

U8/U9/U10 Rules Matrix

	D-3	Rush Select	FC Nova	Star
Offside	Dotted lines are the offside lines, not the halfway line	Dotted lines are the offside lines, not the halfway line	Traditional offside – use center line	Dotted lines are the offside lines, not the halfway line. U8 only if blatant (cherry picking)
Goal Kicks	All defensive players must be behind the dotted line. Once the receiving player touches the ball, any number of defensive players may cross the dotted line	All defensive players must be behind the dotted line. Once the receiving player touches the ball, one defensive player may cross the dotted line and challenge the ball	Traditional goal kick – All defensive players must be outside the penalty area. Ball is in play when it leaves the penalty area	All defensive players must be behind the dotted line. Once the receiving player touches the ball, any number of defensive players may cross the dotted line
Goalkeeper Punts	Not allowed	Not allowed	No special rules	Not allowed

Substitutions	Substitutions may be made on a team's own throw in or when the opponent is subbing, after a goal is scored and on any goal kick. They may also be substituted at any time in the event of an injury. Each team may sub in equal numbers at that time.	Substitutions may be made on a team's own throw in or when the opponent is subbing, after a goal is scored and on any goal kick. They may also be substituted at any time in the event of an injury. Each team may sub in equal numbers at that time	Prior to either team's kick-off, prior to your team's throw-in, prior to a goal kick, after an injury. No substitutions before a corner kick or the opposing team's throw-in.	Goals, goal kicks, throw-in on your possession, throw-in on opposing possession if team in possession is subbing, halftime, injury (in referee's discretion).
Jewelry	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted
Casts	OK if determined safe by the referee (adequate padding)	OK if determined safe by the referee (adequate padding)	Not permitted	OK if determined safe by the referee (adequate padding)
Player Cards	Yes. Player may play without player card but must be reported on game report	Yes. If card is not present, player may not play.	None	Yes
Rosters	Yes. Referee keeps rosters until 2 weeks following end of season. If team doesn't have roster, play game and note in your game report	Yes. Referee keeps rosters until 2 weeks following end of season. If team doesn't have roster, play game and note in your game report	None	?

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Slide Tackles	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted
Heading	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted