WCRFC U13 Assessment Criteria Sheet

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| Technical |  |  |
| Passing | Technique | Does the player use the appropriate technique for the situation: side, laces, driven, lofted? |
|  | Pace | Does the player play the pass with the correct pace so the receiver can control the ball? |
|  | Accuracy | Does the player recognize the appropriate space to place to pass the ball: into space, to nearest foot, farthest foot? |
| Receiving | Angle | Does the player find space to allow their first touch to go forward? |
|  | Body | Does the player receive the ball sideways to first touch is forward? |
|  | Check (scan) | Does the player know where the closest opponents are by doing shoulder checks (scanning)? |
|  | Distance | Does the defender create time and space by moving away from passer and closest defender? |
|  | First Touch | Does the player get their first touch “out of their feet” to allow time to get head up? |
| Crossing and Finishing | Crossing | Does the player have basic competency to cross near post, far post or cut the ball back to the penalty spot? |
|  | Finishing | Does the player understand when to finish (side of foot) versus strike the ball (laces) on goal? |
| Basic Technique | Passing, Receiving  Shooting, Dribbling  Heading | Does the player have a basic level of competency using these basic techniques? |

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| Tactical |  |  |
| In possession | Width | Does the player spread the field laterally to allow the ball to be played forward? |
|  | Depth | Does the player stretch the field by dropping back or pushing forward to create space? |
|  | Penetration | Does the player recognize when to play forward versus maintaining possession? |
|  | Mobility | Does the player look to make penetrating runs (Get Forward)? |
|  |  | Does the player look to inter-change position with other players (overlaps, underlaps) to create 2V1, 3V2 situations? |
| Out of possession | Compactness | When out of possession does the player “tuck in” to prevent the ball from being played forward? |
|  | “Goal-side” | Does the player get between their net and the ball to defend? |
|  | “Ball-side” | Does the defending player get in a position to intercept the pass to their opposing player? |
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