off head balls (age appropriate); 2) All players touch, etc.

## **Match rules**

We use official Futsal Laws of the Game as found here: <https://www.ussoccer.com/referee-program/laws-of-the-game>

## **Courts4Sports house rules**

No intentional fouls, no dissent of any kind, no trash-talking or taunting of any kind.

If ball hits the basketball apparatus (including just the net), it is a kick-in from the nearest point by team that did not touch the ball last.

If a player receives a yellow card, the player must be subbed for. If they receive a red card, their team plays short 5 minutes or if other team scores, whichever comes first. The red-carded player cannot return that game and the next game. Further action based on severity is up to League/Tournament Director.

No sliding except keeper in the box to make a save (no slide tackles, sliding to save ball out of bounds, sliding to score...).

No punts or drop kicks. No goal clearances may enter the opponent's goal area without touching a player or the floor first.

No timeouts.

We will NOT switch benches at halftime.

## **Post-match rules**

Coaches must sign score card after each game.

Coaches, players, and spectators: please clean up after the game.

Officials only have a few minutes before their next game, and they will not discuss the game with you. Any complaints, please see Coach McCollum immediately.

Any issues with dissent or disrespect by players, coaches or fans can result in removal from the league/tournament without refund.

A win is 3 points in the standings and a tie is 1 point in the standings. Scores will be posted on scoreboard and in the standings at a maximum of 5 goals.

***I Corinthians 10:31: "If you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God!"***