

**Primary or Secondary:  
Primary (Girls and Boys)**

**Name of competition:  
Futsal**

**Age Group:  
Years 5 and 6**

**How to enter:  
Via your local SGO**

**Tournament format:  
We would recommend a  
'round-robin' competition  
at a central venue**

### Simple rules:

**Rules of futsal apply apart from the following variations:**

- Recommended to play two equal periods of up to 20 minutes in each period (recommended ten max)
- Recommended Goal size 3 x 2 metres / 9.8 x 6.5 feet
- Rolling substitutes
- All players should receive equal playing time where possible
- Goal kicks can be taken from anywhere within the penalty area
- All free-kicks are DIRECT
- All opposing players must be AT LEAST five metres from the ball at the taking of free-kicks, corner kicks and kick-offs.
- Optional power play: If a team is losing by a four-goal difference they can put an additional player on – so 5v5 becomes 6v5. If the score returns to less than a four-goal difference, the team takes off a player. It does not have to be the last player to come on. If a team goes on to be losing by a six-goal difference a further additional player can be added – so 6v5 becomes 7v5.

All age groups are 5v5, and recommended goals are 3m across x 2m in height.

Age	Ball Size	Pitch Size
Year 3	Futsal 3	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds
Year 4	Futsal 3	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds
Year 5 and 6	Futsal 3	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds

### Relevant web links

Refer to previous links.

### Think Inclusively!

- Modify pitch sizes within the minimum and maximum size guides.
- Use rolling substitutions to ensure equal playing time amongst the team.
- Use a different coloured futsal for the engagement of visually impaired players.
- Consider our PAN Disability offer.

### Roles for young people:

- Assistant Coach/Team Manager – delivering warm-up activities and games.
- Allow young referees the chance to officiate in these games, with support from a more experienced adult.
- Give young people the responsibility of organising and delivering the competition and fixture programme.
- Writing match reports featuring on the school website.
- Respect Ambassador – briefing teams and referees on the Respect programme and monitoring the behaviour of teams.

### How can depth in competition through extra teams be achieved?

Schools should be encouraged to enter more than one team into competitions to give as many players as possible the opportunity to take part. Regular intraschool futsal intra-school competition and extra-curricular clubs can grow the base of players to allow schools to enter teams into Inter-School Competition level competitions.

### The route from here to County Final - Inter School Competition (Level 3)

Through the School Games, we want to allow young people to participate locally in intra school competition, inter-school competition and County Final - inter-school competition activity. Any discussions regarding inter-school competition and

### How can regularity be achieved?

Regular playing opportunities can be created by running a regular 'central venue competition', rather than a 'one-off' event. Schools can take it in turns to host, or a regular venue can be booked.

## Competition card 2

**Primary or Secondary:**  
**Secondary (Girls and Boys)**

**Name of competition:**  
**Futsal**

**Age Group:**  
**Years 7 to 10**  
**(2-year age banding)**

**How to enter:**  
**Via your local SGO**

**Tournament format:**  
**We would recommend a**  
**'round-robin' competition**  
**at a central venue**

### Simple rules:

**Rules of futsal apply apart from the following variations:**

- Recommended to play two equal periods of up to 20 minutes in each period
- Recommended goal size 3 x 2 metres / 9.8 x 6.5 feet
- Rolling substitutes
- All players should receive equal playing time where possible
- Goal kicks can be taken from anywhere within the penalty area
- All free-kicks are DIRECT
- All opposing players must be AT LEAST five metres from the ball at the taking of free-kicks, corner kicks and kick-offs.
- Optional power play - If a team is losing by a four-goal difference they can put an additional player on – so 5v5 becomes 6v5. If the score returns to less than a four-goal difference, the team takes off a player. It does not have to be the last player to come on. If a team goes on to be losing by a six-goal difference a further additional player can be added – so 6v5 becomes 7v5.

All age groups are 5v5, and recommended goals are 3m across x 2m in height

Age	Ball Size	Pitch Size
Year 7 and 8	Futsal 3	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds
Year 9	Futsal 4	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds
Year 10 +	Futsal 4	25-42m x 15-25m / 27-46yds x 16-27 yds

### Think Inclusively!

- Modify pitch sizes within the minimum and maximum size guides.
- Use rolling substitutions to ensure equal playing time amongst the team.
- Use a different coloured futsal for the engagement of visually impaired players.
- Consider our PAN Disability offer

### Roles for young people:

- Assistant Coach/Team Manager – delivering warm-up activities and games.
- Allow young referees the chance to officiate in these games, with support from a more experienced adult.
- Give young people the responsibility of organising and delivering the competition and fixture programme.
- Writing match reports featuring on the school website.
- Respect Ambassador – briefing teams and referees on the Respect programme and monitoring the behaviour of teams.

### How can depth in competition through extra teams be achieved?

Schools should be encouraged to enter more than one team into competitions to give as many players as possible the opportunity to take part. Regular intra-school futsal competitions and regular extra-curricular clubs can grow the base of players to allow schools to enter teams into inter-school competitions.

### The route from here to County Final - Inter School Competition (Level 3)

Through the School Games, we want to allow young people to participate locally in intra school competition, inter-school competition and County Finals - inter-school competition. Any discussions regarding inter-school competition and County Final - inter-school competition, futsal competition should include the County Football Association and County Schools' Football Association.

### How can regularity be achieved?

Regular playing opportunities can be created by running a regular 'central venue competition', rather than a 'one-off' event. Schools can take it in turns to host, or a regular venue can be booked.

### Relevant web links

Refer to previous links.

