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- 5.1.1 Shin guards are mandatory for all players; players without shin guards will not be allowed to participate
- 5.1.2 **Indoor:** Indoor style shoes or runners are the only permissible footwear to be worn by players. Referees shall have the final say as to what constitutes dangerous equipment which must be removed for play to be allowed
- 5.1.3 **Outdoor:** Soccer style shoes or runners are the only permissible footwear to be worn by players. Cleats are recommended, however no metal cleats – no exceptions. Referees shall have the final say as to what constitutes dangerous equipment which must be removed for play to be allowed
- 5.1.4 No player wearing a splint or cast will be permitted to play.
- 5.1.5 Players who wear a knee or ankle brace will be permitted to play provided the brace does not have the potential to injure others. This will be at the discretion of the game official.
- 5.1.6 No jewellery is to be worn; players refusing to remove any type of jewellery at the request of the referee (including all external body piercing(s)) will not be permitted to play.

5.2 UNIFORMS

Mandatory **Uniform** includes:

- Jersey (Supplied by BSA)
- Shorts
- Socks

- 5.2.1 Each team shall wear jerseys that distinguish them from the opposition and game officials.
- 5.2.2 The jerseys must be the same colour as those registered by the team on the team registration form.
- 5.2.3 Within a team, jerseys must be matching and with unique numbers. Numbers must not be less than six (6) inches in height. Numbers should correspond to those on the game sheet.
- 5.2.4 Goalkeepers shall wear jerseys to distinguish themselves from the referee and all players other than the opposing goalkeeper.
- 5.2.5 If opposing teams have jerseys that fail to permit their ready distinction by the game officials, the home team shall change to another colour or wear pinnies (bibs).
- 5.2.6 In the event a team does not have any numbered uniform jerseys or pinnies that allow participation in the game, respective team will forfeit the game.
- 5.2.7 Soccer style shorts that are matching in colour and are above the knee are mandatory for all players participating in U13 and older age groups, excepting the goalkeepers (Referees discretion during inclement weather).
- 5.2.8 No other article of clothing is permissible that protrudes outside of the shorts.
- 5.2.9 INDOOR: Team jerseys must not be removed except in the designated team dressing room.
- 5.2.10 Players are not permitted on the field, or to travel from the field to or from their designated team dressing room without their jersey being worn and their jersey numbers visible
- 5.2.11 Alterations to the BSA provided uniform are strictly prohibited; this includes but not limited to: cutting, dying, and printing, changing the physical appearance of the uniform whether permanently or non-permanently



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- 5.2.12** The back of the uniform may be printed with the player or team's name above the number if the BSA board has granted the team permission, the jerseys have been purchased by the requesting team and so long as the number is not obscured or altered
- 5.2.13** Player or team names must not exceed a height of 4 inches and must not exceed 12 inches in length
- 5.2.14** Approved team or organizational sponsors may apply their logo to team uniforms if approved by the board; the cost of the logo application must be bared by the sponsoring organization – no exceptions
- 5.2.15** No sponsorships will be accepted from any organization who produce, support or endorse any of the following products:
- Drugs
 - Alcohol
 - Tobacco / Vaping
 - Gambling
- 5.2.16** The jersey number, BSA logo, and corporate sponsorship logo (if applicable) may not be obscured or altered.
- 5.2.17** Any requests for exception to this policy must be presented to the BSA board in writing; the board will review each case separately at the next meeting and make a ruling.

5.3 Additional information

- 5.3.1** Hats are only allowed for age groups U-7 and younger; however, hats must not have a hard brim or contain any solid surface that may pose a risk of injury to any player (Team Officials shall have the final say as to what constitutes dangerous equipment which must be removed for play to be allowed)
- 5.3.2** Acceptable hats must have the following properties:
- Not restrict the participant's vision
 - Soft
 - Pliable
 - Brimless or Soft brim (Gilligan style)
- 5.3.3** Headbands / hair restraints may be used but must be soft and easily removable; no solid materials are accepted - the recommended product would be a sports underwrap or similar product