

Charter Standard

The Dorset Football League is proud to be a Charter Standard League. We strongly support this National FA initiative which, in our view, makes an important contribution to keeping leagues and clubs sustainable.

Derek Hansford is the League's Charter Standard Co-ordinator and his details can be found on the Committee Members 20/21 page of this handbook – he will be very pleased to help you in any way he can. Having been involved in a recent successful application by his own club, he advises that the process is relatively simple and that the Dorset FA is very helpful.

Our rules stipulate that our existing clubs should have achieved Charter Standard (or any future FA equivalent) by the end of the 2020/21 season and that any new clubs should achieve it by the end of their first season.

It is pleasing to report that well over three quarters of our current clubs have already been successful in their applications, with significant progress having been made in the last couple of seasons.

Regrettably, the Dorset FA is not currently processing new applications. This is because the FA is assessing the future package and incentives with partner suppliers affected by Covid 19.

Please check the [DFL website](#) for the most up to date information.