

HTSA Goal and Field Safety Policy

Houma Terrebonne Soccer Association recommends use of these guidelines regarding the installation, use and movement of soccer goals by all of its members. As advocates for the healthy development of children and enjoyment of the game by all, we should all be concerned with creating a safe soccer environment.

Coaches, officials, parents, players and HTSA affiliates should follow these safety guidelines:

1. Goals must be inspected by coaches prior to and at the conclusion of each soccer practice to ensure they are PROPERLY ANCORED and safe for use.
2. Coaches should NEVER conduct a practice or game in an area where the goals are unsecured, damaged or appear to be unsafe. Goals found to be unsafe should be avoided and a HTSA official notified ASAP.
3. Movable soccer goals should only be moved by authorized officials of HTSA or approved HTSA coaches or officials. Goals should be securely anchored after any movement or relocation.
4. Never permit anyone to climb or swing on the net or goal framework.
5. Instruct players to avoid use of and area surrounding unsecured and unsafe goals.
6. Before conducting any soccer activities, inspect the fields for foreign objects that may cause injury and remove any such objects found.
7. Activities should not take place on fields that are excessively wet or have areas of standing water.