

US Soccer Player Development Initiative: US Soccer standards for small sided games are required by fall 2017.

WMYSA will be implementing starting fall 2017 the build out line for U9 and U10 match play.

The build out line promotes playing the ball out of the back in a less pressured setting. It also provides an introduction into offside rule.

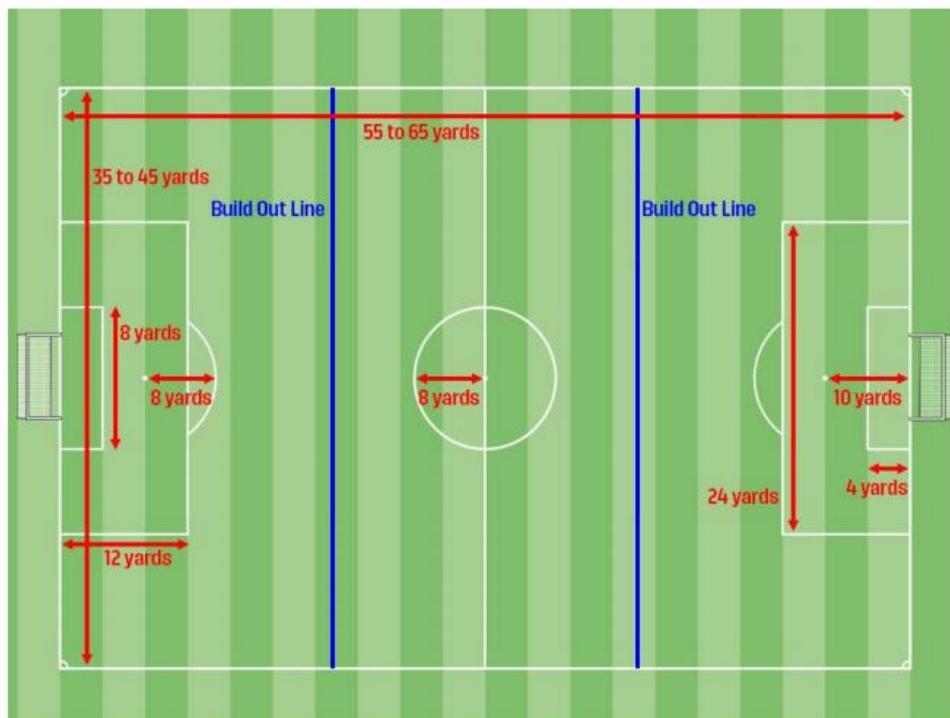
When the goalkeeper has the ball in his or her hands during play from the opponent, the opposing team must move behind the build out line until the ball is put into play. Once the opposing team is behind the build out line, the goalkeeper can pass, throw or roll the ball into play (punts and drop kicks are not allowed).

After the ball is put into play by the goalkeeper, the opposing team can cross the build out line and play resumes as normal.

The opposing team must also move behind the build out line during a goal kick until the ball is put into play.

If a goalkeeper punts or drop kicks the ball, an indirect free kick should be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense. If the punt or drop kick occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the infringement occurred.

The build out line will also be used to denote where offside offenses can be called. Players cannot be penalized for an offside offense between the halfway line and the build out line. Players can be penalized for an offside offense between the build out line and goal line.



- 1. WMYSA will communicate to the referee associations that WMYSA is adopting for Fall 2017 the US PDI Small Sided Game Standards relating to Build Out Line for 7 v 7 U9 and U10 match play.**
- 2. WMYSA will communicate to the venues that our league games are played on about the need to mark a build out line (half way between the mid field and the top of the penalty box).**
- 3. WMYSA will communicate to the clubs and U9 and U10 team coaches that WMYSA is adopting for Spring 2016 the US PDI Small Sided Game Standards relating to Build Out Line. We will inform them that the fields should be marked but if not it is acceptable to make the markings with soccer discs.**