# MANDURAH CITY FC

### Football Plan 2025-2028



## **MCFC DIRECTORS**

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# Our Club Philosophy

At Mandurah City FC our club prioritises not only our players on field skills but also their holistic development. We provide a supportive environment that focuses on character building. attitude, teamwork and personal growth ensuring a well-rounded experience for every player.

## Vision

To be the leading Football program in the South West Region, recognised for it's excellence in coaching, player development and community engagement.

# Mission

Provide a fun, safe, inclusive and encouraging environment for all players of all ages and abilities to enjoy football.

# Player Pathway



#### GRASSROOTS PARTICIPATION MiniRoos Boys & Girls Ages 6-12

At grassroots level we focus on instilling a love for the sport and building fundamental skills. Our MiniRoos participate in the local leagues providing a platform for players to develop their technical abilities and understanding of teamwork.



#### YOUTH DEVELOPMENT Junior Boys & Girls Ages 12-18

In our youth development pathway players benefit from specialised coaching that hones their skills, both individually and collectively. Emphasis is placed on tactical understanding, physical conditioning and mental resilience ensuring a well rounded development.

#### SENIOR LEVEL OPPORTUNITIES Senior Men & Women 16+

Successful progression through youth levels opens doors to senior level opportunities, including participation in both our Men's and Women's State Division One sides with aspirations to elevate to NPL.



### Junior League Structure

#### MCFC RECREATIONAL PATHWAY

For players who have a focus on enjoyment, playing with their friends and learning the basic fundamentals of football in a non competitive environment.

Emphasis is placed on enjoyment, participation and personal development. rather than results.

#### MCFC COMPETITIVE PATHWAY

For high performing players keen for a competitive environment with high commitment to their training and team. Emphasis is placed on enjoyment, participation and performance discipline in a competitive environment with opportunities for progression to elite teams.





### **MCFC JUNIOR RECREATIONAL PATHWAY** Football West Junior Community League

#### What is it?

Local football competition for inclusivity,

engagement, and participation.

#### **MINIMUM COACHING CRITERIA**

No specific coaching accreditation or requirements apply for this level of competition, though a Foundations of Football is highly recommended.

#### LEAGUE PURPOSE



Foster community engagement with local focus



Provide participation for all via multi team fielding



Provide structure for regional differences



**Promote inclusion** and club growth

### MCFC JUNIOR COMPETITIVE PATHWAY Football West Junior Development League



| HING CRITERIA                      |                    |   |
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| <mark>(S</mark>                    |                    | GIRLS   |
| nust hold a<br>or higher)          | Division 1         | Head Coach must hold a<br>Foundations of Football<br>(or higher)<br>Starting 2026,<br>Head Coach must hold a<br>C-Diploma (or higher) |
| must hold a<br>of Football<br>her) | Division 2 & below | Head Coach must hold a<br>Foundations of Football<br>(or higher)  |

### **MCFC Recreational Pathway** MiniRoos Boys & Girls, Junior Boys & Girls, Men's Socials, Women's Socials, Men's & Women's Masters Leagues

#### PLAYER SELECTION

#### COACHING

| Players nominate for the recreational pathway<br>through the MCFC websites expression of interest<br>link or attend the advertised open training<br>sessions.                            | For MiniRoos and Junior Teams, these are usually<br>coached by a parent or beginner coach. There are no<br>specific coaching accreditations required but a<br>Foundations of Football is highly recommended. | Training will be held once a week.<br>Training is highly encouraged, but we<br>understand that players may have<br>holidays, other commitments, or work      |
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| Players who are unsuccesful in the competitive pathway trials will be invited into a recreational team.  | For senior teams, we will endeavour to secure a volunteer coach, or an agreement can be put in place to be self-coached.   | If recreational players wish to train<br>additional times, they may arrange this<br>with a competitive team coach to join<br>in. This may not be guaranteed. |
| MCFC will endeavour to offer a place for all players who want to play in a recreational team.  | There is no expectation that coaches are to be<br>licensed but all coaches must have a WWC check<br>cleared and presented to the club at the<br>commencement of the season.                                  | For MiniRoos and Junior teams, players<br>can expect reasonably equal game<br>time. For senior teams, at least half a<br>game should be expected.            |
| Disputes may be raised with your director of<br>Football via email.  | For Miniroos and Junior Teams, coaches must<br>participate in a Game Leader and Safeguarding<br>presentation held at the club.   | Training attendance may impact game<br>time. This is at the discretion of the<br>coach.  |
| If there are insufficient players of the required<br>interest or ability, MCFC may not enter a<br>recreational team. If this is the case, we will<br>communicate to players and parents. | All coaches will have access to coaching support<br>tools. We encourage continuous learning and will<br>offer opportunities for professional development.  | All players and parents must abide by the clubs Code of Conduct.   |

#### Please refer to the Football West junior league structure.





### **MCFC Competitive Pathway** Select MiniRoos Boys & Girls Under 10's, Under 11's & Under 12's

#### PLAYER SELECTION

#### COACHING

| Players nominate for the competitive pathway<br>through the MCFC websites expression of interest<br>link or attend the advertised open training<br>sessions.                            | MCFC will aim to provide licensed coaches for all competitive teams (Foundations of football licence or at least 2-3 years of experience).                                   | Training will be held twice a week.<br>Players are still expected to attend<br>trainings when injured.         |
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| Players who are unsuccessful in the competitive pathway trials will be invited into a recreational team.  | Coaches new to coaching females will complete training on how to approach this.  | We acknowedge that parents work<br>commitments may get in the way but<br>we will work together for an outcome. |
| MCFC will place players into teams based on<br>their assessed abilities through trials or<br>invitational trainings. Non attendance at these<br>sessions may impact selection outcomes. | AThere is no expectation that coaches are to be<br>licensed but all coaches must have a WWC check<br>cleared and presented to the club at the<br>commencement of the season. | For MiniRoos, players can expect<br>reasonably equal game time and<br>alternating player positions.            |
| Disputes may be raised with your director of<br>Football via email.   | For Miniroos and Junior Teams, coaches must<br>participate in a Game Leader and Safeguarding<br>presentation held at the club.   | Training attendance may impact game<br>time. This is at the discretion of the<br>coach.                        |
| If there are insufficient players of the required<br>interest or ability, MCFC may not enter a<br>competitive team. If so, this will be<br>communicated to players and parents.         | All coaches will have access to coaching support<br>tools. We encourage continuous learning and will<br>offer opportunities for professional development                     | All players and parents must abide by the clubs Code of Conduct.   |

#### Please refer to the Football West junior league structure.





### **MCFC Competitive Pathway** Junior Boys & Girls, Women's Central League, Men's Amatuer League

#### PLAYER SELECTION

#### COACHING

| Players nominate for the competitive pathway<br>through the MCFC websites expression of interest<br>link or attend the advertised open training<br>sessions or trials.                  | For Junior Teams, coaches must be licensed<br>according to the Football West junior development<br>league structure.                                     | Training will be held twice a week.<br>Players are still expected to attend<br>trainings and games when injured.                |
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| Players who are unsuccessful in the competitive pathway trials will be invited into a recreational team.  | Coaches new to coaching females will complete training on how to approach this.  | We acknowedge that work<br>commitments may get in the way but<br>we will work together for an outcome.                          |
| MCFC will place players into teams based on<br>their assessed abilities through trials or<br>invitational trainings. Non attendance at these<br>sessions may impact selection outcomes. | All coaches must have a WWC check cleared and presented to the club at the commencement of the season.   | For Juniors, players can expect<br>reasonably equal game time. For senior<br>teams, at least half a game should be<br>expected. |
| Disputes may be raised with your director of<br>Football via email.   | FAll coaches must participate in a Safeguarding presentation held at the club  | Training attendance may impact game<br>time. This is at the discretion of the<br>coach.   |
| If there are insufficient players of the required<br>interest or ability, MCFC may not enter a<br>competitive team. If so, this will be<br>communicated to players and parents.         | All coaches will have access to coaching support<br>tools. We encourage continuous learning and will<br>offer opportunities for professional development | All players and parents must abide by the clubs Code of Conduct.  |

#### Please refer to the Football West junior league structure.



### **MCFC Competitive Pathway** Men's & Women's State Division One and NPL Leagues

#### PLAYER SELECTION

#### COACHING

| Players nominate for their chosen pathway<br>through the MCFC website EOI's or attend the<br>advertised trial sessions.   | Depending on the league MCFC will ai<br>coach with at least a B Licence or 4-5<br>level coaching and or playing experier  |
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| Players who are unsuccesful in the competitive pathway trials will be invited into a recreational team.   | Coaches new to coaching females wil<br>training on how to approach this.  |
| MCFC will place players into teams based on<br>their assesed abilities through trials or<br>invitational trainings. Non attendance at these<br>sessions may impact selection outcomes.  | All coaches must have a WWC check<br>presented to the club at the comment<br>season.                                      |
| Disputes may be raised with your director of<br>Football via email.   | All coaches must particpate in a Safe<br>presentation held at the club.   |
| If there are insufficient players of the required<br>interest or ability, MCFC may not enter a<br>competitive team into the competition.<br>If so this will be communicated to players. | All coaches will have access to coach<br>tools. We encourage continuous learn<br>offer opportunities for professional dev |



| aim to provide a<br>5 years of high<br>ence. | Training will be held 2-3 times a week.   |
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| vill complete                                | Players are expected to not miss more<br>than 2 trainings per month and attend<br>trainings and games when injured. |
| c cleared and<br>ncement of the              | Training attendance may impact game time and your place in the team.  |
| eguarding                                    | Game time is at the discretion of the coaches and is not guaranteed.  |
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| hing support<br>ning and will<br>evelopment  | All players must abide by the clubs<br>Code of Conduct and the Player<br>Expectation agreement.                     |

## FAQs Player Selection

#### How do I sign up for trials day?

Submit an expression of interest form which can be found at www.mandurahcityfc.com.au.



#### I can't make all or some of the trial days- what should I do?

Please email secretary@mandurahcityfc.com.au to let us know. Depending on the team you are trialling for this may impact your selection outcome.

#### How will I be placed in a team?

You will generally attend the relevant trial day from which you be placed in a team with similar abilities and commitment levels..

#### Can I move teams during the year?

As a club dedicated to player development, we provide ongoing opportunities for players to adjust their placement throughout the year. These adjustments are usually based on individual performance and player availability, and are carefully managed on a case-by-case basis.

#### What if I sign up late?

Players can join at any point in the season as long as there is space in the teams to accommodate this. Please note that there are separate rules in place for State Division One Men and Womens and NPL League teams.

## FAQs Coaching

#### I would like to get involved in coaching?

Please contact secretary@mandurahcityfc.com.au or fill out an EOI form which can be found on our website.

#### How will the club keep my child safe?

At Mandurah City FC, the safety and well-being of your child are our top priorities. We are committed to creating a secure environment through strict adherence to our safeguarding Policy which outlines clear guidelines to protect your child from harm, fostering a supportive atmosphere where they can thrive both on and off the field. Our commitment to safeguarding means that our coaches are educated on the best practices for protecting the well-being of every child.

#### Are the coaches at Mandurah City FC qualified?

We are dedicated to supporting our coaches and investing in their ongoing education. We believe that well-trained coaches are essential to the development of our players and the overall success of our club. We encourage continuous learning and offer opportunities for professional development to ensure that our coaches can deliver the highest quality training to our athletes. Under the new junior league structure, some of our coaches will be required to obtain licenses to comply with league regulations.



## FAQs Training & Games

#### How do I know where and when my /my child's team training is?

You can expect to receive communication from the club or team coach via email or other channels. Typically, you will also be included in a team group message with the team manager and coach for updates and communication. Training locations can vary between PoolMart Stadium and Madora Bay Oval.

#### Where can I find the fixtures?

These will be published by Football West on their Squadi App and web page prior to the season starting. Depending on the league, this may not be until shortly before the season starts.

#### What is Squadi?

Squadi is the competition management platform utilized by Football West.

#### Where will my child or myself be playing?

Depending on the league that you will be placed in will determine your away fixture locations. Please refer to the Football West Junior Competition structure for junior information. All home games are played at either PoolMart Stadium or Madora Bay Oval. Please be aware that all teams, from MiniRoos to Senior, will travel to different club locations North or South depending on their competition and division.



## FAQS Inclusions

#### When will I know what my fees are?

We endeavour to have fees published by the beginning of December. A non refundable deposit is required to secure your place in your team.

#### What does my fees include?

The fee consists of three parts: the Football West component (which includes limited insurance), the Football Australia component, and the club component. The amounts vary depending on the registration level.

The club component covers at least the following: referee fees (excluding MiniRoos), coaching costs, administration and overheads, ground hire, ground marking, team equipment, team entry fees, lighting, trophies/medals, and a training shirt. Some teams may have higher fees to include additional training kits and other services.

#### When do I need to pay by?

All fees must be paid in full at least four weeks before the season begins. Players will not be allowed to take the field until their fees are fully paid. If you are experiencing financial hardship, you can arrange a payment plan by contacting registrar@mandurahcity.com.au. We also accept KidSport vouchers.

#### My circumstances have changed and I can't continue playing - what refund options are available?

Please refer to the refund policy on our website www.mandurahcityfc.com.au. All deposits are NON REFUNDABLE.

## FAQs Expectations

#### Why do I have to volunteer?

Running a club with over 500 members is a significant task, and without the support of volunteers, we would need to increase fees to cover the cost of hiring help. Your team manager will be responsible for organizing parent rosters for roles such as Game Leaders, equipment duty, or game day marshal. MiniRoo parents can choose to opt out of Game Leader duties by collectively agreeing as a team to pay for a beginner referee to handle the team's home games.

#### What is a Game Leader?

In MiniRoos, teams must provide a Game Leader to referee their home matches since official referees are not assigned. The Game Leader, often a coach, parent, or volunteer, ensures fair play and a positive environment. Our club will offer a Game Leader course to help volunteers confidently take on this role. Additionally, each team should also have a Ground Marshall, who is responsible for managing the sideline behavior of spectators and ensuring the safety and smooth running of the match.

#### Do we have a club uniform?

The uniform is a key part of our club's identity, representing our unity and pride. To uphold this, all players are expected to wear their training shirts or club polos (seniors) to and from games. Every player receives a training shirt, ensuring we always represent the club with respect and professionalism.



## Well-Being

At Mandurah City FC we promote the Head, Heart, and Hands model which emphasizes the holistic development of our athletes by integrating cognitive, emotional, and practical skills. It nurtures mental toughness (Head) through strategic thinking and game intelligence, emotional resilience (Heart) by fostering confidence, teamwork, and leadership, and technical proficiency (Hand) through skill development and tactical training. By addressing these dimensions, the model not only enhances athletic performance but also empowers all our athletes to excel both on and off the field, promoting a well-rounded approach to sports participation and personal growth.







# Thank You

#### Join the Pod Army!

We're thrilled to invite you and your families to join our club, where we're all about teamwork, growth, and enjoying the beautiful game together on and off the field. As we enter a new era at Mandurah City FC, the excitement is palpable, and we can't wait to see you all bring your enthusiasm to our club.

We look forward to you joining our football family.

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