



# DEE WHY FC 2026 GRADING GUIDELINES

## Why Grade Players?

Grading helps ensure players are placed into teams where they can enjoy their football, develop skills, and play in fair and balanced competitions. It also ensures the club meets MWFA requirements for age groups from U11 and above.

## Who Needs to Attend Grading?

- Grading is open to players U11–U18
- Only registered players may attend grading
- Grading is compulsory for all players who want to be considered for Division 1
- Players in formed social teams do not need to attend grading
- The team manager must send the full player list to the Juniors VP at [juniorsvp@dyfc.com.au](mailto:juniorsvp@dyfc.com.au)

## How Does Grading Work?

Players are assessed by the club's Technical Directors and qualified coaches using age-appropriate criteria aligned with the FFA National Football Curriculum.

Assessments may include:

- Ball control and first touch
- Passing and shooting
- Dribbling
- 1v1s

The club provides team placement recommendations to the MWFA. MWFA makes the final decision on the division a team is placed into.

## Team Announcements

- U11–U18 team placements will be sent via email in late February
- U6–U10 teams will be announced in March

## Competitive & Social Teams

- Division 1 teams are selected based on grading results
- Social teams – players may request to play with friends
- Requests should be emailed to the Juniors VP at [juniorvp@dyfc.com.au](mailto:juniorvp@dyfc.com.au)

## Coaches & Managers

Following the announcement of teams, social teams are responsible for appointing volunteer coaches and managers from within their team.

For Division 1 teams participating in the fee-based Player Development Program, coaching staff will be appointed by the club.

Player Development Lite teams will also have access to a club-appointed coach.

## Girls in Mixed Comp / Dual Registration

Girls can choose to play in the mixed competition.

### **Dual registration:**

Girls may request to play in both women's and mixed competitions. Please contact the club registrar at [registrardyfc@gmail.com](mailto:registrardyfc@gmail.com)

**Note:** Football NSW requires formal consent for girls aged 12 and over to play in mixed competitions.

**FOR ANY FURTHER GRADING ENQUIRIES CONTACT JUNIOR VP Billy Keir - [juniorvp@dyfc.com.au](mailto:juniorvp@dyfc.com.au)**