

**SUN CITY TACKLE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT
RULES & REGULATIONS 2008**

IDS WILL BE CHECKED BEFORE EACH GAME

I. INTRODUCTION

1. There will be two age groups: Minors 8-9 year olds Intermediates 10-11year olds.
2. There is a grace period of 10 minutes for each game. Once 11 players have arrived before the grace period the game will start.
3. Age will be determined as of September 1, 2008 for both age groups
4. All players must have a City of El Paso issued ID card. For out of town teams copy of birth certificate must be provided and/or school report cards. ID's will be checked prior to first game.
NO ID NO PLAY
5. Only kids that are on your roster that you submitted to the Acosta Center for the 2007 fall football season will be allowed to participate in the tournament (Your team will be allowed to add up to 2 additional players). No All Star teams allowed.
6. Your Roster must be turned in before your first game. You will not be allowed to add any players to your roster after your first game.

II. THE FIELD

1. The field will be 80 yards long, with 10 yard end zones for all games including playoffs.
2. Parent and cheerleader areas will be marked.
3. Parent(s) not adhering to these markings will be asked to leave.

III. TIME ELEMENTS

1. Quarters will be 10 minutes running clock, (clock will only stop on time outs and injuries). Single Elimination bracket play will be regular 8 minutes clock.
2. Half times will be 3 minutes long with one (1) minute intervals in between the 1st/2nd Quarters and 3rd/4th quarters.
3. Teams will be allowed two 60 second time outs per half. Time outs will not carry over. Over time There will be one timeout per team only.
4. There will be a ten (10) minute grace period for every game. A minimum of eleven (11) Players must be present. The site supervisor may extend the grace period or decrease it due to time constraints this is at their discretion.
5. Official time will be kept by the scorekeeper and/or the officials.

IV. PLAYING RULES

1. In the Minor Division there are NO kickoffs. Ball will be put in play at the 30 yard line. In the Intermediate Division there is NO kickoffs the ball will be placed at the 20 yard line. (This is done to cut down on injuries and to keep the game going).
2. After a safety, team who made the safety will have ball on its 20 yard line.
3. There are no 15 yard penalties!!!
4. After a touchback the ball will be put in place at the 20 yard line.
 - a) In the Minor Division, teams can call for a free punt on any down. There must be at least 6 defensive players on the line of scrimmage. The ball becomes dead where it first touches the ground on the air or on a muff and ball belongs to receiving team. A punt caught on the fly can be returned and if fumbled ball becomes live.
5. *In the Minor Division, the nose guard cannot line up directly over the center he must be one yard off the line of scrimmage.*
6. **TIES:** Games ending in ties will use the following tie-breaker:
 - a) Coin flip will be done for offense or defense.
 - b) Ball will be placed on 10 yard line.
 - c) Teams will have four downs to score or advance as far as possible.
 - d) Turnovers will stop possession and eliminate any yardage gained.
 - e) Team that scores more than opponent wins game.
 - f) If neither team scores, team advancing the farthest will win game (1 point)
 - g) In the Semi-final and Finals one team must win by scoring.
7. When one team is 30 points ahead in the second half, time will not stop (only on timeouts) When one team goes ahead by 36 points in the second half game will be declared over. (*Includes playoffs not the semi-final or final*)