



GEORGES RIVER FC

2019 Under 6 FAQs

We are delighted to welcome you and your family to Georges River FC! We have put together a few FAQs to give you a better idea of what to expect as part of the registration and grading process. Kids turning 5 or 6 in 2019 are eligible to play U6s.

U6 orientation session on Friday 8th February 5-6:45pm:

This is for all boys and girls turning 5 or 6 in 2019 to come down and form a team with their friends - new or old.

We will have a parent talk, and all the kids will be grouped into teams of 5 or 6 (minimum 4) and will have a kick. We will have all-girl teams and mixed teams which can be all-boy or boys and girls together.

There will be a free BBQ for the kids and the Tiger Inn will be open for parents to chillax.

The uniform shop will be open, as will our registration desk, however we encourage you to register your kids online before coming down as the queue can get rather long on rego day!

[Registration is open here \(all regos are online\)](#). Don't forget to apply for your 2019 \$100 Active Kids voucher if your child is at school this year. [You can apply here](#).

What time do I need to be there?

Please arrive at Oyster Bay Oval by 4:45pm on Friday 08 February to sign in.

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 please bring water.

Can I buy a uniform on the night?

Yes! Our gear stall will be open on registration and grading days. Our junior players need to buy socks (\$15) 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.

You can pay by cash or card.

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. There is a girls-only league, with boys playing in a mixed comp (girls and boys can play mixed).

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 😊

Do I need to register online first?

Yes please. This helps us manage teams if you register beforehand. You can register on the day, but it will still be following the online process via playfootball.com.au and the clubhouse can get hectic on U6 night.

Do I need to upload a photo?

No - Kids do not need profile photos until they reach the U10s.

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 bank statement 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 the grading session. What can I do to ensure they get in the most appropriate team?

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. We can also place kids in teams with kids from the same school and/or help them find new friends and team mates.

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>

When do U6s play?

U6s play Saturday mornings, usually between 8-10:30am, but games could be later. The season starts on Saturday 23 March, but we have trial games the weekend before the season starts.

Games are a mix of home (Oyster Bay Oval) and away, which could be any ground in Sutherland Shire. Games are played during school holidays, but not on public holidays.

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.

More questions?

Please get in touch with Melissa, our Club Registrar and U6 age coordinator via registrar@grfc.com.au

Welcome to the Tigers!