



Grading U8-U14 Mixed

Abbotsford Juniors Football Club (AJFC) will be holding its Grading for U8 - U14 (inc.) Mixed players on Sunday 20 November 2016. All interested participants must [register](#) by cob Friday 18 November to attend the trials.

The Grading process is designed for players who would like to be considered for selection by AJFC to play in the club's Division 1 (or highest registered) team in each age group. It is entirely optional and you are not expected to attend should you wish to play for social purposes only. Social (non-graded) players will be allocated to a team by the club in March 2017 following the registration process.

Sunday 20 November

Venue: TBA

Players must arrive 30 minutes prior to the scheduled grading time to register on the day. Players should wear boots, shin pads and sunscreen and bring a water bottle.

- **8.30am – 9.45am** Under 8
- **10.00am – 11.15am** Under 9
- **11.30am – 12.45pm** Under 10
- **1.30pm – 2.30pm** Under 11
- **2.45pm – 3.45pm** Under 12
- **4.00pm – 5.00pm** Under 13
- **5.15pm – 6.15pm** Under 14

[Register for Grading by Clicking Here](#)



Important Information

1. Part of AJFC's core values is to promote participation and achievement at all levels (Respect and Development). Accordingly, the club is committed to cater for players who wish to play both at a competitive level and those who play for social/friendship purposes.
2. The Grading process is focussed on providing the platform for the competitive players and selecting the highest graded team in each age group.
3. Players do not need to attend the Grading session if they want to play for social/friendship purposes. The majority of AJFC's teams in each age group (ie. non-graded players) will be formed by AJFC in March 2017 upon completion of the registration period.
4. Players who played in a Division 1 team (or highest registered team) at AJFC in season 2016 do not automatically qualify for that team in season 2017. That is, all players who aspire to play in these teams in 2017 must attend the grading session on 20 November.
5. If AJFC does not receive sufficient pre-registrations, the club may cancel that age group's grading session. Further, if AJFC receives insufficient player interest/ability, the club may not form a graded team as a result of this process.

Grading Process

1. All players must arrive 30 minutes prior to the scheduled grading time to register on the day and receive a trial number from the club. Players should wear boots, shin pads and sunscreen and bring a water bottle.
2. Grading will be run by the club's Grading Committee. Selectors will be assisted by two Football Development Australia coaches on the day.



3. Grading sessions will be held for each age group at the scheduled times. Players should attend the correct session for the age group they will be registered to play in Season 2017. For example, players born in 2005 should attend the U12 session. Players born in 2007 should attend the U10 session. And so on.
4. Players who are unable to attend their Grading Session should email grading@ajfc.net.au with their particular circumstances by cob Friday 18 November. These players may be considered for the highest registered team in their age group based on their playing history with AJFC and coach feedback from 2016, however priority will be given to players who attend the Grading Sessions.
5. If required, AJFC will announce additional grading dates/times on its website during the week following the grading session held on 20 November.
6. The aim of the Grading Committee is to select a squad per age group as follows:
 - U8 & U9 = 10 players
 - U10 & U11 = 12 players
 - U12 – U14 (inc.) = 16 players
7. Upon completion of the Grading Sessions, assessors will discuss each player and commence the process of selection of the graded team. These assessments will be provided to the Grading Committee, who will finalise the team selection.
8. Selected players will be offered a place in the Division 1 (or highest applicable division) team via email. These offers must be accepted via email by the deadline date.
9. Players not selected will be directed back to the Grading Committee for allocation by AJFC to a team in March 2017, following completion of the registration process.
10. Final graded teams will be announced via the AJFC website during the first week of December 2016.