

DCFA COUNTY & CHARITY CUPS 2023/24 – Criteria & Eligibility



SATURDAY/MIDWEEK COMPETITONS

DCFA 'Frank Pattison' Challenge Cup – Adult competition played midweek (ENTRY FEE: £20)
Entry depends on League status and facilities as stated by The County FA

DCFA Trophy – Adult competition played Saturday afternoons (ENTRY FEE: £10)
Entry is mandatory for all DCFA teams in the Wearside League (top division) & all DCFA teams in the North Riding Football League (top division)

Teams that enter the Minor Cup can enter the Trophy in addition to the Minor cup provided that the facility they play at has a permanent or temporary barrier around the playing area, which must be a minimum of 1.83 metres from the touch/goal line where spectators can stand behind. They must also have dugouts and a technical area.

DCFA 'Bob Strophair' Minor Cup – Adult competition played Saturday afternoons (ENTRY FEE: £10)
Entry is mandatory for all DCFA teams in the Wearside League (below top division), All Crook & District League teams, all DCFA teams in the Northern Alliance League (below top division), all DCFA teams in the North Riding Football League (below top division) & all DCFA teams in the North East Combination Saturday League (top division)

All teams that enter the trophy can enter the challenge in addition to the Trophy under the following stipulations:

They can provide facilities that are the same standard as the Northern League 2nd Division, which will include a playing area enclosed by permanent barriers, dugouts, technical area and is fully enclosed so a gate can be taken.

Any Club that wish to enter and hire a different ground must pay the FULL cost and be aware that all fixtures will be played midweek. If they hire a ground 14 day's notice MUST be given to the County FA and the opponents.

DCFA Youth Cup – (U18 & U17 affiliated teams can enter) – played Saturday mornings (ENTRY FEE: £5)
Entry is mandatory for all DCFA teams in the DCFA U18's Saturday Morning League

SUNDAY COMPETITONS

DCFA Sunday Cup – Adult competition played Sunday mornings (ENTRY FEE: £10)
(Kick off time is normally 10.30am, however if you are drawn away to a team that uses a 3G/artificial pitch, then this time may alter and the away team must abide by the kick off time provided by the home team)

DCFA Women's Cup – Adult competition played Sunday afternoons (ENTRY FEE: £10)

DCFA North West Durham Charity Cup – Adult competition played Sunday mornings (Please note you can enter only ONE of the two charity cups (i.e. Bishop Auckland Heart Foundation OR North West Durham) (ENTRY FEE: £10)

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DCFA U18's Sunday Cup – (U17 & U18 affiliated teams can enter) - played Sunday afternoons (ENTRY FEE: £5)

DCFA Youth Minor U16's Cup – (U15 & U16 affiliated teams can enter) – played Sunday afternoons (Teams who play on a Saturday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

DCFA U14's Cup – played Sunday afternoons (Teams who play on a Saturday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

DCFA U13's Cup – played Sunday afternoons (Teams who play on a Saturday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

New for 2023/24 season

DCFA U12's Girls Cup - (U11 & U12 affiliated teams can enter) – played Saturday mornings (Teams who play on a Sunday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

DCFA U14's Girls Cup - (U13 & U14 affiliated teams can enter) – played Saturday mornings (Teams who play on a Sunday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

DCFA U16's Girls Cup - (U15 & U16 affiliated teams can enter) – played Saturday mornings (Teams who play on a Sunday at the relevant age group are permitted to enter) (ENTRY FEE: £5)

****Please note players can only play for ONE team in each competition****