

Section One

Boys Soccer Booklet

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SOCCER RULES - NFHS

Please see the NYSPHSAA sports specific webpage for all applicable [Rules Changes](#)

Highlighted Rule Changes

13-3-1 SECTION 3 FREE KICKS HOW TAKEN

ART. 1...Players opposing the kicker shall be at least 10 yards from the ball until it is kicked, unless they are standing on their own goal line between the goal posts. If the free kick is awarded to the defending team in its penalty area, players opposing the kicker shall be outside the penalty area at least 10 yards from the ball and shall remain there until the ball is in play clears the penalty area. ***Where 3 or more defending team players form a wall, all attacking team players must remain at least 1 yard from the wall until the ball is in play.***

16-1-3 SECTION 1 GOAL KICK

ART. 3...Once spotted, the ball shall be kicked from the ground from any point within the goal area by a player of the defending team. The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.

16-1-4 SECTION 1 GOAL KICK

ART. 4...After the goal kick is properly taken ~~leaves the penalty area~~, the ball may be played by any player except the one who executes the goal kick. The kicker may not play the ball until it has been touched by another player.

*In essence, a goal kick can be initially played inside or outside of the penalty area. The opposing team may only enter the penalty area once the ball is touched to restart play.

GENERAL SECTIONAL PROTEST PROCEDURE

Regular season protest:

Officials shall enforce the rules and their decisions on points of fact are final. The officials can only correct a decision so long as the game has not been restarted. Protests of NFHS rules are not recognized. The officials shall not use video replays to assist in any decision (Rule 5-1).

Sectional protest:

It is the responsibility of the Host school to have available a copy of the rule book for all sectional games.

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A Protest committee of three - the site-coordinator, the rules interpreter (official) and the sectional chair. The game may not restart until a final decision is rendered. Once a final decision is rendered, there is no right of appeal and the games proceed to its conclusion.

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YELLOW CARD POLICY

It is the intention of the NYSPHSAA to address the issue of the accumulation of Yellow Cards during the soccer season by an individual player or coach. The situations surrounding Red Cards are dealt with directly under the NYSPHSAA Guidelines for Sportsmanship and Misconducts outlined in the State Handbook for all sports.

The consequences for the accumulation of excessive Yellow Cards will be as follows:

1. Three Yellow Cards accumulated by a single player or a coach in the regular season will result in a one game suspension. Disqualifications due to an accumulation of three yellow cards occurring in the last game of the season will carry over into the playoff season. If the team is not participating in Sectional play, the suspension carries over into the next participating season that the athlete partakes in.
2. The continued accumulation of Yellow Cards by the same individual (player or coach) will result in a one game suspension per additional Yellow Card. On the fifth yellow card, the athlete will sit for two games. The sixth yellow card and/or a third red card will result in a forfeiture of the rest of the season's games including the postseason.
3. In the event that the player or coach receives two Yellow Cards in the same game, resulting in a Red Card, the two Yellow Cards will not count toward the season total, since the individual will receive a one game suspension as a result of the misconduct and ejection.
4. The accumulation card total is for regular season play only and the process will start over again for postseason play. However, any penalties awarded as a result of the last regular season game will carry over into the postseason.
5. The postseason policy will provide a one game suspension after three Yellow Cards and a one game suspension for each additional card received through the State Final.
6. The coaches, or athletic directors, of both schools are to report all Yellow Cards to their League and Section by means of Mail, E-mail or Fax for tabulation. The officials should report to their boards concerning games in which cards are given and the reasons for issuance of the card.
7. Refusing to report, or failing to report infractions and allowing a player or a coach to continue play under these circumstances will result in the forfeiture of all games in which the individual in question participated.

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ENTERING THE SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

1. The following actions are the responsibility of the school/coach and need to be taken prior to the Seeding meeting. A link and reminders to complete these forms will go out through BOCES to your AD's:
 - a. Officials Ratings (submitted via Sportspak)
 - b. Non-Preferred Officials (submitted via Google Survey)
2. Schools must keep their schedule and game scores up-to-date on the Section One Score Board platform (www.section1athletics.org). For questions or concerns, please have your Athletic office contact Wanda Maffia in the Section One office at (914) 592-2526.
3. Please check with your Athletic Director if you are not familiar with ScoreBoard.
4. Both schools need to enter the results, as this is a way of confirming the result of the game.
5. The "Section Result" sheet will be pulled by the Section One office on or around the last day to play and be considered the official record for the school. It is extremely important that the schedule and scores included on your "Section Result" page is accurate because you will be attesting to it's accuracy for the purpose of seeding. This process has replaced the Game Result Sheet that was used in the past.

NOTE: All games to date must be entered in [Score Board](#) no later than 12:00pm Friday, October 15th. Schools are required to provide the sports chair(s) with the scores and results from games held after the submission of Score Board results.

ELIGIBILITY

NYSPHSAA Handbook

#26 Representation Rule

Minimum Number of Contests To be eligible for sectional, intersectional or state competition, a team must have completed in **six (6)** school scheduled contests which occurred on **six (6)** different dates during the season.

Team Sports: An individual is eligible for the team if he/she has been an eligible participant on a team in that sport in that school for a minimum of **six (6)** scheduled contests during the regular season.

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GENERAL PROCEDURES FOR RUNNING SECTIONAL SOCCER MATCHES

1. All soccer schools in Section One are expected to keep their facilities available for Sectional play until the completion of the Section One Soccer Tournament
2. The home team (higher seeded team) will wear their school colors, and the visiting team will wear white.
3. The winning coach shall **call/text Matthew Allen (914) 329-2864** by 9:30pm on the night the game was played.
4. **The Official Spalding TF-5000 ball must be used during all sectional, regional and state contests.**
5. The procedure for extra time games in the Sectional Tournament:
 - a. Two 15-minute, sudden victory halves will be played.
 - b. If still tied, proceed to penalty kicks. (In the finals, both teams are declared co-champions of the Section One Tournament and shake hands. Proceed to penalty kicks to determine team advancement into the state tournament).
 - c. Each coach will select any five players, on or off the field, except those who have been disqualified. The team winning the coin toss may opt to kick first or second. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
 - d. If the score remains tied, each coach will select five different players to take kicks in a sudden victory situation. If five additional players are not available (injury, disqualification), all players who did not participate in the first set of kicks must be used. The coach may then choose additional kickers from the first set of five. Sudden victory continues until a winner is produced.
 - e. If the score is still tied after the second set of PKs, the coach may select ANY 5 players for the third set (i.e. kicker #10 and #11 could be the same player) Sudden victory still applies.
6. For a home game, the host school is responsible for:
 - a. Chaperones
 - b. Score table and horn
 - c. Game balls, corner flags
 - d. Lined team areas as specified in handbook
 - e. Spectator separation from playing surface and teams (min 10 ft.)
7. For all Championship Games, Section 1 responsibilities include:
 - a. Announcer
 - b. Scoreboard Operator
 - c. Scorer
 - d. Site Coordinator
8. The official score will keep the game clock on the scoreboard throughout the regular season and playoffs. The Section will provide a timekeeper for the final round.
9. A player ejected from a game during the Section One Soccer Tournament will be suspended from the following Sectional or Intersectional contest if the team advances.
10. If a score exceeds a 10-goal difference in the second half, the game shall be terminated and the team ahead declared the winner. NOTE: One full half must be played for a game to be official.

****Reminder -** The clock operator will stop the clock when the team with a lead chooses to make a substitution on the field of play with under five minutes left to play in regulation. If the team who is losing chooses to make a substitution, the clock is to continue running.

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LEAGUES

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CONFERENCE I

League A

Arlington
Carmel
John Jay EF
Roy C. Ketcham

League B

Mamaroneck
Mt. Vernon
New Rochelle
Scarsdale

League C

Clarkstown So.
No. Rockland
Ramapo
Spring Valley
Suffern

League D

Fox Lane
Ossining
Port Chester
Scarsdale B
White Plains

League E

Arlington B

CONFERENCE II

League A

Gorton
Lincoln
Riverside
Roosevelt
Saunders
Yonkers

League B

Ardsley
Byram Hills
Eastchester
Harrison
Pelham
Rye
Sleepy Hollow

League C

Brewster
Horace Greeley
John Jay CR
Mahopac
Somers
Yorktown

League D

Hen Hud
Lakeland
OLL
Peekskill
Poughkeepsie
Walter Panas

League E

Clarkstown No.
Nanuet
Nyack
Pearl River
Tappan Zee

CONFERENCE III

League A

Blind Brook
Briarcliff
Pleasantville
Rye Neck
Valhalla
Westlake

League B

A. Magnus
Bronxville
Dobbs Ferry
Edgemont
Hastings
Irvington
Keio

League C

A. Hamilton
Leffell
Tuckahoe
Woodlands
YMA

League D

Croton
Haldane
No. Salem
Pawling
Put Valley

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CLASSIFICATIONS

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CLASS AA	CLASS A	CLASS B	CLASS C	Class D
Arlington Arlington B Carmel Clarkstown So. Fox Lane John Jay EF Mamaroneck Mt. Vernon New Rochelle No. Rockland Ossining Port Chester Ramapo RCK Scarsdale Scarsdale B Spring Valley Suffern White Plains	Ardsley Brewster Byram Hills Clarkstown No. Eastchester Gorton Harrison Hen Hud Horace Greeley John Jay CR Lakeland Lincoln Mahopac Nanuet Nyack OLL Pearl River Peekskill Pelham Poughkeepsie Riverside Roosevelt Rye Saunders Sleepy Hollow Somers Tappan Zee Walter Panas Yonkers Yorktown	A. Magnus Blind Brook Briarcliff Bronxville Croton Dobbs Ferry Edgemont Hastings Irvington Keio No. Salem Pawling Pleasantville Put Valley Rye Neck Valhalla Westlake Woodlands	A. Hamilton Haldane Leffell Tuckahoe YMA	