NORTHERN FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE INCORPORATED



SCHEDULE 32: JUNIOR FOOTBALL RULES MATRICES

Adopted May 2016

| AGE GROUP | UNDER 9 & GIRLS UNDER 10 | UNDER 10 | GIRLS UNDER 12-18 | UNDER 11-14 | UNDER 15-17.5 |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| PHASE | Modified | Transition | Competition | Competition | Competition |
| Ground Size | 100m x 80m OR Half the size of larger ovals | Smaller Ovals - Play full oval OR for Larger Ovals - Play 2/3 oval (shorten width of each side of oval) | Full size | Full size | Full size |
| Zones | ✓ | × | × | × | × |
| Players on Ground | Max: 15 | Max: 18 | Max: 16 | Max: 18 | Max: 18 |
| | Min: 9 | Min: 14 | Min: 12 | Min: 14 | Min: 14 |
| Maximum number of team players (Home and away) | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| Maximum number of team players (FINALS) | N/A | N/A | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| Evening Up Rule | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Football | Size 2 Synthetic | Size 2 Synthetic | U12 - Size 3 Synthetic U14 -Size 4 Synthetic U16/U18 - Size 4 Leather | U11 - Size 3 Synthetic U12- Size 3 Leather U13/U14 - Size 4 Leather | U15/U16/U17.5 - Size 5 Leather |
| Quarter Duration (mins) | 12 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 20 |
| Match Delay Policy Time Slot fixture allowed (mins) | 1h 15m | 1h 15m | 1h 30m | 1h 30m | 1h 45m |
| Break Duration (mins) 1/4 - 1/2 - 3/4 | 5 - 10 - 5 | 5 - 10 - 5 | 5 - 10 - 5 | 5 - 10 - 5 | 5 - 10 - 5 |
| Scoring & Finals | No scores, ladders or finals | No scores, ladders or finals | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Results | No recording of best players or goal kickers | No recording of best players or goal kickers | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| League Best and Fairest | × | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Mercy Rule | N/A | N/A | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Coach Position | On-field | On-field | Bench | Bench | Bench |
| Umpires | Field: NFNL Appointed | Field: NFNL Appointed | Field: NFNL Appointed | Field: NFNL Appointed | Field: NFNL Appointed |
| | Boundary: 0 | Boundary: 2 (Club) | Boundary: 2 (Club) | Boundary: 2 (Club) | Boundary: 2 (Club) |
| | Goal: 2 (Club) | Goal: 2 (Club) | Goal: 2 (Club) | Goal: 2 (Club) | Goal: 2 (Club) |
| Tackling | Modified | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Bumping | × | √ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Stealing | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Barging | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Smothering | × | √ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Shepherding | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Fending | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Bouncing | 1 max | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Deliberate Kicking Off Ground | × | √ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Marking (m) | Any distance | 10 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Marking | Genuine attempt (2 hands) | Shows control | As per laws of the game | As per laws of the game | As per laws of the game |
| Playing On | × | √ | √ | ✓ | √ |
| Advantage | * | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Ball-ups | Nominated players of equal size / must tap | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Boundary Throw-ins | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Behind Scored | Ball returned to centre | Kick in | Kick in | Kick in | Kick in |
| Penalty Distance (m) | 10 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Deliberate Out of Bounds | × | √ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Deliberate Rushed Behind | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Yellow Card | 15 minutes can be replaced | 15 minutes can be replaced Remainder of match - can be | 15 minutes can be replaced Remainder of match - can be | 15 minutes can be replaced Remainder of match - can be | 15 minutes can be replaced Remainder of match - can be |
| Red Card | Remainder of match - can be replaced | replaced | replaced | replaced | replaced |
| Coaches Box White Card Penalties | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |