

Adult League Soccer Rules

The Horizons Edge soccer league rules follow FIFA Laws of the Game with the exceptions of the following in-house league rule modifications.

League Format

League consists of divisions that are in place to separate the levels of skill and competitiveness.
- D1, D2, and D3 Men's League (D1 = Competitive, D3 = Recreational)

- Coed (Men's and Women's) League
- Teams will have a minimum of eight (8) and maximum of fourteen (14) players per team
- **A team cannot compete in 2 or more divisions with more than 5 players of the same team**
 - In order to create an all-around more competitive league
 - This is allowed for Coed, not Men's Leagues

Seasons will consist of eight (8) games per team. The team with the most points at the end of the season will be the number one (1) seed going into the playoff tournament held at the end of the season. Tiebreakers: Goal differential, then Goals for, then head to head.

The season schedule will be sent out a week prior to the first game of the season.

- Win = 3 Points
- Draw = 1 Point
- Loss = 0 Points

Playoffs

- Once the regular season has concluded, teams will be seeded based on their place on the league table
- The top 4 teams in each league, based on points, will make the playoffs
- Single Elimination Tournament
- The winning team will receive a free season as long as they are in the same division with the same roster
 - Players not on the championship team will have to pay full price
- Teams that win 2 championships in consecutive years must move up in divisions

Game Rules

In-Game

- Must have a minimum number of players to start
 - Players must have a colored wristband in order to play in the game
 - Anyone found playing in a game that is not on the current roster will be sent off and that team will be given a red card and must play down a man
- Two (2), Twenty-five (25) minute halves (May change depending on the time of game starting)
- Three (3) minute half-time
- If a referee must stop the game for any reason, extra time will be added at the end of the game (Max 3 minutes)
- **No Offsides Offense**
- **No Slide Tackling** (Instant Yellow Card)
- **No Punting By Goalkeeper**
- **No Throws Past Half by Goalkeeper**
- Throw-Ins on out of bounds plays
- **All free kicks are indirect free kicks** (The ball must touch another player before going in the goal)
 - If the foul occurs inside the penalty box, **it is a penalty kick**

Coed Rules

- Two (2) Females must be on the field at all times
- If a team cannot field two (2) females on the field, they must play a man down. The opponent is allowed to still field eight (8) players
- Failure to field two (2) females or seven (7) players with at least one (1) female will result in a team forfeit
- A team is allowed to have more than two (2) females on the field at any time

Yellow/Red Cards

- A 2nd Yellow Card will result in a Red Card and the player will be sent off and must leave the facility immediately
- A player who gets a straight Red Card will be sent off and must leave the facility immediately
- The team must play the remainder of the game with one (1) less person on the field
- A Red Carded player will automatically receive a single (1) game ban from their next match in the same league
- The Red Card will be reviewed by the Adult League Coordinator to determine further suspension or expulsion from the league in the current season

- A second Red Card in the same season results in expulsion from the league in the current season
- The referee must document the name and team of the player after a red card is given