



Under 9 - Under 11 Parent(s) – Player Assessment Option

Football Brisbane introduced in 2009 a tiered structure to both the Under 9 and Under 10 competitions which continued into the Under 11's in 2011. This allowed the players to be placed in teams that would play against players and teams of similar ability and experience each week. It also allowed players to be grouped together to progressively develop in line with their capabilities and potential. Continuing with this approach enables growth of the players and provides a balanced competition when playing against teams of a similar level each week.

We therefore need to ensure that players and teams are appropriately placed to suit both their skills development and personal goals, at a level consistent with their individual and/or collective ability.

At registration, each player will be offered the following choices:

1. They can choose to remain in a team with their friends. This team may or may not be placed in the stronger competition. This will depend on the players that are selected for that team - players will be of varying abilities and experience.

OR

2. They can choose to be assessed by our coaching team and placed in a team that suits their abilities. Selected players will form team/s in the stronger competition. Some players will be assessed to benefit from another year of playing at a slightly lower level where they can develop their skills for the next season. Please note: friends may or may not be placed in the same team. This will be dependent on the ability of each player and also the option chosen by each player.

Therefore, to enable each player to be placed in a team that suits their preferences whilst maintaining balanced teams skill-wise, **ALL Under 9 – Under 11 players are to attend the Assessment Session/s listed below.**

Choosing Option 2 is a great opportunity for your child for his/her development etc, however there are some points that parents should consider:

a) Player Considerations

- Selection will be via an assessment process
- Selection **DOES NOT GUARANTEE** a place within the top Under 12 team in 2017 (for current Under 11 players) or the stronger competition teams for Under 10's or Under 11's in 2017 (for current Under 9 and Under 10 players)
- The emotional effect on your child being assessed and subsequently being selected / not selected for the desired team
- The possibility of not playing with their friends
- The feeling of having to perform for the assessments.

b) Parent Considerations

- Coping with your child's emotions and setting appropriate expectations in line with their capabilities.

For MiniRoos Girl players, opportunity exists for playing in mixed sides or an All Girls Team should numbers support this. As part of our Women's National Premier League licence, Souths United FC now delivers the Skills Acquisition Program (SAP) for Girls and will look at player identification as part of this assessment and pre-SAP identification sessions.

Assessments will be conducted by our Coaching team. The sessions are currently scheduled as follows:

Under 9's	Saturday 6 February	9.00am – 10.00am
	AND Sunday 7 February	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Under 10's	Saturday 6 February	10.15am – 11.15am
	AND Sunday 7 February	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Under 11's	Saturday 6 February	11.30am – 12.30pm
	AND Sunday 7 February	4.30pm – 5.30pm

PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE PRIOR TO SESSIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OR ANY CHANGES

If your child is unable to attend the session due to illness etc, please email/phone:

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

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