



Redshirt Guideline

1. Purpose of the Redshirt Program

- The redshirt program is to create a pathway for development by identifying athletes from league and/or competitive evaluations to foster their skills within a competitive environment.

2. Definitions

- Redshirt athletes: are not on the active roster but may become active if a roster player is unavailable due to injury, attendance or other circumstances
- Active roster: group of athletes who are eligible to participate in games or tournaments for a team. These players are officially listed
- Roster size: The maximum amount of players needed to fill a team. This can vary between age groups, team needs and field size.

3. Eligibility for Redshirt Status

- Players must attend BUFC evaluations and/or be identified by coaching staff from league stream.
- Players can be designated as redshirt athletes due to various reasons including roster sizes/max roster, on a case-by-case basis.
- Players may be removed if requirements are not met.
- The number of redshirt players will be decided on by the coaching staff and technical director.

4. Training and Development

- Redshirt athletes will be required to participate in BYSI league twice weekly
- Extra coaching staff will be provided when available to provide individualized development plans focusing on tactical, technical, and physical improvement.
- Redshirt players will attend BUFC practice with the active roster one day a week, to be determined by the coaching staff and technical director.

5. Competition and Game Participation

- Redshirt athletes are only invited to tournaments and games.
- Club day participation and exhibition games are based on monthly reviews.
- Kit will be provided by the club for the athlete to wear and must be returned in good, clean condition.
- Fees to attend tournaments are the athlete's responsibility

6. Pathway to Active Roster

- Redshirt athletes are considered for the active roster in cases of injury, attendance, or other circumstances that affect the availability of active players.
- The coaching staff will monitor the progress of redshirt players throughout the season and may adjust their status based on performance, readiness, or team needs.
- In the case a redshirt is moved permanently to the active roster, a pro-rated fee must be paid including the purchase of a kit.

7. Duration of Redshirt Status

- Redshirt status lasts for one season, after which the player becomes eligible to attend evaluations in the following season.
- Redshirt athletes who continue to meet development goals may be reconsidered for active roster inclusion based on the team's needs at the coach's and technical director's discretion.

8. Fees

- Fees for redshirt players are the BYSI fees for the appropriate age group

This guideline ensures that redshirt athletes remain integrated with the team, focus on their development, and prepare for future success without losing valuable eligibility.