

The Dianella SC Committee desires to achieve a situation where all teams are playing competitive matches and the players within those teams are being challenged, are actively participating, which promotes enjoyment of the game and skill development.

### ***That is the goal!***

A full copy of the "New Player Trials and Assessment Policy-Junior Football" can be downloaded from the Dianella SC website; [www.dianellasoccer.com.au](http://www.dianellasoccer.com.au)



*Dianella Soccer Club is a family operated club that focuses on players participating, enjoying and learning the great game that soccer is .*

*Dianella Soccer Club is registered and affiliated with Football West, Western Australia's governing Soccer Association. All teams play within the Football West leagues. The club encompasses junior teams (under 6 through to under 16).*

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***New Player Trials  
and Assessment Policy  
Junior Football  
12s-16s***

***Frequently Asked Questions***

DIANELLA SOCCER CLUB



### **(1) What are new player trials?**

New player trials are the evaluation of new applicants to fill estimated vacancies in junior teams in the following season. Players returning from the previous season are not required to complete player trials.

### **(2) What is player assessment?**

Player assessment is the grouping of registered players with a similar skill level into teams. Player assessment occurs after the trial process when vacant positions have been filled. These teams are then allocated appropriately to our junior league divisional placements as determined by Football West (FW).

### **(3) How will trials and assessment benefit Dianella SC?**

The Committee believes new player trials and assessment will;

- Allow teams to actively aim, work and challenge for a top four finals position and/or divisional promotion.
- Promote more even match time for players, as players are of similar ability and therefore can actively contribute to team objectives.
- Avoid players being placed within teams and leagues above their ability therefore reducing their participation in matches which creates dissatisfaction, under achievement and low self esteem.
- Avoid players being placed within teams and leagues below their ability, therefore dominating matches and not developing team skills.
- Enhance skill development as the Coach can tailor training sessions and match strategy appropriate for the team.

**The Dianella SC Committee believes this will provide the best conditions for soccer development, team skills and enjoyment through participation and achievement.**

### **(4) Are new player trials compulsory?**

Trials are compulsory for all new players even if the number of player requests to trial is less than vacant positions. This is to avoid players being placed within teams and leagues above their ability therefore;

- reducing their participation in matches which creates dissatisfaction, under achievement and low self esteem.
- Not allowing junior teams to actively aim, work and challenge for a top four finals position and/or divisional promotion.

### **(5) Is assessment compulsory?**

Player assessment will remain optional. Player assessment occurs after the new player trial process when vacant positions have been filled.

The Committee recognises individual players have different motivations for playing soccer ranging from social/recreational to highly competitive. Those parents not electing to have their child assessed can nominate for social teams. These teams will be formed on the basis of friendships, school connections etc

Social teams are in most situations are carried over from our small sided football teams (6s-11s). Please refer our 'Player Assessment Policy-Small Sided Football'.

### **(6) When do new player trials occur?**

Trials for new players will be conducted in November of each year.

New applicants that miss player trials will be requested to attend training sessions post player assessment should vacancies still exist. If a vacancy exists the coaches will conduct in training assessment to determine player suitability.

### **(7) When will I be notified if I was successful?**

The Manager-Junior Football will inform successful players within one week of trial completion. An offer in writing with a request for registration and payment is to be made by December 31.

Unsuccessful players will be informed in writing within one week of trial completion with their details kept on record should a vacancy occur in the future or for trials in the following season.

### **(8) When does training and assessment commence?**

Upon completion of registration the Manager-Junior Football will advise the successful player of the first training session and the date in February when player assessment will be conducted.

**New player trials and assessment is about healthy competition for all Dianella SC players, existing and new, so they can actively participate, achieve, enjoy and develop.**

