

## The Player Pathway



FUNdamental Stage 1	Learn to Train Stage 2	Train To Train Stage 3	Train To Compete Stage 4	Train To Win Stage 5	Active For Life Stage 6
Technical Taught basic skills:  Jumping and catching Pass (hand & fist) Kick Pick up Solo Dispossession	Major skill learning phase of all basic skills     Evasion 1v1, 4v4 etc     Handling skills (fisting & catching)     Decision making – creating space     Delivery and use of the ball	Introduce additional skills i.e. breaking the tackle by rolling, dummying etc     Develop confidence and ability to perform skills using both hands and feet     Angles of run     Timing of pass     Support ball carrier	Perform multi functional roles – play maker, support, decoy, distributor Close correction of mistakes; technical and rule based with constructive criticism Competition – stimulating training	Reinforcement of skills     Minimise weaknesses in individual game by correction of error using feedback & self analysis     Consolidate & enhance strengths     Competition specific training     Skill development within small sided games	Technical  Retain skills
Tactical  Concepts of fair play and friendly competition Spatial awareness Defence – regaining possession FUN games Modified games Introduction to team games Awareness of basic	Tactical  Basic rules of 15 a-side game  Awareness of opposition Identify & address strengths & weaknesses  Team play – basic attack & defence Support play Spatial awareness under pressure	Tactical      Appreciation of consequences of actions     Understand game plans     Implement patterns of play     Develop positional requirements	Tactical  Awareness of oppositions tactical strengths and weaknesses  Use of conditioned games to assist in teaching of tactical moves  Adaptation of different situations i.e. environment, opponents etc	Tactical  Implement performance analysis  Ability to adapt tactical strategies during a game  Consideration of tactical developments within the game  Identify opponents game plan and develop counter tactics which are practised	Tactical  Retain recreational involvement
positional roles.  Mental  Self confidence Positive attitude to sport Self esteem Enthusiasm and commitment	Mental  Build confidence/motivation Build concentration Achieve success and be praised for it – set short term goals/targets	Mental  Goal setting (long and short term)  Motivation Sportsmanship encouraged and fostered	Mental  Taught how to pre-pare for matches; pre match, half time & post match.  Use if imagery & relaxation in match preparation  Individualised warm up routines	Mental  Concentration/Focus Capable of teamwork and taking advice Coping strategies – regaining focus during a match	Mental  Re-adjustment to non-competitive environment Relaxation
Physical  Agility, Balance (static & dynamic), Co-ordination  Importance of warm up and cool down  Running, jumping, speed	Physical      Advanced Agility,     Balance & Co-     ordination     Flexibility and mobility	Physical      Develop fitness (aerobic and anaerobic)     Importance of proper hydration at training emphasised     Speed and acceleration	Physical  Explanation of training system: how to train for speed, strength, endurance etc  Per iodisation training programme  Establish recovery routines	Maintenance and improvement of fitness to optimise performance     Careful planning and phasing of training     Well establish recovery routines	Physical  Keep active through sport participation
Taught value of playing in a team     Taught value of being on time     Co-operation – positive response to discipline structure     Identification with positive role models     Awareness of Health & Safety issues	Lifestyle/Personal     Ambition – commitment to develop     Good health and hygiene     Inclusion of sport in lifestyle     Accepts discipline structure     Teamwork / interaction skills	Lifestyle/Personal  Role model for younger children  Established self identity Life balance Importance of rest and recovery Nutrition and hydration	Increased knowledge of nutrition and hydration issues     Integration of sport, career and life goals     Coping with set-backs / failures	Lifestyle/Personal  Openness to further development opportunities Positive use of influence/power The pursuit of excellence Full integration of sport, career and life goals Well developed, self monitoring lifestyle	Lifestyle/Personal  Re-set goals  Sport taking less of a focus on life