

NEW RULES FOR WYSA RECREATIONAL GAMES FOR FALL 2019

ADAPTED FROM 2019-2020 IFAB RULES

Dropped ball Laws 8 & 9 Changes

- If play is stopped inside the penalty area, the ball will be dropped for the goalkeeper
- If play is stopped outside the penalty area, the ball will be dropped for one player of the team that last touched the ball at the point of the last touch
- In all cases, all the other players (of both teams) must be at least 4m (4.5yds) away
- If the ball touches the referee (or another match official) and goes into the goal, team possession changes or a promising attack starts, a dropped ball is awarded

Free kicks Law 13 Changes

- When there is a 'wall' of three or more defenders, the attackers are not allowed within 1m (1yd) of the wall; an attacker less than 1m (1yd) from the 'wall' when the kick is taken will be penalised with an indirect free kick
- When the defending team takes a free kick in their own penalty area, the ball is in play once the kick is taken; it does not have to leave the penalty area before it can be played

Goal kick Law 16 Changes

- The ball is in play once the kick is taken; it can be played before leaving the penalty area

Kick-off Law 8 Changes

- The team that wins the toss can now choose to take the kick-off or which goal to attack (previously they only had the choice of which goal to attack)

(to see the entire rulebook and changes, go to <https://www.theifab.com/laws> and http://static-3eb8.kxcdn.com/documents/786/111531_110319_IFAB_LoG_at_a_Glance.pdf) Note: above information abstracted from this reference

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