



**SOUTH TEXAS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #12
(One Change per Form, Please)**

SECTION I: ADD OR CHANGE A RULE

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes No

Primary Page No(s): General Rules of Play Pages 5 (13U-19U)

Secondary Page No(s): _____

Rule Location: **GENERAL RULES OF PLAY ALL LEVELS AND AGES EXCEPTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO FIFA LAWS**

Title of Section(s): 13U-19U table within section 6.1.3

Rule as it presently reads:

Age	Markings on the field	Minimum Dimensions	Maximum Dimensions
13U-19U	Field Size	(W) 50 x (L) 100 yards	100 x130 yards (W) 75 x (L) 112 yards (USSF suggested)
	Goals	24 x 8 feet	
	Center Circle	10 yards in radius	
	Penalty Area	18 x 44 yards	
	Goal Area	6 x 20 yards	
	Penalty Spot	12 yards and perpendicular from the midpoint of the goal line	
	Penalty Arc	10 yards radius form the penalty spot	
	Offside	The FIFA Offside Rule shall Apply	

Table 6.1.3(A)
(Changed 2.21.16)

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

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13U-19U

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Duration of Match (Law 7)	See STYSA Rule 6.1.5 Length of Games	

Ball Size (Law 2)	Size 5
Number of Players (Law 3)	See STYSA Rule 6.1.1 11 players (10 field players and 1 goalkeeper) Game may not start or continue if there are less than 7 players on the field for a team
Heading	Permitted
Offside	The FIFA Offside Rule shall Apply

Table 6.1.3(A)

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SECTION II - JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE:

Provide justification for the proposed change

General Rules of Play: 6.0-6.1.2.

Specific to the 11v11 game format
Table 6.1.3(A)

Current rules are included in this proposal as there are multiple corrections/updates that are required by ALL US SOCCER MEMBERS to meet US Soccer Player Development Initiatives. The PDIs went into effect nationwide on August 1, 2016 for all US Soccer members.

This STYSA document requires updating to be in compliance with the US Soccer Player Development Initiative Mandates which went into effect on August 1, 2017. Our STYSA rules are out of date and inaccurate. Many of these US Soccer rules have already been implemented and are being used throughout South Texas but our rules document has not been updated to reflect the new mandate.

STYSA implemented most of these changes in August 2016 under the guidance of USYS so the need for updating our documents is important at this summer GBM as we are already out of compliance. Updating our rules provides our members additional clarity and allows for consistency.

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Rules Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommends approval.

Executive Committee Recommendation: The Executive Committee recommends passage.