

Douglas County Middle School Soccer League Rule Modifications

- A. Soccer games will be scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays. Friday will be a makeup Date (boys and girls games will rotate).
- B. All teams will turn in a roster by the first game to the Conference Secretary. This eligibility list (roster) will include each athlete's name, grade and birthday.
- C. Each Half will be 25 minutes in length with a 10 minute halftime warm-up period.
- D. League games that end in a tie score after regulation play will immediately go to penalty kicks.
- E. Playoff games ending in a tie will go to 2 X 5 minute overtime then to Penalty Kicks if necessary.
- F. The total officials bill will be divided by 8, not including playoff and championship games and sent to each school.
- G. No steel toed shoes, uniforms including Goalkeeper jerseys must be school approved.
- H. Referees must be at least high school age.
- I. Forfeiture of Games:
 - a. Games will be forfeited after a fifteen-minute grace period.
 - b. In the event a team has advance notice of forfeiting a game, the team should contact the Conference Secretary by 2:30 on the day before the game of this decision.
 - c. In the event a team has advance notice of forfeiting a game, the team should contact the opposing team by 2:30 on the day of the game day to allow the opposing team time to make different plans.
 - d. A team forfeiting a game will pay for the officials for that game regardless if said team was the home or visiting team.
 - e. A team that forfeits a game will pay a \$100.00 fine to the Douglas County Middle School Conference
- J. Parents are not allowed to assist in coaching.
- K. Coaches ejected from games may be replaced by an administrator or faculty member from their school.
- L. Mercy Rule: In accordance with the National Federation allowance for a state adoption (Rule 7-2), when there is a competitive imbalance between the teams, the match will be shortened as follows:
 - a. If a team is seven (7) or more goals down at the midpoint of the first half, that will be considered the end of the half, and the teams will play a twenty (20) minute second half.
 - b. If a team is seven (7) or more goals behind at halftime, the second half will be restricted to twenty (20) minutes.
 - c. When a team is ten (10) or more goals behind in the second half, the game will be terminated.