COREC FLAG FOOTBALL MODIFICATIONS

Except as designated below, USD men’s flag football rules will apply.

1. **Offense/Running the Ball:** Advancement from behind the line of scrimmage to beyond the line of scrimmage is restricted to only females. A male runner cannot advance the ball through the line of scrimmage unless a legal forward pass beyond the line has occurred. Laterals may be made by either sex to either sex once beyond the line of scrimmage.

2. **Open/closed Plays:** During the offensive team’s possession, there may not be two (2) consecutive legal forward pass completions from a male passer to a male receiver. If a male passer completes a legal forward pass to a male receiver, the next play is “closed”, meaning the next legal forward gain must involve a female passer or female receiver and result in positive yards. Plays remain closed until this occurs. Once positive yards are gained with a female passer or receiver, the following play is then “open”, meaning a male-to-male completion is allowed. This rule applies to an entire drive, including the try for extra point(s) after a touchdown.

*Note: A female runner who crosses the line of scrimmage DOES NOT open the play (must have a legal forward pass from behind the scrimmage line). If two (2) consecutive positive yard plays involve only males, an Illegal Forward Pass penalty will be assessed. However, penalties, whether accepted or declined, have no effect on open/closed play status.

3. **Offense:** Teams must have at least five (5) players on the line of scrimmage at the snap.