



CALGARY WOMEN'S SOCCER ASSOCIATION

GENERATIONS UNITING TOGETHER

THE RULES OF INDOOR SOCCER 2018/19 SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Changes to the rules are indicated in bold and underlined

Rule 8 – The Start and Restart of Play

OLD:

- All players, except the player taking the kick off, must be in their own half of the field

NEW:

- All players, **except the player taking the kick off, must be** in their own half of the field

This was actually changed in 2017, but was left marked as a change in 2018, as that is when we first saw it in the Laws of the Game.

Rule 9 – The Ball In and Out of Play

OLD:

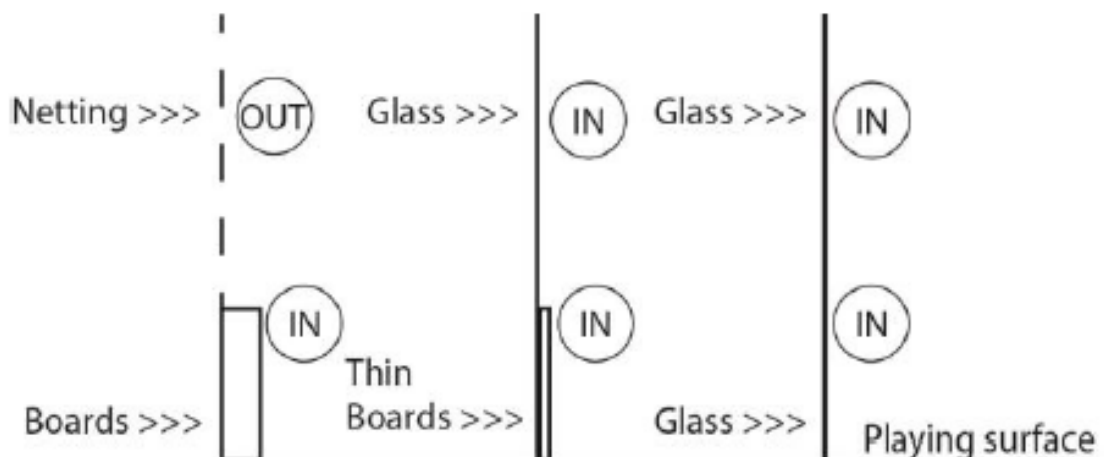
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NEW:

- **The glass above 'thin' boards is now in play, as it is difficult to judge a ball in or out at the joint of boards and glass**

This been changed as it was proving very difficult in the newer centres to recognize whether the ball has touched the boards or the glass.

The diagram has also been modified:



Rule 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

Serving Time Penalties

OLD:

- A player must serve the time penalty he is assessed unless:
 - It is his second caution in the match – in this case the player is sent off and a teammate of the player must serve the cautionable time penalty
 - A player is assessed a major time penalty. That player is sent off and a 5-minute major time penalty is assessed against the team, who play with one less player on the field of play, subject to the provisions of Rule 12. A team-mate of the player does not have to serve the major time penalty.

NEW:

- A player is assessed a major time penalty (**including a second caution in the match**). That player is sent off and a **2 or 5**-minute major time penalty is assessed against the team, who play with one less player on the field of play, subject to the provisions of Rule 12. A team-mate of the player does not have to serve the major time penalty.

Two bullet points have been merged into one for efficiency. It also means that a team mate does not have to serve a two-minute penalty for a player who received a second caution. It is now treated the same way as a 5 minute penalty, where the team plays short, but nobody sits in the penalty box.

Rule 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

No relief of Major Time Penalty

OLD:

- There is no relief of a major time penalty if a team is scored upon. The team continues to play shorthanded.

NEW:

- There is no relief of a major time penalty (**2 or 5 minute**) if a team is scored upon. The team continues to play shorthanded.

Clarifies that this applies to 2 and 5 minute Major Penalties.

Rule 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

Limit on Time Penalties

NEW:

- **‘Technical Offence Or’** has been added to the beginning of each bullet point.

Clarifies that the Limit on Time Penalties applies to all categories of penalties.

Rule 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

Time Penalties Assessed to a Player Already Serving a Time Penalty

OLD:

- If there are fewer than 5 minutes remaining in the match then the team must reduce the number of players on the field (subject to the minimum) to serve the additional penalty.

NEW:

- If there are fewer than 5 minutes remaining in the match then the team must reduce the number of players on the field (subject to the minimum) to serve the additional penalty, **to commence after all penalty time to the player has expired.**

Clarifies when the additional penalty will commence.