



CSFC – Cadence Soccer & Futsal Club | Player Safety

CSFC – Cadence Soccer & Futsal Club is dedicated to provide a safe and clean environment for all of its players, coaches, officials, parents, and participants. In addition to stringent and consistent maintenance and care of all of CSFC's affiliated facilities and equipment, we encourage our staff and parents to remain both knowledgeable of safety guidelines and supportive of player attitude and respect for their own safety and the safety of those around them.

Protective Headwear and Eyewear

FIFA Guidelines: Modern protective equipment such as headgear, facemasks, knee and arm protectors made of soft, lightweight, padded material are not considered dangerous and are therefore permitted.

FIFA also wishes to strongly endorse the statement on the use of sports spectacles made by the International FA Board on 10 March 2001 and subsequently in FIFA circular no. 750, dated 10 April 2001. New technology has made sports spectacles much safer, both for the player himself or herself and for other players. This applies particularly to younger players.

Goal Safety Best Practices

Goals must be properly anchored at all times in order to reduce the risk of injury. It is the responsibility of coaches and parents to caution players on the dangers of hanging on goals.

Illinois Youth Soccer Goal Safety Policy: Any coach who participates in practice or a game where the goals are not securely anchored shall be fined not less than \$200 and suspended for a minimum of not less than one calendar year from the date of the practice or game involved. In the event the goal is not securely anchored the entity (team, club, league, state) that has primary responsibility for the field or event upon which the unsecured goal is situated shall be fined \$1000. Coach means the head coach, any assistant coach, trainer or any other team official present at the time of the violation.

Each team shall maintain in written form a record for each team practice, in which the coach, assistant coach, trainer or other responsible person shall certify that he or she has performed a physical inspection of the goals used in the practice to verify the goals were securely anchored. (Revised 2/5/05)

Use of Artificial Surfaces

FIFA Guideline: FIFA stated that there was great interest in the introduction of these surfaces both for climatic reasons and for use in enclosed all seated stadia. Artificial surfaces (such as turf and futsal courts) are already permitted for qualifying matches in the FIFA Soccer and Futsal World Cup and Olympic Football Tournaments.

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