

FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT



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ENGLAND FOOTBALL ACCREDITATION

England Football Accredited is for all non-professional leagues and clubs. It helps them create the experiences and environments where players, coaches and volunteers can thrive. Accredited clubs are more sustainable, more resilient and built to last. Becoming England Football Accredited is a requirement of any club with at least one team participating in an England Football Accredited League.

Clubs looking to become Accredited can do so by meeting the criteria on the Club Portal. You can access a guidance video on this process [here](#).

For more information, please see our website [here](#).

Please contact **Anna Larkins** for any England Football Accredited enquiries.

ENGLAND LEARNING

At Norfolk FA, we work hard to ensure that whoever participates in football has a fun, enjoyable and safe experience. We provide support for all our coaches and volunteers to help raise the standards of the game in this County.

With The FA delivering all courses centrally, the majority of which now having online elements, we are still keen to support our workforce to provide information about initiatives and training opportunities to help this valued community.

All the information you need (including booking links) for qualifications in Safeguarding, First Aid, Coaching, Talent ID, and Respect can be viewed online [here](#).

Any questions you may have regarding Coach Education please email **Harry Diggins** or Coaching@NorfolkFA.com

WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Norfolk's Women's and Girls' Programme is aimed at increasing participation for females, whilst enthusing, retaining and developing footballers whatever their background or ability. Visit our website [here](#) for more information on female football in Norfolk.

Wildcats Girls' Football Centres provide girls aged 5-11 with regular opportunities to play football. The initiative offers organised sessions in a fun and safe environment created exclusively for girls. Across Norfolk we currently have 26 Wildcats Centres, if your club would like more information on becoming our newest Wildcat Centre please click [here](#).

If you are looking to grow female participation at your club, you can now access online workshops delivered by The FA to help your club become Female Friendly. You can find information on this, as well as a downloadable toolkit, [here](#).

For more information on women's and girls' football in Norfolk, please contact **Harry Diggins**.

DISABILITY FOOTBALL

In our County we believe in flexible, inclusive, and accessible playing opportunities for everyone, and are committed to delivering a range of opportunities for the players with a disability to access football at various levels across the county.

If you are interested in setting up a disability provision at your club, please contact **Jamie Bennett**.

INCLUSION & DIVERSITY

All clubs are encouraged to adopt The FA's Football Leadership Diversity Code which is available [here](#).

For more information on how you can create an inclusive environment at your club please contact **Rachel Cossey**.

GRANTS & FUNDING

Clubs will have various opportunities to access funding from Norfolk FA, The FA, and Football Foundation throughout the season. For more information please contact **Rachel Cossey or Ian Grange**.