

National 5-a-side Football Years 3-4

General Instructions and Rules of the Competition

(In conjunction with football in the community trust)

- This will not be a competitive competition but an opportunity for the children to participate, socialise and have fun in sports.
- The ball should be size 3
- Pitch size; 30 yds 20yds
- 'Pugg' goals will be used.
- The goal area extends 5yds from the goal line across with width of the pitch, marked with cones on the touch-line or discs across the pitch.
- Each game should last no longer than 10 minuets (5 mins each side).
- Kick off from the centre of the field to start the game and after a goal is scored.
- Throw ins should be taken the normal way.
- Goal keepers must throw the ball rather than kick.
- All free kicks are indirect. Opposition to be at least 3yds away. No penalty kicks.
- Substitutes may be used at any time during a game.
- Corner kicks are as normal except opposition should be at least 3yds away.
- Goalkeepers can handle the ball in the penalty area and no restrictions on the number of steps they take with the ball.
- Goal kicks are taken anywhere on the edge of the penalty area across the width of the field. Opposition should be 3yds away.
- There is no restriction on the number of players allowed in the goal area.
- Players can pass the ballot their goal keeper, for the goal keeper to handle the ball.
- All players are required to wear shin pads.
- There are no off-side rules.