## **Red Raider Soccer Academy League Rules**

## **PLAYING RULES:**

- 1. All players must be registered with US Club Soccer. Registration is the responsibility of the affiliate member coach or director.
- 2. U9 and U10 games will be 7v7 with a max roster of 12 players. U6-U8 will be 4v4 (no goal keeper) with a max roster of 8 players.
- 3. Coach negotiation for single game changes are allowed.
- 4. Field size, markings and goal size will be modified for age appropriateness as determined by the Academy League field provider and USSF recommendations.
- 5. Teams may play with as few as six players (3 for U6/U8). It is allowable for the opponent or club to provide additional players to the other team if they are inclined to do so the emphasis being on playing and development.
- 6. A club may share players across age-appropriate teams within the restrictions placed on teams playing up in age i.e., a U9 team playing up may not borrow U10 players from the club but may borrow other U9 players from the club
- 7. Teams playing in the league must roster players from their home city. They may roster a player from an outside city with the corresponding FC Dallas Midland/Odessa, FC Dallas Lubbock, or HPD academy director permission. All outside teams may apply and must pass board vote to enter league.
- 8. Ball Size is #4 for all age groups
- 9. Home team will change in the event of a color conflict. Home team listed first on the schedule.
- 10. All games will consist of 20 minute halves and a five minute half time
- 11. Offside will be called in all u9-u10 games. Obnoxious offside play will be corrected in U6-U8 age groups.
- 12. Generally, there will be no retaking of improper throw-ins in U9-U10games, though the referee may give consideration to the age, level of development and cycle of the season.
- 13. Substitutions will occur from the halfway line during any stoppage of play by the team in possession; at the referee's discretion, the team not in possession may be allowed to substitute when the team in possession chooses to make a substitution.
- 14. If a red card is issued to a player, the offending team is permitted to continue play at full strength, but the offending player is not permitted to participate further in that match.

## **FACILITY RULES:**

- 1. Parents are required to sit in the grand stands when watching games on the main field. Parents are not to be permitted on the game field or along the East fence line.
- 2. NO PETS!! Allowed in the John B Walker Soccer complex at Texas Tech University (unless you are the wife of the head coach and have a very small cute dog named Gracie).
- 3. Children playing behind the grand stands are strictly PROHIBITED. Climbing on fences is strictly PROHIBITED
- 4. Shade tents are strictly PROHIBITED, inside the complex.
- 5. Tents may be used next to outside grass fields.
- 6. Please throw away all trash.
- 7. Parents are not allowed to yell at coaches or refs—any issues and parent will be asked to leave with their child immediately, or TTU Police will be called.
- 8. Public restrooms will be available. Texas Tech Soccer field house will not be available to the public.
- 9. No TOBACCO OR SUNFLOWER seeds in the indoor or near turf areas
- 10. We have the right to remove anyone from our facility for not complying with rules.