



# Winnipeg Phoenix Football Club

## POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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### PLAYER ASSISTANCE

#### POLICY STATEMENT

WPFC is committed to making soccer accessible to all youth regardless of financial means. The Player Assistance Policy provides financial support to players who face barriers to participation due to economic hardship.

#### Eligibility Criteria

To be considered for WPFC's Player Assistance Program, the applicant must:

- Be currently registered or intending to register with WPFC for the current or upcoming season.
- Have been **approved for KidSport** Manitoba funding for the same season.
- Demonstrate genuine financial need beyond what KidSport covers (e.g., equipment, travel, or remaining registration fees).

Proof of KidSport approval must be submitted with the application (e.g., a copy of the KidSport confirmation letter or email).

#### Application Process

1. Submit a completed **WPFC Player Assistance Application Form**, available on the club website or at the club office.
2. Include a copy of **KidSport approval documentation**.
3. Submit the application before the start of the season (or as soon as possible if financial need arises mid-season).

#### Review and Approval

- Applications will be reviewed by a confidential subcommittee of the WPFC Board.
- The club reserves the right to request additional information to assess financial need.
- Assistance decisions will be made based on available funds and the number of applicants.



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### Assistance Provided

Support may include, but is not limited to:

- Covering remaining registration fees not funded by KidSport.
- Uniform or equipment support.
- Travel cost support for competitive players, as applicable.

The level of assistance may vary and is **not guaranteed** year-to-year but will not exceed the KidSport amount.

### Confidentiality

All applications and financial information will be kept confidential and shared only with those directly involved in the review process.

### Conditions

- Players and families receiving assistance are expected to demonstrate commitment to the club (e.g., regular attendance at practices/games, positive conduct).
- Families may be asked to volunteer time as a way of contributing to the club community if able.

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APPROVED BY:

PHOENIX SOCCER Inc. Board

DATE OF APPROVAL

JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> 2026