**Walterboro Soccer Club**

*Local Recreational Program Structure*

**Topic**: New structure for the local recreation program that is played in-house at the club.

**Implementation Date**: Spring 2020

**Match Formats:**

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| **Age** **Group** | **Format** | **GK** | **Roster Size** | **Field** **Size** | **Off** **Sides** | **Ball** **Size** | **Game Duration** | **Throw** **ins** | **Punting** |
| 6U | 4V4 | No | 6-8 | 30x20 | no | 3 | (2) 12 Min Halves | no | no |
| 7U | 4V4 | No | 6-8 | 30x20 | no | 3 | (2) 12 Min Halves | no | no |
| 8U | 4V4 | No | 6-8 | 30x20 | no | 4 | (2) 12 Min Halves | no | no |
| 9U | 5v5 | Yes | 7-9 | 40x30 | no | 4 | (2) 20 Min Halves | yes | no |
| 10U+ | 5v5 | Yes | 7-9 | 40x30 | no | 4 | (2) 20 Min Halves | yes | no |

**Match Rules:**

* Standard 4V4 Rules can be modified slightly
	+ <http://www.gotsport.com/Content/directors/upimg/dir3154/jysc%203%20v%203%20rules.pdf>
* 5v5 rules should be the same as 4v4 except the changes above

**Benefits:**

* Dramatically more touches for each player
* More goal scoring opportunities which is important to young players
* More 1v1 situations and opportunities for individual development
* Less positional concerns for coaches & more free play
* Faster more fun games
* Better age groupings with the smaller format.
* Less tactical requirements for coaches to cover in training which allows more technical development