## **8U Division ALL American Turkey Tournament Guidelines.**

## **GUIDELINES**

- **Ball Size:** A size 3 soccer ball is used.
- **Equipment:** Shin guards and they must be worn under socks. Soccer cleats are needed.
- **Accessories:** All jewelry must be removed including earrings. However, medic ID bracelets are allowed if covered by tape or a sweathand.
- Coaches: Coaches are to coach from the sideline.
- **Players:** Game is played 7 vs 7 (6 players on the field and a goalkeeper) with 10 players per team.
- Game Duration: 2 20-minute halves, 10-minute quarters. EVERYONE MUST PLAY 2 QUARTERS!!!!!! NO PLAYER CAN PLAY 4 QUARTER UNTIL EVERYOTHER PLAYER HAS PLAYED 3 QUARTERS.
- Goalkeeper: Goalkeeper can play 2 quarters per game. MUST ALTERNATE THE PLAYER AFTER THEY PLAYED 2 QUARTERS.
- **Conduct:** No pushing, biting, punching, kicking, screaming, foul language (applies to kids as well!). No dogs on the fields, no exceptions. Children should be competitive, not the Adults! **THIS IS NOT THE WORLD CUP.**
- **Rules:** Hand balls inside the box will be a free kick from outside the box. **NO PENTALY KICKS.**
- **Throw In's:** Players must throw-in from out of bounds (no kickin's). Egregious throw-in infractions should be penalized by giving possession to the other team to take the throw-in.
- Offside rule: There is no offside in this division, HOWEVER, PLEASE DO NOT HAVE YOUR PLAYERS STAND ON THE OTHER SIDE OF FIELD BY THE GOAL.
- **Emphasis:** "Development over Winning" = dribbling, kicking, throw ins. Soccer Objectives: Score and Prevent Scoring
- If a player has higher skills and is scoring lot of goals, please sit them a  $2^{nd}$  time or play them as goalie.