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Suffolk FA Referee Promotion Information

(Season 2019/20)

This document provides information for any referee considering applying for promotion to the next level of the refereeing pyramid. Referees must successfully achieve the Promotion Requirements detailed within the appropriate section to achieve promotion.

To apply, please [click here](#) to be redirected to the required form which is also available via the Suffolk FA website.

Applications should be received by 5pm on Thursday 28th February 2019.

For more information or if you have any further queries relating to the Promotion Scheme, please e-mail:

RefereePromotions@SuffolkFA.com



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PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS: Level 7 – 6

You must have been a Level 7 and officiated in open age football before you can apply for promotion. A sufficient amount of experience is required before applying.

- Complete 20 games of 11v11 football, of which a maximum of six games may be at U18 level.
- Receive a minimum of three observations achieving an average grading of ‘Standard’ or higher.
- Attend a mandatory In-Service Training Promotion Evening during which you will need to undertake and pass an FA examination on the Laws of the Game.

In addition you are required to:

- Provide the County FA with details of your fixtures throughout the season, including changes or cancellations.
 - Respond to all correspondence promptly and efficiently.
 - Achieve the minimum agreed position in the table of club marks on the leagues you officiate on.
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PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS: Level 6 – 5

- Complete 20 games of 11v11 football, of which a maximum of six games may be at U18 level.
- Receive a minimum of three observations achieving an average grading of ‘Standard’ or higher.
- Attend a mandatory In-service Training Promotion Evening during which you will need to undertake and pass an FA examination on the Laws of the Game.
- Complete five games of 11v11 football as an assistant referee at senior level.

In addition you are required to:

- Provide the County FA with details of your fixtures throughout the season, including changes or cancellations.
 - Respond to all correspondence promptly and efficiently.
 - Achieve the minimum agreed position in the table of club marks on the leagues you officiate on.
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PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS: LEVEL 5 – 4

Once you have reached Level 5 you can seek nomination for promotion to Level 4.

Important: To be accepted into the scheme for promotion from Level 5 to Level 4 you must take the “entry” Fitness Test detailed at point 6 below. Failure to complete the fitness test may result in the referee being removed from the Promotion Scheme.

- Complete 20 games of 11v11 football, of which all must be open age football.
- Operate as an assistant referee on a minimum of 10 games on open age football.
- Achieve an average observation mark of 73 or above on a minimum of five observations.
- Attend a regional Promotion In-Service Training Meeting held at times and locations organised by The FA. Failure to attend at least one of these meetings will mean that you will be removed from the season’s promotion scheme.
- Pass the required FA Laws of the Game examination, at which you will be allowed a maximum of two attempts.
- Successfully complete a County FA fitness test in which you must run continuously for 12minutes, covering a minimum distance of 2600m. In addition, two 50m sprints must be completed, each in 7.5 seconds or less.

Your invitation to join the list of Supply League Referees (Level 4) is at the discretion of The FA and subject to completing an FA fitness test prior to the commencement of the season.
