



West Torrens Birkalla Soccer Club Inc.

**Season 2027
Club Information and Conditions for
Trials and Registrations (Boys & Girls)**

Dear Parents and Players,

As the 2026 season comes to an end, we find ourselves preparing for the next season. We are confident that 2027 will continue to bring success for the club and all players.

Please read the following information carefully as it forms the framework for trials and registration process for the 2027 season. It will also provide you with information regarding our coaching philosophy at the club.

Please note that this year all trials will be held on the Main Synthetic Pitch at West Torrens Birkalla home grounds – (Jack Smith Park, JSP)

We wish you all the very best at these trials. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the club representatives below.

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Whether you are continuing your football journey with us or looking to join the club and community for the first time, we thank you for your interest and hope to see you at Jack Smith Park in 2027.

Kindest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Amin Ayoubi".

Amin Ayoubi
Chairman
West Torrens Birkalla Soccer Club Inc.



PART 1

REGISTRATION AND TRIALS FOR MINIROOS/JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS COMPETITION

Miniroos (boys and girls)

Under 5s – Under 11s

Juniors (boys and girls)

Under 12s – Under 16s plus Under 18 Girls

1. Registrations for Under 5s – Under 9s (New and Existing Players)

WT Birkalla SC does not conduct trials for children in the Under 5– Under 9 age groups. But we will conduct a come and try session on Sunday 11th October (refer to point 3).

We ask that players arrive at least **20 minutes** before the commencement trial time. Players must report to the clubrooms, to have themselves marked as present and be provided with a trial number.

Team player allocations will be arranged during pre-season. The club will make the final allocation of players to the teams with a view to ensuring an appropriate mix of skill level and player numbers.

For numbers of available positions, please refer to point 7.

Existing and New Players

Interested potential players are to register their interest by 5pm Thursday 8th October 2026 by completing the online registration from at: <https://wtbirkalla.majestri.com.au/2027-trials>.

For Miniroos confirmation of an offer will be notified by Sunday 18th October 2026 and a non refundable 50% deposit will be required, to secure the position.

2. Registration for Trials – Under 10s – Under 16s plus Under 18 Girls (New and Existing Players)

Any new or existing player who wishes to be considered for a position at WT Birkalla SC in the age groups above must register no later than 5pm Thursday 8th October before their first trial.

Please register at - <https://wtbirkalla.majestri.com.au/2027-trials>

We ask that players arrive at least **20 minutes** before the commencement trial time. Players must report to the clubrooms, to have themselves marked as present and be provided with a trial number.

All players must attend trials in appropriate attire, including boots, shin pads and drink bottle.

For juniors' confirmation of an offer will be notified at the latest by Friday 16th October 2026 and a non refundable 50% deposit will be required, to secure the position.



3. Trial Dates

Junior trials will be conducted between 10th October and 14th October. Please refer to the player's year of birth for the appropriate date/time.

BOYS

AGE GROUP	BIRTH YEAR	SATURDAY 10/10	SUNDAY 11/10	MONDAY 12/10	TUESDAY 13/10
U10	2017	8:30am – 9:30am	10:15am – 11:15am		
U11	2016	12:15pm – 1:15pm	10:15am – 11:15am		
U12	2015	11:00am – 12noon		5:30pm – 6:30pm	
U13	2014	8:30am – 9:30am		5:30pm – 6:30pm	
U14	2013	2:45pm – 3:45pm			5:30pm – 6:30pm
U15	2012	9:45am – 10:45am		6:45pm – 7:45pm	
U16	2011	1:30pm – 2:30pm		6:45pm – 7:45pm	

GIRLS

AGE GROUP	BIRTH YEAR	SATURDAY 10/10	SUNDAY 11/10	MONDAY 12/10	TUESDAY 13/10	WEDNESDAY 14/10
U10	2017		9:00am – 10:00am			5:30pm – 6:30pm
U11	2016		9:00am – 10:00am			5:30pm – 6:30pm
U12	2015	11:00am – 12noon	11:30am – 12:30pm			
U13	2014	12:15pm – 1:15pm		5:30pm – 6:30pm		
U14	2013	12:15pm – 1:15pm				5:30pm – 6:30pm
U15	2012	1:30pm – 2:30pm				5:30pm – 6:30pm
U16	2011	4:00pm – 5:00pm			6:45pm – 7:45pm	
U18	2009/2010	4:00pm – 5:00pm			6:45pm – 7:45pm	

COME AND TRY - MINIROOS (Under 5s – Under 9s)

AGE GROUP	BIRTH YEAR	SUNDAY 11/10
U5	2022/2023	9:00am – 10:00am
U6	2021	9:00am – 10:00am
U7	2020	10:15am – 11:15am
U8	2019	11:30am – 12:30pm
U9	2018	11:30am – 12:30pm



4. Age Eligibility

WT Birkalla SC requires all players to trial in the age group corresponding to their year of birth. Exceptions are solely at the discretion of the Junior Technical Director in consultation with the selection panel.

5. Financial Eligibility (for Existing Players Only)

Players who still have an outstanding balance for the 2026 season will not be confirmed a position for the 2026 season unless it is paid in full. Those with outstanding balances will be notified individually. If you wish to check your own circumstances, please contact Kerry Ludwig, Junior Delegate at wtbirkalla@outlook.com.

6. Training Grounds

Due to the number of teams, it is not possible to have every team train at Jack Smith Park. WT Birkalla SC has access to several other grounds for training and games. We do our best to have each team have one training session at the club but in some circumstances this may not be possible. However, some teams prefer to train at other grounds (this is at the coach's discretion). Some of the grounds we utilise are:

- Lockleys North Primary School, Lockleys
- Bowker Street, Brighton
- Golflands Reserve, Glenelg North
- Plympton International College, Plympton
- Plympton Primary School, Plympton
- Immanuel College, Novar Gardens

7. Number of Teams

The table below shows the expected number of teams and squad sizes to be filled per age group for season 2026 (including goalkeeper). These numbers may change dependent on player interest, coaches and pitch availability. Some points to note:

- One U11 team (12 players) may form a development squad, which will play in the U12YSL competition – This is still to be confirmed for 2027.
- Below is a guide only of squad sizes, teams may be formed with one more or less players.
- Teams **will not** be formed if we do not have a coach or sufficient numbers in an age group.



MIXED AGE GROUP

AGE GROUP	BIRTH YEAR	ON FIELD	SQUAD SIZE	TEAMS	PLAYERS
U5	2022/2023	Training Only	N/A	N/A	15

BOYS (if there are insufficient numbers in the girls teams U6, U7, U8, U9 will be mixed)

AGE GROUP	BIRTH YEAR	ON FIELD	SQUAD SIZE	TEAMS	PLAYERS
U6	2021	4v4	6	3	18
U7	2020	4v4	6	3	18
U8	2019	7v7	10	3	30
U9	2018	7v7	10	3	30
U10	2017	9v9	12	2	24
U11	2016	9v9	12	2	24
U12 (YPL & 2xYSL)	2015	9v9	12	3	36
U13 (YPL & 2xYSL)	2014	9v9	12	3	36
U14 (YPL&YSL)	2013	11v11	16	2	32
U15 (YPL&YSL)	2012	11v11	17	2	34
U16 (YPL & YSL)	2011	11v11	17	2	34

GIRLS (if there are insufficient numbers in the girls teams U6, U7, U8, U9 will be mixed)

AGE GROUP	YEAR OF BIRTH	ON FIELD	SQUAD SIZE	TEAMS	PLAYERS
U6	2021	4v4	6	1	6
U7	2020	4v4	6	1	6
U8	2019	7v7	10	1	10
U9	2018	7v7	10	1	10
U10	2017	9v9	13	1	13
U11	2016	9v9	13	1	13
U12 (YPL)	2015	9v9	13	1	13
U13 (YPL)	2014	9 v 9	13	1	13
U14 (YPL)	2013	11v11	17	1	17
U15 (YPL)	2012	11v11	17	1	17
U16 (YPL)	2011	11v11	17	1	17
U18 (YPL)	2010/2009	11v11	17	1	17



8. Player Selection

Player selection will be at the discretion of the technical director, coaching staff and selection panel and will occur over the period of the trials. Players may be advised at any point during the trial process whether they are successful/unsuccessful in obtaining a position at WT Birkalla SC. This will allow unsuccessful players an opportunity to trial elsewhere.

9. Acceptance of Position by Selected Players

If a player is offered a position at WT Birkalla SC, you will be notified by phone or email once the trial has been completed for that age group.

A deposit of the Club Fee will be required to be paid to secure the position.
Direct bank transfers directly to our bank account.

Our details are: BSB 105 124

A/C [043058840](#)

Account name: WTB Soccer Club Inc.

Reference: FULL NAME AND AGE GROUP/TEAM offered. *I.e. Joe Bloggs U12YSL*

Should you fail to pay the deposit or opt into a payment plan by the date given, we will take this as your non-acceptance of your position and the spot will be offered to another player.

10. Club Fees

Registration fees for the 2027 season are:

MIXED TEAMS

AGE GROUP	CLUB FEE
U5	\$650.00

BOYS

AGE GROUP	CLUB FEE
U6 & U7	\$900.00
U8 & U9	\$1,050.00
U10 & U11	\$1,250.00
U12, U13, U14, U15, U16	\$1,650.00
Youth Club Championship Fee (YCC)	\$250.00

GIRLS TEAMS

AGE GROUP	CLUB FEE
U6 & U7	\$700.00
U8 & U9	\$850.00
U10 & U11	\$1,000.00
U12	\$1,350.00
U18	\$1,550.00



PLEASE NOTE:

There will be an additional FSA Fee at time of registration, this is **not** included in the club or uniform fees. This fee has nothing to do with the club and is directly paid to Football SA when registering on Play Football.

Players selected in YPL BOYS teams which compete in the Youth Club Champion (YCC) Competition will be required to pay an additional cost of **\$250** per player.

11. Uniform Ordering

All players will pay Belgravia Apparel directly at the time of ordering. Failure to order and pay will result in no Uniform being supplied. Uniform order deadline is below. Uniform Fitting Day is confirmed for – **Sunday 25 October 2026**.

New Players must attend the uniform fitting day to try on kits.

Returning Players can order using the sizing from 2026 seasons New Balance kit.

Ordering uniforms is the parents responsibility, the club will not replace free of charge for any that have been ordered incorrectly.

Age Group	New Player Fee	Returning Player Fee
U5	\$200	\$150
U6	\$200	\$150
U7	\$200	\$150
U8	\$380	\$150
U9	\$380	\$150
U10	\$380	\$150
U11	\$380	\$150
U12	\$380	\$150
U13	\$380	\$150
U14	\$380	\$150
U15	\$380	\$150
U16	\$380	\$150
U18 Girls	\$380	\$150

What will each player receive?

All New Players U5-U7 receive Home Kit + Bag

All Returning Players U5-U7 receive Home Kit

All New Players U8-U16 + U18 Girls receive Home & Away Kit + Bag + Jacket

All Returning Players U8-U16 + U18 Girls receive Home Kit

Uniform sizing will be Sunday 25th October 2026. All orders must be in and paid by Tuesday 27 October directly through Belgravia.





12. Sports Voucher

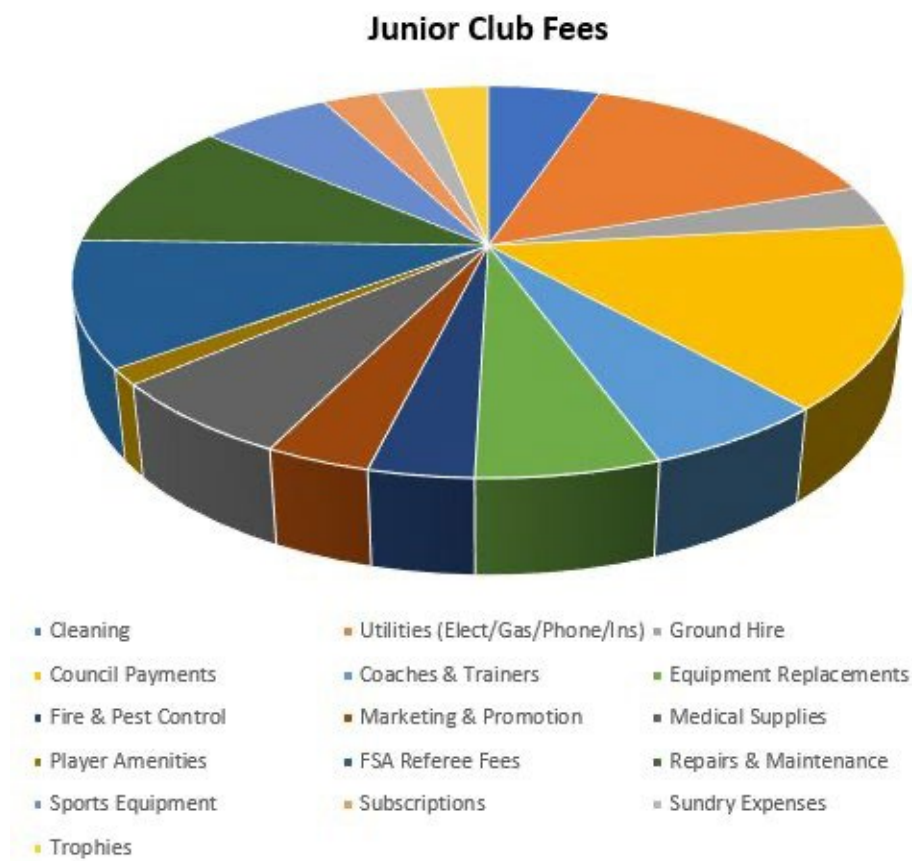
WT Birkalla accepts the Office for Sports and Recreation Sports Voucher. In 2027, the Sports Voucher includes those players in Reception to Year 9. There will be 2 x \$100 vouchers and can be claimed off the balance of your fees when registering in January 2027.

13. Sibling Discount

WT Birkalla offers a \$50 discount on the fees for the 2nd and each subsequent sibling (not cousins). The club will provide a discount code to be used during the play football registration process. Please ensure the club knows.

14. How Junior Club Fees are spent

Below is a pie chart showing families how club fees are spent. It's a common misconception that all Junior fees are spent on senior players. Families will pay Football SA directly for player and team affiliation fees and Belgravia Apparel directly for the uniform fees so these costs are not reflected in the club costings.





PART 2

COACHING PHILOSOPHY FOR ALL PLAYERS AND OTHER INFORMATION

15. Team Selection and Club Coaching Philosophy

At WT Birkalla SC, our Coaching Philosophy is guided by the FFA's National Curriculum. All coaches adhere to its principles, and all players are coached with its aim in mind - "to achieve a consistently high standard of learning and development for all players".

Our focus at WT Birkalla SC is based on an effective possession style of play where we endorse:

- Development instead of results, whilst still fostering a winning mentality
- Skillful and technical players, not just the powerful
- Mistakes being learning moments instead of being punished
- Encouraging individual play instead of forbidding individual play
- Encouraging taking initiative/risks instead of forbidding taking initiatives/risks
- Playing out purposely instead of the long ball

16. Player Movement Policy

The Club's overriding objective is for every player to achieve the maximum development of football skills and enjoyment of the game. It is therefore a priority to ensure players are placed in the environment that is always most conducive to their development. Players will continually be assessed throughout the 2027 season and will be subject to WT Birkalla's Player Movement Policy (where YCC / YSL rules allow).

17. Commitment of Players

At WT Birkalla SC we believe that playing sport is more than just physical fitness. The life skills young people gain in playing at club level include teamwork, communication, resilience, perseverance and commitment. In joining our club, we expect that players will have a commitment to their team to attend all training sessions and games. Whilst entirely at the discretion of the coaches, please note the following minimum commitments are required:

- Under 5s – training 1 day a week, generally Fridays
- Under 6s – Under 8s – training 1 day a week, Sunday games
- Under 9s – Under 16s plus Under 18 Girls - training 2 days a week minimum, Sunday games
- Youth Club Championship Teams (YCC) will have an additional training session per week
- While we understand that there are circumstances where this may not be possible, please note that repeated failure to attend training or games may limit game time to players.
- Extended travel during the playing season is discouraged, as it can impact both individual player development and team continuity. If you are planning a holiday, please schedule it outside the playing season wherever possible and notify the coach as early as possible if it falls within the season.
- Please note that games are played during school holidays and on public holidays. Attendance is essential as it impacts everyone.



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The following guidelines represent how teams are selected and managed:

Age Group	Stage	Attributes
Under 6 Under 7	Participation based. Introduction to team-based sport. Focus is on fun games and enjoyment in a club environment. Small sided games.	Teams and players are assessed on behaviour and willingness to follow instructions. Teams in these age groups are evenly balanced across ability and talent. No goalkeepers. It is not uncommon for players to be rotated across team in this age group.
Under 8 Under 9	Discovery and skill acquisition stage.	Teams and players are assessed on behaviour and willingness to follow instructions, but more emphasis on technical skill development, and repetition-based learning mixed into a variety of exercises. Goal Keepers are introduced into the games with players taking turns in goals on a rotational basis. Teams are evenly balanced across ability and talent.
Under 10 Under 11 Under 12	Acquisition of appropriate technical foundation. Focus is on the four core skills with the two constants being ever present and learned inherently.	Teams and players are assessed on behaviour and willingness to follow instructions. Skill, ability and potential play a larger role in player selection at this level. Teams are selected on strength to transition into more competitive football. Teams will be selected into A-grade and B-grade. Permanent goalkeeper introduced in U12. Based on performance and demonstrated ability, players may be moved between teams from time to time - refer Birkalla's Player Movement Policy.
Under 13 Under 14 Under 15 Under 16 Under 18 Girls	Game Training Phase. Applying the functional game skills and learning how to use the technical 'tools' playing as a team, using 1-4-3-3 as the preferred formation. Developing tactical awareness, insight and decision making through a game-related approach to training. Teaching players to solve specific football problems	Teams and players are assessed on performance, attitude, willingness to follow instructions and learning ability. Teams are selected on strength and talent identification. Teams will be selected into A-grade and B-grade. All players at any time have the potential for movement between grades at the Coach's And Technical Director's discretion based on demonstrated Performance: Birkalla's Player Movement Policy



18. Parent Volunteers

WT Birkalla SC is a community club, run mainly by volunteers. In most cases, volunteers are the parents of our players. Everyone has the capability to help, and everyone has their own special talents. Please consider where you can help, a roster for each team will be set up at the beginning of the season by the team manager.

Some roles that are always needed are:

Team based volunteers	Club based volunteers
Coach (required)	Junior Committee
Assistant Coach (required)	Social Committee
Team Manager (required)	Hospitality - Kitchen/Bar/BBQ
Ground Steward (Required at all games)	Uniform Fitting & Distribution
Linesman (Required for U12 - U18)	Marketing / social media
Referee (only U6 – U11 & occasionally for U12 – U18)	Sponsorship & Fundraising
First Aider	Equipment Co-Ordinator

19. Codes of Conduct

At WT Birkalla SC, we adopt the Player, Parent, Coach and Spectator Codes of Conducts of the FFA. As all stakeholders represent WT Birkalla SC, whether it be at training, at home or away games, we take these codes of behaviour seriously, and insist that anyone joining the club, is aware of our expectations and agree to these codes. Full policy documentation can be viewed [here](#).

Parents will be asked to read the Parent Induction Handbook and attend a compulsory Parent Induction Session ahead of the start of the season in 2027.

An overview of our expectations of players and parents is as follows:

(a) Players

- Play by the rules.
- Never argue with an official.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials, sledging other players or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted behaviour in any sport.
- Work equally hard for yourself and/or your team. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Be humble when you win and gracious when you lose.
- Treat all participants in your sport as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Respect your coaches, team manager, Club volunteers, team-mates, and opponents. Without them, there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please your parents and coaches.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.



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(b) Parents

- Remember that children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage children to participate, do not force them.
- Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than whether they win or lose.
- Encourage children to play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition. Remember that children learn best by example.
- Appreciate good performance and skillful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Verbal abuse of officials, coaches, sledging other players or parents or deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent is not acceptable or permitted behaviour in any sport.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

We thank everyone in advance for their cooperation.

We wish you all the best for the trials and hope to see you at the club in season 2027!