

#### YORK FOOTBALL LEAGUE HANDBOOK







#### **CLUB and TEAM VENUES**



| CLUBS | VENUES | TEAMS | PLAYERS      |
|-------|--------|-------|--------------|
| 96    | 115    | 674   | Circa 10.000 |

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This handbook provides key information for all club, team officials and referees. More detailed information can be found via the league website, your County FA website or England Football and FA websites.

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#### LEAGUE CONTACTS - WHO DO I CONTACT

To ensure all communication is dealt with effectively and efficiently, please ensure that you contact the named individual below.

Team Managers and Coaches should always contact their Club Secretary or Welfare Officer in the first instance for matters other than fixtures and results.

| Contacts              |              | Email address                      |           |  |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Adult Secretary       | Aimee        | adultsecretary@                    | 01642     |  |
| Player Registrations  | Leonard      | yorkfootballleague.co.uk           | 717770    |  |
| Youth/Girls Secretary | Callum       | youthsecretary@                    | Mon - Fri |  |
| Player Registrations  | Guy          | yorkfootballleague.co.uk           | 9am-5pm   |  |
| Men's Saturday        | Colin        | york.league@btinterne              | et.com    |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Atkinson     | , ,                                |           |  |
| Men's Sunday          | Graham       | iretong@hotmail.co                 | .uk       |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Ireton       | <b>3</b> @                         |           |  |
| U19 Sunday            | Geoff        | hartletgeoff@aol.co                | om        |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Hartley      | 3.00                               |           |  |
| Youth Sun U11- U16    | David        | dpwilson1@virginmed                | ia.com    |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Wilson       | 3                                  |           |  |
| Dev. Sun U7- U10      | Mel          | melwalshaw@hotmail.co.uk           |           |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Walshaw      |                                    |           |  |
| Girls - Sat U9 - U18  | David        | secretary@yorkfootballleague.co.uk |           |  |
| Divisional Secretary  | Winterburn   | 703                                |           |  |
| Referee Support and   | Matt         | referee@yorkfootballleag           | ue.co.uk  |  |
| Appointments          | Cottingham   |                                    | ,         |  |
|                       | Andy Kay     |                                    |           |  |
|                       | Mark Shields | CENTRE OIRCLE                      |           |  |
|                       | Myles Smith  |                                    |           |  |
| Cofeguarding          | Craig Atkin  |                                    | 4         |  |
| Safeguarding and      | Angie        | angie.casterton@btinter            | net.com   |  |
| Welfare               | Casterton    |                                    |           |  |
| Chair - Men's         | Paul         | paulwishart153@gma                 | il.com    |  |
| 01 1 1 1 10 1         | Wishart      |                                    |           |  |
| Chair - Youth/Girls   | James        | jamesunwin1@hotmail.co.uk          |           |  |
| T                     | Unwin        |                                    |           |  |
| Treasurer and         | David        | secretary@yorkfootballlea          | gue.co.uk |  |
| Systems Admin         | Winterburn   |                                    |           |  |
| President             | Barry        | barry.casterton@btinter            | net.com   |  |
|                       | Casterton    |                                    |           |  |



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#### **KEY DATES 2025/26 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

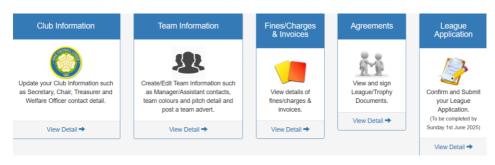
| 2025 | June                                   | Submit Team Applications to the League             |  |  |
|------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--|--|
|      | June/July                              | Affiliation Teams to your County FA                |  |  |
|      | Thu 26 <sup>th</sup> June              | League Annual General Meeting (AGM)                |  |  |
|      | July/Aug                               | Register Players with the League                   |  |  |
|      | Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug               | Season Kick Off - Adult Men's Premier League       |  |  |
|      | Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep                | Season Kick Off – Adult Men's and Girls (U12 to U1 |  |  |
|      |                                        | Development Fixtures - Girls (U9 to U11)           |  |  |
|      | Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Sep                | Season Kick Off – Men Sun, U19, Youth (U12 to U16) |  |  |
|      |                                        | Development Fixtures - Youth (U7 to U11)           |  |  |
|      | 27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup> Sep | FA Play Safe Weekend (Child's Voice)               |  |  |
|      | Nov (TBC)                              | U9 to U11 Winter Development Fixtures (Girls)      |  |  |
|      | Nov (TBC)                              | U7 to U11 Winter Development Fixtures (Youth)      |  |  |
|      | Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec               | No Fixtures - Christmas/New Year Break             |  |  |
|      | Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec               | No Fixtures - Christmas/New Year Break             |  |  |
| 2026 | Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb                | Player Registrations/Transfers Closing Date        |  |  |
|      | Feb (TBC)                              | U9 to U11 Spring Trophy Event Fixtures (Girls)     |  |  |
|      | Feb (TBC)                              | U7 to U11 Spring Trophy Event Fixtures (Youth)     |  |  |
|      | Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>                   | North Riding Cup Final (Men's Saturday County)     |  |  |
|      | Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr                | North Riding Cup Final (Men's Saturday Challenge)  |  |  |
|      | April/May                              | North Riding Senior Men's Cup Final (Date TBC)     |  |  |
|      | April/May                              | North Riding Senior Women's Cup Final (Date TBC)   |  |  |
|      | April                                  | North Riding U19 Cup Final (Date TBC)              |  |  |
|      | Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr                | No Fixtures - Easter Weekend                       |  |  |
|      | Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr                | No Fixtures - Easter Weekend                       |  |  |
|      | Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr               | North Riding Cup Final (Men's Sunday Challenge)    |  |  |
|      | Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr               | Finals Day (U9, U10, 11 Girls, U7 and U8 Youth)    |  |  |
|      | Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> Apr               | Finals Day (U9, U10 and U11 Youth)                 |  |  |
|      | Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Apr               | End of Season for All League Fixtures              |  |  |
|      | Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May                | York FA Cup Finals (Unless scheduled in April)     |  |  |
|      | Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> May                | Venues To be confirmed                             |  |  |
|      | Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> May                | North Riding County Cup Finals at Stokesley        |  |  |
|      | Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> May               | Girls U12 to U16 (Sat and Youth U12 to U16 (Sun)   |  |  |



#### LEAGUE ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM and WEBSITE

#### **ADMIN SYSTEM**

Each Club Secretary has access to the League Administration System, via their email address and Unique Identifier (UI) and can access the system to update all information relating to the club and team officials, teams, venues etc.



The following will be issued via the League Admin System and a copy sent to the registered Club Secretary and Treasurer.

- All Charges and Fines
- Player Registration and Player Transfer Bills

#### **WEBSITE**

The York Football League website <u>www.yorkfootballleague.co.uk</u> can be accessed by club and team officials, players, parents, supporters to,

- League Documentation and Latest News.
- Links to Full Time for Fixtures, Results, Tables
- Links to England Football websites including County FA
- Club and Team Contacts, Team Colours and Venues

#### **Privacy Notice**

Every club or team official can elect whether their name, email address and mobile number is displayed on the public pages. Please contact your club secretary to advise whether your details should be shown or hidden on public pages.



#### **ENGLAND FOOTBALL SYSTEMS**



**Grassroots Technology Support Hub** 

To access all matters relating to Administration and links to all FA Systems, Club Portal, Competition Portal, Referee Portal, Full Time, My Account

Please use the website link below where you can "Submit a ticket" for any questions or suggestions for all FA Systems.

#### https://grassrootstechnology.thefa.com/support/home







#### **CLUB PORTAL**

Clubs Secretaries record the following information on their club portal as part of the affiliation process.



My Club- Organisation, Documentation, Grounds, Accreditation Teams – All teams for the 2025/26 season and assign to league Club and Team Officials – Safeguarding and Qualifications Players – Register and Submit player registrations Payments – Record of all Invoices created and paid f any official requires access to Matchday or Full Time, they must be assigned to a team or teams on the club portal with a valid email address and mobile number, their name and contact

details are then integrated into Full Time and Matchday App.

All teams need to be registered and assigned to the York Football League to allow the league to assign each team to a division or development group.



#### **ENGLAND FOOTBALL SYSTEMS**



To login to Full Time, you need tour email address and/or FAN associated with your existing Full-Time account to login.

#### **FULL TIME - EMAIL ADDRESS VERIFICATION**



To access the Full-Time system, all club and team officials must be registered on the Club Portal with a valid email address and mobile number and assigned to 1 or more teams.

You will also be required to verify your email address to allow emails to be sent to you for all fixture updates, postponement and referee appointment notifications. If you are unable to access the system, please contact the league secretary.

#### PRIMARY CONTACT (PC) - Who is the Primary Contact for each team?



**Primary Contacts** 

Within Full Time each team must have 1 designated Primary Contact (PC), their name, email address and mobile number will be included on all fixture email notifications sent to teams and referees via Full Time.

Amending the Primary Contact can only be done via your Full-Time access providing you are assigned to a specified team. Select People/Primary Contact

#### **TEXTING RESULTS**



Team Administrators enter their results via SMS for their team(s).

Instructions on how to do this are sent to each team administrator using the mobile phone number you provide just after the kick-off time for the fixture.

- Only results from these mobile phone numbers will be processed.
- If the same mobile phone number is used for more than one team then
  the team administrator will be required to enter the team short code
  when sending in the result.
- You can create up to two team administrators per team.



#### **ENGLAND FOOTBALL SYSTEMS – MATCHDAY APP**



**Matchday App** – A digital tool by England Football designed to streamline football admin for coaches, players and parents by automating aspects of match organisation, player availability, match returns, and accessing fixtures and results.

It provides a single platform to manage team and player information, communicate match times and locations, submit match reports, reducing administrative tasks for everyone involved in grassroots football.

The app integrates player information from the Club Portal and your fixtures from Full Time.



Available to download free of charge from the App Store/Google Play

#### For Coaches and Team Secretaries

- Organise Matchdays Training and Social Events
- Select Players and your team
- Provide updates instantly
- Submit Results and Reports to Full Time
- · Notifications sent out automatically

#### For Players and Parents

- Confirm your matchday availability
- Follow league tables and matches
- View all your fixtures and results
- Follow your stats during the season (Some features Adults only)

https://grassrootstechnology.thefa.com/support/home



#### **FA STANDARD CODE OF RULES**



The league is required to submit their Standard Code of Rules (SCOR) and SCORY (Youth), to the North Riding County FA each season, many of the rules are mandatory FA rules, as part of their affiliation and sanction process.

A copy of these documents is available on the league website. Club and team officials should refer to SCOR or SCORY for clarification of any rules. Appendix of Fees, Charges and Fines Tarriff is also included in the Rules.

All Team Managers and Coaches must be aware of Match Related Rules (18 to 23) to try to avoid the club receiving Charges and Fines.

#### **GOVERNANCE (RULES 2 to 17)**

| Rul | Rule                                  |    | е                                                |
|-----|---------------------------------------|----|--------------------------------------------------|
| 2   | Competition Name and Constitution     | 10 | Agreement to be Signed                           |
| 3   | Club Name                             | 11 | Continuation of Membership Withdrawal of a club. |
| 4   | Entry Fees, Subscriptions, Deposits   | 12 | Exclusion of Clubs, Team misconduct of Clubs,    |
| 5   | Management, Nomination, Election      | 13 | Trophy                                           |
| 6   | Powers of Management                  | 14 | Alterations to Rules                             |
| 7   | Protests, Claims, Complaints, Appeals | 15 | Finance                                          |
| 8   | Annual General Meeting                | 16 | Insurance                                        |
| 9   | Special General Meetings              | 17 | Dissolutions                                     |

#### MATCH RELATED (RULES 18 to 23)

| Rule |                                                                                      | Rule |                           |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------|
| 18   | Qualification of Players                                                             | 21   | Reporting Results         |
| 19   | Club Colours                                                                         | 22   | Determining Championships |
| 20   | Playing Season, Conditions of Play,<br>Kick Off Times, Postponements,<br>Substitutes | 23   | Match Officials           |

#### AGE GROUPS. FORMAT, PITCH, GOAL and BALL SIZES

FA Standard Code of Rules (Rule 18 C) sets out the maximum playing format for all age groups, ball size, recommended goal size with a minimum and maximum pitch size.

| Age<br>Group | Maximum<br>Playing | Pitch Size<br>(Yards) |           | Goal Size<br>(Feet) | Ball Size |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| -            | Format             | Minimum               | Maximum   | , ,                 |           |
| U7/U8        | 5 v 5              | 30 x 20               | 40 x 30   | 12 x 6              | 3         |
| U9/U10       | 7 v 7              | 50 x 30               | 60 x 40   | 12 x 6              | 3         |
| U11/U12      | 9 v 9              | 70 x 40               | 80 x 50   | 16 x 7              | 4         |
| U13          | 11 v 11            | 90 x 50               | 100 x 60  | 16 x 7              | 4         |
| U14          | 11 v 11            | 90 x 50               | 100 x 60  | 16 x 7              | 4         |
| U15          | 11 v 11            | 90 x 50               | 110 x 70  | 24 x 8              | 5         |
| U16          | 11 v 11            | 90 x 50               | 110 x 70  | 24 x 8              | 5         |
| U18          | 11 v 11            | 100 x 50              | 130 x 100 | 24 x 8              | 5         |
| Open         | 11 v 11            | 100 x 50              | 130 x 100 | 24 x 8              | 5         |

#### **MATCH DURATIONS**



FA Standard Code of Rules 20 (A) all competition Matches should be played in accordance with the Laws appropriate to the age group, as detailed below.

| Age<br>Group |                    | Ouration<br>per half) |                                      | Maximum Minutes Playing<br>Time in 1 Day |         |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------|
|              | Minimum<br>Minutes | Maximum<br>Minutes    | Organized<br>Development<br>fixtures | Development and Trophy                   |         |
| U7/U8        | 10                 | 20                    | 40                                   | 60                                       | 15 Mins |
| U9/U10       | 20                 | 25                    | 60                                   | 90                                       | 20 Mins |
| U11          | 20                 | 30                    | 80                                   | 120                                      | 25 Mins |
| U12          | 20                 | 30                    | 80                                   | 120                                      | 30 Mins |
| U13/U14      | 25                 | 35                    | 100                                  | 150                                      | 35 Mins |
| U15/U16      | 25                 | 40                    | 100                                  | 150                                      | 40 Mins |
| U17/U18      | 25                 | 45                    | 120                                  | 180                                      | 45 Mins |
| Open         | N/A                | 45                    | N/A                                  | N/A                                      | 45 Mins |



#### **FA LAWS OF THE GAME**



Whatever your role in football, everyone should understand the Key Laws of the Game and how they're applied, there is a **FREE ONLINE COURSE** available through England Football, broken down into 5 modules.

#### https://learn.englandfootball.com/courses/Refereeing/guide-to-the-laws-of-the-game

| Law 1  | The Field of Play           | Law 2                     | The Ball                      |  |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Law 3  | The Players                 | Law 4                     | The Players Equipment         |  |
| Law 5  | The Referee                 | Law 6                     | The Other Match Officials     |  |
| Law 7  | The Duration of the Match   | Law 8                     | The Start and Restart of Play |  |
| Law 9  | The Ball In and Out of Play | Law 10                    | Determining the Match         |  |
| Law 11 | Offside                     | Law 12                    | Fouls and Misconduct          |  |
| Law 13 | Free Kicks                  | Law 14                    | The Penalty Kick              |  |
| Law 15 | The Throw In                | Law 16 The Corner Kick    |                               |  |
| Law 17 | The Goal Kick               | Do you know all the Laws? |                               |  |

#### New Laws for 2026/26

The main changes to the FA's Laws of the Game include.



- An eight-second rule for goalkeepers who hold the ball, which results in a corner.
- A "Captain Only" protocol will limit discussions with referees to just the captain.
- A defined location for dropped ball restarts based on last possession
- A new rule penalizing a corner kick if a team official, substitute, or offfield player interferes with the ball out of play.



#### U7 to U10 MINI SOCCER LAWS OF THE GAME



Without Laws there would be no football and when very young children play there are many other things to consider too.

Can we make sure that everyone, children AND adults, has an enjoyable time?

- If the pitch is fit to play, is the weather appropriate for small children?
- Is there any reason why EVERY child should not be able to enjoy at least 50% game time on the day?
- If we can all apply these principles just as much as the Laws themselves, then we should see more and more children enjoying the greatest game in the world.
- Players will play to the laws of the game of the age-group they play in.

|   | Mini Soccer - Laws of the Game |    |                      |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------|----|----------------------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Play Phase                     | 10 | Method of Scoring    |  |  |  |
| 2 | Playing Area                   | 11 | Offside              |  |  |  |
| 3 | Ball                           | 12 | Fouls and Misconduct |  |  |  |
| 4 | Number of Players              | 13 | Free Kicks           |  |  |  |
| 5 | Players Equipment              | 14 | Penalty Kicks        |  |  |  |
| 6 | Match Officials                | 15 | Pass or Dribble In   |  |  |  |
| 7 | Duration of the Game           | 16 | Goal Kicks           |  |  |  |
| 8 | Start and Restart of Play      | 17 | Corner Kicks         |  |  |  |
| 9 | Ball In and Out of Play        |    | Power Play Laws      |  |  |  |

| Key Point Summary                 | U7 (5v5)                                           | U8 (5v5) | U9 (7v7) | U10 (7v7) |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|--|
| Ball Size                         | 3                                                  | 3        | 3        | 3         |  |
| Offside                           | No                                                 | No       | No       | No        |  |
| Throw Ins                         | No                                                 | No       | No       | No        |  |
| Pass Ins/Dribble Ins              | Yes                                                | Yes      | Yes      | Yes       |  |
| Back Pass Rule                    | Yes                                                | Yes      | Yes      | Yes       |  |
| Corners                           | Yes                                                | Yes      | Yes      | Yes       |  |
| Retreat Line                      | Yes                                                | Yes      | Yes      | Yes       |  |
| Power Play                        | Yes                                                | Yes      | Yes      | Yes       |  |
| <b>Deliberate Heading Allowed</b> | No -If occurs Indirect free kick to the opposition |          |          |           |  |

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#### FA POWER PLAY RULES (U7 to U10 AGE GROUPS)



Development football is designed to create the best learning and fun experience for young players.

To ensure an imbalance in ability does not spoil this, the FA has approved 'Power Play' as an option that mini-soccer and youth leagues can adopt.

- If a team is losing by a four-goal difference, they can put an additional player on so 5v5 becomes 6v5.
- If the score returns to less than a four-goal difference the team takes off a player. It does not have to be the last player to come on
- If a team goes on to be losing by a six-goal difference a further additional player can be added so 6v5 becomes 7v5.
- The main aim of the Power Play option is that all players are being challenged and enjoying the game
- Power Play is available at all mini soccer football formats 5v5 and 7v7

| Sc       | ore       | What Happens?           | 5 v 5 | 7 v 7 |
|----------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|-------|
| Red Team | Blue Team | No Change               | 5 v 5 | 7 v 7 |
| 3        | 0         |                         |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team brings on 1   | 5 v 6 | 7 v 8 |
| 4        | 0         | extra player            |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team removes 1     | 5 v 5 | 7 v 7 |
| 4        | 1         | player                  |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team brings on 1   | 5 v 6 | 7 v 8 |
| 5        | 1         | extra player            |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | No Change               | 5 v 6 | 7 v 8 |
| 6        | 1         |                         |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team brings on     | 5 v 7 | 7 v 9 |
| 7        | 1         | another extra player    |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team removes 1     | 5 v 6 | 7 v 8 |
| 7        | 2         | player                  |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | No Change               | 5 v 6 | 7 v 8 |
| 7        | 3         |                         |       |       |
| Red Team | Blue Team | Blue team removes final | 5 v 5 | 7 v 7 |
| 7        | 4         | extra player            |       |       |



#### **SAFEGUARDING**



Everyone involved in Grassroots Football is responsible for Safeguarding to ensure best practice. There are several online safeguarding courses that everyone involved need to be aware of to ensure that football is a safer place for all. For more information please visit,

#### https://learn.englandfootball.com/courses/safeguarding

| Safeguarding                           | Duration | Age | Cost | About                                                                                                   |  |
|----------------------------------------|----------|-----|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Awareness for<br>Parents and Carers    | 30 Mins  | 16+ | FREE | Helping make an informed choice about the setting they enrol their children in.                         |  |
| Safeguarding<br>Children               | 2 Hours  | 16+ | £30  | Provides an awareness of best practice in safeguarding children in football.                            |  |
| Children<br>Recertification            | 2 Hours  | 16+ | FREE | For anyone who has previously completed the Safeguarding Children Course.                               |  |
| Safeguarding For All                   | 45 Mins. | 14+ | FREE | A basic overview of safeguarding, looking at best practice, poor practice, and abuse topics.            |  |
| Welfare Officer                        | 2 Hour   | 18+ | £25  | This interactive, online session covers the role of a Welfare Officer and wider safeguarding            |  |
| Committee Members                      | 1 Hour   | 18+ | FREE | Identify your responsibility ikeeping the wellbeing of children and young people central to all you do. |  |
| Safeguarding Adults                    | 1 Hour   | 14+ | FREE | This module explores how to safeguard adults as well as defining an 'adult at risk'.                    |  |
| Player Welfare in<br>Open Age Football | 45 Mins. | 16+ | FREE | To help you understand more about player welfare and why it is important.                               |  |







#### RESPECT

We want to provide a safe, fun and positive environment in which young people can play and enjoy football.

This can be achieved if everyone plays their part in supporting and promoting Respect.





Here are some of the things you can do to help:

- Welcome the opposition and treat them how you would like to be treated.
- Support and encourage players from both sides.
- Let the coaches coach.
- Remember that the referee may be learning the game.
- You are always a role model to children during the game.
- Always make the game fun.
- Do not go onto the pitch unless a child is injured.
- Show children how to win or lose in the right way.

To find out more about Respect go to:

www.englandfootball.com/participate/explore /inclusive-football/Respect



Please ensure all pitches are marked off with respect barriers to ensure the safety of the players with spectators away from the touchline.

Players and coaching staff should always be on the opposite side to spectators.



#### PLAYER REGISTRATIONS AND TRANSFERS



Players details must be entered on the Club Portal by Club Secretary or club authorised Player Registration Secretary.

- Assign player to a team(s) but only 1 team at the same age group.
- Players Name, DOB, valid parental email address (if U16) is required
- Confirmation that a Birth Certificate, Passport etc. has been seen by a club official to validate the players date of birth,
- A Passport sized photo is MANDATORY
- Submit the registration to the League for Approval
- A player registration fee will be payable for every registration and player transfer

#### A player is NOT eligible to play in a league scheduled fixture until

- Their registration has been approved by the league
- They show as League Approved on the Portal and Matchday App
- 7 Days have elapsed since the registration was approved.

| Age Group     | U7    | U9    | U11   | U13                        | U15 | U18   | U19 | Open   |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------------------|-----|-------|-----|--------|
|               | U8    | U10   | U12   | U14                        | U16 | Girls |     | Age    |
| Format        | 5 v 5 | 7 v 7 | 9 v 9 | 11v11                      |     |       |     |        |
| Max. Player   | 10    | 14    | 18    | 20                         |     | 2     | 5   | 35 (1) |
| Registrations |       |       |       |                            |     |       |     | 55 (2) |
| Matchday      | 10    | 14    | 14    | 16 (11 plus 5 Substitutes) |     |       |     |        |
| Squad Size    |       |       |       |                            |     |       |     |        |

Closing date for registrations - 1st February 2026

**Dual Registration –** A player can be registered for 2 teams at different age groups, either at the same or different clubs,

**Player Transfers** – A player cannot play for a team until a 7-day notice of approach has been sent to a players current club, once the 7 days has elapsed a transfer request can then be submitted to the league via your club portal.

**International Clearance –** Please Contact the League if a player has been registered outside England, including Scotland or Wales if 10 or above.



#### **REFEREE SUPPORT and APPOINTMENTS**



County FA Qualified Referees register with the leaguand subject to availability will be appointed to 11v11 and 9v9 fixtures, the league will look to appoint a qualified referee for all league fixtures. If you know of a referee in your area who has not registered with the league, please ask them to contact the league Referee Support Team.



**New Referees** - The league will look to provide funding of up to 50% of the cost for any individual who registers and completes a County FA referee course and then referees in 5 league fixtures.

All referees are appointed to fixtures on Full Time and if appointed to a fixture, you will receive an automated email notification of the referee's name and contact details.

It is the responsibility of the home team to contact the referee **no later than 5** days before the fixture to confirm venue, kick off time etc. The home team are also responsible for contacting the referee to advise of any late postponements.

Where a Referee has been appointed you will be required to provide marks, on the referee via Full Time or Matchday App. Please note the referee will also be marking teams with regards to behaviour, both on and off the field.

The Home team is responsible for payment to the referee including mileage as per the CYGFL FA Standard Code of Rules and payment should be made no later than the conclusion of the fixture on the day.

League Referee Support Team and Fixture Appointments (Matt Cottingham, Andy Kay, Mark Shields, Myles Smith and Craig Atkin)

Please contact league officials for all matters Referee related matters.

REFEREE DEVELOPMENT

North Riding Referee Development Officer - Conor Ledgeway

Email: referee@yorkfootballleague.co.uk

Email: conor.ledgeway@northridingfa.com



### DEVELOPMENT FIXTURES and TROPHY EVENT (U7 to U11 Age Groups)



Players in the U7 to U11 age groups do not play in leagues and as per the FA standard Code of Rules. results and league tables cannot be published by the league or clubs.

Dependent on the number of teams at each age group and based on results from the previous season, teams will be placed in a maximum of 8 teams per group and each team will be scheduled a maximum of 7 fixtures.

**Autumn Groups** – Fixtures will be scheduled during September and October, if fixtures are not played as scheduled, the fixture will not be rescheduled unless both teams agree an alternative date, either a Saturday or mid-week.

**Winter Groups** – Results of Autumn Group fixtures will be reviewed and where appropriate teams will be moved into a different group to ensure they are playing teams of a similar ability and fixtures scheduled in November, December and January

**Spring Groups** – Results of Winter Group fixtures will be reviewed and where appropriate teams will be moved into a different group to ensure they are playing teams of a similar ability, fixtures will be scheduled in February, March and April.



**Trophy Event Finals Day** – This will be held at the end of April where 2 teams from each development group will be invited to play in the Trophy Event Finals Day.

**Additional Teams** – Clubs can register additional U7 to U11 teams between October and January and new teams will be integrated into the group and fixture scheduling programme as appropriate.

**Player Registrations** – Where a club has more than 1 team at each age group, the player can only be transferred between teams between fixture breaks.



#### FIXTURE POSTPONEMENT REQUESTS



All fixtures are expected to be played on the date scheduled and any postponement requests should be kept to an absolute minimum. When requesting a postponement for any reason, all teams following the same procedure and in accordance with the FA

Standard Code of Rules, clubs may be charged for non-fulfilment, resulting in a possible charge, fine or awarding of points to the opponents.

All teams will need to complete a Postponement Request Form which can be found on the league website home page Forms/Postponement Request, and other than weather related requests should give a minimum of **14 days'** notice.

#### **Postponement Requests**

# Team Postponement Request June 2024 Club Name: —Select One— Team Name: —Please choose from the above — Approved Requests: Home or Away Team: —Choose a team if applicable — Please select the opposition from the above been allocated a finure (otherwise leave blank) Division: —Select One— Fixture Date: DDMM/YYY (6dim/yyyy) Days before fixture: —Select Players Registered — —Players Available: —Select Players Registered — —Players Available: —Select Players Available — —Select Players Unavailable: —Select Players Inavailable — Detail: Detail: Detail: Name of Person making the postponement: Email Address: Email Address: Email Address of person making the postponement:

# PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST AT LEAST 14 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE SCHEDULED FIXTURE

The league will either **Approve** the request and reschedule the fixture or **Decline** the request and fixture may not be rescheduled.

#### Postponements on the Day of the fixture.

If you receive an FA text message for a fixture which is postponed on the day of the fixture due to weather or pitch conditions, the **home team** should reply to the text with **P-P.** and confirm reason for postponement on Matchday App.



# MATCH ADMINISTRATION - PRE and POST MATCH CONFIRMING MATCH DETAILS WITH YOUR OPPONENTS

donotreplyfulltime@thefa.com
to secretary >



All league scheduled fixture notification details will be sent by the Full-Time email system to all team officials and appointed referees on or around 6 pm on the Monday ahead of the following weekends fixture.



The Home team Primary Contact is responsible for contacting the following no later than the Wednesday prior to the fixture.

- Contact he Away team Primary Contact to confirm fixture details, venue, kick off time, team colours etc.
- Contact the referee to confirm venue and kick off time
- Contact divisional secretary if any change to kick off time or venue.
- Arrange payment to any league appointed referee before or immediately after the fixture.

Please note the home team has access to amend both the kick off time and venue on Matchday App or Full Time providing this has been confirmed with the Away team in advance of the fixture. By making a change, the league official, any appointed referee and you're the Away team contacts will receive an automated email via the Full-Time system.

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#### REFEREE TEAM SHEETS

All Under 11 age groups and above will receive a pad of Referee Team Sheets.

A Sheet must be completed for each fixture and handed to the match referee no later than 15 minutes before kick-off.

All team sheets must include the **FULL NAME** and **SHIRT NUMBER** of each player in the squad, in **BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE**.

Referees should retain forms for 28 days,



#### **RESULT AND FIXTURE MANAGEMENT**

#### REPORTING RESULTS

It is the responsibility of a designated team official from both team to report the result of any league scheduled fixture, **no** later than 6pm on the day of the fixture.



#### To report a result, you require access to one or all the following,

- Matchday App or Full Time
- SMS Text Message. A maximum of 2 mobile numbers per team can be registered and you will receive a text message before or during the fixture.

FA Full-Time Results: SH1 v SH2, Wed 28 Oct 00:00. Reply home and away scores in format: H-A e.g. 3-2

Clubs will be fined if a team official has not been confirmed by the deadline.

#### MATCH RETURNS

All teams are required to submit match returns no later than **48 hours after the match** either by Matchday App or Full Time. Both FA Marks and Player Stas are required.



#### **FA Respect and Team Marks:**

- Officials Marks Decision Making, Major Decisions, Overall Control
- Respect Marks: Both On and Off the field.
- Pitch Marks Pitch type and condition.

#### **Player Statistics to Confirm:**



Your match stats have been submitted to Full-Time

- Starters, Bench, Unused Bench
- Sin Bin, Yellow Card, Red Card
- Goal Scorers, Captain, Assists, Player of the Match etc. are optional

PLEASE BE AWARE A LEAGUE APPOINTED REFEREE WILL ALSO BE AWARDING MARKS TO TEAMS WITH REGARDS TO BEHAVIOUR, BOTH "ON AND OFF" THE FIELD.



#### COUNTY CUP COMPETITIONS



All York Football League member clubs are affiliated to either North Riding, East Riding or West Riding County FA.

All 3 counties offer County Cup Competitions at the U12 age group and above, please note not all counties will run a competition at every age group. The Club Secretary should contact County FA for all matters relating to County Cups.

| NORTH RIDING             | EAST RIDING           | WEST RIDING           |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| COUNTY FA                | COUNTY FA             | COUNTY FA             |
|                          |                       |                       |
| support@northrdingfa.com | info@eastridingfa.com | info@westridingfa.com |
| 01642 717770             | 01482 221158          | 01132 821222          |
| www.nrcfa.com            | www.ercfa.com         | www.wrcfa.com         |

#### YORK FA CUP COMPETITIONS



All York Football League member clubs with teams at the U12 age group and above are eligible to enter one of the 17 York FA cup competitions. There is a separate entry fee for this competition and Club Secretaries should contact York FA Club Secretary Geoff Hartley for all information relating to York FA Cup Competitions.

Email: hartleygeoff@aol.com Website: https://yorkfa.co.uk/

#### **COUNTY CUP and YORK FA CUP FIXTURES AND RESULTS**

All County FA Cup and York FA Cup competitions are administered separately by the respective FAs.



All County FA and York FA fixtures are integrated into the York Football League Full Time website and any league fixtures scheduled on Cup dates will be Postponed and rescheduled by league officials.



#### **CONTACTS**

| Club/Team | Name | Email Address | Mobile |
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