

6V6 SUMMER SOCCER 2019
RULES and INFORMATION

DIVISION	AGE	BALL	PLAYERS ON FIELD
1	Kind- 3 rd grade	4	6
2	4 th - 7 th	5	6

REGISTRATION:

Players will not be placed on a team until all fees have been paid. All registrations are online at www.bvacsports.org.

ROSTERS: We will notify coaches of roster. Rosters are locked after the first game. Players may only play on the team in which they are rostered.

- 6 players on the field at a time 5 field players plus a goalie
- Games cannot be played with fewer than 4 players
- Only those on the original roster are eligible to play.
- Players cannot play on multiple teams in the same division.

TEAM SHIRTS:

All teams wear the current official BVAC summer 2019 shirts, and will not be allowed to play without their shirt. If they get their shirt after the game has begun, they may report to the referee and join in the game. For safety reasons no player may add their name to the back of their shirt. If they add a player's name; the players must purchase a new shirt to continue the season. Coaches and parents may order themselves a shirt for \$20.

EQUIPMENT:

Shin guards are required for all players. Only soccer cleats allowed. Due to insurance restrictions- no one will be allowed to play or practice on our fields in any kind of hard cast or brace with metal on it. Wrapping any brace or cast is not acceptable. Even if a doctor approves, our insurance will not. Taping of jewelry is not permitted. A yellow card may be issued for delay of game if the referee has to stop play to address equipment issues. No plastic or metal hair clips allowed, including bobby pins or beads in the hair.

GAMES:

All games begin with a prayer. Teams will be seated on opposite sides of the field, coaches, parents and spectators should stay on the same side of the field as their team. Coaches may not stand on the opposing team's sideline. Game time is the start time-players must be ready to take the field at start time.

Each team will play 8 games during the season. Every game will count in the standings.

Games will not be rescheduled unless there is a rain out. Rain outs will be made up as quickly as possible.

BVAC schedules two practices per team before the beginning of the season. After games begin BVAC will not provide practices.

- Regular Goals will be used and field size: will vary for age divisions. Game ball will be provided.
- Duration of Game: four 12 minutes quarters.
- The offside rule does not apply in the 6 v 6 format
- In case of a tie after regulation time during group play, the game will finish as a tie game.
- All players must wear BVAC shirts.
- No slide tacking is allowed in any division (except reasonable play by a goal keeper inside their own box, as determined by the referee).
- At minimum, one referee will be assigned to each match.

Start of Play

- Opposing players must be at least 5 yards away prior to kick offs.
- Restarts do not have to go forward after goals & to start periods.

SUBSTITUTIONS:

- Teams may sub "on the fly" at any time during the game.
- The player coming off the field of play must be within 2 yards of the centerline.
- All players should sub within 2 yards of the centerline.
- If subbing on the fly becomes an issue during any game, the referee can impose a rule that he/she must approve all subs.

STANDINGS:

Awards will be given to the top two teams in each division. Place will be determined by Win-Loss record. If there is a tie, both teams will be awarded Gold.

RAIN OUTS:

The BVAC rain out number is for coaches and referees only. Coaches will be responsible for calling their teams. All rain outs or cancellations will be posted on the "News" section of the BVAC website. Please check as close to your game time as possible since the announcement may change.

LIGHTNING: If you see lightning, you may call it to their attention of the referee, teams that leave the field before the referee calls the game will forfeit. Regardless of weather conditions coaches and their teams must appear on the field of play, ready to play as scheduled. Failure to play will result in the forfeit of the match. Only Director can cancel or postpone a match. Should a match's progress be terminated due to weather conditions after one half has been completed the match will be considered official and the score at the time will stand.

BVAC RULES:

1. A match consists of two teams of six players (including the goalkeeper). You must have 5 players to start the game, less than 4 players will result in a forfeit
2. Each child should play at least half of every game attended.
3. Off-side: There is no penalty for off-sides.
4. No throw-ins: all kick-ins are indirect, except for corner kicks which are direct kicks
5. All penalty kicks are indirect, except for trips, hand balls, or other fouls committed inside the penalty box, which will result in a penalty kick.
6. Substitution will be on the fly at the center line. Players must be off the field before the sub can enter.

7. At least one Referee will be used, two if needed.
8. BVAC uses FIFA rule books for their referees.

Forfeits

- A forfeit will be awarded if an opposing team is not ready to play within 10 minutes of a scheduled start time. Teams must have 4 players to start a game.
- The clock starts at the scheduled start time and time will not be made up if a team does show up late.

Fouls & Free Kicks

- All fouls apply except for offside. The offside rule does not apply.
- All free kicks are direct free kicks.
- Opposing players must remain at least 5 yards from the ball.
- Once the referee signals for play to continue, the kicker has 5 seconds to play the ball.
- Slide tackling is not permitted in any division.

Goalkeepers

- A goal keeper, having control of the ball in hands, and having released it from his/her hands to be played, either by himself/herself or a team-mate, shall not handle the ball again until it has been touched by an opponent, or a stoppage of play occurs.
- Keepers may not use their hands when a ball is passed back to them by a teammate, unless it is played back to them off a header.
- Once the keeper has handled the ball they have five (5) seconds to put the ball back in play.
- A direct free kick will be awarded to the opposing team at the top of the penalty box if either of these rules are violated.
- Keepers may not play throw ins with their hands.

Penalty Kicks

- A penalty kick shall be taken at the top of the penalty box.
- All players except the kicker and the opposing goalkeeper must stand outside the top of the penalty area, 15 feet away from the kicker. Players are not permitted on either side of the area.
- On direct kicks opposing players must remain 5 yards from ball.
- Yellow cards will be awarded to players who slow down the flow of the game by not providing the mandatory 5 yards.

Goal Kicks

- Goal kicks are taken 1 yard off the end line, anywhere inside the penalty area (One step off goal line)
- Once the ball is retrieved and set, the player has 5 seconds to play the ball.
- A direct kick will be awarded, to the opposing team, at top of the penalty area if the referee feels there is an unacceptable attempt to delay the game.
- Goal kicks must exit penalty area to be considered in play.

Corner Kicks

- Goals can be scored directly on corner kicks.
- Opposing players must be at least 5 yards away.
- 5 second rule applies on corner kicks.

Misconduct

- Players ejected from a match for a red card will be suspended for at least the following match.
- Ejections for violent actions including but not limited to fighting will result in suspension for any further play. This will be decided by the BVAC Director.
- Should a player accumulate (2) yellow cards in one match their team will play down one player for the remainder of that match, He/she will also be suspended for the following match
- Offensive language is a considered to warrant a caution card, any language directed towards officials, opponents, or spectators will result in ejection from the game.
- Final decisions regarding length of suspension will be made by BVAC director.

BVAC has a ZERO tolerance policy. There will be NO harassing of the officials, coaches, players or fans allowed. Please allow your children to enjoy the game. No one is allowed to stand on or behind the endlines (including coaches, fans, parents, siblings or other teams).

NO SMOKING (vaping), NO PROFANITY, and NO PETS anywhere on the BVAC grounds.