

# Futsal San José



### **Manual for Winter Season 2008**

#### Welcome!

Welcome to our Winter 2008 season of the Futsal San José League. Futsal San José is affiliated with the California North Futsal Association and the United States Futsal Federation. The league had its first season in Winter 2007 with 25 teams. This season we nearly trippled the number of teams and are now using three gyms for our games! This manual has information for teams and coaches, including contact information, the code of conduct, rules, and more.

Please remember the main reason for for this league is to have fun playing Futsal!

### **Equipment**

#### **Players**

All teams must have a uniform with a specific color, numbered shirts and a distinct goalie shirt. Players must have shin guards, indoor shoes (tennis shoes or Futsal shoes) and shorts (a goal keeper can use long pants). We will provide goals and game balls. Coaches must make sure to have their teams' player passes, the medical information and waiver forms, and their own coach's pass (no pass -> no game, this rule will be enforced this year!).

#### Referees

Referees are expected to have the standard Futsal (or soccer) referee uniform, including a yellow/red shirt with stripes, black shorts, black socks with 3 white stripes and indoor Futsal or tennis shoes and must be registered with USFF. Referees that want to referee games need to contact our referee scheduler.

## **Facilities**

This year we have three gyms in operation. All U10 and some U12 games will be played at the location in Los Gatos, at the Addison-Penzak Jewish Community Center (14855 Oka Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95032, close to the 17/85 intersection, take 17 South, turn West on Lark, right on Oka). Note that all adults must have a picture ID to enter the Gym.

Most U12 games will be played at Sacred Heart School at Saratoga, in Saratoga, just South of the 85 Saratoga exit.

All our other games will be played at Gunderson High School, at 622 Gaundabert Lane, San Jose, CA 95136. This is close to the 87/85 intersection in South San Jose (take the Santa Teresa exit on 87 or 85, turn right at Thornwood, right at Winfield, right at Chynoweth, right at Gaundabert Ln).

Please remember that we are guests at those gyms and will not be allowed to come back should we abuse this privilege. So please: no trash or littering inside or outside the gym, no outdoor soccer balls inside gyms, no drinks or food in the gym except water, park in designated parking spots and drive responsibly.

#### **Setup and Cleanup**

First home team of the day:	First away team of the day:
<ul> <li>Setup scorer table</li> <li>score board keyboard / paper score</li> <li>move divider up or down as required</li> <li>move all hoops out of the way</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>put goals into position</li> <li>move benches to correct place (Gunderson)</li> </ul>
Last home team of the day cleanup gym:	Last away team of the day:
<ul> <li>go through all benches and sitting areas to cleanup trash</li> <li>Remove scorer table and keyboard</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Move goals to storage area</li><li>litter pick up in hallways</li></ul>

Every home team must provide a "volunteer" to operate the score board.

### **Local Rules**

The 2005 FIFA Futsal laws of the game are used by Futsal San Jose, with the following additions:

- All games start on schedule. If teams are not ready time is deducted from the first half. If a team shows up more than 5 minutes late the game is canceled.
- Clock keeps running except for timeouts and the last 2 minutes.
- At most two guest players, as long as the total number of players on your roster for that game is seven or less. Guest players must have a valid Futsal San Jose player pass and be of the correct age group.
- If a team is more than 7 goals ahead the score is no longer displayed.
- Goal clearance may not cross the center line (USFF Youth Futsal rules).
- Size #3 balls for U8 and U10, Size #4 for U12 and up.

# Standing / Scores / Protest

We keep standings and scores on our website for U10 and older teams. Teams get 3 points for a win, 1 for a tie, 0 for a loss, -1 for each red card (send off). We do not allow protests except for teams that played a game with illegal players (without Futsal San Jose player passes, too many guest players, or players that are too old). Coaches of such teams will be severely punished by the board of Futsal San Jose (see disciplinary actions below).

## **Disciplinary Actions**

The referee of a game and any league official will ask anyone not following the rules of conduct to leave the gym. The board will in all such cases (including red cards and coaches being sent away by referees) decide for how many additional games the player/coach/spectator will be banned, depending on the severity of the action. No refunds will be given if a team is banned for the rest of the season due to disciplinary problems. Board decisions are final and cannot be appealed.

## **Scheduling**

This season we will schedule all our games on weekends between 8am and 9pm. The seasons starts on December 1<sup>st</sup> and will run for 11 weekends. Every team will be able to play 10 games, unless our cancellation policy is violated (see below). Games at Gunderson are scheduled every 55min, games at our other locations are scheduled every 60min.

#### **Scheduling requests**

Scheduling requests and constraints can be emailed to <a href="info@futsalsj.org">info@futsalsj.org</a>. All constraints are published on the main schedule webpage. If the schedule for a weekend has already been published on the website no request will be accommodated. We plan to publish schedules at least 5 days in advance, hopefully, as much as a month in advance once the dust of opening day settles.

#### Cancellation

If you need to cancel a game contact the referee scheduler Rick immediately by phone or email (see contacts below) and also send an email to <a href="mailto:info@futsalsj.org">info@futsalsj.org</a> so that we can try to schedule another game at that time. If a game is canceled 48 hours before the game or earlier we will try to reschedule the game if there is a free spot at some point later in the season due to the cancellation of another game. Games canceled less than 48 hours in advance will not be rescheduled. If a game is canceled an email is sent to both coaches and the website is updated. We recommend that you check the website a few hours before the game to see if anything has changed.

# **Mailing Lists**

We communicate with our coaches and teams extensively via mailing lists. There is a separate mailing list for each age group and gender. Each team can subscribe as many people as needed (coach, assistant coach, team manager, ...), either by going through our website subscription page (click on 'mailing list') or send an email with the required details (email address, team) to info@futsalsj.org.



### Website

We use our website (<a href="http://www.futsalsj.org">http://www.futsalsj.org</a>) to publish all the necessary information for our teams and player in a timely manner. For example: any change in schedules is first published on the website and then sent out in emails as required. We highly recommend that you check the website for new information regularly (see web menu at the right). Send ideas, complaints, suggestions regarding the website to Claudio (info@futsalsj.org).

# Registration

In order to register a team fill out the team registration form, and then register your team online with USFF. Check our website for a "How To". Please bring pictures for every player (for the player passes), and a copy of the birth certificate or passport so we can check birth dates (we do not plan to keep the copies).

In case you have any problem with the online registration contact us at info@futsalsj.org.

#### **Board**

Feel free to contact board members if necessary. Email is usually preferred, but if you leave a voice mail please be sure to include your name, your teams name, and spell your phone number slowly digit by digit.

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### **Stores**

Or website lists stores that support teams playing for Futsal San José and offer up to 20% discount. Please check the website for more information.