DIFFERENCES IN RULES FOR FIRE FC MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER GAMES Spring Season 2019 (last updated Mar. 6)	
AGE OF PLAYERS	Middle School
BALL SIZE	5
DURATION OF GAMES	2x30 min.
HALF TIME (HT) PERIOD	5 minutes
KICK OFFS	Alternate at start of 2nd half
# OF PLAYERS ON THE FIELD	11 v 11
SUBSTITUTION OPPORTUNITIES	Own TI, Opponents' TI only if they are subbing also*, GK, KO, HT, Injury, Cautioned Player
GOALKEEPER?	Yes
ENFORCE THE 4 KEEPER VIOLATIONS? (6 sec., use hands after releasing, receiving from teammate's throw or kick)	Yes, restart with IDFK
PUNTING/DROP KICKS ALLOWED	Yes
OFFSIDE PENALIZED?	Yes
FREE KICKS	IDFK, DFK
REQUIRED DISTANCE OPPONENTS MUST BE FROM BALL AT FREE KICKS	10 yards
WILL YOU ALLOW A SCORE DIRECTLY FROM A KICK OFF, GOAL KICK OR CORNER KICK?	Yes
PENALTY KICKS?	Yes
ALLOW SCORE KICKED FROM DEFENSIVE HALF?	Yes
ALLOW REDO'S ON IMPROPER THROW-INS?	No
OVERTIME?	Only during playoffs

<sup>\*</sup> Substitute on the other team's throw-in only if they are also subbing one or more players at the same throw-in.

Each team provides (or pays for an assigned) volunteer assistant referee for regular games. AR's will be assigned for playoffs.

The referee(s) check(s) in the teams by reading names and numbers from a roster provided by the coach plus doing a safety inspection of players' equipment.

No jewelry is allowed--including all bracelets & ear rings. Tape over piercings is not acceptable; jewelry must be removed.