

Cornwall FA

**Coach, Volunteer and Referee
Qualification Guidance
Season 2021-2022**

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Introduction

Following the FA Education restructure and the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic, opportunities have started to become available again to support grassroots volunteers across the country. This document highlights the qualification requirements needed to operate within football and how to access them.

One noticeable change to be aware of is that The FA centrally are now responsible for administering and managing coach education courses. With Cornwall FA taking on responsibility for supporting the workforce via a range of events throughout the year.





New Coaches in Youth Football

Position	Mandatory Requirement	Best Practice
New coaches, managers and assistants in youth teams	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="769 521 1009 544">1. In-date FA DBS<li data-bbox="769 586 1640 675">2. BT Playmaker, by England Football - take the course (Includes The FA “Safeguarding for All”, “Sudden Cardiac Arrest” and “The FA’s Concussion Guidelines” and is a prerequisite for the Introduction to Coaching Football).<li data-bbox="769 715 1702 803">3. Introduction to Coaching Football - take the course (Replacing the FA Level 1, to be completed as soon as possible, includes Safeguarding Children Course and Introduction to First Aid in Football).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1740 521 2305 544">1. Respect for Coaches Course - take the course
<p>NB: Unless you satisfy the mandatory requirements you will be unable to participate in your role. This guidance should remain in place until further notice, however Cornwall FA will inform you of any changes to requirements.</p>		





Existing Coaches in Youth Football



Position	Mandatory Requirement	Best Practice
Existing coaches, managers and assistants in youth teams	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. In-date FA DBS2. Level 1 in Coaching Football or Introduction to Coaching Football3. In-date Safeguarding Children Certificate - If have attended a face to face Safeguarding Children Workshop, you can recertify here for free until the 30th June 2021.4. Introduction To First Aid In Football – take the course	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Respect for Coaches Course - take the course2. Sudden Cardiac Arrest - take the course3. The FA's Concussion Guidelines - take the course
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New and Existing Coaches in Adult Football



Position	Mandatory Requirement (If U18 player(s) in adult team)	Charter Standard (All adult teams)	Best Practice
<p>New and existing coaches, managers and assistants in adult teams with under 18 player(s)</p>	<p>1. In-date FA DBS</p>	<p>1. Introduction To First Aid In Football – take the course</p>	<p>1. FA Playmaker, By England Football - take the course 2. Introduction to Coaching Football - take the course 3. Respect for Coaches Course - take the course 4. Safeguarding for All - take the course 5. Safeguarding Adults - take the course 6. Sudden Cardiac Arrest - take the course 7. The FA's Concussion Guidelines - take the course</p>
<p>*Existing FA Charter Standard Leagues and Clubs will automatically become an England Football Accredited League or England Football Accredited Club when the England Football Accreditation programme becomes available later in the year (2021).*</p>			
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Youth Committee Members



Position	Mandatory Requirement	Best Practice
New League/Club Welfare Officer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In-date FA DBS 2. In-date Safeguarding for Committee Members - take the course 3. Safeguarding Children Course – take the course 4. Welfare Officer Workshop – take the course 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safeguarding for All - take the course 2. Safeguarding Adults - take the course
Continuing League/Club Welfare Officer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In-date FA DBS 2. In-date Safeguarding for Committee Members - take the course 3. In-date Safeguarding Children Certificate - recertify here 	
New and existing Club Committee Members - Secretary/Chairperson/Treasurer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In-date Safeguarding for Committee Members - take the course 	
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Referees



Position	Mandatory Requirement
<p>New Referees planning to referee in youth football</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> In-date FA DBS - (if over 16 years of age) Referee Qualification - take the course Must have one of the following Safeguarding for All - take the course and or Safeguarding Children Course – take the course Parent FAN link - (if under 18 years of age)
<p>Continuing referees planning to referee in youth football</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> In-date FA DBS - (if over 16 years of age) Referee Qualification In-date Safeguarding Children Certificate - (if have attended a face to face Safeguarding Children Workshop)- recertify here. If not, must complete either the Safeguarding for All - take the course and or Safeguarding Children Course – take the course Parent FAN link - (if under 18 years of age)
<p>Referee Registration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To register as a referee, please click here.
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