# Welcome to Brookvale FC!

If you live, go to school, or work in or near Manly and want to play football, you've come to the right place!

This document provides handy links to forms and websites that you might need when registering to be a player, coach or other match official, as well as information that will answer frequently asked questions.

In fact, some of the most frequently asked relate to where to access certain forms, so let's start there...

# **REGISTRATION LINKS AND FORMS**

Coaches and Managers Working With Children (WWC): To coach or manage a junior or youth team, you must have completed your Working With Children (WWC) check. Click here to confirm your existing WWC number or apply for one. You cannot coach or manage any players younger than 18 without it.

**MWFA Application to Register:** Any player registering in Under 12s or above who did not play in MWFA Competition last season will need to complete the <u>MWFA</u>
APPLICATION TO REGISTER

Please email the completed form to the registrar (<u>Set Buijs</u> (for Juniors and Youth) or <u>Kelly Pierce</u> (for Seniors), ensuring you include the registered player's name in the subject) along with a clear photo or scanned colour copy of proof of age (e.g. Birth Certificate, Passport or Drivers Licence).

ITC paperwork for any player coming from overseas - be sure to contact the Registrar immediately, as the process for clearance can be lengthy. You must complete an application for an International Transfer Certificate (ITC), which is a FIFA/ FFA requirement.

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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2025 SEASON WILL OPEN IN JANUARY**

- Early January Registrations Open
- Late January Grading for teams from U/W10 to U/W18
- End February Team nominations to be submitted to MWFA
- Early March final team player lists to be submitted to MWFA

- Mid-March Coaches & Managers Meeting (tbc)
- End March Juniors Orientation Day Grahams Reserve (tbc)
- April Anticipated first round of 2025 Season

New players – please check with the Age Coordinators (see Contacts page), to ensure a space for you in a team.

# Which Age Group should you register in?

Make sure you *select the correct package* for your age group – this is based on calendar years (1 January to 31 December).

2025 Age Matrix		
Year of Birth/ School	Age Group	
2018 or 2019/ Kindy	Under 6	
2017/ Year 1	Under 7	
2016/ Year 2	Under 8	
2015/ Year 3	Under 9	
2014/ Year 4	Under 10	
2013/ Year 5	Under 11	
2012/ Year 6	Under 12	
2011/ Year 7	Under 13	
2010/ Year 8	Under 14	
2008/ Year 9	Under 15	
2008/ Year 10	Under 16	
2006 – 2007/ Year 11-12	Under 18	
2003 – 2005	Under 21	
1993 or earlier	W30s (must be turning 31 or older in 2024) * Women's comp	
1988 or earlier	O35s (must be turning 36 or older in 2024)	
1983 or earlier	W40s (must be turning 41 or older in 2024) * Women's comp	
1978 or earlier	O45s (must be turning 46 or older in 2024)	

# **FAQs**

**Youngest age to play?** No player can be registered until he or she turns 5 in the current football year. This is an FFA rule, and there are no exceptions.

**Dual registrations?** Dual Registrations are possible for girls who wish to play in the Girls' (Sunday) and Mixed (Saturday) competitions. Female players between age 6 and 18 can play in the Mixed (boys and girls) competition on Saturdays and/or the Women's (only) competition on Sundays. Select the correct competition (*Women's only comp starts from Under 7*). Please contact the Registrar, Juniors, before registering!

Can I play in older age groups? Players can play up one age group by choice. Players wishing to play two or more age groups above their age must get MWFA approval. Please see the <a href="MWFA Policy">MWFA Policy</a> and the <a href="MWFA consent form">MWFA consent form</a> – the latter must be completed by the player's parent or legal guardian and signed off by the Brookvale FC Club Secretary.

AL (Amateur League) and WAL (Women's Amateur League) To play Amateur League (men's or women's open division) the player must be turning at least 16 years of age in the current season.

# **Registration Checklist** Before you register, make sure you have:

- For those who are eligible make sure you have organised your Service NSW Active Kids Voucher (click here to check/apply) - the \$50 voucher is available only to eligible parents or guardians and can be applied during the registration process.
- A recent photo for all players registering in Under 12 or older age groups. To minimise our need to ask for a better pic, please ensure the photo supplied is a passport-style photo of the head and shoulders only, against a plain background such as a wall. Smartphone photos are generally acceptable.
- Proof of Age (scan or photo of your Passport or Birth Certificate) is required for:
  - all NEW players from Under 12s up; or
  - any existing players moving to U12s/ W12s, W30s/ O35s or W40s/ O45s for the first time.

# **Registration Fees**

**Please note:** Every year Brookvale does its absolute best to set the registration fees at the lowest possible value and to absorb as many costs as possible. We run a very tight ship to try and ensure that the fees are reasonable. We are also committed to supporting families experiencing hardship. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the Registrar for assistance and discuss the possibility of a reasonable payment plan.

Registration is NOT complete until Registration Fees have been paid. This must be done online, at the time of registration.

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Age Group	Fee
Under 6 & Under 7	\$235.00 *
Under 8 & Under 9	\$240.00 *
Under 10 & Under 11	\$245.00 *
Under 12	\$270.00 *
Under 13 & Under 15	\$275.00 *
Under 16	\$285.00 *
Under 18	\$330.00 *
Under 21 – Men's	\$410.00
Premier League – Men's	\$520.00
AL/1 – Men's	\$480.00
Premier League – Ladies	\$455.00
AL/1 – Ladies	\$400.00
AL/2+ & all O/30 & all O/40 – Ladies	\$400.00
AL/2+ & all O/35 & all O/45 – Men's	\$400.00

<sup>\*</sup> Active Kids Voucher of \$50 may apply. Refer to the Service NSW Website to check eligibility. The Voucher can be redeemed when you get to the Payment screen.

### REGISTERING ONLINE

## \*\*\*\*\* ANTICIPATE NEW SITE WILL HAVE A CHEATSHEET WE CAN LINK TO HERE!)\*\*\*\*

All new and returning players must register online at <u>PlayFootball</u>, which is managed by the Football Federation of Australia (FFA).

- <u>Click here</u> for support for players.
- <u>Click here</u> for support for managers.
  - 1. Click on the "Start My Registration" button in the top right corner
  - 2. Click on "Get Started"
  - 3. Sign in with an existing account if you already registered yourself or one of your children previously. Please *make sure to use the same email you registered with before*! (or create a new account if this is your first time). If you have an account but have changed your email address, please get in touch with the PlayFootball helpdesk
  - 4. You will then be able to link previous profiles created with the same email address (NB: the first account you make with the email will be the family's Primary Account!).
  - 5. Select the participant you are Registering (either Myself, Linked Person, or New Person) and follow the prompts
  - 6. Double-check that you are registering in the correct age group. If, for some reason, your age group is not available, please get in touch with the Registrar
  - 7. If you are unsure or have problems, please get in touch with the Registrar.

# **De-Registrations**

A player must initiate the de-registration by logging into the <u>PlayFootball</u> website and requesting to de-register.

- Any player applying for a de-registration before teams are finalised will receive a refund minus club administration fees of \$35 for juniors and \$50 for seniors.
- Any player applying for de-registration after the teams have been submitted will be charged a \$50 club administration fee plus any additional FFA fees, FNSW fees & MWFA fees.

If you have any registration questions, please contact Set Buijs (for Juniors and Youth) or Kelly Pierce (for Seniors). If you have any team-related questions, please contact the appropriate Coach/ Manager or Age Coordinator. Refer to the Contact Us page for details.