



Please note that not every rule may apply to every league or tournament.

To keep the playing surfaces clean and dry, please instruct your players not to wear dirty or wet game shoes into the facilities.

ABSOLUTELY, no beverages or food by spectators on the courts other than the players' hydration beverages.

All games are officiated by NJ State Futsal Certified referees.

Age Divisions/Groups

Boys & Girls U7 - Adult. The league reserves the right to drop or combine divisions, age groups and gender groups.

Team Registration

All teams must register and all players must have their insurance/registration forms done. All coaches must have their background checks done.

Season Play (Fall, Winter, Summer)

Games begin on the designated dates and times as per individual league description. Depending upon the number of teams and facility availability, the league could end later. The leagues play their games generally on weekends but exceptions could be made, (view specific league description). The leagues will try to avoid younger teams playing late nights, however, the schedule is dictated by the court times we secure from the facilities.

Teams will be scheduled to play the number of games, as per specific league but some teams may play additional games if needed.

Age groups and genders will be combined as needed.

Conflicts

When you register your teams, you will be allowed 2 conflicts per season for winter leagues. NO EXEMPTIONS.

Fall and summer leagues have no conflicts. Tournaments have no conflicts.

IMPORTANT COACH INFORMATION

There is no coaching license to coach a team. Any adult who is registered with the team as a coach or manager can sit the bench. This is a great option for teams with outdoor

coaches who want to take a break, but still want their teams to have fun and play. There is no cost to register a coach, however they must complete their background check.

Coaches with multiple teams

The leagues will accommodate coaches with multiple teams by scheduling them with back-to-back games at the same facility as much as possible. We have been very successful in the past, so we encourage you to split your outdoor teams into two futsal teams.

Game Scorecards (Used to evaluate Competitive games where it applies)

Before each game, a pre-printed game card will be available from the referees. The cards will be populated with player names and numbers. Please check the cards for accuracy and then hand them back to the referees before the game begins. At the end of each game, the referee will hand the bench coaches the completed game cards. The coaches are to sign the cards and in doing so, verify the score. The scores on the signed cards are official and will be entered into the standings if standings are kept for the particular league period. Game cards with players names may or may not be used.

Competition Format & Rules

Official futsal FIFA Rules and Regulations as stated under the Laws of The Game will be enforced. Exceptions are noted below under House Rules. You may print up a copy of the Laws of the Game at the leagues' website.

House Rules to the Laws of the Game

1. Goalkeeper can not throw the ball into the opponent's penalty area.
2. Goalkeeper can not throw the ball into the attacking half.
3. No scoring from kick-offs.
4. Goalkeeper can not drop kick or punt the ball.
5. Players may pass the ball back to goalkeepers as many times as they wish for the age groups of U11 and under.
6. Game length(s) **Futsal League & Championship Tournaments:** 40 minutes (Two twenty minutes halves with 2 minute halftime. Teams must change benches). This rule maybe waived on certain occasions or events. **One Day Tournaments:** 25 minutes (Running time, no halves).
7. Running time, Time Outs - **Futsal League and Championship Tournaments:** One (one minute) timeout per half, running clock will be allowed for all age groups. **One Day Tournaments:** One (one minute) timeout for the entire game. In some venues time will be kept by a central clock and a horn will sound for games to begin and end. All teams must be on the courts ready to play when horn sounds. Teams will have two minutes to exit and enter courts between games.
8. Nine goal differential limit. When a team is winning by 9 goals the winning team must remove a player until the other team scores a goal and there is no longer a

nine goal differential. The teams now can return to full strength. Repeat the process every time the goal differential reaches 9.

9. There are no scores or standings kept unless otherwise posted for a specific event.

Important Changes to House Rules from previous years

The goalie pass back rule will be played at the U12 and over age groups. Once the keeper touches the ball, they can not play the ball again until ball is touched by an opponent.

Player Registration/Insurance Fee - All players must be registered and releases signed by player/parent/guardian (P/P/G). The fee is \$10.00 per youth player and \$20 per adult player. Fees are not included in the team registration fee. There is a \$10 fee for managers, coaches, or assistant coaches, unless they are also players.

Player Cards (At events specifically stated)

The leagues will institute the issuance of player cards. To be eligible to play, each player must have a card. Player cards are issued only after full payment of fees, signed Medical / Media Release forms have been received and all players have been registered online. The leagues will conduct a team check-in one - two weeks before league play begins to issue player cards. Players do not need to be present. Check-in time and place will be announced.

Players/Sister Teams/Double Rostering

1) A sister team is created from an outdoor team that split into two or more futsal teams. If you have a sister team in the league, you may borrow any amount of players from the sister team.

2) Players may be double - rostered on non-sister teams with knowledge and permission from both coaches

Pre-game Check-In

Player cards and rosters may be checked before games. This is to assure that all players are registered and the league remains sanctioned by US Soccer. Team managers are to carry the game cards with them for inspection before games.

Game Balls

The home team is responsible for providing the game ball.

Size ball used by each age group

Under U12 - size 3 or a Select "Jinga Jr"

U13 and older – size 4 or a Select "Jinga"

To order balls e-mail info@centraljerseyfutsal.com. Include team name, gender and age, number of balls needed and size ball and contact info of the person ordering. Balls are \$39.99 each and can be picked up at team check in, tba.

Do not bring outdoor balls into the facilities. They are not allowed for warm-up. Only futsal balls are allowed. Home team is responsible for providing a game quality ball.

Equipment

The wearing of shin pads will be mandatory for all players. Indoor, flat soled soccer shoes also must be worn. Padded gear recommended for goalkeepers.

Time Outs / Home Team Colors

Teams may call one one-minute timeout per half (when in possession of ball, ball out of play). Time is running.

Home team is to wear white or lighter colors. If Home team complies and there is a conflict, the visiting team must change jerseys. If home team does not wear light/white and there is a conflict, home team must change jerseys. Visiting teams centers off first.

Forfeited Games

If a team fails to show for a scheduled match, the referee shall allow a 5 minute grace period. After the 5 minutes, if the team has not yet arrived or does not have enough players to field a team (4), the game will be forfeited. The game will be tallied as a 3 to 0 loss for the forfeiting team and a 3 to 0 win for their opponent.

If the referee terminates a match for reasons other than an act of God or field conditions, the Central Jersey Futsal Competition Committee will decide the result of the match after hearing the official reason from the referee, and both coaches.

Teams forfeiting a match will not receive a refund on their registration fee.

Forfeited games are recorded as a 3 - 0 loss.

Central Jersey Futsal Point System and Tiebreakers (This Only applies for specific events)

The determination within the group standings is as follows:

3 points for a win

1 point for a tie

0 points for a loss

Forfeited games are recorded as a 1 - 0 loss

Tiebreakers

1. Total Points

2. Goal Difference (max 7 per game)

3. Goals For

4. Head-To-Head

There are no awards given for winners of divisions unless stated for a specific event.

Ejections - Red Cards

If a player is ejected from a match, the player's pass together with a referee's report of the incident shall be turned over to the Central Jersey Futsal administrator by the referee.

The minimum penalty for an ejection is that the player shall not be permitted to play in the immediate next match.

The maximum penalty, after review by the Central Jersey Futsal Competition Committee, may result in the individual players or teams' expulsion from the competition.

If a player is ejected from a match the referee will hold onto the player pass, document red card on the back of the score sheet and present it to the Central Jersey Futsal League administrator. The player will have his/her pass returned after a one game suspension.

Coach Ejections

If a coach is ejected from any match, a referee's report of the incident shall be turned over to the league's administrator by the referee.

The minimum penalty for an ejection is that the coach shall not be permitted to coach or remain on the player's bench in the immediate next match.

The maximum penalty, after review by league's Competition Committee, may result in the individual coach or team's expulsion from the League.

Games Cancelled by opponents

If an opponent cancels a game or does not show for the game, the other team may use the scheduled game time for their use. There are no refunds for games cancelled by opponents. If a team must cancel, call the league as soon as possible so we can notify the referees and give the other team a chance to plan accordingly. Cancelling a game not only short-changes your team, but your scheduled opponent. Games cancelled by teams will not be rescheduled until the \$125 reschedule fee is in to the league.

Reschedules

At time of registration, each team is allowed multiple conflicts if entered into registration system before registration deadline. If manager does not enter conflicts, no reschedules will be made unless a \$125 rescheduling fee is received by the league. The league will schedule 8 games for each team. We will be able to reschedule games that have been cancelled due to weather, such as snow, ice or due to the facilities cancelling games. While we will try to reschedule those games, we cannot guarantee that those games can be rescheduled. We only can reschedule games if the facilities have available times to reschedule them. If we reschedule games due to above, you will not be asked ahead of the rescheduling process if you are available for the make up game. Your team will be given a makeup game time and if you cannot make that, we will not reschedule.

Games cancelled by Facilities / Futsal League

We reserve the right to postpone or cancel games at any time for any reason such as bad weather or facility conflicts/problems. The leagues play games in all weather and only cancels games if the facility cancels. Cancellations are very rare events, so teams should plan on playing. If there are games cancelled, reschedules are not guaranteed and refunds for cancelled games will not be provided.

General Refund Policy

You may cancel your registration anytime prior to the registration deadline and receive a refund of your fees minus a \$75.00 administrative charge. After the deadline, there are no refunds. Team registration refunds will only be issued in the event of no bracket. Brackets may be of same age, gender or not. All other fees including player registration and coach background fee are not refundable.

(COVID REFUND POLICY) Updated 10.1.2021 In the event NJ State mandates any policies where it effects league, tournament or training to the point where it leads to cancelation of evets, there will be no refunds as facilities have been pre paid. In the

event that a facility refunds moneys to Central Jersey Futsal we will issue partial or full refunds minus administration fees as allowed by total refund amount received from facility and divided equally among teams or players in said league, tournament or training program.

Referees

If you have an interest in joining the Leagues referee pool, please email us at info@centraljerseyfutsal.com. To be eligible for consideration, you must be licensed with US Soccer as an outdoor referee and be at least 17 years old.

Inclusion Policy

(A) Membership of Central Jersey Futsal is open to all futsal and soccer organizations and all futsal and soccer players, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators and officials without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or national origin.

(B) For the purposes of registration on gender-based teams, a player may register with the gender team with which the player identifies, and confirmation sufficient for guaranteeing access shall be satisfied by documentation or evidence that shows the stated gender is sincerely held, and part of a person's core identity. Documentation satisfying the herein stated standard includes, but is not limited to, government-issued documentation or documentation prepared by a healthcare provider, counselor, or other qualified professional not related to the player.

(C) Central Jersey Futsal recognizes 2 team gender classifications:

- (1) Teams with females only are considered girls teams.
- (2) All other teams are considered boys teams.

Additional Questions

If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding the Futsal leagues, please feel free to contact us at info@centraljerseyfutsal.com