

# Important Information for all FA Charter Standard Clubs



## CRITERIA FOR FA CHARTER STANDARD CLUBS FROM SUMMER 2015

### FA Charter Standard Review Process

At the beginning of 2015 The FA initiated a review of its FA Charter Standard programme in order to ensure it remains fresh, relevant and useful to its affiliated clubs and leagues. It involved clubs and league volunteers in this process as well as County FAs (CFAs) and underpinned this with a significant piece of independent research. The review considered the views of 1,118 FA Charter Standard Club Secretaries and Co-ordinators.

### The FA Charter Standard Insight Project

The conclusions of the Insight project were a strong endorsement of the FA Charter Standard programme and its value to clubs and leagues. It included that, if The FA invested more in to coaching to make it more affordable and accessible, then;

- CS Community & Development clubs should require enhanced coaching qualifications (62 per cent)
- CS Clubs to have a greater number of Level 1 & Youth Module 1 coaches (61 per cent)
- All club coaches to be members of The FA Licensed Coaches Club (54 per cent)
- A new coaching qualification or learning workshops for coaches of adult male teams at Step 7 of the National League System or above (53 per cent)

To see the FA Charter Standard Club Insight Infographic please visit [www.TheFA.com/CharterStandard](http://www.TheFA.com/CharterStandard)

To support the current £8M per year spent on grassroots coaching, The FA will invest an additional £2M per year creating a network of 40 FA Tutors delivering coaching courses for the CFAs and provide Youth Award Module 1,2 & 3, and Level 2 coaching bursaries, again through the CFAs. The additional investment will make these courses more accessible and cheaper for participants through reducing tutor costs, providing bursaries and hosting courses locally.

### FA Charter Standard Club Criteria

All new FA Charter Standard clubs must adhere to the new criteria from the 2015/16 season. Existing FA Charter Standard clubs will have realistic timescales to meet the below. The majority of criteria remains unchanged however there are a number of new criteria relating to coaching, to support The FA strategic objectives.

The changes are as follows;

### FA Charter Standard Clubs (Youth)

Existing Criteria	Criteria from summer 2015
Level 1 coach with every team	Level 1 coach with every team
	<b>One</b> Youth Mod 1 coach for every <b>four</b> teams by the end of 2017/18: e.g. 1-4 teams = One Youth Mod 1 coach or 5-8 teams = Two Youth Mod 1 coaches
	50 per cent of all coaches to be FA Licensed Coaches Club members by the end of 2015/16
	Minimum of 90 per cent of all coaches to be FA Licensed Coaches Club members by the end of 2019/20

### FA Charter Standard Development Clubs

Existing Criteria	Criteria from summer 2015
Level 1 coach with every team	All the above for CS Club (Youth) plus:
One Level 2 coach in the club	<b>One</b> Level 2 coach in the club
One Youth Mod 1 coach in the club	<b>One</b> Youth Mod 2 coach for every <b>six</b> teams by the end of 2017/18: e.g. 1-6 teams = one Youth Mod 2 coach; 6-12 teams = two Youth Mod 2 coaches

### FA Charter Standard Community Clubs

Existing Criteria	Criteria from summer 2015
Level 1 coach with every team	All the above for CS Club (Youth) and CS Development Clubs plus:
One Level 2 coach in the club	<b>Two</b> Level 2 coaches in the club by the end of 2015/16
One Youth Mod 2 coach in the club	<b>One</b> FA Youth Award coach (Mod 3 assessed) <b>per club</b> by the end of 2017/18

### FA Charter Standard Adult Clubs

Existing Criteria	Criteria from summer 2015
No coaching criteria	Non National League System teams; Three hour workshop an annual optional offer, not mandatory
	National League System (Step 7 and above) adult teams; Six hour (one day) annual workshop (league organised) by the end of the 2016/17 season

## Questions

If you have any queries regarding FA Charter Standard Clubs, including the new criteria you should direct these to your County FA.