



Wembley Downs Soccer Club Registration Information

General Information – Miniros and Junior players (up to 18yrs)

Wembley Downs Soccer Club (WDSC) is a community club originally established in 1979 and now located at Butlers Reserve, Scarborough.

WDSC is affiliated with FIFA and its state representative body Football West.

It has approximately 500 players registered each year and caters for all age groups from 5 to 12 years in the Miniros Football West competition, 13 to 18 years in the Junior League Football West competition and 7 senior teams in various state competitions.

Our philosophy is to encourage and grow the love of football amongst children and create a community club atmosphere.

For additional **senior team registration details information please refer to Facebook and Website updates.**

Registration for Juniors and miniros opens Jan 3 and will close end of January. Please check on WDSC website and Facebook to be updated on final closing dates.

Grading will take place from mid to late Feb for the Junior teams from ages 13 to 18 years. Although there is no formal grading for the Miniros (6 to 12 years), individual age groups may informally grade prior to team allocation especially from age 8 years and upwards. This allows the opportunity for children with similar skill levels to play together to increase game involvement and player development.

Dates for grading will be confirmed and posted on Facebook and Website.

Training will start soon after grading, towards the end of March.

Training days vary as most coaches are parent volunteers and the days and times will be dependent on their availability. Generally, Miniros (6-12years) train on Wednesday afternoons for periods of 60-90 minutes depending on age and from 4.30 onwards with the latest time slot finishing at 7pm. Junior teams (13-18years) generally train on a Tuesday and Thursday at similar times. Senior teams also train on Tuesdays and Thursday from 7pm onwards.

Please note that only players who have completed the registration and have paid the fees will be allowed to attend grading sessions and subsequent training.

In the event that there are too many registrants for the number of teams available then registration will be rescinded and club fees refunded. This will be done in order of last registration. It is therefore important to register as soon as possible.

Please note that registering your child as a player also means that as a parent you may be called upon to assist the team or club in various roles. This may be coaching a team, managing a team, being involved in the “oranges” roster for games, being a referee for miniroos, a linesman for junior games, being involved in canteen duty and so forth.

The club’s success is attributable to the work and effort of volunteers – most of whom are parents of players - which we greatly appreciate and continue to welcome into the club community. We encourage involvement and have all the resources available for those who may not have any previous experience with club football.

The first coaches and managers information evening for those interested will be held early February. Please refer to updates on Facebook and website.

In order to field a team in the Football West competition a coach is required. Although we do have a selection of regular coaches at Wembley Downs Soccer club, some of whom have done various coaching accreditation programs, we may require new coaches to volunteer. We want to provide the opportunity for every interested child to play soccer, but do need parents to volunteer as coaches to make this possible. We run sessions for parent coaches during the season and have resources and contacts available within the club to help.

In the unlikely event that a team is unable to get a coach then unfortunately that team may need to be disbanded. The club fees will be refunded in this situation.

Club Fees

CLUB FEES HAVE BEEN FROZEN and the only increase in 2020 will be a small increase in the FFA component of approx. \$2.50.

Approximate Fees: (to be confirmed on registration)

11’s and under - \$368

12-16’s - \$387

17’s – 18’s \$404

Seniors - \$464

Unless you are eligible for Kidsport, **all** payments must be made through the online portal.

Registration Process (once registration opens)

Please register at <http://www.playfootball.com.au>

Please note:

1. Choose “Club Football”
2. Choose level “Community”
3. Choose Juniors if playing 18’s and under.

Your child will be placed in the age division that corresponds with the age he or she will turn in the year that he or she is playing. For example, season 2019, if your child is turning 10 in 2019, he or she will play 10’s.

The club's preference and policy is for players to play in their age group. There may be circumstances where players are moved but this is **ONLY** at the discretion of the club committee.

4. All players must upload a passport style photo (under 5MB – eg. school photo) on to the registration details page. This must be done for your registration to be complete.
5. Registration fees are **NOT refundable**.

New Players - before you can register you will need to request a FFA number for the player. The FFA number can be created on the same website used to register players. Once you have the players FFA number you can complete the registration.

Returning players - If you are unable to retrieve your FFA number after following the instructions on the website, you will need to contact Football West.

If you are 10 years or older and have moved to Australia but not an Australian citizen, you may be required to fill in an International Transfer form – please see flow diagram which explains the requirements. Further explanation is available on the above Playfootball website.

If you are 10 years or older and an Australian citizen and returning to Australia having played for a club overseas you are also required to fill in an International Transfer Form – details as above.

Getting Help

Any questions regarding the registration process please contact our WDSC registrar Andrew Whalley via either Facebook or on v9008475@hotmail.com.

Information can also be found :

- Visit the **Play Football Support site** for useful resources or to submit a support ticket.
- Call the support desk on **02 8880 7983**: Monday-Friday 9am - 9pm AEST

