

## Every Question You Could Ever Think to Ask About Indoor Soccer. 2019 Edition.

### 1. What is Indoor Soccer?

Well, it's like outdoor soccer but it's played indoors. The rules are mostly the same as the outdoor soccer rules. It's played on a turf field. Unlike some indoor soccer leagues there are no walls in ours though.

### 2. What does it cost to play indoor soccer?

U5/6 - \$70

U7 - \$80

U9 and above - \$90

### 3. What? Why so much?

Renting indoor field space is fairly expensive and our teams tend to be smaller. But still, it's at most only \$15 an hour.

### 4. Why is there not a member/resident discount?

Because we want to welcome players from other communities and because the games are played in North Royalton. It wouldn't be fair to charge N. Royalton residents a different fee to play in their city.

### 5. What ages play indoor soccer?

We have a combined U5 and U6 league. A U7 league. And A U9 and U11 league. Depending upon numbers we may spread the older age groups out to a three year age groups to accommodate more kids.

### 6. I heard that boys and girls play on the same teams. Is that true?

Yes. The teams are all co-rec. But, that said, occasionally we will have an all-girl teams that wants to play and we generally allow that. We are fairly flexible on who gets to play. We just want the kids to play.

### 7. When do games start and end?

U9 and above games start November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Games are played 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

U7 and below games start November 16<sup>th</sup>

Games are played 11/16, 11/23/, 11/30, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

### 8. What time are games played?

U5 – U7 games are played at 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 and 12:00. Additional times depending upon number of teams involved.

U9 and above games begin at 1:00 PM and can start as late as 7:00 PM. Again, depending upon the number of teams involved.

**9. Where are games played?**

U5-U7 games are played at the rec center in the Auxiliary gym on the turf floor.

U9 and above games are played at the Royalton Fieldhouse located at 10701 Royalton Rd. In North Royalton. Note that space at the Fieldhouse outside of game space is limited. It gets crowded before and after games. Just to forewarn you.

**10. How many are on a team?**

U5-U7 there are 6 to 7 per team

U9 and above there can be up to 12.

**11. How long are games?**

U5-U7 games are 4 x 10 minute quarters

U9 and above games are 2 x 25 minute halves.

It's important to note here that for the U9 and above games, they must start exactly at the top of the hour. Otherwise that pushes all the games afterward back. There really is no warming up before the game.

**12. Do you need coaches?**

Always.

**13. When are practices?**

There are no practices, just games.

**14. Can our outdoor team play together indoors?**

Maybe. It depends on the make-up of the league. Since it's co-rec we can't have a team of all boys.

**15. When will I hear from a coach?**

Usually 1-2 weeks after registration ends. Sometimes that is delayed if we are having trouble finding coaches.

**16. What do we do the day of the first game? Just show up?**

Yep, that's pretty much it. It is not unusual to meet your coach for the first time the day of the first game. That is usually when we hand out jerseys as well. Since there is not a lot of lead time for registration ending and games starting, the first week is usually very chaotic. Don't worry, it gets better after the first week.

**17. What kind of shoes do they wear?**

Same cleats as you use for outdoor soccer, just make sure they are clean.

**18. What are the ball sizes?**

U5/6 use a #3 ball and everyone else uses a #4 ball.

**19. What are the rules for indoor soccer?**

For the U9 and above the rules are basically the same as outdoor soccer except for the length of the game and we play halves instead of quarters.

U5/6/7 the rules are the same which is, there really aren't any rules. They just play.

**20. Where can I get a copy of the rules?**

You don't need one.

**21. Where can I find a schedule?**

Online at [www.bhrec.org/scoreboard/soccer](http://www.bhrec.org/scoreboard/soccer)

Also, note that since we usually don't know the number of teams we have until very near to the start of the season, schedules may not be out until a week or so prior to the first game. But refer back to the above question, "when are games?" That should give you a good idea of when you will be playing.

U7 and below, plan on Saturday mornings. U9 and above, plan Saturday afternoons. Sorry, that's the best I can do.

**22. Do we get uniforms?**

Yes. And like I said above, you will usually get them the first game day.

**23. Do coaches get game balls?**

No, they don't need them as we provide them at the games.

**24. Are there referees?**

For U9 and up, yes.

For U5/6 no.

For U7, probably. But the referee is more like a coach than a referee.

**25. Can we make up our own rules?**

No.... well, not for the U9 and above, for the little kids? Maybe. If they make it more fun. Heck, come to think of it, if it makes the game more fun, I don't care if you make up rules. As long as both coaches agree.

**26. My Daughter (or I suppose son) just got her/his ears pierced. Not a problem is it?**

Big problem. You cannot play if you have earrings in. No way around it and you cannot tape them over.

**27. Can games be rescheduled?**

No. We have limited space at the Fieldhouse that we have rented and that is all we have.

Games can't be moved or rescheduled.

**28. Do you keep score?**

Not really. The older kids tend to know the score but we don't officially keep score. Remember, indoor soccer is just for fun and to keep the kids active when the weather gets bad.

**29. What if it snows?**

Well, you're indoors so.... Unless the police say to stay off the roads, we will play.

**30. How many can be on a team?**

Older kids all play 6v6 so 11 would be the max. Rule of thumb is double the number that play on a side minus the goalie.

Little kids probably no more than 7 or so.

**31. I want to yell at the ref. Can I?**

No. Remember, this is not serious, it's just for fun. No yelling at the ref for any reason unless it's something like "Great job ref!" But you can't even say that if it's meant to be sarcastic.

**32. Is there offside in indoor soccer?**

U9 and above, yes.

**33. What is offside?**

Look it up. Or better yet, don't worry about it.

**34. Are there goalies?**

U9 and up, yes.

**35. Is there a goal differential rule like there is in outdoor soccer?**

No, we really don't keep score so it doesn't matter.

**36. Are headers allowed?**

No.

**37. Is there a picture day?**

No, not a formal one. But you are always welcome to take pictures.

**38. Do we get medals or trophies?**

No.