

# Playing rules for 3v3

To start, players will need more adult support. Over time this will diminish. The role of Pitch Facilitators is not to act as a match official but to support players in managing their own game. This may be by asking questions to ensure players are following the rules and playing fairly.



**1. Rock, paper, scissors are used to decide who starts the game.**



**2. The game will start and end with a high five.**



**3. Players have the option to either dribble or pass in at all restarts (goal line, corners, sidelines and free kicks). Opposition players should be a minimum of 3m away.**



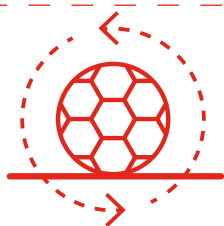
**4. For goal line restarts, opposition players retreat to their own half of the pitch.**



**5. A player must be in their opponent's half for a goal to count when shooting.**



**6. After a goal is scored, all players (from the team that scored) return to their goal line.**



**7. After a goal, the game restarts with a goal line restart for the team that has just conceded.**



**8. There are no goalkeepers and no penalty areas. Any free kick must be at least 3m from the goal.**



**9. There are no match officials. Games are supported by Pitch Facilitators with players empowered to self-officiate.**



**10. There are no substitutes. Every child plays the whole game.**

## TOP TIP FOR LEAGUES

The first few weeks might look a bit messy until people start to get used to the new format.

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