



## **Giannetti Cup 2019 8v8 Rules**

All rules are the same as the 11 v 11 rules, except where noted below.

Each team shall consist of at least 7, and not more than 8 players, on the field of play.

### **OFFSIDE**

There will be no offside violations.

### **FREE KICKS**

Five (5) yards shall be given automatically on all free kicks. Failure to yield 5 yards shall result in a yellow card for delay of game.

### **KICK OFF**

The ball may be kicked backward at kick off.  
A goal may be scored directly from a kick off.

### **THROW-INS**

Restarts for balls out of bounds at the touchlines shall be in-direct kicks instead of throw-ins.

### **GOALKEEPER**

When the goalkeeper punts or throws the ball, the ball must make contact with the ground or any player prior to crossing the midfield line. Once a goalkeeper has gained control of the ball she must release the ball within five seconds. After releasing, the keeper may play the ball like any other player which includes kicking the ball over the midfield line. If a punt or throw from the goalkeeper fails to make contact with the ground or another player prior to crossing the midfield line, restart is an indirect free kick for the opposing team at the point where the ball crossed the midfield line.