



GEORGES RIVER FC

2018 Grading Day FAQs

What time do I need to be there?

The 2018 schedule is as follows – please arrive at Oyster Bay Oval 10 minutes before scheduled time to sign in.

Sunday, February 11, 2018

9:00am	10:15am	U7 Boys & Girls	Optional grading – trial for A/B teams
10:30am	11:45am	U8 Boys	
12:15pm	1:30pm	U8 Girls	
2:00pm	3:15pm	U9 Boys	
3:30pm	4:45pm	U9 Girls	

Tuesday February 13, 2018

5:30pm	6:45pm	U12 Girls
7:00pm	8:15pm	U12 Boys

Wednesday February 14, 2018

5:00pm	6:15pm	U14 Girls	
6:30pm	7:45pm	U13 Boys	
6:30pm	7:45pm	U14 Boys	(if required)

Thursday February 15, 2018

5:00pm	6:15pm	U16 Girls	
6:30pm	7:45pm	U15 Boys	(if required)
6:30pm	7:45pm	U16 Boys	(if required)

Sunday, February 18, 2018

9:00am	10:15am	U10 Boys	
10:00am	11:30am	U6 Boys & Girls	Ungraded team formation – form own teams
11:45am	1:00pm	U10 Girls	
1:15pm	2:15pm	U7 Boys & Girls	Ungraded team formation – form own teams
2:30pm	3:45pm	U11 Boys	
4:00pm	5:15pm	U11 Girls	

What if it rains or it gets really hot?

We will be paying very close attention to the weather. If it is very hot or raining, please keep an eye on grfc.com.au and our Facebook page for updates closer to time.

What should my child wear?

All kids will play a few short games during their grading session so shin-pads and boots are worn. Sneakers are okay if you don't have boots yet.

It can get hot so kids should also wear sunscreen and bring water.

Can I buy a uniform on the day?

Yes! Our gear stall will be open on grading days. Our junior players need to buy socks (\$10) and shorts (\$20) and the club will supply shirts at a later date.

We will also have Georges River FC jackets, caps and other merchandise on offer.

My child wants to play with his/her friends, how can we make sure this happens?

We group younger kids (U6-U7s) in teams with their mates. We will have team sheets for you to fill in with names of players you would like to be grouped with on the day. If you already have a team ready to go, please email their names to Melissa: registrar@grfc.com.au

If your child doesn't have any friends playing with us, they may run into someone they know or we will place them in a team with new friends 😊

Kids U8 and up will be placed in teams based on their ability. This season we are also given U7s the opportunity to be individually graded. Experience shows that kids get the most benefit and enjoyment out of being graded with players of similar ability.

Do I need to register online first?

Yes please. It helps us manage teams if you register before 8th February and you will save \$40 if you register by midnight 7th February. You can register on the day, but it will still be following the online process via www.myfootballclub.com.au

If you don't register your team placement is not guaranteed. Teams can fill quickly so please register on time.

What documentation do I need?

For new players we need to see proof of age (birth certificate or passport) and also a parent's driver's license or a recent rates notice or utility bill as proof of address. We can only accept Sutherland Shire residents by order of the SSFA.

You can bring copies on the day or email them in advance to registrar@grfc.com.au

My child can't make it to their grading session. What can I do to ensure they get in the most appropriate team?

For new U6-U7 players, ask any friends coming down to add your name to the team sheet. Otherwise you can email registrar@grfc.com.au with a request to be in a specific team.

For older kids – U8 and up, please let your coach or manager know so they can ensure you are placed in the best team based on your ability. At the end of each season coaches submit a grading assessment for each player.

If you have any concerns at any stage please email our registrar.

At what age do you start grading players individually?

It is extremely important that players are graded in teams with players of similar ability, to play against teams of similar ability. This gives each child the chance to fully participate, enjoy the experience and develop to his/her full potential as a player.

We will be assessing individually players from U8 and up (optional for U7s) Please see our grading policy for more detail: <http://grfc.com.au/gradingpolicy/tabId/35/default.aspx>

How many players in a team?

- **U6-7:** 4-a-side, so we recommend a maximum of 5-6 players to ensure all players get good playing time.
- **U8-9:** 7-a-side including a goalie. We recommend 9-10 players per team
- **U10-11:** 9 players on the field
- **U12 and up:** 11 players on the field

I don't know the rules!

Here is a great resource for learning about the Mini Roo format:

<http://www.miniroos.com.au/media/91707/playing-rules-and-formats-high-res.pdf>

What time is training?

Once your child is placed in a team a coach and manager will be appointed, usually parents will raise their hand. They will lead the discussion amongst the parents to decide the best time and day to train.

The manager and age-coordinators will filter out key information to the team throughout the season, but we recommend you check grfc.com.au to keep updated and [follow our Facebook page](#) for timely updates.

Welcome to the Tigers!