

TEMPORARY GAME MODIFICATIONS

FALL 2020



Intentional body contact (shoulder to shoulder, backing in, pulling shirt, shorts or mask) will result in an Indirect Free Kick restart or other applicable foul or misconduct based on the referee's decision.

Incidental and unintentional contact is allowed during foot to ball tackles.



Slide Tackling will result in an Indirect Free Kick restart or other applicable foul or misconduct based on the referee's decision.

"Going to the ground" to save a ball from going out of touch or intercept a pass is allowable if no players are within 6 ft.

All deliberate heading of a soccer ball is suspended for all ages.

Goalkeepers are not permitted to use their head to clear the ball.

Any deliberate heading will result in an Indirect Free Kick (IDFK) restart.



Throw-Ins are suspended. Restarts from the sideline will be an Indirect Free Kick (IDFK) from the spot on the touchline where the ball went out of play.

The ball may enter the penalty area. There are no changes to Offside rule, Offside will be enforced for all Direct and Indirect free kick restarts.

Corner Kicks are replaced by an Indirect Free Kick (IDFK). The ball must be placed in the corner area nearest to the point where the ball passed over the goal line.

The ball may directly enter the penalty area. Players must separate by 6 ft or more prior to the IDFK being taken.



No Spitting or Nose Clearing

Avoid touching the ball with hands (use feet to place ball)

No handshakes, high fives or group celebrations.

Players must Physical distance by 6 ft on sidelines.

