

Ipswich Football Club Playing with Friend



Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the process and guidelines for players who wish to be assigned to the same team as one or more of their friends at Ipswich Football Club. This policy aims to accommodate players' preferences while ensuring a fair and organised team allocation process.

Scope

This policy applies to players in the Calves and Community teams only. Players outside of these teams will participate in an assessment and grading process to determine team allocation.

Policy Overview

1. Special Requests:
 - a. Parents or guardians may request for their child to be placed in the same team as one or more friends by completing the 'Special Requests' section on the Player Registration form.
 - b. This request should be submitted during the registration period prior to the start of the season.
2. Team Allocation:
 - a. Returning Players: Players who were in a team at the Club the previous season are generally allocated to the same team for the upcoming season.
 - b. Change Requests: During the muster sessions parents can request changes.
3. Considerations and Limitations:
 - a. The Club will make every effort to accommodate requests to play with friends, but due to team size restrictions and logistical factors, it may not be possible to fulfill all requests.
 - b. Factors such as team balance, player distribution, and coaching requirements will be considered during the team allocation process.

Review and Compliance

Policy Review: This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains effective and aligned with the Club's objectives and requirements.

Compliance: Adherence to this policy is essential for ensuring a fair and organized team allocation process.

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