

Qualifications Guidance – Season 2021-2022



Position COACHES

New coaches and managers in under 18 teams. (Each team must have at least one lead coach with these qualifications).

Also new assistant coaches if they will have sole charge of team at training/matches.

Continuing coaches and managers in under 18 teams. (Each team must have at least one lead coach with these qualifications). Also new assistant coaches if they will have sole charge of team at training/matches.

Assistant coaches who do not have sole charge of team at any point, parents who help out with teams.

REFEREES

All referees must have a safeguarding qualification even those not intending to officiate youth fixtures, as open age teams may have U18 players

New Referees who intend to officiate in youth football

1. Referee Qualification
2. In-date DBS (if over 16 years of age)
3. In-date Safeguarding Children Course - take it here or recertify here. Valid for 2 years.
4. Parent FAN link (if under 18 years of age)

Continuing referees who intend to officiate in youth football

1. Referee Qualification
2. In-date DBS (if over 16 years of age)
3. In-date Safeguarding Children Certificate, when this expires recertify on the online Safeguarding Children Course (valid for 2 years)
4. Parent FAN link (if under 18 years of age)

Referees who do not intend to referee in youth football (will need a basic safeguarding qualification as open age teams may have U18 players)

1. Referee Qualification
2. In-date Safeguarding for All (free) – take it here.
3. Parent FAN link (if under 18 years of age)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

New or existing League/Club Welfare Officer

1. Welfare Officers Workshop
2. Safeguarding Children's Course or for existing welfare officers, In-date Safeguarding Children Certificate
3. In-date DBS
4. Safeguarding for Committee Members

New and existing Club Committee Members – Secretary/Chairperson/Treasurer

In-date Safeguarding for Committee Members – take the course

All courses are available online at: thebootroom.thefa.com