

# Derbyshire Football Competition Framework

## Introduction

Between January 2006 and April 2007, Derbyshire Sport have taken a strategic lead on a review of competition in the county.

A national drive initiated by the National Council for School Sport called for 'A World Class System of Competitive Sport for young people, a step change in the content structure and presentation of competitive opportunities and a heightened profile for competitive school sport'.

In real terms; a call to modernise, eliminate duplication and over competition and broaden the range of opportunities at the base.

## Key Messages

This document fits in with the guidance from the Football Association (FA) and the English Schools Football Association (ESFA) and provides competitive opportunities for all, from the game of mini soccer in Primary schools to the full 11 a-side game. The key messages that run through the framework are:

- \* The framework sets out the FA and the ESFA framework for inter school football competitions from Key Stages 1-4. The framework offers a variety of engaging options for all young people including young people with disabilities.
- \* The framework provides an opportunity for SSP's, SSA's and county football associations' football development teams to work together to provide opportunities for all.
- \* The framework builds on good practice in the running of schools football competitions by district, county schools associations and other key agencies.
- \* It provides young people with different versions of the game appropriate to their physical development and the learning needs of the child.

## Framework

The Derbyshire Framework begins with multi skills activity through Key Stage 1 and the first two years of Key Stage 2. At this level a competitive element is introduced which is built upon in school years 5 and 6 with both participation and performance orientated competitions and festivals taking place.

At Key Stage 3, a 'participation' opportunity is presented within school's own internal competitions. This is complemented by the performance opportunities of local partnership, county regional and national level competitions. This is then continued through Key Stage 4 and 5 where the rules and regulations begin to represent the full recognised professional game.

# Overview

	KS 1 / Year 1-2	KS 2 / Year 3-4	KS 2 / Year 5-6	KS 3 / Year 7
<b>Within A School</b>	<b>Multi Skill Festival</b> Entry: Open Participant: M Schedule: Sept - Jul Explanation: 1.0			<b>Inter Form</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Oct - Apr Explanation: 3.0
<b>Inter-School (family wide)</b>				
<b>Inter-School (partnership wide)</b>		<b>KS2 5-a-side</b> Entry: Open Participant: M Schedule: May - Jun Explanation: 2.0	<b>DET 5-a-side League</b> Entry: Open Participant: M Schedule: May - Jun Explanation: 2.2	<b>U12 League &amp; Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov/Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.1
			<b>ESFA Y6 (Area Ass) Cup</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Nov - Dec Explanation: 2.4	
			<b>FITC (DCFC &amp; CFC)</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Nov - Dec Explanation: 2.8	
<b>Inter-School (county wide)</b>		<b>KS2 5-a-side</b> Entry: Open Participant: M Schedule: May - Jun Explanation: 2.1	<b>DET 5-a-side League</b> Entry: Qualified Participant: M Schedule: Sept - May Explanation: 2.3	<b>U12 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov/Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.2
				<b>ESFA Y6 Cup</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Dec - Apr Explanation: 2.5
<b>Inter-School (region)</b>			<b>ESFA Y6 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Apr Explanation: 2.6	<b>ESFA National Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Feb Explanation: 3.3
			<b>FITC (DCFC &amp; CFC) Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: M Schedule: Feb Explanation: 2.9	<b>TESCO Nat. 5-a-side Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Dec - Feb Explanation: 3.7
<b>Inter-School (national)</b>			<b>ESFA Y6 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Apr Explanation: 2.7	<b>ESFA Y7 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Mar - Apr Explanation: 3.4

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	KS 3 / Year 8	KS 3 / Year 9	KS 4 / Year 10-11		
<b>Within A School</b>	<b>Inter Form</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Oct - Apr Explanation: 3.8	<b>Inter Form</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Oct - Apr Explanation: 3.13	<b>Inter Form</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Oct - Apr Explanation: 4.0		
<b>Inter-School (family wide)</b>					
<b>Inter-School (partnership wide)</b>	<b>U13 League &amp; Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.9	<b>U14 League &amp; Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.14	<b>U15 League &amp; Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 4.1	<b>U16 League &amp; Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 4.3	
<b>Inter-School (county wide)</b>	<b>U13 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.10	<b>U14 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.15	<b>U15 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 4.2	<b>U16 Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 4.4	<b>U16 11-a-side Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Dec Explanation: 4.7
<b>Inter-School (region)</b>	<b>Minute Maid 11-a-side Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Jan Explanation: 3.11	<b>National 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Mar Explanation: 3.16	<b>U15 County Squad Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Sept - Nov / Feb - Apr Explanation: 4.2a	<b>U15 Inter area 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Sep - Mar Explanation: 4.5	<b>U16 RAF 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Jan - Mar Explanation: 4.8
<b>Inter-School (national)</b>	<b>Minute Maid 11-a-side Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Feb - Apr Explanation: 3.12	<b>National 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Qualification Participant: SS Schedule: Apr Explanation: 3.17	<b>U15 National 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Apr Explanation: 4.6		<b>U16 RAF National 11-a-side Cup Performance</b> Entry: Open Participant: SS Schedule: Apr Explanation: 4.9

## Key Stage 1 / Year 1-2

### 1.0 Multi Skill Festival

Open Festival with activities covering all parts of fundamentals (agility, balance, coordination), can be given football slant if required.

## Key Stage 2 / Year 3-4

### 1.0 Multi Skill Festival

Open Festival with activities covering all parts of fundamentals (agility, balance, coordination), can be given football slant if required.

### 2.0 KS2 5-a-side

**Format** – 5 a side mixed, based on festival programme, minimum of two girls per squad

**Facilities** – indoor

**Equipment** – mini soccer goals, size 3 footballs

**Organisers/helpers** – Derbyshire FA, local deliverers, school junior football organisers

**Resources** – score cards, entry forms (supported by national sponsor), based on mini soccer rules but dependant on venue

### 2.1 KS2 5-a-side

**Format** – 5 a side mixed, based on festival programme, minimum of two girls per squad

**Facilities** – indoor

**Equipment** – mini soccer goals, size 3 or 4 balls

**Organisers/helpers** – Derbyshire FA, local deliverers, school junior football organisers

**Resources** – score cards, entry forms (supported by national sponsor), based on mini soccer rules but dependant on venue

## Key Stage 2 / Year 5-6

### 2.2 DET 5-a-side League

**Format** – inter-school leagues, based around seven central venues. The winner of each attends the finals night

**Facilities** – indoor sports hall

**Equipment** – size 4 balls, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – schools 5 -a-side committee (comprised of teachers from different districts)

**Resources** - score cards, entry forms (supported by local sponsor), based on mini soccer rule but dependant on venue, referees

### 2.3 DET 5-a-side League

**Format** – finals night, mini leagues leading to semi-finals and finals, each team guaranteed 3 games

**Facilities** – indoor sports hall

**Equipment** - size 4 balls, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – schools 5 a side committee (comprising of teachers from different districts)

**Resources** – score cards, entry forms (supported by local sponsor), based on mini soccer rule but dependant on venue, referees

### 2.4 ESFA Y6 (Area Assoc.) Cup

**Format** - boys – 7-a-side, girls – 6-a-side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. Open single sex competition run partnership wide

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from ESFA and FA

### 2.5 ESFA Y6 Cup

**Format** - boys – 7-a-side, girls – 6-a-side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. The winners qualify for the regional event

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from ESFA and FA

### 2.6 ESFA Y6 Cup

**Format** - boys – 7-a-side, girls – 6-a-side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. Qualification is from the county event. The winners qualify for the national event

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from ESFA and FA

### 2.7 ESFA Y6 Cup

**Format** - boys – 7-a-side, girls – 6-a-side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. Qualification is from the regional event

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from ESFA and FA

### 2.8 FITC (DCFC & CFC) Partnership wide

**Format** - boys – mixed 7-a-side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. Open competition. The winners qualify for regional and then the national event

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – FITC, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from FA

### 2.9 FITC (DCFC & CFC)

**Format** – mixed 7-a -side, league or knock out format dependant on number of entries. Qualification is from the county event. The winners qualify for the regional and then the national event

**Facilities** - mini soccer sized pitch

**Equipment** - mini soccer equipment

**Organisers/helpers** – FITC, young coaches, officials

**Resources** - following mini soccer rules available from FA

## Key Stage 3 / Year 7

### 3.0 Inter form

Internal school competitions, rules dependant on school, played on school facilities

### 3.1 U12 League & Cup - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side, single sex. Partnership wide league with the winners representing the partnership at the county competition. Games are played with five minute halves

**Facilities** – indoor sports hall

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.2 U12 Cup - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side, single sex. Qualification from local area league. Knock out format for the cup. Games are played with five minute halves

**Facilities** – indoor sports hall

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.3 ESFA National Cup - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side. Follows standard FA 5-a-side rules. League format with winners qualifying for national competition

**Facilities** – should be 5-a-side pitch dependant on the size of the facility available

**Equipment** – 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.4 ESFA National Cup - Performance

**Format** – 5 aside. Follows standard FA 5-a-side rules. League format. Qualification is from regional competition

**Facilities** – should be 5-a-side pitch dependant on the size of the facility available

**Equipment** – 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.5 TESCO Nat.5-a-side - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side. Follows standard FA 5-a-side rules. League format with winners qualifying for county competition

**Facilities** – should be 5-a-side pitch dependant on the size of the facility available

**Equipment** – 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.6 TESCO Nat. 5-a-side - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side. Follows standard FA 5-a-side rules. League format. Qualification is through partnership competition. The winners qualify for the regional competition

**Facilities** – should be 5-a-side pitch dependant on size of facility available,

**Equipment** – 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.7 TESCO Nat.5-a-side - Performance

**Format** – 5-a-side. Follows standard FA 5-a-side rules. League format. Qualification is from the county competition

**Facilities** – should be 5-a-side pitch dependant on the size of the facility available

**Equipment** – 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials,

**Resources** – 5-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

## Key Stage 3 / Year 8

### 3.8 Inter form

Internal school competitions, rules dependant on school, played on school facilities

### 3.9 U13 League & Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a- side, single sex, partnership league with winners qualifying for the county competition. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – Size 4 ball, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5 aside rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.10 U13 Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11 a side, single sex. Qualification is from the local area league, knock out for cup. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – indoor

**Equipment** – Size 4 ball, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 5 aside rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.11 Minute Maid 11-a-side - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition, standard 11-a-side rules, 30 minutes per half. The winners qualify for national competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch dependant on facilities available

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

### 3.12 Minute Maid 11-a-side - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition, standard 11-a-side rules, 30 minutes per half. Qualification is from the regional competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch dependant on facilities available

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

## Key Stage 3 / Year 9

### 3.13 Inter form

Internal school competitions, rules dependant on school, played on school facilities

### 3.14 U14 League & Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a-side, single sex, partnership league with winners representing at county competition. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.15 U14 Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a-side, single sex. Qualification is from the local area league, knock out for cup. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

### 3.16 National 11-a-side Cup - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition, standard 11-a-side rules, 35 minutes per half. The winners qualify for the national competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 4 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

### 3.17 National 11-a-side Cup - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition, standard 11 a side rules, 35 minutes per half. Qualification is from the regional competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch dependant on facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

## Key Stage 4 / Year 10-11

### 4.0 Inter form

Internal school competitions, rules dependant on school, played on school facilities

### 4.1 U15 League & Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a-side, single sex. A partnership league with winners representing at county competition. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations available from ESFA and FA

### 4.2 U15 Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11 a side, single sex, qualification from local area league, knock out for cup. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 5-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

#### 4.2a Performance County Squad

Selected from across Derbyshire. Competing in inter county midland regional competition

#### 4.3 U16 League & Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a-side, single sex. A partnership league with winners representing at county competition. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

#### 4.4 U16 Cup - Performance

**Format** – 11-a-side, single sex, qualification from local area league, knock out for cup. Games are played with 30 minute halves

**Facilities** – outdoor

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – 11-a-side rules and regulations are available from ESFA and FA

#### 4.5 U15 Inter area 11-a-side Cup - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition, standard 11-a-side rules, 40 minutes per half. The winners qualify for the national competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch, dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

#### 4.6 U15 Nat. 11-a-side Cup - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition with standard 11-a-side rules. 40 minutes per half. Qualification is from the regional competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch, dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

#### 4.7 U16 RAF 11-a-side - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition with standard 11-a-side rules. 40 minutes per half. The winners qualify for the regional competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch, dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

#### 4.8 U16 RAF 11-a-side - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition with standard 11-a-side rules. 40 minutes per half. Qualification is from the County competition. The winners qualify for the national competition

**Facilities** – full size pitch, dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations

#### 4.9 U16 RAF 11-a-side - Performance

**Format** – knock out competition with standard 11-a-side rules. 40 minutes per half. Qualification is from the regional competition

**Format** – full size pitch, dependant on the facilities available

**Equipment** – size 5 ball, 11-a-side goals

**Organisers/helpers** – ESFA, young coaches, officials

**Resources** – FA rules and regulations