

General Quick Rules Guide – Flagstaff Gardens

Rule	Quick Summary
Laws of the Game	Unless otherwise stated, all relevant FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game apply.
Game Time	2 x 13-min halves, 2-min halftime. No timeouts.
Subs	Unlimited rolling subs. In/out from same spot. GK changes → tell ref (not during play).
Tackles	 No slide tackles (blocking = ok if safe).  No tackling from behind.
Kick-Off	Direct (forward or back). Opponents behind third (white) line.
Restarts	Corners = direct Kick-ins = indirect Goal-throw = indirect Free kicks = 4 steps away approx.
Forfeits	1 goal every 3 mins late. By halftime = 4-0 forfeit.
Scoring	Win = 3 pts Draw = 2 pt Loss = 1 pt Forfeit = 0 pt
Fill-Ins	Borrow only to reach max 5 players . Regular team must outnumber fill-ins.
Finals	Only registered players eligible. Top team goes through if end score is tied. Unless GF → penalties (best of 5).

Specific Rules – Flagstaff Gardens

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Restart Timeframe	3 seconds to release (goal throw, kick-in).
No attackers in GK Circle	Attackers are not allowed within opposing GK semi-circle. Defenders can be inside own semi-circle.
Goalkeeper Pass Back	Can pass back to keeper, but if repeatedly done within same phase (continuous pass backs without touch by opposition) or to waste time, a indirect free-kick may be awarded to opposing team (deemed by Referee).
Goalkeeper Possession	3 seconds to release from goal circle.
Accumulated Fouls	3 fouls per half.
4th Foul Rule (DFKSAF)	From the 4 th foul onwards → one-step penalty awarded (1 metre from goal circle).
Reckless Clearances / Shots	If the ball is kicked (deliberately as a clearance, or shot) well outside the caged court → one-step penalty awarded. Safety rule set by Council. Player/team must retrieve the ball before rejoining play.
Goal Throw	Must stay within your own half unless touched on the full up to the opposing goal circle. If ball crosses halfway without (without touch) → indirect free kick to opponent.
Cautions / Sin Bin	Referee may give yellow/red cards OR use a sin bin rule. Consistent player fouls → player sent off for 2 minutes. Team plays with 4 during this time.
Female Scoring	Female identifying players who score (in mixed league), will have their goals count for 2. This is to encourage female participation.