

United DFC Policies and Procedures Player Assessment Policy

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the United DFC (UDFC) determines the appropriate level of training and competition for players in a manner that is fair, transparent, effective, and that ensures the continuing development of each player.

2.0 Definitions

N/A

3.0 Scope

This policy applies to the selection of players for United DFC's competitive, pre-excellence, and excellence (i.e. high performance). programs.

4.0 Policy Statement

The Player Assessment Policy is used to assign players to United DFC teams. The Player Assessment Policy describes how a player's level of soccer ability is to be evaluated.

Assessment Criteria

A player's level of soccer ability will be assessed according to the following criteria:

- a. Technical Skills: level of ability at particular skills involved with the game (eg. passing over short distances)
- b. Physical Characteristic: physical strength, agility, speed, and stamina etc
- c. Psychological: ability to read the game and make correct decisions about what to do with and without the ball;
- d. Social: intensity, composure, enthusiasm, willing to listen and learn, and focus during practices and games; and,
- e. Commitment: willingness to attend practices, games, and team events.

Assessment Process

The following will be taken into account when making the final assessment:

a. Existing Knowledge of a Player

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- Knowledge of a player's previous performances, as witnessed by their prior coaches and technical staff, will be considered valuable information with respect to player assessment.
- ii. Players who are unable to attend assessments due to circumstances beyond their control may, with the consent of the Director of Soccer be invited to attend practices to make further assessments.
- iii. If this is also not possible players, with the consent of the Director of Soccer, may be assigned to a team based solely on an existing knowledge of their capability invited to attend practices to make further assessments.

b. Open Assessments

- i. The principal reason for holding open assessments is to help identify a group of players with the potential to play at a particular level. Open assessments will be held for all Youth teams in the summer 2018.
- ii. Players must be registered with the Club before attending assessments;
- iii. Any player of appropriate age who wishes to try out for a team may attend an open assessment. Players must try out at their own age level; and,
- iv. Players will be assessed by the DOS, Technical Staff, team coaches and independent assessors. Players will not be assessed by a parent or immediate family members.

5.0 Procedures

6.0 Related, Policies, Legislation and/or Documents

Player Movement Policy

7.0 Approval and Review

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