



Club Trials for 2024 Season

New and Existing Players

Dear Parents and Players

Thank you for considering Fulham United Football Club for the 2023 Season. We wish you the very best for trials and if you have any questions, please contact the Junior Administration.

Junior Administration
juniors@fulhamunited.com.au

1. Registration for Trials

Pre-Selected Players

- Season 2023 Fulham Utd FC U6 – U8 aged players (born 2015-2018) who register by Friday 22nd September 2023 and pay the non-refundable deposit on or before Sunday 24th September 2023 will be automatically offered a place in the 2024 teams pending availability of positions and coaches.
- Online registrations for Pre-Selected positions will be open from Monday 11th September 2023
- Pre-selection registration will be via a form that will be made available to existing Fulham United FC players. The link to this pre-selection registration form will be emailed to all current U6-U8 aged players for positions in the U6/7-U9 teams.
- Players not taking up the pre-selection offer can still apply after the pre-selection deadline as per all other players.

All other players

- Please complete the online Club Registration form at [FulhamUtdFCRegistration](#) prior to trials.
- Everyone attending trials must have the appropriate attire including boots and shin pads. Please also bring water and wear sunscreen if appropriate.
- All players trialling for U10-U17 teams must attend a minimum of 2 trials in their age group unless advised by the Phase Coordinator of their age group. Existing players are advised to arrange this with the Phase Coordinator prior to trials.
- New players U6-U9 are registration only i.e., no trial process. However, numbers are limited, and preference will be given to existing Fulham Utd FC players. If you register online at [FulhamUtdRegistrationFC](#), then you do not need to come to the clubrooms to register.
- All trialling players and new U6 – U9 players will be notified of their acceptance by Sunday 15th October 2023.
- Please note the responsibility of providing accurate contact information at registration is on the Parent/Carer of the player. Please provide details for 2 Emergency Contacts. If contact details change after registration, the Parent/Carer is to notify Fulham United FC by emailing juniors@fulhamunited.com.au with updated details so that records can be updated.



2. Trial Dates/Times (all times are PM)

Boys:

		Collins Reserve	Collins Reserve	Collins Reserve	Collins Reserve
Age Group	Year of Birth	Mon 9th Oct	Tues 10th Oct	Wed 11th Oct	Thurs 12th Oct
Boys u17	2007		7:15 - 8:15		7:15 - 8:15
Boys u16	2008		7:15 - 8:15		7:15 - 8:15
Boys u15	2009		6-7		6-7
Boys u14	2010		6-7		6-7
Boys u13	2011	7:15 - 8:15		7:15 - 8:15	
Boys u12	2012	7:15 - 8:15		7:15 - 8:15	
Boys u11	2013	6-7		6-7	
Boys u10	2014	6-7		6-7	
Boys u9	2015	Online Registration Only			
Boys u8	2016				
Boys u7	2018				
u6	2018				

Girls:

		West Beach Football Centre	Collins Reserve	Collins Reserve
Age Group	Year of Birth	Sun 15th October	Mon 16th October	Wed 18th October
Girls U17	2007-2008	3:45 - 5:00	7-8	7-8
Girls U15	2009-2010	3:15 - 4:15	6-7	6-7
Girls U13	2011	2:30 - 3:30	6-7	6-7
<i>*Girls U11-U12</i>	<i>2012-2013</i>	<i>1:30 - 2:30</i>	<i>5-6</i>	<i>5-6</i>
<i>*Girls U9-U10</i>	<i>2014-2015</i>	<i>12:30 - 1:30</i>	<i>5-6</i>	<i>5-6</i>
<i>*Girls U7-U8</i>	<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>12:00 - 12:45</i>	<i>5-6</i>	<i>5-6</i>

* U7-U12 girl's sessions are "Come and Try" session, not trials

3. Selection of players

The selection of players is entirely at the discretion of the Age Phase Coordinators or Technical Director, and Coaches. A new player will be given preference over existing Fulham United players only if they are of significantly higher standard. We will endeavour to let players know at the earliest opportunity if they are likely to be unsuccessful, so that they have the chance to trial elsewhere. Selected players will be notified by email.



4. Proposed Teams

Age Group	Training nights per week	Maximum Squad Size	Team Size
Girls u17	2	17	11
Boys u17	2	17	11
Boys u16	2	17	11
Girls u15	2	17	11
Boys U15	2	17	11
Boys u14	2	17	11
Girls u13	2	14	9
Boys u13	2	17	11
Boys u12	2	14	9
Girls u11	2	14	9
Boys u11	2	14	9
Boys u10	2	14	9
Girls u9	2	12	7
Boys u9	2	12	7
Boys u8	1	12	7
Boys/Girls u7	1	7	4
Boys/Girls u6	1	7	4

[^] Additional sessions will be offered for players to further develop their technical skills, strength & conditioning and tactical awareness as appropriate for the age group.

5. Fees and Payment

Fees per age group will be advised via separate document on **Sunday 24th September and at trials.**

Note: Sibling discount of \$50 applies to the 2nd and every subsequent child.

Selected players will be asked to pay a non-refundable deposit of 50% of fees on acceptance of the position.

Payments will be accepted at the Club using Credit Card or Cash

Pre-Selected Players (current U6 – U8 age)

- Current U6 – U8 Aged Players – Payments to be made via eft on or before

Sunday 24th September



Players attending trials

- Players selected for 2023 Boys or Girls teams – Payments to be made in person in the Clubrooms:
on Kit Fitting Night week beginning Monday 23rd October 2023.

Payment plans can be organised with our Club Registrar Jo-Anne Carcatsis (futdfc@yahoo.com) and done prior to the Uniform Fitting Night. Payment Plans must be Paid in Full prior to the commencement of the Season.

An invoice will be emailed to you from the club, this is an automatically generated email from MYOB for the remaining balance of the fees. The remaining balance of fees will be due for payment on Wednesday 31st January 2024. Please see Fulham United FC Finance Policy for fee payment details

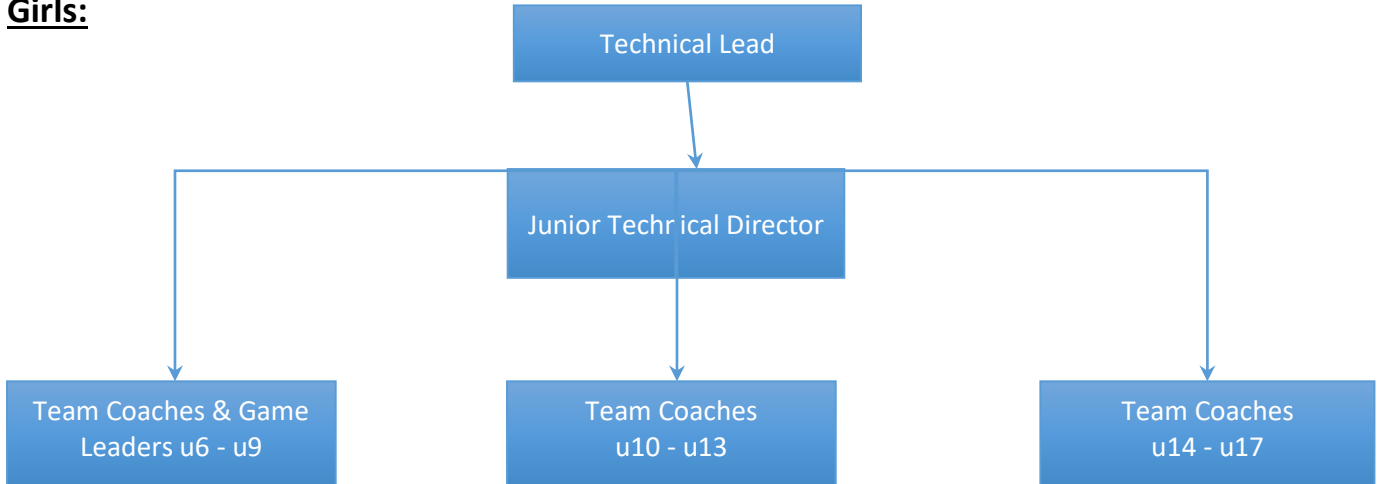
After 1st February of the year following trials, any players with overdue fees who do not have a payment plan in place will not have their FFSA registration approved and will be unable to play any games until full payment is received.

Any players recorded as unfinancial in 2023 will need to pay all outstanding fees to Fulham United (if an existing player) or to the club concerned for new players, before they can be accepted.

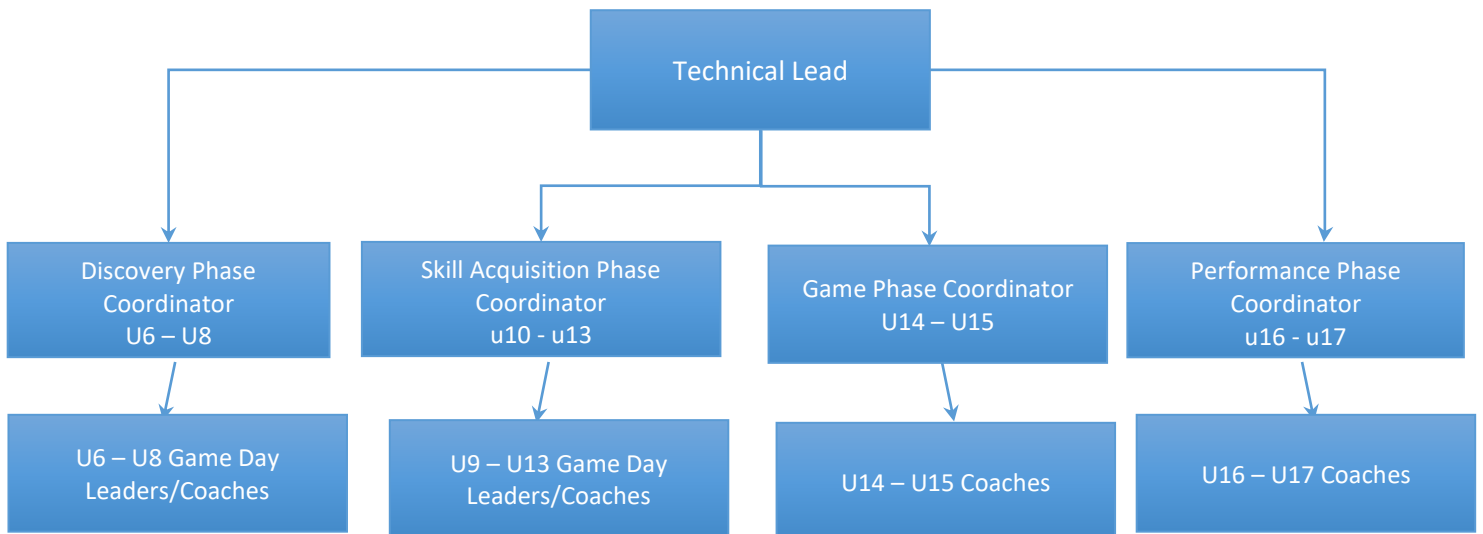


6. Juniors Structure

Girls:



Boys:



The structure for 2024 for the FUFC Junior Girls Program will involve a Junior Girls Technical Director overseeing the team coaches who will be responsible for implementing training programs. The structure for 2024 for the FUFC Junior Boys Program will involve Age Phase Coordinators overseeing the team coaches who will be responsible for implementing training programs developed by the Age Phase Coordinators.



7.

Juniors Vision and Philosophy

Our vision is to operate a high-quality youth football program with a focus on development rather than results. We will strive to be a club that gives all members the opportunity to enjoy the sport at a level consistent with their ability and commitment, which enables them to grow as both players and as young men and women. Our goal is to provide the best possible competitive football experience for all members.

We aim to generate players who have outstanding technical ability on the field and behaviours off the field, who will go on to compete in State leagues, National Premier leagues (NPL), Women’s National Premier Leagues (WNPL), A-League and National teams (From U13s State Teams to Australia National Football Teams). Our graduates will possess strong mental resilience, tactical understanding, be physically prepared and have healthy lifestyle habits. Above being players, they are good young men & women and the future of our society.

The club’s philosophy is in line with the FFA’s National Curriculum “we should primarily teach young players the proper skills and allow them to play without negative pressure, to express themselves and be allowed to learn from mistakes”.

We are not a fitness club, “fitness is made far too important in youth football because many coaches think that it is going to make their team win. Analysis shows fitness was not a decisive factor at the FIFA World Cup”. Exercise without the ball (running laps, sprints, push ups etc) is a waste of valuable football training time.

Age Group	Stage	Approach
U6-U8	<u>Discovery Phase</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discovering one’s possibilities through trial and error Natural development: ‘learn football by playing football’ No ‘coaching’ but organising fun football exercises Replicating the ‘street/park’ football environment of the past Emphasis on building a love of the game 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The game is the teacher. Teams and players are assessed on behaviour, willingness to follow instructions and skill development. Teams are evenly balanced across ability. Players belong to a squad and it is not unusual for them to be rotated across teams. No goal keepers for u6 – u7 Goalkeepers are introduced at u8 with players taking turns in goals on a rotational basis.
U9-U12	<u>Skill Acquisition Phase</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coaches must focus exclusively on providing a solid foundation of technical skill using the G.I.G Methodology (Game/Intervention/Game), whilst also continuing to develop decision-making abilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teams and players are assessed on behaviour, willingness to follow instructions and skill development. Ability & potential play a key role in player selection. Focus on 4 key skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Striking the ball First touch 1 v 1



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No amount of fitness or competitive spirit will ever compensate for deficiencies in functional game skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Running with the ball ● u10 – u11 Teams are evenly balanced. ● u12 – u13 Players will be placed in JPL or JSL teams ● Players may be moved between teams for training or training & games throughout the season depending on their performance
U13-U17	<p><u>Game Training Phase</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Preparing players for senior football by teaching them to apply the functional game skills in a team setting using 1-4-3-3 as the preferred formation ● Developing tactical awareness, perception and decision-making through a game-related approach to training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teams and players are assessed on performance, attitude, willingness to follow instructions and skill development. ● Players will be placed in JPL or JSL teams (if JSL team exists for age group) ● Players may be moved between teams, including higher age groups, for training or training & games throughout the season depending on their performance

8. Extraordinary Events

Neither Party will be liable for any failure or delay in performing an obligation under this agreement that is due to any of the following causes, to the extent beyond its reasonable control: acts of God, accident, riots, war, terrorist act, epidemic, pandemic, quarantine, civil commotion, breakdown of communication facilities, natural catastrophes, governmental acts or omissions, changes in laws or regulations.

In the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, Fulham United FC, under guidance from Football SA, will determine and apply the appropriate remedial action.

9. Your commitment to us

All parents must read the clubs (available on club website):

- [Participation Policies](#)
- [Finance Policy](#)
- [Unclaimed Property Policy](#)
- [Player Pathway Policy](#)

and should only register the player if they are in full agreement and acceptance with all content of the policies and all content of this club trials document. Players are expected to attend every training session and game. They should arrive at training in the appropriate attire, in ample time to allow the session to commence at the allocated time. There are always extenuating circumstances and coaches will be able to use their discretion, but absence or lateness for a session may result in reduced or no game time the following Sunday.