



Youth Regional/Community Season Timeline | Season 2023

NOVEMBER:

- 1st November:** Club Affiliation Window opens
- 30th November:** Club Affiliation Window closes for Season 2023

DECEMBER:

- 16th December:** Player Dispensation Application Window opens
Playing Day Dispensation Application Window opens

JANUARY:

- 16th January:** Player Dispensation Application Window closes for first half of Season 2023

Playing Day Dispensation Application Window closes for Season 2023
- W/c 9th January:** West, East & South East LMCs to meet to discuss & propose SWF Youth Regional League compositions (for 14's and above (11v11)) and 12's*/Community 12-week Games Programmes.
- W/c 16th January:** North, Central and South West LMCs to meet to discuss & propose SWF Youth Regional League compositions (for 14's and above (11v11)) and 12's*/Community 12-week Games Programmes.
- W/c 16th January:** LMCs to circulate proposed Regional Leagues/Games Programmes to LA.

LA to circulate proposed compositions to all teams per region – **teams have one week to request a review of their placing to their LA/SQG Committee** (SWF@scotwomensfootball.com)
- 23rd January** Deadline for Regional teams to **opt out** of the Youth Scottish Challenge Cup or **opt into** the Youth Scottish Cup (*Academy Pathway National Competition*) via email (SWF@scotwomensfootball.com). Community teams should **opt in** to Youth Scottish Challenge Cup if desired

*12-week 12's Games Programmes guided via short 4-week fixture schedule at start of season

W/c 23rd January: SQG to meet and ratify league compositions/review requests & communicate to Policy Working Group (PWG), LMCs and relevant teams.

SQG shall review all relevant dispensation applications

W/c 30th January: Clubs advised of outcome of dispensation

W/c 30th January: SWF LAs to schedule fixtures and submit to LMCs for feedback

FEBRUARY:

3rd February: SWF Youth Regional League fixtures announced

W/c 6th February: SWF Youth Kick-Off Meetings

SWF Youth Regional League Cup Draws (14's, 16's & 18's)

SWF Youth Scottish Challenge Cup Draws (14's, 16's & 18's)

18th/19th February: SWF Youth Regional Competitions start

**18th/19th February –
24th/25th June:**
TBC

1st half of season (19 weeks) – league + cup fixtures/slip dates/holidays

SWF Youth Regional League Cup Finals shall be played between May – June

APRIL

W/c 3rd April: All League Cups/plates to be returned to Hampden Park

JUNE:

**26th June –
19th/20st August:** Mid-season break (8 weeks - *Dependant on Regional School Holidays*)

**27th June –
4th July:** Mid-season Player Dispensation Application window for Season 2023

JULY:

W/c 3rd July: LMCs to meet to discuss & propose SWF Youth Regional League compositions (for 14's and above (11v11) where required) and 12's*/Community 12-week Games Programmes for 2nd half of the season.

W/c 3rd July: LMCs to circulate proposed Regional Leagues/Games Programmes to LA, where required, for second half of season.

*12-week 12's Games Programmes guided via short 4-week fixture schedule at start of season

LA to circulate proposed compositions to all teams per region (where required) – **teams have one week to request a review of their placing to their LA/SQG Committee (SWF@scotwomensfootball.com)**

W/c 10th July: SQG to meet and ratify league compositions/review requests & communicate to Policy Working Group (PWG), LMCs and teams where required.

SQG shall review all relevant dispensation applications

W/c 17th July: Clubs advised of outcome of dispensation applications

28th July: SWF to announce fixtures for second half of season where required

AUGUST:

August – (*dependant on school holidays*)

25th/26th November: 2nd half of season (16 weeks) – league + cup fixtures/slip dates/holidays
TBC

SWF Youth Scottish Challenge Cup & Youth Cup shall be played in November

31st August: Deadline for rule change submissions

SEPTEMBER

W/c 4th September: All League trophies to be returned to Hampden Park

W/c 4th September: All clubs should start to prepare for the affiliation window and ensure all officials are compliant by having a valid PVG. This is the last opportunity to apply for a PVG before the affiliation window opens.

October:

15th October: Player registration window closes

November:

1st November: Club affiliation window opens

1st November: All officials must read and complete their declarations on the Scottish FA Live system

W/c 20th November: Youth Regional AGMs (End of Season Meeting) dates & rule change proposals circulated to clubs

*12-week 12's Games Programmes guided via short 4-week fixture schedule at start of season

30th November: Club affiliation window closes

December:

11th December –
15th December Youth Regional AGMs (End of Season Meetings)

Notes:

- Youth Regional League Cup/Plate draws to be conducted as required depending on calendar
- Youth Scottish Challenge Cup draws to be conducted as required depending on calendar
- Above timeline is not exhaustive, and may be amended from season to season