

DISABILITY FOOTBALL – REFEREEING PATHWAY

PLAYING ENVIRONMENT

CRITERIA FOR PROGRESSION

IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC ELITE INTERNATIONAL SQUADS

International matches
Full international squads – training weekends, friendly matches, tri-nation tournaments, World and European championships

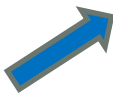
Selected from those referees officiating in the impairment specific talent programme



IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC TALENT PROGRAMME

FA Disability Talent Programme training matches (Youth age groups)

Selected from referees officiating in the impairment specific national leagues



NATIONAL IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC LEAGUES

AMPUTEE
7-a-side
Central venue fixtures
Monthly

BLIND
Adapted version of Futsal
Played at RNC, Hereford
Monthly

CP
7-a-side
Central venue fixture
Monthly

DEAF
11-a-side
Home and away fixtures
Monthly

PARTIALLY SIGHTED
Adapted version of Futsal
Central venue fixtures
Monthly

POWERCHAIR

Mandatory for Amputee and CP Leagues - FA Referees Course, small-sided football course or mini-soccer course & relevant impairment specific workshop
Mandatory for Blind and Partially Sighted Leagues – Futsal course & impairment specific workshop
Powerchair Leagues - tbc



COUNTY FA PAN-DISABILITY LEAGUES

Ability banded; small sided (4v4 up to 9v9 with a very small minority playing 11v11), monthly (as a minimum), the majority are central venue based; local 'rules' will apply

Strongly recommended - FA Referees Course, small-sided football or mini soccer course & disability refereeing workshop