

FOOTBALL—FUTSAL SPORTS FIELD DIMENSIONS

Futsal is the only form of indoor soccer or 5-a-side that is officially approved by FIFA and Football Federation Australia (FDA). It is one of the fastest growing sports in the world, is played in over 100 countries and boasts millions of players around the world.

Pitch

The pitch surface is rectangular. At international level futsal is played either on a wooden or a synthetic floor that is smooth and flat and does not restrict the roll of the ball. At other levels futsal is played on a variety of surfaces including artificial turf. Concrete or tarmac should be avoided.

The dimensions of a pitch are follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
Length	25m	42m
Width	15m	25m
International Matches		
Length	38m	42m
Width	18m	25m

Pitch markings

The pitch is marked with lines 8cm wide and divided into two halves by the halfway line. The centre mark is at the midpoint of the halfway line and marked with a circle with a radius of 3m. The two longer boundary lines are called touch lines. The two shorter boundary lines are called goal lines.

Penalty area

The penalty area is marked by quarter circles with a 6m radius, drawn centred on the outside of each goal post. The quarter circles are drawn from the goal line to meet two imaginary lines 6m in length at right angles to the goal line from the outside of the goal post. The upper part of each quarter circle is joined by a 3.16m line running parallel to the goal line between the goal posts. The curved line marking the outer limit of the penalty area is the penalty area line..

The penalty mark is drawn 6m from the midpoint between the goal posts and equidistant from them. The second penalty mark is drawn on the pitch 10m from the midpoint between the goalposts and equidistant from them.

Corner arc

The corner arc is a quarter circle with a radius of 25cm from each corner and drawn on the pitch.



Substitution zones

The substitution zones are 5m in length and situated in front of the team benches. They are marked at each end by a line 8cm wide and 80cm in length, 40cm of which is drawn on the pitch and 40cm off the pitch. The area in front of the timekeepers table, 5m to either side of halfway line, is kept clear.

Goals

The goals are placed in the middle of each goal line. They consist of two upright posts equidistant from each corner and joined at the top by a horizontal crossbar. The distance (inside measurement) between the posts is 3m and the distance from the lower edge of the crossbar to the ground is 2m.

The goal posts and crossbar have a width and depth of 8cm. The goal lines are the same width as the goal posts and the crossbar. Nets made of hemp, jute or nylon are attached to the back of the goal posts and crossbar. The lower part of the net is attached to curved tubing or another means of support.

The depth of the goal is at least 80cm at ground level. The goals must have a stabilising system that prevents them from over-turning. Portable goals may be used provided they are as stable as normal goals.

