



PLAYER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

Kentucky Youth Soccer Technical Committee has reviewed the implementation of the build-out line for 7v7 games with US Soccer and neighboring state associations. After several discussions, the committee came to the consensus that commencing Fall 2017 the rule should be implemented for all 7v7 games but the half-way line should be used.

Below are the rules that have been written by US Soccer which Kentucky Youth Soccer Technical Committee would like to adopt.

Build Out Line

In conjunction with the US Soccer Player Development Initiatives, Kentucky Youth Soccer will be using half-way line as the build-out line for all 7v7 game.

- A. On a goal kick the opposing team's players must be outside their own half of the field until the ball is in play.
- B. When the goalkeeper has the ball in his or her hands during play from the opponent, the opposing team must move behind the build out line until the ball is put into play
- C. Once the opposing team is behind the build out line, the goalkeeper can pass, throw, or roll the ball into play (**punts and drop kicks are not allowed**)
- D. Ideally, the goalkeeper will wait to put the ball into play once all opponents are past the build out line
- E. However, the goalkeeper can put the ball into play sooner but he or she does so accepting the positioning of the opponents and the consequences of how play resume
- F. After the ball is put into play by the goalkeeper, the opposing team can cross the build out line and play resumes as normal
- G. To support the intent of the development rule, coaches and referees should be mindful of any intentional delays being caused by opponents not retreating in a timely manner or encroaching over the build out line prior to the ball being put into play
- H. Coaches are responsible for addressing these types of issues with their players
- I. Referees can manage the situation with misconduct if deemed appropriate
- J. Referees should be flexible when enforcing the 6 second rule and counting the time of possession should only begin when all opponents have moved behind the build out line.
- K. Normal offside rule applies