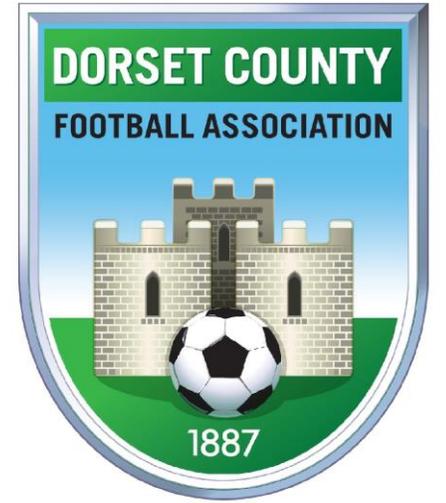


ENGLAND FOOTBALL ACCREDITATION



**ACCREDITED**  
**PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL**



*So, where does your club sit on the new accredited pathways?*





**ACCREDITED  
CLUB ★**  
PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL

To be a one star Accredited Club,  
you must:

*Offer a minimum of **one affiliated male or female or disability team at any age group playing within an FA sanctioned league competition.***



1 male team  
at any age

**OR**



1 female team  
at any age

**OR**



1 disability  
team at any age

One star will be most likely for the Clubs in the Dorset Football League.



**ACCREDITED CLUB** ★ ★  
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To be a two star Accredited Club, you must:

Offer a complete accredited player pathway for either male or female or disability football, all playing within FA sanctioned League competitions.

In addition, offer a minimum of one team at any age group from an alternative pathway.



Offer at least 1 team in at least 8 of these age groups

U7	U8	U9
U10	U11	U12
U13	U14	U15
U16	U18	

**AND**



1 female team at any age

**OR**



1 disability team at any age

\*Must have U21 or OA  
\*\* Max of 2 years between age groups



Offer at least 1 team in at least 4 of these age groups

U10	U11	U12
U13	U14	U15
U16		

**AND**



1 male team at any age

**OR**



1 disability team at any age

\*Must have U10 or U16  
\*\* Max of 2 years between age groups



# ACCREDITED CLUB

★ ★ ★  
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To be a three star Accredited Club, you must:

Offer the complete accredited player pathway for both male and female whilst offering a minimum of one disability team at any age group, all playing within FA sanctioned League competitions.

## MALE



Must have at least 1 team in at least 8 of these age groups

U7	U8	U9
U10	U11	U12
U13	U14	U15
U16	U18	

\*Must have U21 or OA  
\*\* Max of 2 years between age groups

## FEMALE



Must have at least 1 team in at least 4 of these age groups

U10	U11	U12
U13	U14	U15
U16		

\*Must have U10 or U16  
\*\* Max of 2 years between age groups

## DISABILITY



Must have at least 1 disability team at any age



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# ***CRITERIA FOR CLUBS***

# Dorset Football League Clubs



Clubs must be affiliated to their local County FA

Through affiliation Clubs will achieve the following criteria:

Offer a minimum of one team at any age group for male or female or disability playing in an FA sanctioned competition.

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Have an in-date FA Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Checks (DBS) for all relevant officials. Any Teams with 16 or 17 year olds playing.

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Have a Welfare Officer for Youth Clubs (male, female and disability). (Under 18 Teams)

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Safeguarding Committee Members course completed by Club committee members. Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer & Welfare Officer

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Through the Clubs Portal, Clubs will achieve or evidence the following criteria:  
<https://clubs.thefa.com>

Evidence or adopt a set of Club rules and be a constituted Club.

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Evidence or adopt the relevant Club safeguarding policies.

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Evidence or adopt an equality policy.

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Adopt the Football Leadership Diversity Code.

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Adopt the Nationwide Respect codes of conduct and implement The FA Respect activations relevant to your club.

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**Templates are available for all policies above.**

Have a bank account in the Club's name recommended for all Clubs and mandatory for Clubs with three or more teams.

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Provide evidence of last season's accounts if in existence for more than one season.

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Have a good disciplinary record within the Nationwide Respect disciplinary code (if in existence for more than one season).

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*Through the Club Portal, Clubs will continue to adhere to the criteria and complete the relevant validation process to remain England Football Accredited.  
Club Portal - <https://clubs.thefa.com>*

## England Football Accredited Clubs will achieve on pitch and off pitch criteria:

### On pitch

**Adult teams** should have a named individual that has completed the **Introduction to First Aid in Football (IFAIF)**. If this person is a player, an additional person is required.

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**Youth teams** to have at least one coach or manager with the **Introduction to Coaching Football (I2CF) per team, with in date Introduction to First Aid in Football (IFAIF) and Safeguarding Children Course (SCC)**. A qualified coach or manager must be present at training and fixtures.

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Have a coach:player ratio of 1:16 or less.

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Adult Teams – First Aid course costs £30 and expires after 3 years.

<https://learn.englishfootball.com/courses/medical/introduction-to-first-aid-in-football>

### Off pitch

Complete the relevant Club development plan to support club development and sustainability.

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Confirm Club meetings that take place and make sure they are recorded. Copies of minutes are available upon request.

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Demonstrate that decisions made by the Club are informed by, and communicated to, it's members.

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### Processes

Teams with people that need access to achieve qualification criteria can find the courses here: [www.thebootroom.thefa.com/learning](http://www.thebootroom.thefa.com/learning) and will show against their records in the Club Portal for validation each season.

Clubs will evidence official criteria through the Club Portal processes or through The County FA Development Officers.

## Rewards 2022/23 – EXISTING CLUBS



**ACCREDITED  
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4x Nike Strike Footballs

£30 Kit & Equipment Voucher

England Football Accredited Digital Asset Pack

England Football Accredited Digital Certificate



**ACCREDITED  
CLUB ★ ★**  
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7 x Nike Strike Footballs

£100 Kit & Equipment Voucher

England Football Accredited Digital Asset Pack

England Football Accredited Digital Certificate



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CLUB ★ ★ ★**  
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16 x Nike Strike Footballs

£200 Kit & Equipment Voucher

England Football Accredited Digital Asset Pack

England Football Accredited Digital Certificate

## Rewards 2022/23 – NEW CLUBS



10x Nike Strike Footballs

Approx. £140 if purchased online

Welcome to England Football Accredited  
Pack

England Football Accredited Digital Asset  
Pack

England Football Accredited Digital  
Certificate



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# ***THE PROCESS FOR CLUBS***

# THE CLUB PORTAL

Easy to navigate and simple to use.

Click on Dashboard (left side). This then shows 4 tabs – Club, Officials, Documents, Player Pathways. Only actions required show in Orange (incomplete). Once completed it will show as Green.

Club Portal \ Dashboard \ Accreditation

Accreditation Renewal 67 Days

Example  
ACCREDITATION ★ In Progress  
Affiliated Association: Dorset FA

Accreditation

Accreditation Checklist Incomplete

Accreditation Renewal Explained Submit for Renewal

Club Officials (1) Documents (3) Player Pathways

Minimum Criteria	Status	Action Area
1 Officials DBS Compliant	Complete	N/A
2 Club Welfare Officer	Complete	N/A
3 Safeguarding Committee Members Course	Complete	N/A
4 Adult Teams with First Aid in Football Education	Incomplete	<span>Team Listing</span>
5 Youth Teams with Qualified Coach/Manager	Complete	N/A

Back to Whole Game  
Help

When it is ready, you can submit for renewal or apply for Accreditation

# Officials – Needing Action

Once you've clicked on the Team that needs action, it will show you at the top what qualifications are required. In this scenario the Team Manager needs the FA Introduction to First Aid in Football.

**CLUB PORTAL**  
PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL

Team Name  
Type: Football | Gender: Male | Format: 11v11

Team Profile (1) | Officials | Safeguarding & Qualifications (1)

Type Official Name | Show Filters | KEY

★ Adult teams within **England Football Accredited** clubs must have a named official who has at least **The FA Introduction to First Aid in Football**. This official must be present at training and all match days. ★

Official Name	Roles	Safeguarding	Coaching / Medical	Requiring Action	Alerts
	Team Manager	✓ DBS	✓ Level 1 in Coaching Football	N/A	
	Team Secretary	✓ Safeguarding For Committee Members	✓ Level 1 in Coaching Football	N/A	

Back to Accreditation Checklist

These adult teams do not have at least one named official with the required medical qualifications or education.  
[1. Over 35](#)

Dashboard | My Club | Players | Teams | Officials | Back to Whole Game | Help

# Documents – Needing Action

Click on the Documents tab and it will display the view below. You can adopt the FA's policies for numbers 1-5. You need to click on FA Policies and then you can download and adopt each. The Club Development Plan, is 11 pages long and can have as much or as little information in as is suitable for your club. Development Plan Template is available by contacting [Jemma.Tewkesbury@dorsetfa.com](mailto:Jemma.Tewkesbury@dorsetfa.com) or [Development@dorsetfa.com](mailto:Development@dorsetfa.com)

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Accreditation Renewal 67 Days

Team Name

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Affiliated Association: Dorset FA

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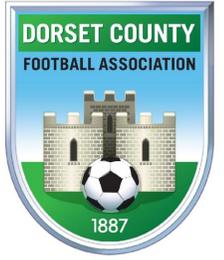
Club Officials (1) Documents (3) Player Pathways

Minimum Criteria	Status	Action Area
1 Club Rules	Incomplete	<i>i</i> FA Policies Adopt The FA's club rules on The FA Policies tab, or upload your own club rules on the Club Policies tab.
2 Safeguarding Children Policies	Complete	N/A
3 Equality Policy	Complete	N/A
4 Respect Code of Conduct	Complete	N/A
5 Football Leadership Diversity Code	Incomplete	<i>i</i> FA Policies
6 Club Development Plan	Incomplete	<i>i</i> Club Policies and Plans

You must have a Club Development Plan. This can be your own version, or based on the template you can find in Club Portal.

*i* If you are unable to complete this rule, please let us know how your County FA can support you. Your County FA will review these comments once your accreditation renewal is submitted. Provide Information

Feedback



## Funding Opportunity from Dorset FA

To support our **Adult Clubs** with **Retaining** or **Achieving Accreditation** we'd like to offer you £30 (limited amount available), which is the cost of the **FA Introduction to First Aid in Football**.

All Adult Teams require an **FA Qualified First Aider**, so we're hoping this will support you in ensuring you have someone qualified with your team/s. If you already have one person qualified, then we'd advise using this opportunity to upskill another person.

Contact Jemma to access this! £30 paid on completion of the Renewal/Gaining Accreditation.

**LIMITED AVAILABILITY - ONCE IT'S GONE, IT'S GONE!**





*THANK YOU*

*Contact*

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*Or*

*[development@dorsetfa.com](mailto:development@dorsetfa.com)*

*01202 688279*

# England Football Accreditation – 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2022

## Completed 2022/23

- Bere Regis
- Crossways Spitfires
- Dorchester Town Ladies
- Longham Ladies (New)
- Longfleet FC
- Piddlehinton Utd
- Puddletown
- Poole Town FC Wessex
- Portland United
- Portland United Youth
- Sherborne Town Ladies Dev
- Sturminster Marshall
- Sturminster Newton
- Swanage Town & Herston
- Wareham Rangers

## Not Renewed YET 2022/23

- Alderholt
- Allendale
- Balti Sports
- Beaminster
- Blandford United
- Chickerell Utd
- Corfe Castle
- Corfe Mullen Utd Juniors
- Cranborne
- Dorchester Sports
- Gillingham Town Youth
- Handley Sports
- Holt Utd
- Lytchett Matravers
- Maiden Newton & Cattistock
- Merley Cobham Sports
- Merley Cobham Youth
- Okeford Utd
- Parley Youth
- Poole Borough
- Poole Town Ladies
- Poole Town Youth
- Portland Town
- Ridgeway
- Shaftesbury
- Upwey & Broadway
- Verwood Town
- Weymouth Cougars
- Weymouth FC
- Wimborne
- Witchampton Utd
- Wyke Regis

# England Football Accreditation – 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2022

## Never Been Accredited

- Canford Utd
- Corfe Mullen Utd
- Hardy Vetrans
- Milborne Sports
- Parley FC
- Parton FC
- Portesham Utd
- Shane Stanley 4
- Shillingstone
- Silvercross FC
- Stalbridge FC
- Symene FC
- Verwood Athletic
- Wessex Phoenix
- Woodville Wanderers
- Wool Utd
- Wyke Victoria

## Outside of Dorset

### Hampshire FA

- Bournemouth Electric
- Bournemouth Poppies
- Bournemouth Sports
- Bisterne Utd
- Christchurch FC
- Moordown & Southbourne
- Mudeford Mens Club
- Ringwood Town
- Westover Bournemouth

### Somerset FA

- Milborne Port
- Westlands Sports

### Wiltshire FA

- AFC Damerham
- D.I United
- Donhead Utd
- Hotspire FC
- Porton Sports
- Wincanton Town