

## **Playing Time 2008**

Canyon Country AYSO 677 (along with our partners in Saugus, Valencia and Castaic) has a policy that every player will play three quarters of every game. **No one plays four quarters until all players have played three quarters.** In U10, if your roster size is 10 players, rotate your players that have to play half the game every week.

The only exceptions to this rule are as follows –

### **NO EXCEPTIONS**

Now, if a parent of the player contacts either the Coach Administrator or Regional Commissioner that their child cannot play three quarters of a game for the following reasons –

1. Any medical condition, which inhibits playing time.
2. Any other reason that the parent feels necessary to only play half a game.

A decision will be made by the CA and RC ONLY.

Coaches will maintain a record of playing time to ensure that all players participate equally.

**ANY TEAM IN VIOLATION OF THIS POLICY  
WILL FORFEIT THEIR GAME**

**Three quarter rule play also applies to Region and Area Playoffs**

**Late Arrivals should be played as follows:**

1. If a player arrives during the first quarter, the player must play at least two of the remaining quarters.
  2. If a player arrives during the second or third quarter, the player must play at least one quarter.
- No exceptions, so don't ask.**

**This policy also applies to Area and Region Playoffs.**

# **Substitutions**

Substitutions allow players to enter and leave the game, and change places on the field. Substitutions are allowed as follows:

1. About halfway through each half, at a normal stoppage of play, referees stop the game to allow substitutions to be made. Substitutions are noted on the scorecard.
2. At halftime.
3. For injuries.

Coaches may make any substitutions they wish during the halftime or midway through each half, provided the playing time requirements are met.

The referee must recognize mid-game substitutions before players may enter the field. Both incoming and outgoing players should line up along the touchline at the centerline and wait to be recognized. Many referees are very particular about this rule, so teach your players to follow the correct procedure.