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**ENTRY CRITERIA**

**SCOTTISH WOMEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP**

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**SCOTTISH WOMEN’S LEAGUE ONE**

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**ENTRY TO SCOTTISH WOMEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP & LEAGUE ONE**

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# Scottish Women’s Championship & League One | Entry Criteria

# Background

Scottish Women’s Football (SWF) introduced an entry criteria for teams competing in the Scottish Women’s Premier League (SWPL) in Season 2019. The criteria, developed in partnership with the Scottish FA and in consultation with clubs, evolved in line with standards set by the UEFA funded, Elite Club Licensing project that SWPL clubs have been working towards in recent seasons. This project provided clubs with direct investment commensurate with how much of the required criteria they can provide evidence of achieving.

The Elite Club licencing approach has undoubtedly improved standards on and off the pitch, ultimately raising the quality and profile of Women’s Football in Scotland. With this in mind, the introduction of an entry criteria embedded these similar high standards across the Scottish Women’s Premier League, further enhancing the product that represents the top tier of the Scottish Women’s domestic game.

By creating an equal playing field whereby all teams are providing a consistent match day experience, the entry criteria encompassed the overall spectator experience allowing SWF to enhance credibility and perception of the women’s game, attract further commercial sponsorship and ultimately continue to improve the standards on the pitch.

With the restructure of the senior women’s game in Scotland, this entry criteria filtered down to the **Scottish Women’s Championship and Scottish Women’s League One**, allowing SWF to work together with clubs in the Performance Arm of the game to continue to raise standards on and off the pitch. This continues to be a project that SWF is both proud of and committed to. We are continually aiming to develop the process and firmly believe that it represents a positive step forward at this exciting time for the girls’ and women’s game in Scotland.

**Scottish Women’s Championship – Entry Criteria**

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The job holder shall be qualified for the role. The minimum mandatory requirement is as follows:

The job holder must have a Level 2 ‘C’ Licence (Adult) Qualification with a recommendation to be working towards B licence (Adult) Qualification.

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In addition clubs must have:

A Goalkeeping Coach with a minimum Level 1 Goalkeeping Certificate

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Clubs must have weekly access to a Physiotherapist and/or clinic, and any physiotherapist must be identified within the club admin system and be fully registered with the appropriate professional body

It is recommended that physiotherapists are present on match days.

* 1. **First Aider**

A first aider MUST be present.

Each club shall have an individual in place at matches. This individual must have attended a recognised sports first aid course and provided SWF with a copy of their certificate evidencing that their qualifications are up to date as part of the annual affiliation process. This can be the same person as the physiotherapist in 1c.

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In addition they must have completed the following and returned to SWF in accordance with SWF’s Child Wellbeing & Protection Policy:

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**a. Registered Ground**

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The alternative ground should be outlined at the start of the season and provided to the League Administrator in advance of the season kicking off. As per above, all clubs must submit a formal request to the League Administrator in the event of them requiring to use their named alternative ground. No clubs shall be permitted to use their alternative ground for more than 4 Championship fixtures per season, unless due to exceptional circumstances, subject to Management Committee approval.

**b. The Field of Play**

The field shall be in compliance with the Laws of the Game.

**c. Natural Grass Surfaces**

Any natural grass surface may be subject to tests, at intervals to be decided by the SWF, to ensure compliance to performance standards determined by the SWF or others approved by SWF. The field shall be in good condition and playable throughout the playing season.

**d. Artificial Surfaces**

Standard to be approved by the SWF upon written application from the club.

**e.** **Health & Safety Regulations**

The ground must comply with prevailing Health and Safety regulations, and, where applicable, have relevant certification issued by the local authority when required.

**f. Access**

Both clubs must have access to the match pitch (half pitch each) for a minimum of 30 minutes before kick-off. In the event that this is not feasible, the home club must advise their opponent in advance of the fixture of the specific warm up arrangements in place (dimensions of area, surface, access time & distance from match pitch) as part of their confirmation of details communication in the week prior to the match

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1. **Facilities**
   1. **Teams**

The following rooms and facilities, of an equivalent level for both teams, are a minimum requirement:

* 1 dressing room for each club (home and visiting team) with facilities to safely secure valuables and/or lock the dressing room.
* Seating facilities for at least 18 persons.
* Shower facility.
* 1 fully functioning toilet.
* Physio table.
  1. **Match Officials**

The following rooms and facilities are a minimum requirement:

1. The match official’s dressing room must be separate from the team dressing rooms but close by and has facility to safely secure valuables.
2. If both male and female officials are appointed, the home team must advise the officials in advance of the fixture of the changing arrangements in place to allow the officials to manage this accordingly on the day
3. Seating facilities for 3 persons
4. Access to a shower
5. 1 toilet for the sole use of the match officials either in or next to the dressing room itself
   1. **Technical Areas**

Clubs shall provide a clearly marked technical area for up to 13 people next to the field, large enough for the technical team and substitutes.

* 1. **Spectators**

Clubs shall produce a match programme for spectators at home matches – these can be digital versions if appropriate

* 1. **Level of Cover for Spectators**

Clubs shall have an appropriate area for spectators to watch the match. A permanent or temporary adequate perimeter pitch protection system shall surround the playing area separating it from spectators and employed as directed by the match officials on the day. This shall be of sound construction and free from any sharp edges.

*Pitch Perimeter Barrier: refers to barrier or rail that separates spectators from playing area*

* 1. **Attendances**

It will be the home club’s responsibility to ensure attendance figures for each game they host and for this to be reported to the League Administrator to collect. As we strive to grow the game, baseline data ensures the ability to gauge progress.

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1. **First Aid Facilities**

**a. Medical and First Aid Risk Assessment**

Clubs shall commission a medical risk assessment from a competent person or organisation for participants and spectators. This will be indicated in the Medical Plan.

**b. Medical Plan**

From the results of the medical risk assessment, clubs shall have in place a written Medical Plan. This shall include but is not limited to the following:

* **Medical Facilities**  
  A designated first aid room is required. At the very least the facility should have heating and lighting, a supply of hot and cold water as well as drinking water, an accessible toilet facility, a storage facility and a means of communication. The room should be well signposted throughout the ground.
  + **Medical Expertise Provision**It is the responsibility of clubs to ensure that an appropriate level of medical expertise is available for its matches. This will be indicated within the Medical Plan
  + **Medical and First Aid Equipment**It is the responsibility of each club to ensure that appropriate medical equipment is provided. This will be indicated in the Medical Plan.



1. **Media Facilities**

Clubs must provide the following:

1. Ability to film all of their home games from an appropriate area with a raised platform or structure, only where suitability risk assessed
2. Team lines for media (paper or electronic)– these should be made available to media at least 30 minutes before kick-off.
3. Clubs will provide a point of contact to liaise with media representatives and ensure they are looked after at matches. This should not be the match-day coach as the individual must be available to assist media pre-match when coach would be undertaking other duties such as warm up, team talk etc. pre-match.
4. Clubs will provide match details on social media in advance of the match



**6. Player Pathway**

The sustainability of our clubs is at the heart of requiring a full pathway. Clubs should be applying the appropriate focus on the development of new and emerging talent and not solely on the senior game.

A full pathway enables clubs to be sustainable and ensures that young players know they can progress into senior football. This criteria is mandatory for the Championship.

Clubs will have a full player pathway (up to a minimum of 16’s)detailed in their development plan.

Partnerships with another local club to help create a pathway will only be considered subject to the agreement of the Management Committee and SWF Board.

Full pathway is defined as follows: 14’s – 16’s – 18’s or 18’s National Academy Team or SWFL



1. **Commercial**

As a pre-requisite of entry into Scottish Women’s Football, your club is committed to comply with the following:

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     + Providing access to a player and head/assistant coach for post-match interviews when required.
     + Ensuring branding guidelines are adhered to in relation to online communications and content which includes twitter hashtags, appropriate use of correct logos, referencing the title sponsor etc.
     + Wearing appropriate branding as required which may include inclusion of sleeve-patch on match-day kit or wearing branded warm up bibs. Appropriate branding and printing will be provided at the expense of SWF where required.
     + Seeking permission prior to broadcasting any Championship fixture live or otherwise in its entirety or in the form of a highlights package.
     + Participating in Player of the Month Awards.

1. **General Player Wellbeing**

Each club should have a clear set of policies and pathways for any player that may wish to raise wellbeing concerns.

*Sanitary products*

At every game, players and fans should have access to free sanitary products within the toilets of the home ground.

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| CHAMPIONSHIP MATRIX | | | | | |
| 1 |  | **Personnel** |  | **Mandatory** | **Recommended** |
| a. |  | Coach/Manager |  | ✓ |  |
| b. |  | Goalkeeping |  | ✓ |  |
| c. |  | Physiotherapy |  | ✓ |  |
| d. |  | Child Wellbeing & Protection Officer |  | ✓ |  |
| e. |  | First Aider |  | ✓ |  |
| f. |  | Club Secretary |  | ✓ |  |
| 2 |  | **The Ground** |  |  | |
| a. |  | Registered Ground |  | ✓ |  |
| b. |  | The Field of Play |  | ✓ |  |
| c. |  | Natural Grass Surfaces |  | ✓ |  |
| d. |  | Artificial Surfaces |  | ✓ |  |
| e. |  | Health & Safety Regulations |  | ✓ |  |
| f. |  | Access |  | ✓ |  |
| 3 |  | **Facilities** |  |  |  |
| a. |  | **Teams** |  |  |  |
|  | i. | Dressing rooms |  | ✓ |  |
| ii. | Seating facilities |  | ✓ |  |
| iii. | Shower facility |  | ✓ |  |
| iv. | 1 toilet |  | ✓ |  |
| v. | Physio table |  |  | ✓ |
| b. |  | **Match Officials** |  |  | |
|  | i. | Dressing room |  | ✓ |  |
| ii. | Arrangements for appt. of male & female officials |  | ✓ |  |
| iii. | Seating facilities |  |  | ✓ |
| iv. | Shower facility |  | ✓ |  |
| v. | Sole use of a toilet |  |  | ✓ |
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| d. |  | **Spectators** |  |  | ✓ |
|  | i. | **Match day programme** |  |  |  |
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| b. |  | Medical Plan |  | ✓ |  |
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|  | iv. | Home team to upload full match footage to analysis platform |  | ✓ |  |
| 6 |  | **Player Pathway** |  | ✓ |  |
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| LEAGUE ONE MATRIX | | | | | |
| 1 |  | **Personnel** |  | **Mandatory** | **Recommended** |
| a. |  | Coach/Manager |  | ✓ |  |
| b. |  | Goalkeeping |  | ✓ |  |
| c. |  | Physiotherapy |  | ✓ |  |
| d. |  | Child Wellbeing & Protection Officer |  | ✓ |  |
| e. |  | First Aider |  | ✓ |  |
| f. |  | Club Secretary |  | ✓ |  |
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| a. |  | Registered Ground |  | ✓ |  |
| b. |  | The Field of Play |  | ✓ |  |
| c. |  | Natural Grass Surfaces |  | ✓ |  |
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| iv. | 1 toilet |  | ✓ |  |
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| iv. | Shower facility |  | ✓ |  |
| v. | Sole use of a toilet |  |  | ✓ |
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| d. |  | **Spectators** |  |  | ✓ |
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| 4 |  | **First Aid Facilities** |  |  | |
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|  | i. | Medical Facilities |  | ✓ |  |
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| 6 |  | **Player Pathway** |  |  | ✓ |
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|  | → Adhere to brand guidelines |  | ✓ |  |
|  | → Wear appropriate branding i.e. sleeve patches |  | ✓ |  |
|  | → Seek permission to broadcast fixtures |  | ✓ |  |
|  | → Participate in Player of the Month nominations |  | ✓ |  |
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|  | **Intention to Register** | | |  | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|  |  |  |  |  | SWPL 1 | SWPL 2 | SWFL 1 (N) | SWFL 1 (S) |
|  | Club | | |  |  | | |  |
|  | Current Season | | |  |  | | |  |
|  | Current League | | |  |  | | |  |
|  | League you wish to register for in the following season | | |  |  | | |  |
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|  | As you are aware entry to the Performance Arm requires each club to attain a certain standard of provision in order to be eligible to register. Please indicate against each criteria whether your club currently meets the standard required for the league you wish to register for in the following season. We will endeavour to support your club in areas you feel are missing. As such we would like you to categorise the status of each area. Please refer to the entry criteria document for further detail in each area. | | | | | | |  |
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|  |  |  | *Amber - Partially Compliant* |  |  |
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|  | **1** |  | **Personnel** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a |  | Coach/Manager |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | **2** |  | **The Ground** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a |  | Registered Ground |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | b |  | The Field of Play |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | c |  | Natural Grass Surface |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | d |  | Artificial Surfaces |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | e |  | Health and Safety Regulations |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | f |  | Access |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **3** |  | **Facilities** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a |  | Teams |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Dressing Rooms |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Seating Facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iv* | Shower Facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *v* | 1 Toilet |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *vi* | Physio Table |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | b |  | Match Officials |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Dressing Rooms |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Arrangements for male/female officials |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iii* | Seating Facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *v* | Shower Facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *vi* | Sole use of a Toilet |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | c |  | Technical Areas |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | d |  | Spectators |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Facility to Collect Entry Payment |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Facility to Count Spectators |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iii* | Refreshments Available |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iv* | PA System |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *v* | Match Programme |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | e |  | Level of Cover for Spectators |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **4** |  | **First Aid Facilities** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | a |  | Medical and First Aid Risk Assessment |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | b |  | Medical Plan |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Medical Facilities |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Medical Expertise Provision |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iii* | Medical and First Aid Provision |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | **5** |  | **Media Facilities** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Raised Platform to Film Games |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Team Lines for Media |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iii* | Wifi for Media |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *iv* | Media Relations Officer / Person |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *v* | Upload footage to SWF |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | **6** |  | **Player Pathway** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **7** |  | **Commercial** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *i* | Attending media / sponsors events |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ii* | Adhere to sponsorship requirements |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Display sponsor branding |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Provide access to players/coaches |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Adhere to brand guidelines |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Wear appropriate branding |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Seek permission for fixture broadcast |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Take part in player of the month |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 8 |  | **General Player Wellbeing** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Please be aware that all clubs will be audited and asked to provide evidence to accompany this form at a date to be agreed by SWF.  Please return this form to [SWF@scottish-football.com](mailto:SWF@scottish-football.com) no later than 31st October | | | | | | |  |
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