



Welcome everyone to the 29th Annual Richmond Thanksgiving Soccer Tournament. It will be a busy weekend with 189 teams participating U8-U18 Let's have a great weekend of soccer and sportsmanship!!

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the territory of the hən'q'əmin'əm' language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we play soccer and live, and upon where the Musqueam people continue their traditions and cultural education.

Thank-you to the City of Richmond Parks and Recreation Department for their ongoing support of this huge community sports event.

Please pick-up your team's festival tshirts from the tournament desk.

Thank-you to the following tournament sponsors:

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- Drive Basketball
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- McArthurGlen

**Fields** – Minoru 2 and Minoru Mini (behind Gateway Theatre)

<https://www.richmond.ca/parks/parks/about/amenities/images/sfg68.pdf>

**PARENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO STAND ON FIELDS AND WATCH. THEY MUST BE OUTSIDE THE FENCE.**

	Minoru 2 NW	Minoru 2 NE
	Minoru 2 SW	Minoru 2 SE
<b>Tournament Desk</b>	<b>PATH</b>	<b>WAY</b>
	Minor Mini	Ball Diamond Infield
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## Rules of Play - 2022 Richmond Thanksgiving U8-U10 Festival

*(These rules have been adapted from the BC Soccer recommended modifications of the FIFA Laws of the Game)*

**Referees** – provided by the Richmond FC. Referee controls the game. RFC encourages coaches to lead by example and respect the referees and their calls. The referees at U8-U10 are typically 12, 13, and 14 year old players from the boys and girls clubs. They have taken the Small-Sided Referee course and passed the written exam and assessment. They are learning too and being assessed by Head Referee.

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This is a game  
Everyone's here to have fun  
Officials are human  
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## #1 RULE - HAVE FUN!!!!!!

**Ball size** – 4

**Players on field** – U8-U9 6 v 6 (including goalie) and U10 7v7 (including goalie)

**Playing time** – equal playing time for all players.

**Substitutions** – at stoppage of play only with referee's permission

**Game time** – two (2) 20-minute halves with 4 minute half time and change ends.

**Scoring** – score from anywhere, no offside.

**Fouls** – referee calls.

**Kickoff** – all players in own half, opponents **retreat 8 metres**

**Free kicks** – all indirect. Opponent **retreat 8 metres**.

**Corner kicks** – opponents **retreat 8 metres**

**Penalty kicks** – none

**Goal kicks/RETREAT LINE RULE** – goal kicks can be taken from anywhere is penalty box. Opponents **retreat halfway (meaning halfway between the centre line and end line)** and the ball must leave the 'penalty box'. A goal cannot be scored directly from a goal kick. **The Festival will be using the "retreat line" rule for goal kicks.**

**Players from the opposition must “retreat” halfway** to allow the goalkeeper to play the ball out of the box on the ground with a pass to his teammate rather than just punting the ball in the air down field. Please follow the goal kick retreat line rule. The referee will stop the game to ensure that the Retreat Line Rule is being followed.