

Paul Klover Soccer Association Futsal League

Rules of Competition

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PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE

SECTION I: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Name of the League

The league shall be named the PKSA Futsal League. Herein after may be referred to as "the League."

1.2 Mission

To ensure the best possible competitive or recreational play between equally matched teams to aid in the development of the Sedalia, Missouri area soccer players and teams.

1.3 Management of the League

The League shall be managed and operated by the Paul Klover Soccer Association Board of Directors.

1.4 League Contact Information:

President: Amanda Blackburn 660-281-6455

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1.5 League Website

The league website homepage can be found at <http://paulklover.com>

1.6 Matters Not provided for

The PKSA administration shall have the final authority in all matters not specifically provided for by these rules and policies.

PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE

SECTION II: TEAM APPLICATION & ADMISSION

2.1 League Divisions

The league will host the following divisions:

1. 5U – Instructional Division.
2. Youth Recreational Division.
3. High School Girls Division
4. High School Boys Varsity and Junior Varsity Divisions
5. Adult Coed Division
6. Adult Open Competitive Division
7. Adult Open Recreational division

Players register as individuals in the 5U – Instructional Division and the Youth Recreational Division. Players register as a team in Adult and High School Divisions. All player and team registrations shall be in accordance with the current PKSA regulations as specified herein.

The PKSA reserves the right to accept or reject any application.

2.2 Registering Players and Teams

Each player, club or team must register to play by completing the registration forms and paying the registration fee by the registration deadline.

In the 5U – Instructional Division and the Youth Recreational Division, youth sign up individually by filling out a registration card available at paulklover.com or at Pummill’s Sporting Goods Store on West 16th Street in Sedalia.

In the High School and Adult Divisions, players sign up as a team by filling out the team registration materials available at paulklover.com or at Pummill’s Sporting Goods Store on West 16th Street in Sedalia.

2.3 League Structure

The PKSA will offer competition for each division. Each team will play 8 to 10 games depending upon the number of teams in the division and league. Teams will usually play once a week for 8 to 10 weeks for the season which runs from January through March.

2.4 Good Standing

Each participating player and team must be in “good standing” with the league. Players or teams who lose their status of “good standing” because of misconduct will not receive a refund of fees paid.

2.5 Application deadlines

All applications to participate in the League must be received along with full payment on or before the registration deadlines established by PKSA. PKSA will not schedule teams who have not paid in full by the scheduling deadline.

2.6 Acceptance of the PKSA Rules

All teams applying to participate in the League agree to accept and abide by the League rules and policies and any decisions made by the league administrators. Lack of knowledge of these rules will not relieve any coach, team official, parent or player of a team participating in the league or seeking entry into the league, from the responsibilities and possible penalties herein. All coaches, team officials, parents and players by participating in the League agree that they are bound by these rules. All the rules for "The League" will be posted on the Paul Klover web site. (See Rule 1.7 for website information.)

2.7 League fees

All league fees are due by the announced due date for all divisions. If all league fees are not paid by the announced due date, the offending player or team shall not be eligible to play in the league and shall forfeit all games until all fees are paid in full, unless arrangements have been made and approved by the PKSA Futsal League. Games not played due to enforcement of this section will not be replayed, refunded or rescheduled.

Once accepted, the league fee is non-refundable.

Any player or team dropping out of the league will not be reimbursed for games missed.

2.8 Returned Checks

The Paul Klover Soccer League shall charge a \$50 service fee for all returned checks.

2.9 Season Schedule

The season shall begin in January and end in March. The youth and instructional divisions will usually play at Sacred Heart School on Thursday nights and Saturdays. The high school divisions will play at the Middle School on Fridays and Saturdays. The adult divisions will usually play at Liberty Park Convention Hall on Sundays.

PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE

SECTION III: TEAM ROSTER & FORMATS

3.1 Team roster

In the High School and Adult Divisions, an official Paul Klover Soccer completed roster must be filed with the board at least 48 hours prior to the team's first game of the season. Failure to provide the completed roster prior to the first game will result in an automatic forfeit of the matches until the roster has been completed and approved, unless the delay was caused or has been excused by the League. Any time a roster is requested to be changed during the season, a new approved roster must be submitted to the board for approval at least 48 hours before the next scheduled game.

3.2 Roster Size & Game Day Roster

The League will adhere to the following maximum "game-day" roster limits:
High School and Adult Divisions: 9 players maximum, 5 players minimum.
Instructional and Recreational divisions: 8 players maximum.

3.3 Player eligibility

Eligibility of players shall be in accordance with PKSA regulations, unless otherwise specified and approved by the League. Each player must sign the PKSA waiver of liability form prior to playing any game. Minors must have the forms signed by their parents.

The Recreational Division will be divided into smaller divisions based upon the age of the players. These divisions are commonly set up as 13U, 11U, 9U, and 7U. But these divisions will vary depending upon the number of players enrolled each season. A player may play in an older age division (if his/her parent coaches the team in that older age division) but not in a younger age division.

3.4 Multiple roster players

Players may only play for one team within an age division, i.e. they may not dual roster or play with another team in the same age division, except as an approved substitute (See section 4.6 and 5.4 for approved substitutes).

3.5 Age Divisions

Age limitations shall be as follows:

5U Instructional Division: For any player born in the year 2014 or 2013.

Recreational divisions: For any player born in the years 2012 – 2005

Girls High School: For female players currently enrolled in 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grades and not 19 years of age as of January 1, 2019.

Boys High School: For male players currently enrolled in 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades and not 19 years of age as of January 1, 2019. This division will be divided into a varsity division and a junior varsity division. The division leader will decide which teams fit in which division.

Adult Recreational Division: For any player 18 years of age or older as of January 1, 2019. This is a division for adults whose fitness or skill level makes them uncompetitive

in the open division.

Adult Open Division: For any player 18 years of age or older as of January 1, 2019.

Adult Coed Divisions: For any player 18 years of age or older as of January 1, 2019. This division is a slower paced game for mature persons/couples to exercise together.

Proof-of-birth shall be provided upon request.

3.6 Playing on Multiple teams

Players may not play on more than one team (as a registered player) in the same division. A player in the High School league may not play on more than one team in the same division or on different teams in both divisions. See rule 3.4 for more details on approved substitutes.

3.7 Game Formats

All futsal games are played with 5 per side, one of whom must be the goalkeeper. There are normally two (2) referees on each competitive game. Recreational games may use only one (1) referee, especially in the younger divisions. A third referee may be used to monitor the score/foul board.

THE PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE

SECTION IV: OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 Reporting of scores

Scores are not kept after the game in PKSA futsal. The league does not keep standings or announce a division winner at the end of the season. All games are for fun, exercise, and skill development only.

4.2 Game Day Rosters/Cards

The main referee will complete a game card if necessary to report any irregularities. The PKSA board shall make the team roster forms available to the referee at the match prior to each game. At the request of any player, the referee shall confirm that the players on the field match each team's roster. Players not on the roster shall not play if not registered with that team in that division. Players registered in that division on another team may play as substitutes on a team that is short players but only with the consent of the opposing team's coach or captain.

4.3 Inclement Weather Communication

Except in the rarest of circumstances, indoor games will not be cancelled. If weather is so severe that the indoor facility must be closed, information will be posted on the website, on the facility front door, and on local news stations. All persons coming to the facility agree to assume the risk of winter weather hazards and should use the greatest care to avoid slipping or falling on the ice and snow.

4.4 Rescheduling Policy

PKSA does not usually reschedule cancelled futsal games because the schedule does not have games times or spots open for rescheduling. If a game is rescheduled, the team will be notified.

4.5 Schedule requests

All scheduling requests must accompany the player and team registration forms. We will attempt to accommodate all reasonable requests provided on the registration form. Once the schedule is set, no rescheduling is possible. If a player or team is unable to attend a scheduled game, the game is forfeit.

4.6 Forfeits

Three players minimum must be present per team to begin the game. Teams may agree to share players in order to begin the game, or teams may recruit other **registered** players from the stands **with the express permission of the opposing team's coach or captain**. A coach may revoke permission for other non-rostered players to play for the opposing team whenever s/he feels it is necessary to preserve the fairness of the game.

PAUL KLOVER FUTSAL SOCCER LEAGUE SECTION V: RULES OF PLAY

5.1 Full Futsal Laws of the Game

Full futsal laws of the game are published on the Paul Klover website. There are also condensed and simplified playing rules posted as well. All players, coaches and team personnel are subject to all futsal laws, except as modified by these rules. Futsal laws of the game, while similar to outdoor laws, are unique in many respects. Lack of knowledge of the laws is not an excuse referees can accept in lieu of enforcement.

5.2 The Pitch

The field is located and marked on the gym floor of the facility. The perimeter is the outer edge of the paint forming a rectangle around the gym floor. The shorter lines of the rectangle are the goal lines, and the longer edges are the touch lines. The pitch is divided in two equal halves by a halfway line in the center of the court.

The 3 point arc serves as the penalty box.

A penalty mark is made 6 meters from the end line and a second penalty mark is made 10 meters from the end line, exactly half way between the touchlines.

A substitution zone is drawn in bright colored tape at each team's bench area.

5.3 The Ball

The ball is provided by PKSA. It is a size 4, low-bounce ball designed specifically for futsal. No other balls are permitted in the gym.

5.4 The Players

Each game consists of two teams of 5 players each, one of whom must be designated a goal keeper by wearing a jersey of a different color than the teams and the referees. A match may not start if either team consists of fewer than 3 players. Teams may share players in order to begin the game, or teams may recruit other **registered** players from the stands **with the express permission of the opposing team's coach or captain**. No unregistered players may play at any time.

5.5 The Players' Equipment

Player equipment is specified in the futsal laws of the game. All players must wear shin guards, which must be covered by the stockings at all times. No cleats are allowed on the gym floor.

Only flat court shoes are permitted. No jewelry of any kind may be worn by a player.

Each team must wear a jersey of the same color but not yellow, except that the goal keeper must wear a color different from his/her team and from the team of the opponent and the referees. All jerseys must have a number on the back. No player shall change numbers during the game. In case of a color conflict, the home team (listed first in the schedule) shall change colors.

PKSA will provide jerseys to the Recreational Division and Instructional Division players and may provide numbered pennies in the adult divisions.

5.6 The Duration of the Game

All Games, except 5U, shall consist of two 20 minutes halves with a 5 minute half-time and a 5

minute break between games. A new game shall begin every 50 minutes. The game time is extended to allow a ball in flight to end its forward trajectory, or the game is extended to take a penalty kick or direct free kick. When a game is extended, the five minute half time or time between games is reduced accordingly. Instructional division shall play 4 quarters of 8 minutes each with a two-minute break between each quarter.

5.7 Substitutions

Except as noted, substitutions are unlimited. Either team may substitute at any time without the permission of the referee.

The desired substitute(s) must be in the designated substitution area in front of his/her team's bench. The substitute must wait to enter the pitch until the player leaving has left the pitch from the same area. This is in effect regardless of whether the ball is in play or not. Failure to comply will result in a Caution being issued to the player entering.

Any player may substitute for a goal keeper at any time in the same manner, so long as the new goal keeper is wearing a jersey of proper color. See rule 5.5.

5.8 Delay of kick off

If a game is delayed due to the tardiness of a team, players, coach or manager, the game time shall be shortened accordingly so as not to delay subsequent games. See rule 4.06 for minimum number of players necessary to start a game.

5.9 Players and Spectators

Players and coaches will set up on the opposite side of the field from all spectators. No spectators or coaches will be allowed to sit or remain on either goal end of the field. All spectators must remain on the spectator side of the gym.

5.10 Coaches, Bench, and Technical Area

PKSA requires an approved coach/parent be with every team for every game. Only two (2) coaches may be on the team side of the field at any given time. This may include a combination of coach, manager, trainer, assistant coach, parent helper, etc., but in no case shall the total number of non-player personnel exceed two (2). All personnel in the technical area must remain in this area and conduct themselves in a manner considered appropriate by the league and game officials for that game. The published policy of "Ask, Tell, Remove" will be adhered to, unless the referee or league administration deems any conduct to require immediate removal. The only exception is if the Referee beckons on a coach or trainer to attend to an injured player. In this case, their purpose of being on the field is always limited to assisting the injured player.

5.11 Referees

Each match is controlled by two referees (one referee in the Instructional and Recreational divisions), who have all authority to control the game as outlined in FIFA Futsal Rule 5. One referee is designated the referee and the other designated second referee. A third referee may be assigned to run the score/foul board. The referee controls and directs the second and third referees. Both the referee and second referee carry a whistle and call all fouls and infractions.

5.12 Time Outs

PKSA does not allow for timeouts during the match.

5.13 Starts and Restarts

A. Kickoff

A kickoff is used to start a match, restart after a goal, and restart the second half.

A goal may not be scored on a kickoff.

All opponents must be in their own half and 3 meters from the half line at the time of the kickoff.

A kickoff occurs when the ball, having been stationary on the half line in the center circle, is touched and moves in any direction.

The player taking the kickoff may not touch the ball again until it has touched another player.

B. Kick-in.

When a ball is out of play because it crosses a touch line or touches the ceiling, the restart is a kick-in by the team who did not touch the ball last before it went out of play at the spot on the touch line nearest to where the ball went out of play.

The ball is placed in a stationary position on the touch line and kicked back into play.

Once the ball is placed on the touch line, a team has 4 seconds to perform a kick-in or possession is lost.

The opposing team must be 5 meters from the point of the kick-off.

A goal may not be scored directly from a kick in.

C. Goal Clearance

When a ball is out of play because it crosses a goal line without scoring a goal after being last touched by the attacking team, the restart is a Goal Clearance by the defending goal keeper.

The goal keeper picks up the ball and, from anywhere in the penalty area, throws or rolls the ball out of the penalty area.

The goal keeper must restart play within 4 seconds of taking possession of the ball or an indirect free kick is awarded the other team at the penalty line.

A goal may not be scored directly from a goal clearance.

In a goal clearance once the goal keeper releases the ball, the ball must touch a player or the floor before crossing the 10 yard penalty line in the opponent's half of the field, or an indirect free kick is awarded the other team at their ten-yard penalty mark.

D. Corner kick

When a ball is out of play because it crosses a goal line after being last touched by the defending team, the restart is a corner kick by the attacking team.

The ball is placed on the corner arc and kicked into play by the attacking team.

Defending players must be 5 meters from the corner at the time of the corner kick.

A goal may be scored directly off a corner kick, but only against an opponent.

The player taking the corner kick must do so within 4 seconds of placing the ball on the arc or lose possession (goal clearance).

5.14 Offside

There is no offside in futsal.

5.15 Goal Keeper Restrictions

A goal keeper who possesses the ball with or without his/her hands must release the ball within 4 seconds of taking possession or lose possession. (Indirect free kick from the penalty arc.)

A goal keeper may not play a ball with his/her hands when it was intentionally passed from the foot of a teammate. (Indirect free kick from the penalty arc.)

A goal keeper may play a pass from a teammate at any time so long as he does not use hands and releases the ball within 4 seconds.

A goal keeper may not dribble a ball into his own penalty area and then pick it up. (Indirect free kick from the penalty line.)

A goal keeper who takes possession of the ball while in play (not a goal clearance and not from a pass from a team mate) may put the ball on the ground and play it out of the penalty area himself so long as his total possession time does not exceed 4 seconds.

When the goal keeper takes possession of the ball with his/her hands, s/he may not throw the ball to a team mate without the ball touching a player or the floor before crossing the opponent's ten-yard penalty mark, or an indirect free kick is awarded the other team at the 10 yard penalty mark.

5.16 Fouls and Misconduct

A. Fouls are penalized with a direct free kick, penalty kick, or indirect free kick.

B. Direct Free Kicks

1. A direct free kick is awarded to the opposing team if a player commits any of the following seven offences in a manner that is careless, reckless, or with excessive force:

- a. Kicks or attempts to kick an opponent
- b. Trips an opponent
- c. Jumps at an opponent
- d. Charges an opponent
- e. Strikes or attempts to strike an opponent
- f. Pushes an opponent
- g. Tackles an opponent.

2. A direct free kick is also awarded to the opposing team if a player commits any of the following four offenses:

- a. Holds an opponent
- b. Impeding the progress of opponent with contact.
- c. Spits at an opponent
- d. Handles the ball deliberately (except a goalkeeper in his/her own penalty area).

3. Direct Free Kicks are accumulated fouls.

4. The first five Direct Free Kicks in a half are taken from the spot of the foul, except when the foul occurs in the penalty area of the fouling player, then it is taken from the 6 yard penalty spot. After the first five, Direct Free Kicks become Accumulated Fouls. (See 5-16 D.)

C. Indirect Free Kicks

1. An indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team if
 - a. a goalkeeper touches the ball with his hands after it has been deliberately played to him from the foot of a teammate;
 - b. a goalkeeper controls the ball for more than 4 seconds;
 - c. a player plays in a dangerous manner near an opponent, or slides on the floor

(except a goal keeper in his/her own penalty area.)

- d. a player impedes the progress of an opponent without contact;
- e. a player approaches a goal keeper who is attempting a goal clearance;
- f. a player commits one of the ten major fouls against a teammate;
- g. a player commits any other infringement not mentioned for which play is stopped to caution or dismiss a player.
- h. a goal clearance crosses the 10 yard penalty spot in opponent's half without touching the floor or a player.

2. The indirect free kick is taken from the spot of the offense, unless the offense occurs within the offending player's penalty area, in which case the kick is taken from the point on the penalty arc closest to the spot of the foul. An exception to this rule occurs when a goal clearance crosses the opponent's ten-yard penalty line without touching the floor or a player, then the restart is at the non-offending team's ten-yard penalty spot.

D. Accumulated Fouls

1. Once a team commits 5 direct-free-kick fouls in one period, including fouls not called because of advantage, thereafter, for the remainder of the period, all direct-free-kick fouls by that team occurring outside that team's penalty area are penalized with a penalty shot from the 10 yard penalty spot.

E. Cautions

- 1. Any player or substitute may be cautioned for one of the following offenses:
 - a. Unsporting behavior,
 - b. Dissent,
 - c. Persistent infringement of the laws of the game,
 - d. Delay
 - e. Failure to respect distance requirements at restarts,
 - f. Entering or leaving the pitch improperly.
 - g. Recklessly kicking, tripping, charging, jumping at, striking, pushing, tackling, holding a player.
 - h. Other fouls deemed reckless.

F. Sending off

- 1. Any player or substitute may be sent off for one of the following offenses:
 - a. Serious foul play,
 - b. Violent conduct,
 - c. Spitting at a person,
 - d. Denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity by committing one of the ten major fouls,
 - e. Using offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behavior,
 - f. Receiving a second caution in the same match.
- 2. A player who is sent off must leave the building grounds and is expelled from the league for the season.

PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE
SECTION VI: DISCIPLINE & CODE OF CONDUCT

6.1 Coaches and Spectators Responsibilities

A. All coaches and other team officials shall be subject to all soccer laws pertaining to misconduct. Any other individuals who may be reasonably construed as being associated with a team shall be subject to the jurisdiction and authority of The League. Any coach or team official can be held responsible for any individual associated with his/her team at any game.

B. Coach or Spectator Misconduct

1. All coaches in the recreational and instructional divisions must use positive coaching techniques. Positive coaching techniques means the coach will guide, encourage, correct, and train his/her players with kindness, cheerfulness, and respect. Any coach who displays anger, rudeness, or grouchiness towards a player, coach, or referee may be expelled from the game by any referee or board member. A coach who is expelled must leave the Sedalia Community Center Building. A coach who repeatedly shows an unwillingness to use positive coaching techniques will be replaced as coach by the PKSA board.

2. All coaches, players, and spectators at any PKSA game must conduct themselves at all times using good sporting behavior. Any person who displays anger, rudeness, or grouchiness towards a player, coach, or referee may be expelled from the game by any referee or board member. A person who is expelled must leave the Sedalia Community Center Building.

6.2 Profanity and Unsporting Conduct

Inappropriate language or conduct by any individual will not be tolerated either on or off the field. Such conduct may result in expulsion from within sight or sound of the game. Inappropriate language shall mean all words describing human body waste, sexuality, or religious or racial epithets which, in the opinion of the referee or board member, are spoken solely for the purpose of complaint or offense.

6.3 Compensation

No player shall receive any compensation for services rendered to a team or receive any promises of compensation.

6.4 Smoking & Alcohol

There will be no drinking of alcoholic beverages, smoking or use of tobacco products at any Paul Klover Soccer event or on the City of Sedalia or Park Department Property.

6.5 Referee Authority

The referee(s) are in complete charge of the field and adjacent areas from the time they arrive at the game site until they depart. The referee is empowered to enforce the Laws of the Game in connection with the match to which he/she has been appointed.

The referee may terminate a game for coach, player, or spectator misconduct. Teams causing the termination directly or by association will forfeit the game.

6.6 Park Rules

All Park, Church, or School district rules where games are played shall be

respected and obeyed.

6.7 Red Cards & Suspensions

Players or coaches are subject to match suspensions according to the following:

Any player or coach who is sent off from any league match due to striking, punching, hitting, kicking, spitting, or any action that reflects deliberate harmful intent shall be removed from the game and suspended for the remainder of the season, absent some mitigating circumstances as decided by the board.

Any player, coach, or fan who verbally abuses a player, coach, or referee during any league match as documented on the Referee's Report of the match shall automatically be expelled from the facility and suspended for the season, absent some mitigating circumstances as decided by the board.

Any player who receives a red card or coach who is dismissed, in any league match other than for the circumstances listed above shall be removed from the facility and automatically be suspended for a minimum of one (1) additional league match.

The PKSA Board shall have the right to add additional or reduce the number of matches in a suspension without a hearing.

Players or coaches who are dismissed or sent off from a game, for whatever reason, shall serve their suspensions at the next sanctioned event(s) for that particular team. The suspension is required to be for "played games," and as such if the next scheduled game for that team is a forfeit, or is rescheduled, then the suspension carries to the next game that is actually played by the team. A player shall not participate in any other Paul Klover activity until the original suspension is served

Failure of a coach/player/team official to remain out of sight and out of sound after being sent off or dismissed may result in a forfeit and further suspensions.

Coaches who are dismissed from a game in any one season may not coach for any team within Paul Klover Soccer until approval is granted by the Paul Klover Soccer League Board of Directors.

Any parent who is dismissed from a game must remain out of sight and sound of the field. Failure to do so could lead to the referee terminating the game and resulting in a forfeit win for the opponent, suspension of the parent's child from the league, and/or PKSA prosecuting the individual for trespass.

PKSA FUTSAL LEAGUE
SECTION VII: CONCUSSION PREVENTION/PROTECTION

7.1 Heading the Ball

Pursuant to the new MYSA regulations, in all divisions 11U and younger, the players shall not head the ball. If a player in one of these divisions deliberately heads the ball, the referee shall stop play, explain to the player that heading the ball will not be allowed until an older division, and award an indirect free kick to the opposing team at the spot of the infringement, unless the infringement takes place in the goal box, then it shall take place on the goal line nearest the location of the infringement. Accidental heading is ignored.

7.2 Suspected Concussions

Any time a player shows the signs of a concussion, the coach or referee shall follow the following concussion procedure:

1. The coach and the referee shall discuss whether the player exhibits the signs of a concussion. If no, play resumes. If yes, move to step 2.
2. The coach and referee determine if emergency response is needed. If so, a call is made to 911. If no, then the player is removed from the game and watched for signs of worsening symptoms.
3. The coach informs the parent of the signs of worsening symptoms that would require emergency action.
4. The parent has the player evaluated by a doctor. The player may not return to play until cleared to play by his/her doctor.