

ST PATS FC

SATURDAY SETUP INCLUDING SMALL SIDED FOOTBALL (SSF)

These guidelines form part of the Saturday Duty responsibilities.

***** START OF DAY BE AT GROUNDS 45 MINUTES BEFORE KICK OFF *****

1. *Whilst the committee often tries to take care of it beforehand, line marking of the full size field may be required. The best bet is to get this done at the very start, even before the SSF games. Ask the committee member for guidance.*
Load up the line marker with chalk and trace the existing lines. Keep the rear wheels of the line marker raised to stop the flow of chalk. There's no real science to it – just follow the existing lines. Don't forget the centre circle, six-yard box, penalty area & arcs, corner arcs and the canteen-side 'technical area' (10 x 1m both sides of halfway).
2. For each timeslot, based on age groups, determine number of games and field sizes required. Plan the layout to maximize the number of games on the canteen side of the park.
3. Leaving minimum 5m between fields (for spectators), use yellow posts to mark corners and colored cones to mark lines. *Don't skimp on the cones otherwise it is tough to make out a sideline.*
4. Erect goals and peg into place using 'U' shaped pegs (mallet in container). *Pop-up goals require minimum 2 pegs at front and aluminium goals require 2 at the rear. NB. If pop-up goals are a problem, just use yellow posts.*
5. For SSF Mod fields, use line-marking chalk to mark a 10 x 5m *dotted* penalty area. *Please just use the bucket and cup provided rather than the line marker trolley itself.*
NB. This can be somewhat time consuming so organize helpers to get goals in position ASAP and follow them up quickly with the chalk.
6. Prompt SSF refs to start games on time. In fact, send them out 2 minutes early to allow for the usual delays getting the teams onto the park. If a game is without a ref, advise the St Pats coach or manager who must then organize a volunteer. Whistles can be found hanging in Ground Control.

NB. Small Sided Football referees (kids from St Pats) are rostered on for U6-U9 games. We should get a junior official ref for U10s. The roster can be found in Ground Control alongside match sheets and the refs know to sign against games refereed.

7. At transition to next size field (mini to mod; mod to full size), remove unnecessary equipment and politely ask spectators to leave the playing area, so that the next game can start on time. Pack-up gear and return to container once games have started.
8. While SSF games are in progress, erect the full size goals (refer separate instructions). Nets must be attached with velcro such that a ball cannot squeeze between net & post. *Official refs can be very fussy about this.* Peg net into ground at rear using 'U' shaped pegs.

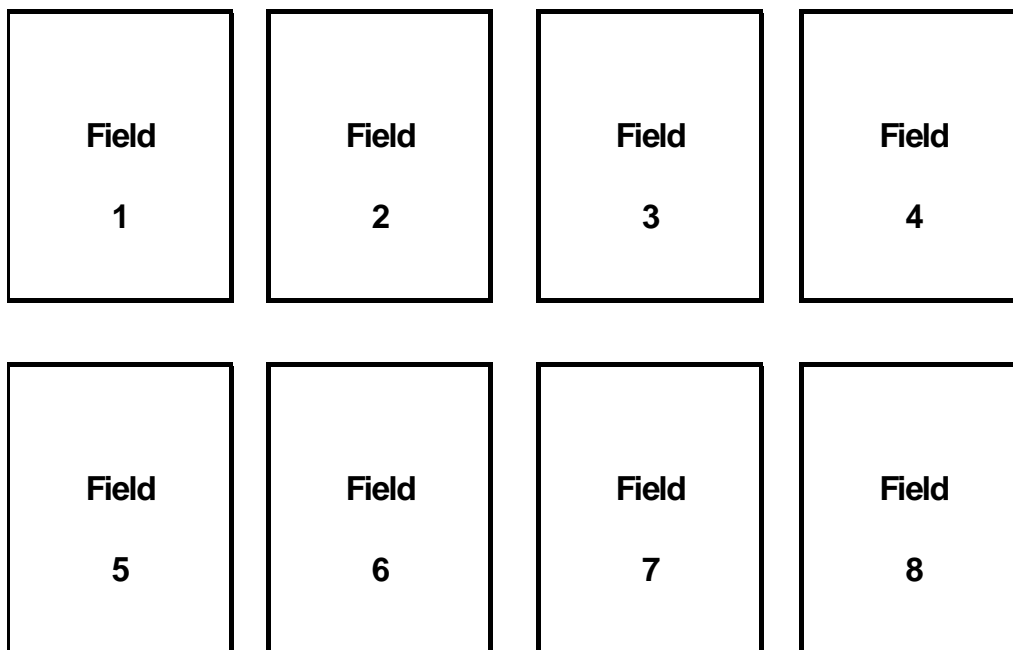
****** NOTE: It's all in the timing.** *Depending on the day's schedule, while one timeslot is playing, prepare for the next one and ensure there are personnel to rearrange fields in the short time between games. Good luck...and ask your friendly St Pats Committee member for any further info. *****

APPENDIX A FIELD LAYOUTS

Field	Ages	Length	Width	Penalty Area	Goals	Field Layout
Mini	U6, 7, 8	30m	20m	None	Pop-up	Refer below
Mod	U9, 10	40m	30m	10 x 5m Requires dotted chalk line	Aluminium with black nets	Refer below

SSF - MINI

Canteen



SSF - MOD

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