

# FUTSAL



## Knowledge 1 - Ball

- Size 4 futsal ball which is less bouncy (Commonly known as “low-bounce futsal ball”)



## Knowledge 2 - Goal

- A goal is scored when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, between the goalposts and under the crossbar



## Knowledge 3 - Player

- Maximum of five players, one of whom must be the goalkeeper
- A maximum of nine substitutes



## Goal Clearance

- The ball passes over the goal line (baseline) having last touched a player of the attacking team, and a goal is not scored
- Throw out by goalkeeper of the defending team within the penalty area

## Corner Kick

The ball passes over the goal line having last touched a player of the defending team, and a goal is not scored

## Knowledge 4 - Result

- The team scoring the greater number of goals during a match is the winner



## Knowledge 5 - General

- The ball must be put into play within 4 seconds after referee's signal



## Knowledge 6 - Offence and Free Kick

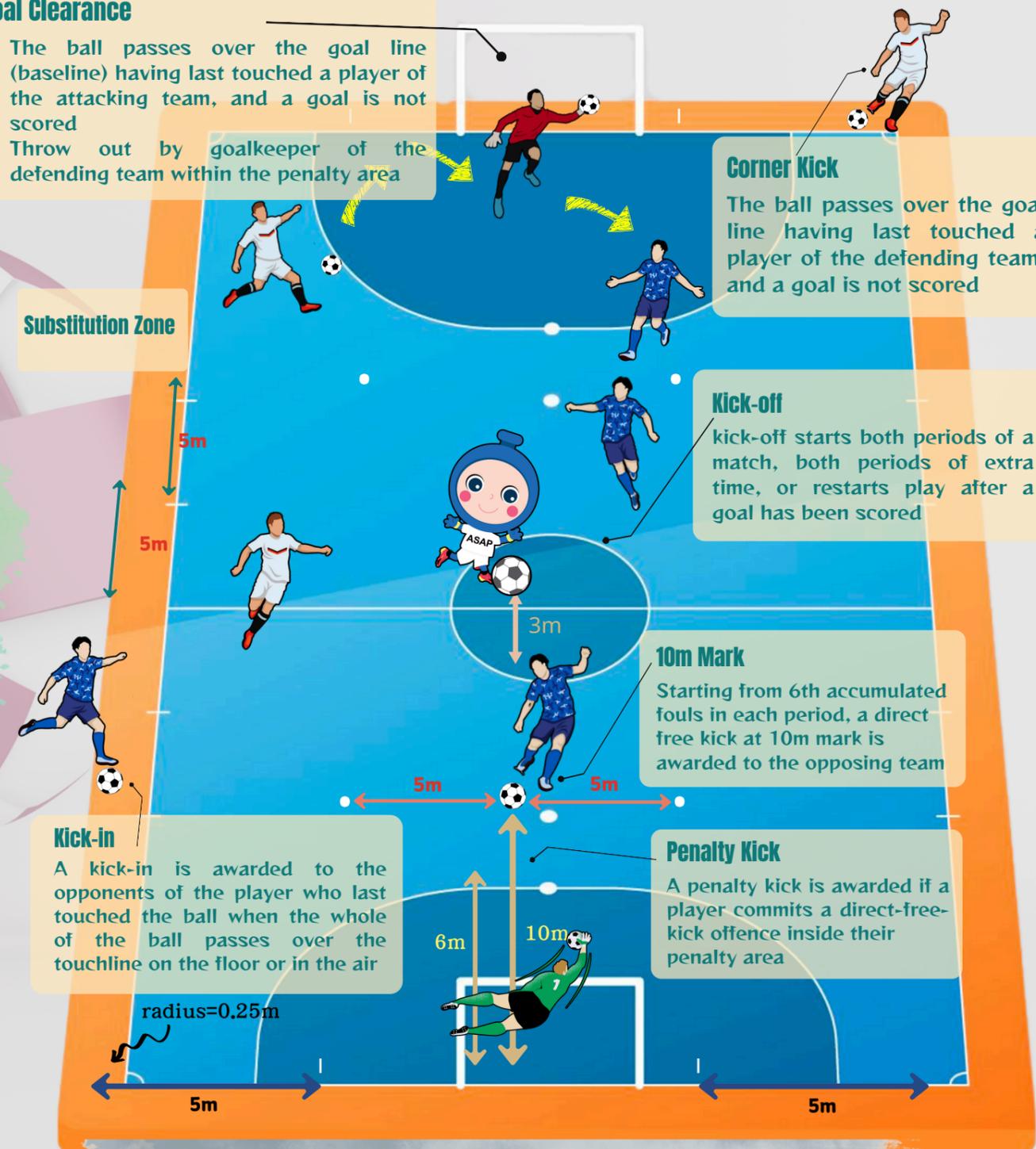
- A direct free kick is awarded if a player commits offences against an opponent in a careless or reckless manner or using excessive force
- All of the offences rewarding a direct free kick count as accumulated fouls



## Differences with 11-a-side Soccer

	Futsal	11-a-side Soccer
No of players	5	11
Substitution Procedure	At any time (except during a timeout)	During a stoppage in play
No. of Substitutions	Unlimited	Maximum of 5 substitutes (in maximum of 3 substitution opportunities)
Time	2 periods of 20 minutes	2 periods of 45 minutes
Offside*	No	Yes

\*A player in an offside position (any part of the head, body or feet is nearer to the opponents' goal line than both the ball and the second-last opponent) at the moment the ball is played or touched by a team-mate is only penalised on becoming involved in active play



Pitch Dimensions for International Matches

Length (touchline): 38—42m Width (goal line): 20—25m

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