Republic Parks & Recreation Futsal is an instructional program designed to help encourage youth to participate in recreational activities, providing educational and fun opportunities.

Program Begins:

Monday Session: November 10th, 2025 Tuesday Session: November 11th, 2025

All registrations are taken online! Visit www.recdesk.republicparks.com to login or create your account. Select "Youth Sports" and "Soccer" using the category filter. Individuals will NOT be allowed to participate until their parent or guardian has completed their online registration. Registration is September 22– October 26.

Program Fees:

Fees are collected at the time of registration. Program fees will be \$25 per participant, for the duration of all five weekly sessions.

Background Check:

All volunteer coaches are required to pass a background check (no cost to the volunteer) before they will be allowed to work as an instructor. Information regarding background checks is available at republicmo.com. Background checks are good for two years at which point a new submission will be required.

League Scrimmage Sessions:

There will be five consecutive weekly sessions. Session dates are as follows:

- Mondays
 - o Ages 6-8
 - November 10th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - November 17th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - November 24th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - December 1st: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - December 8th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - o Ages 9-11
 - November 10th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - November 17th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - November 24th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - December 1st: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - December 8th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - o Ages 11-13
 - November 10th: 7:45pm 9:00pm
 - November 17th: 7:45pm 9:00pm
 - November 24th: 7:45pm 9:00pm
 - December 1st: 7:45pm 9:00pm
 - December 8th: 7:45pm 9:00pm



• Tuesdays

- o Ages 6-8
 - November 11th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - November 18th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - November 25th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - December 2nd: 5:15pm 6:30pm
 - December 9th: 5:15pm 6:30pm
- o Ages 9-11
 - November 11th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - November 18th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
 - November 25th: 6:30pm 7:45pm
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 - December 9th: 7:45pm 9:00pm

Futsal sessions will take place in Gym 3 at the Republic Community Center (711 E. Miller Rd., Republic, MO). All sessions will be held on Monday and/or Tuesday evenings, with divisions scheduled as follows: Ages 6–8 from 5:15–6:30 p.m., Ages 9–11 from 6:30–7:45 p.m., and Ages 11–13 from 7:45–9:00 p.m.

Weather Policy:

In the case of inclement weather, the practice session for the week will be moved to the end of the season. For information regarding weather cancellations, please call (417) 732-3555 for up-to-date practice/performance cancellation information. Additionally, you may follow us on Facebook @republicparksandrec for cancellation information.

Equipment:

Your player will need a water bottle, shin guards, tall socks to cover their shin guards, and indoor court shoes. A standard Futsal ball is provided for game sessions, but players are encouraged to bring their own soccer ball or futsal ball for training drills.



Guidelines

- 1. Republic Parks & Recreation Futsal league is an instructional program designed to help encourage youth to participate in sports activity and enjoyment. The goal is to help them enhance their athletic skills.
- 2. Each weekly session will include a 25-minute foot skills training session followed by an hour of game play. Players will be divided into teams to scrimmage. Officials will be able to conduct the scrimmage in whatever fashion they deem best for the participants. (Ex: First to 3 goals wins, 5-minute halves, 10-minute halves, etc.,). When the one-hour scrimmage period has ended, the session will be concluded.
- 3. For Scrimmages: Scrimmages will be played as 5 on 5. Some teams will have substitutions, which will be free substitution. For scrimmage sessions that have more than 15 individuals, there will be 3+ teams, who will rotate throughout the scrimmage.
- 4. All participants are required to express post-game acknowledgements and "good games" to the opposing team, as an act of displaying good sportsmanship. Coaches and participants are encouraged to forgo the traditional handshake and high-five lines and utilize a tip of the hat, wave, or elbow bumps to minimize physical contact between participants and coaches. However, if coaches and participants of both teams choose, they may continue with the traditional post-game handshakes and high-fives.

Rules

- 1. Start of play- A kickoff shall initiate play at the start of each half and after goals. Teams' alternate kickoff for each half. The ball shall be kicked while it is stationary on the ground in the center of the field of play. The defensive team may not enter the center circle until the ball is kicked. (The ball does not have to go forward and may be played backwards into the teams own defensive half.) After the kickoff, any player except the one who kicked off may play the ball. The kicker may not play the ball until it has been played by another player on either team. In the event of a double touch, the referee will signal, and the ball shall be replaced in the center of the field of play and re-kicked by the same team. A goal may be scored directly from a kick-off.
- 2. A goal is 1 point and is scored when the entire ball passes legally beyond the goal line, between the goal post and under the crossbar.
- 3. There is no offsides in futsal.
- 4. Ball in and out of play The ball is out of play when it has wholly crossed a goal line or touchline whether on the ground or in the air. If the ball hits the ceiling or other object, the team that did not touch the ball last restarts play with a kick-in from the nearest point on the touchline. Kick-ins are indirect, and a goal may not be scored from a kick-in. The kicker's non-kicking foot must be out of bounds or on the line when taking a kick-in. Teams have 4 seconds to kick the ball in once it has been placed on the line. The ball is in play at all other times, including:
 - A. When it rebounds from a goalpost or crossbar and remains in play
 - B. When it touches an official or line judge in the field of play
 - C. Until an official sounds the whistle



- 5. Indirect Free Kicks Indirect free kicks are awarded when a player plays in a dangerous manner, impedes an opponent (without playing the ball), slides, prevents the goalkeeper from releasing the ball with his/her hands or commits any offence for which play is stopped to caution or eject a player. A goal may not be scored until the ball has been played or touched by a second player of either team. No free kicks may be taken by the attacking team within the defending team's goal box. (This applies only to free kicks and not regular game play.)
- 6. Direct Free Kicks Direct free kicks are awarded when a player kicks or attempts to kick an opponent, slide tackles an opponent or slides with an opponent near (automatic caution), jumps at an opponent, charges at an opponent, strikes or attempts to strike an opponent, pushes an opponent, holds an opponent, spits at an opponent, or handles the ball deliberately.
- 7. Penalty Kicks Fouls committed against the attacking team within the penalty area will result in a penalty kick. The penalty spot will be located 20 feet from the center of the goal.
- 8. Other Fouls & Misconduct: The referee is to explain All infractions to the offending player.
 - A. Intentionally trips or attempts to trip an opponent
 - B. Intentionally kicks or attempts to kick an opponent
 - C. Intentionally pushes or holds an opponent
 - D. Intentionally charges into an opponent
 - E. Kicks or attempts to kick the ball while it is in the possession of the goalkeeper. One hand touching the ball constitutes possession by the keeper. This includes when a keeper has a hand on the ball on the ground.
 - F. Handling the ball with hands: In 3U, 4U, and 6U divisions hand touches will be called only in the event that they are in the discretion of the referee intentional or interfering with the play of the opposing team. In the event of brief and unintentional infractions, the referee will remind players to not use their hands but allow the flow of the game to continue. In 8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U divisions unintentional handling infractions will not be called, deliberate handling infractions will result in a direct free kick.
 - G. Heads the ball intentionally in any age division.
 - H. Goalie touches the ball with his hands after it has been intentionally passed to him by teammate (The goalie is allowed to kick a ball that is passed him by a teammate but is not allowed to pick it up. At the referee's discretion, a ball that is unintentionally played to the keeper or a deflection off a teammate may be picked up with the hands.)
 - I. If an opponent unfairly distracts or impedes the person taking the kick in
- 9. Kick-ins- In 6U and older divisions, a kick-in is awarded when the whole of the ball passes over the touchline, whether on the ground or in the air. A second kick-in attempt is allowed if a player commits a foul on an initial attempt in 6U and 8U divisions. The referee shall explain the proper method before allowing the player to re-kick. A proper kick-in must be taken no more than 10 inches behind the line, within 4 seconds from the time the ball is placed on the line, and with the kicker's non-kicking foot out of bounds or on the line. If a foul is committed during a kick-in attempt in 10U and older divisions or on the second attempt in 6U and 8U divisions, the ball will be awarded to the other team. In 3U and 4U divisions for the safety of players and the flow of the game, the referee will redirect balls from going out of bounds when possible. When the ball does go out of bounds, they will quickly roll it back into play so that play can continue.



- 10. A goal clearance is awarded to the defending team when the entire ball crosses the goal line, either in the air or on the ground, having last been played by the attacking team. The goal clearance is used in place of goal kicks in futsal. For a goal clearance, the ball is thrown from any point inside the penalty area by the goalkeeper of the defending team. The opposing team must be outside the penalty area when the throw is taken. The goalkeeper must make the throw within 4 seconds of receiving the ball. The ball is in play with it leaves the penalty area. If the ball does not leave the penalty area, the clearance is retaken. After the ball leaves the penalty area and enters play, the goalkeeper cannot touch the ball again until it has been touched by another player. A goal cannot be scored from a goal clearance.
- 11. Corner kicks shall be awarded when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, either in the air or on the ground, having last been touched by the defending team. Players of the defending team shall be at least six yards from the ball until it has been kicked. A goal can be scored directly from a corner kick.
- 12. The goalie may touch the ball with their hands inside the penalty box.
- 13. All players are allowed to play the ball in the goalie box and penalty box.
- 14. No sliding in any age division.
- 15. Coaches may walk onto the field for the 3U, 4U and 6U division, but may not enter the goal area. Coaches should move out of the way to avoid interfering with game play.

The recreation supervisor reserves the right to make final determination on any rules or interpretations that may arise throughout the season.

