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National Small-Sided Games Expansion Updated: May 12, 2009

State	Mandated	Age Groups	Year Implemented
1. Alabama (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
2. Alaska (IV)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U11 9v9 for U12	2003
3. Arizona (IV)	NO	3v3 – 4v4 for U6 7v7 for U8 8v8 for U10 & U11 11v11 for U12 LOOKING TO REVISE POSSIBLY UNDER 10S AND UNDER 11S BOTH 8 V 8. 8 & 9S POSSIBLY 6 V 6. 6 & 7S POSSIBLY 4 V 4 OR 5 V 5. AT UNDER 12S WE PLAY 11 V 11.	2008 DO NOT SEE A CHANGE IN THIS IN THE FUTURE UNLESS THE US SOCCER FEDERATION GETS INVOLVED - CALIFORNIA PLAYS A BIG INFLUENTIAL ROLE IN THIS FOR ARIZONA SOCCER CLUBS - TOURNAMENTS ETC. PLUS REGION 4 STILL HAS A UNDER 12 DIVISION FOR THE USYSA FWR CHAMPIONSHIPS. THIS PAST YEAR THEY WERE HELD IN HAWAII.
4. Arkansas (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
5. California North (IV)	NO	5v5 for U6 7v7 for U8 9v9 & 8v8 for U10 11v11 for U12	1989
6. California South (IV)	NO	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 8v8 for U10 11v11 for U12	2000
7. Colorado (IV)	YES	U6: 3:3 U8: 4:4 U10: 8:8 U11-19; 11:11	
8. Connecticut (I)	NO	U6 – 6v6 U8 – 7/8v7/8 U10 – 8v8 U12 – 11v11	

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9. Delaware (I)	YES	4v4 for U6 5v5 to 8v8 for U8 8v8 for U10 11v11 for U12	2004
10. East New York (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U11	2005
11. East Pennsylvania (I)	NO	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 11v11 for U12	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
12. Florida (III)	YES	3v3 is recommended for U6 4v4 for U6 & U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
13. Georgia (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
14. Hawaii (IV)	NO	U6 TBD U8 8v8 U10 8v8 U12 11v11	
15. Idaho (IV)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
16. Illinois (II)	YES	4v4 for U6 4 v 4 or 5 v 5 for U8 6 v 6 or 7 v 7 for U10 8 v 8 or 9 v 9 for U12	2008
17. Indiana (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
18. Iowa (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2002
19. Kansas (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
20. Kentucky (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
21. Louisiana (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005

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22. Maine (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	1999 All Maine teams will play 8v8 at U12 as of the fall of 2007.
23. Maryland (I)	YES	For U.6's we recommend a totally recreational format and open ended play, 2vs2 to 4vs4 with no boundaries. 4vs.4 and 7vs.7 are key components to teaching the U.9 and U.12 age groups. 8v8 for U11 September 2007 8v8 for U12 September 2008	MSYSA has been & still is one of the strongest proponents of SSG. Maryland (Montgomery Soccer Inc.) was the first organization in the country to officially adopt SSG in 1972.
24. Massachusetts (I)	NO	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
25. Michigan (II)	YES	We recommend 3v3 at U-6 but many leagues are playing 4v4 We recommend 4v4 or 5v5 at U-8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
26. Minnesota (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
27. Mississippi (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2003
28. Missouri (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 5v5 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	
29. Montana (IV)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
30. Nebraska (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
31. Nevada (IV)	NO	U6 3V3 U8 6V6 U10 8V8 Nothing for U11 or U12.	Nevada has not voted, but some leagues are playing small sided.
32. New Hampshire (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U11 8v8 for U12 – September, 2007	2006

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33. New Jersey (I)	NO	<p>3v3 for U6s, in favor of strongly recommending – a very high percentage of our programs play this way and some up to 5v5.</p> <p>4v4 for U7s in favor of strongly recommending – a very high percentage of our programs play this way and some up to 5v5 and U7s can't play travel soccer. NJYS requires these age groups play small-sided games both in league and tournament play. A small-sided team is defined as 8v8 or less.</p> <p>U10 programs are playing 8v8 based on the old USYSA model. Also, U10 and younger players may only play in tournaments that are "non-results."</p> <p>11v11 for U12</p>	A few clubs have left the State Sanctioned leagues and have implemented "in house" Academy/SSGs for U12s and below program and there are now clubs that have joined together and have 8v8 Festivals!
34. New Mexico (IV)	YES	<p>U6 3v3 U8 4v4 U10 6v6 U12 8v8</p>	Our state just voted in full implementation of SSG including U12 to be completed fall 2007.
35. New York West (I)	YES	<p>3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12</p>	Phase-in completed by Fall 2009
36. North Carolina (III)	YES	<p>3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12</p>	2005
37. North Dakota (II)	Proposed Sept. 2003	<p>3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12</p>	2004
38. North Texas (III)	YES	<p>3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 11v11 for U12</p>	2005
39. Ohio North (II)	YES	<p>3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12</p>	2005

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40. Ohio South (II)	NO	3-5v3-5 for U6 6v6 for U8 8v8 for U10 11v11 for U12	In the Cincinnati district we are 4v4 for u8 and 6v6, have 8v8 through U11 and proposed 8v8 for U12 in 2008 In Dayton 8v8 though U10 In Columbus they have 6v6 for U9-10 and 8v8 for under 11's now.
41. Oklahoma (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
42. Oregon (IV)	NO	Oregon does not mandate any particular small sided game formats for any age groups, except that - consistent with US Youth Soccer's mandate - all U10s are expected to play no more than 8v8. We do not sponsor and will not sanction leagues or tournaments that do not comply with US Youth Soccer requirements. Below U10 we leave it up to the clubs to decide when (what age groups) they play 3v3, 6v6, etc - up to 8v8. U12 11v11	At U11 and U12, we currently we do not play small sided in our sponsored (administered by the state office) classic leagues and we don't mandate any format for sanctioned (administered by clubs or leagues) leagues or tournaments at these ages. We currently play 11v11 in our U11 and U12 leagues and tournaments - including our State Cup.
43. Pennsylvania West (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 7v7 for U10 9v9 for U12 Exception is the classic league at U12.	Only change in PA West is that U12's in the community clubs are playing 9 v 9 at U12. The classic league will NOT now be going to 9 v 9 at the U12 age and instead will stay at 11 v 11. They are waiting for Region 1 to go to SSG at the U12 age and then they will.
44. Rhode Island (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	Phase-in completed by Fall 2006
45. South Carolina (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U2	2005
46. South Dakota (II)	YES	4v4 for U6 5v5 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2003
47. South Texas (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 11v11 for U12	Phase-in completed by Fall 2007

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48. Tennessee (III)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004
49. Utah (IV)	YES	All age groups fall under the "No More Than ..." U-6/7 -- 4 v 4 U-8/9 -- 6 v 6 U-10/11 -- 8 v 8 U-12+ -- 11 v 11	2003 Note: our U-12 age groups will move to 8 v 8 once Region IV adopts this position at the region level ...
50. Vermont (I)	NO	U6 4v4 – no goalkeepers U8 5v5 – no goalkeepers U10 7v7 U12 8v8	2006
51. Virginia (I)	YES	3v3 & 4v4 no GKs for U6 4v4 & 5v5 no GKs for U8 6v6 & 7v7 for U10 8v8 & 11v11 for U12	Phase-in completed by Fall 2006
52. Washington (IV)	YES	3v3 for U7 4v4 for U8 5v5 for U9 6v6 for U10 9v9 for U11 by 2006	Phase-in completed by Fall 2006
53. West Virginia (I)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12 recreation; travel 8v8 or 11v11	2004 We still allow travel teams to play 11v11 or 9v9 u12 if they play out of state in a state that does not play 8v8.
54. Wisconsin (II)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2005
55. Wyoming (IV)	YES	3v3 for U6 4v4 for U8 6v6 for U10 8v8 for U12	2004

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