



CASTLE HILL UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

2026 WINTER SEASON JUNIOR PLAYER REGISTRATION INFORMATION SHEET

Castle Hill United Football Club (CHUFC) is a local volunteer club established in 1972 to provide the opportunity for our local community to play football. CHUFC is one of the largest clubs in the Hills Football Incorporated (HFI) Association and has teams for all ages and levels of abilities for girls, boys, ladies, and men from ages 4 to over 55+.

CHUFC Mission Statement

To teach, encourage and promote the game of football in the Hills District with an emphasis on sportsmanship, teamwork, and fair play.

TEAMS AND PLAYERS

Boys and girls can play together in mixed competitions until age 14, and games are scheduled on Saturdays.

Girls can play in a female-only competition from age 8, and games are scheduled on Sundays. Girls can register for both mixed and female-only competitions at no additional cost.

Mixed Competitions (Saturday)

In 2025, CHUFC will have mixed teams as listed below:

- A maximum of 50 players.
Little Legends is a fun, weekly football program that teaches the fundamentals of football to preschool-aged children. The program lasts for 18 weeks.
 - For boys and girls turning 4 in 2026.
 - Played in-house at Fred Caterson Reserve Field 1.
 - Every Saturday morning, 8:00 am to 9:00 am
 - We concentrate on teaching correct technique, skills development, fair play, and making playing sports and exercising fun.
- A maximum of 8 x **FunSkills** teams:
 - For boys and girls turning 5 or 6 in 2026.
 - Played in-house at Fred Caterson Reserve Field 1.
 - Every Saturday morning, 8:00 am to 9:00 am.

- Small Sided Field (SSF) format, with 10-12 players per team.
 - Each team splits into two fortnightly groups for their game versus another CHUFC Funskills team.
- A maximum of 8 teams in the **7-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 7 in 2026.
 - Played in-house at Fred Caterson Reserve Field 1.
 - Every Saturday morning, 8:00 am to 9:00 am.
 - Small-sided field (SSF) format, with a max of 8-10 players per team.
 - Each team is split into two for each fortnight for their game versus another CHUFC 7s team.
- Unlimited **All-Abilities/Football for All** program:
 - For boys and girls of any age.
 - Played in-house at Fred Caterson Reserve Field 1.
 - Every Saturday morning, 9:15 am to 10:30 am.
 - Regular participation in other HFI club programs.
 - Please email allabilities@castlehillunitedfc.com.au for further information.
- A maximum of 9 teams in the **8-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 8 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 7v7 format, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- A maximum of 6 teams in the **9-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 9 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 7v7 format played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- A maximum of 6 teams in the **10-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 10 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 9v9 format, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- A maximum of 5 teams in the **11-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 11 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 9v9 format played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- A maximum of 4 teams in the **12-year-old** age group:
 - For boys and girls turning 12 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), Box to Box, 9v9 format played against other HFI clubs.

- Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
- Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.

The number of players and teams per the age groups below is limited to ensure the club does not exceed its player capacity for the number of fields available.

- A limited number of teams in the **13 & 14-year-old** age groups:
 - For boys and girls turning 13 or 14 in 2026.
 - Full field games, 11v11 played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.
- A limited number of teams in the **15, 16 & 18-year-old** age groups:
 - For boys turning 15, 16 or 17/18 in 2026.
 - Full field games, 11v11, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.

Female Only Competitions (Sunday)

NOTE: Girls can register for both mixed and female competitions at no additional cost.

In 2025, CHUFC will have female-only teams as listed below:

- **8-year-old** age group:
 - For girls turning 7 or 8 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 7v7 format, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - Keep an eye out for upcoming CHUFC 'Try Football' days for girls.
- **9-year-old** age group:
 - For girls turning 9 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 7v7 format, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - Keep an eye out for upcoming CHUFC 'Try Football' days for girls.
- **11-year-old** age group:
 - For girls turning 10 or 11 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 9v9 format against other HFI clubs.

- Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
- Where possible, the aim is to make teams equivalent to 10 and 11 age-based teams.
- Keep an eye out for upcoming CHUFC 'Try Football' days for girls.
- **12-year-old** age group:
 - For girls turning 12 in 2026.
 - Play Small Sided Field (SSF), 9v9 format against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.
- **13-year-old** age group:
 - For girls turning 13 in 2026.
 - Play Box to Box 10v10 format against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.
- **15-year-old** age groups:
 - For girls turning 14 or 15 in 2026.
 - Full field games, 11 v11 played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.
- **16-year-old** age groups:
 - For girls turning 16 in 2026.
 - Full field games, 11 v11 played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.
- **18-year-old** age groups:
 - For girls turning 17 or 18 in 2026.
 - These age groups play in the U18 Girls competition.
 - Full field games, 11v11, played against other HFI clubs.
 - Even split of home & away games throughout the season.
 - This is a competitive competition, with scores and tables published.
 - Semi-final and Grand Final games are played.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

All registrations will be open online at <https://registration.playfootball.com.au> from 01 January 2026. Our direct registration link <https://bit.ly/churego>

Need help registering? Visit the playfootball help section by clicking the link below.

<https://support.playfootball.com.au/support/solutions/22000106487>

IMPORTANT—Players who are not registered by the end of January 2026 cannot grade in their age division for 2026.

All Junior players must:

- a) Acknowledge that by registering with CHUFC, they agree to the club's Policies and Code of Conduct (available from the club's website), including participating in Club volunteer activities such as BBQ and Canteen rostered duties.
- b) Upload a CURRENT head and shoulders photograph (such as a passport photo) at the time of online registration, as required by Football NSW.
- c) Additionally, all **NEW** Junior players to CHUFC must provide the following:
 - o Proof of age at the commencement of the season 2026 grading.
 - o Sports eyeglass certificate (if glasses are to be worn whilst playing). Note: The player must wear eyeglasses in the digital photo uploaded when registering online.

Refer to our website, www.castlehillfootball.com.au or email registrar@castlehillunitedfc.com.au for any enquiries.

2026 JUNIORS FEE SCHEDULE

• Little Legends (4 years old)	\$200
• Funskills (5 & 6 years old)	\$200
• 7-year-old Age Group	\$200
• 8 to 9-year-old Age Groups	\$280
• 10 to 11-year-old Age Groups	\$320
• 12 to 13-year-old Age Groups	\$340
• 14 to 16-year-old Age Groups	\$345
• 17 to 18-year-old Age Group	\$420
• All Abilities Program	\$25

Family Discounts

A discount will apply when a family has three or more players who reside at the same address registering with the club. The 3rd and subsequent players from the same family will receive a 50% discount on registration (the discount applies to fees for the youngest player).

To qualify, you must pay in full online and send the club a request for a refund of the discount.

Please note that registrations will not be accepted without full payment. This is important as only registered players can participate in grading sessions and/or play.

GRADING INFORMATION

MIXED (SATURDAY) COMPETITION GRADING

All players from age 8 and above must wear **BOOTS and **SHIN PADS** and bring **WATER** to grading**

Players are to arrive 30 min before the grading starts, to sign in and collect a bib.

Send enquiries regarding mixed team grading to grading@castlehillunitedfc.com.au

Mixed (Saturday) Age Groups	Field	Grading #1	Grading #2	Grading #3 (At Club's discretion)
Funskills - Team Formation Only - no grading or games	1	TBC		
7s - Team Formation Only - no grading or games	1	TBC		
8s – Player Grading	1	Sun 15 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 16 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 17 Feb @ 6:00 pm
9s - Player Grading	1	Sun 8 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 9 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 9 Feb @ 6:00 pm
10s - Player Grading	1	Sun 1 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 2 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 3 Feb @ 6:00 pm
11s - Player Grading	2	Sun 15 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 16 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 17 Feb @ 6:00 pm
12s - Player Grading	3	Sun 1 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 2 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 3 Feb @ 6:00 pm
13s - Player Grading	2	Sun 8 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 9 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 10 Feb @ 6:00 pm
14s - Player Grading	3	Sun 1 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 2 Feb @ 6:30 pm	Tues 3 Feb @ 6:00 pm
15s - Player Grading	2	Sun 8 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Mon 9 Feb @ 6:00 pm	Tues 10 Feb @ 6:00 pm
16s - Player Grading	1	Tues 3 Feb @ 7:30 pm	Thurs 5 Feb @ 7:30 pm	
18s - Player Grading	1	Tues 10 Feb @ 7:30 pm	Thurs 12 Feb @ 7:30 pm	

APPAREL SALES AT GRADING

CHUFC Apparel will be available for purchase at grading during the following times: **TBC**

FEMALE ONLY (SUNDAY) COMPETITION GRADING

****All players from age 8 and above must wear **BOOTS** and **SHIN PADS** and bring **WATER** to grading****

Players are to arrive 30 min before the grading starts, to sign in and collect a bib.

Send enquiries regarding Ladies teams to ladies@castlehillunitedfc.com.au

Female Only (Sunday) Competition	Field	Grading #1	Grading #2	Grading #3 (At Club's discretion)	Comment
8, 9, U11, 12, 13s, U15s, & U16s - Team Formation & Team Grading	1	Wed 4 Feb @ 6.00 pm	Wed 11 Feb @ 6.00 pm	Wed 18 Feb @ 6.00 pm	Teams are graded. Friends and age are considered in forming teams.
U18s - Team Grading	1	Wed 4 Feb @ 7.30 pm	Wed 11 Feb @ 7.30 pm	Wed 18 Feb @ 7.30 pm	Teams are graded.

APPAREL SALES AT GRADING

CHUFC apparel will be available for purchase at grading during the following times: **TBC**

UNABLE TO ATTEND GRADING (SICK, INJURED, OR OTHER)

If you cannot attend any of the grading sessions, you will need to inform the Club beforehand in writing via email to grading@castlehillunitedfc.com.au or ladies@castlehillunitedfc.com.au.
Players who do not attend grading are likely to be assigned to the lowest-graded team for their age group in the first instance.

If a player is feeling ill or has any injury that may affect their grading performance, this information must be communicated to the relevant group Age Grader prior to the grading session.

GRADING NOTES

- a) All players from age groups 8 to 18 must attend grading and are individually graded.
- b) Players can play in the age group they turn in the current calendar year or up to two age groups higher. This decision is at the Grading Manager's discretion.
- c) A player can only grade in one age group, which will be the age group they have registered for.
- d) Friends who wish to play together in one team (known as "Playing with friends") must notify the club Grading Manager via email - grading@castlehillunitedfc.com.au at least 24 hours prior to the first grading date for the applicable age group. All friends and parents must agree; however, the final decision is at the Grading Manager's discretion.
- e) Playing with friends is also contingent on the club's grading policy which can be found on the club website at www.castlehillfootball.com.au.

- f) Players are graded individually based on their performance during grading, and when required, the player evaluation sheet from the previous season (if available).
- g) Teams will generally have between 11 and 16 players for full competition team's dependent on numbers in each age group.
- h) Teams are by no means final at the end of grading - due to sometimes unavoidable player movements after grading, further fine-tuning and changes to teams may occur after grading.
- i) Please note that although the Club recommends specific grades when registering each team with Hills Football, we do not make the final decision regarding the level or division at which each team ultimately plays – Hills Football association has the final say.

If you are not happy with the individual player grading result, appeals on grading must be sent in writing via email within 7 days of grading to the Club President at president@castlehillunitedfc.com.au. The Grading Committee will assess the appeal. Their decision is final.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Until teams are formed after grading and managers are selected by each team, the club does not typically communicate with individual players and/or parents. It is the players' and/or parents' responsibility to regularly view the club website at www.castlehillfootball.com.au where all relevant information will be posted.

Grading dates and times can change due to weather, so please ensure you regularly view the club website for all up-to-date information after registering. This can be found at www.castlehillfootball.com.au

REGISTRATION REFUNDS

Refund requests must be made to the Club Registrar in writing via email to registrar@castlehillunitedfc.com.au

Please note:

- a) Refunds are processed by Football Australia once approval has gone through Castle Hill United FC, Hills Football Association and Football NSW and will be credited back to the card at original registration.
- b) Refunds are strictly made in accordance with the club's bylaws as set out below:

Receipt of Refund Request	Refund Amount
Prior to first CHU grading date	Amount paid less \$25 administration fee. Active Kids Vouchers cannot be refunded but may be able to be transferred to another club.
Following first CHU grading date and prior to Hills Football team nomination	50% of the registration fee. Active Kids Vouchers cannot be refunded but may be able to be transferred to another club.
After Hills Football team nomination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 50% of the Club portion of the registration fee if withdrawal does not cause the team to be withdrawn and <u>no refund of Hills Football portion of fees after team nomination.</u> b) No refund of any fees if withdrawal of the player contributes to the team being withdrawn.

Receipt of Refund Request	Refund Amount
After team registration with Hills Football.	No refund.

ACTIVE KIDS REBATE PROGRAM

For more info: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/active-and-creative-kids-voucher>

Participants in the All-Abilities/Football for All program, where the registration cost is \$25, if the parent/guardian chooses to apply the \$50 voucher to the CHUFC \$25 fee, the balance of the unused fee is forfeited in full and not redeemable for cash, other registrations, playing kit or merchandise.

PRIVACY POLICY

Castle Hill United Football Club handles personal information according to a Privacy Policy that is consistent with the Privacy and Personal Protection Act 1998. Personal information will not be made available to third parties other than as required to allow participation in football or by law.

COACHING AND DEVELOPMENT

CHUFC strives to assist members in improving their ability to play, coach, manage, and referee. A volunteer subcommittee is arranging specific programs for 2026.

CHUFC depends on volunteer coaches, some of whom may have limited coaching experience, others are highly qualified. No matter whether this is your first season coaching football or you are highly experienced, we will offer networking, mentoring and coach development programs including:

- CHUFC Coaching Forum
- Mini Roo's Certificate—Discovery Phase: For coaches typically training 5-8-year-old players, this 3-hour course is fully practical and encourages the coach to develop practices based on FUN and the Development of Fundamental Football Skills.
- Foundation of Football—For coaches typically training 9-15-year-old players, over 9 hours, Coaches will participate in practical sessions covering practices, and key coaching delivery implementation (use of coaching tools) to facilitate a learning environment centred around the development of football technique and decision-making skills.

<https://hillsfootball.com.au/coaching-courses/>

Most of these programs will be held over three or four sessions throughout the season. Once dates and venues are locked in, more details will be published.

To register your interest, please get in touch with the Club Coach via email at coach@castlehillunitedfc.com.au

REFEREES

Hills Football are looking for people to train as referees. Details are available on the website www.hillsfootball.com.au or by email to CHUFC at referee@castlehillunitedfc.com.au

PLAYERS AND PARENTS GAME DAY RESPONSIBILITIES

CHUFC is a volunteer organisation and cannot function without the support of its players and parents. Each team has certain responsibilities as part of that support.

FUNSKILLS AND 7S TEAMS

- a) Assist to set up their playing equipment when they are the first session and clear the playing equipment when they are the later session.
- b) Staff the **Canteen and BBQ** as required and required during the season.

8S TO 18S TEAMS

- a) Set up the field before home games when the team is first game scheduled.
- b) Clear the field after home games when no following game is scheduled.
- c) Staff the **Canteen and BBQ** as required and advised during the season.
- d) Perform ground official duties whilst playing home games during the season

ALL teams will be required to fill **four official positions** for their team:

- a) **Coach** – Their job is to help develop the players' skills and teach them how to play football to the best of their ability.
- b) **Manager**—The manager is the communication link between the club and the players/parents. They work closely with the CHUFC Competition Secretary regarding matches, results, etc. The Manager is responsible for submitting match results each week.
- c) **Team Official** – Every team must supply a Team Official for **every game**. The Team Official is responsible for their own team's behaviour, including that of their spectators.
- d) **Team Referee**—Their job is to referee home games when no official referee is available. For SSF matches, the club will provide an in-house referee, and Hills Football will provide referees for the more senior teams. There should be limited times per season when a team's referee is required. Both teams' coaches jointly referee all Funskills games.

PARENTS/PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

All CHUFC members (players and parents) are bound by the Code of Conduct signed at registration. Copies are available on the website. Failure to observe this Code could result in disciplinary action, which, in its most extreme form, could result in dismissal from the Club.

CLUB STRIP AND EQUIPMENT

All players must purchase their own **GREEN CHUFC shorts, GREEN CHUFC socks for 2026, and other compulsory playing equipment, including boots and shin pads.**

There will be opportunities to purchase club apparel at grading if required.

Club apparel can also be found at www.castlehillfootball.com.au under the Apparel tab.

PLAYER INSURANCE

Payment of the player registration fee includes an insurance premium required through Football NSW. All players are covered for limited medical costs when no other insurance exists and, where the player has registered as a non-student, limited loss of wages.

Full details of the player insurance are provided on the Football NSW website, www.footballnsw.com.au. Note that the club only collects the insurance premium and forwards it to Football NSW. The club is not an agent or an insurance broker and earns no commission for collecting the premium.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER ROLES

CHUFC is a volunteer organisation and cannot function without the support of its players and parents. The Committee is responsible for running the club and always needs more volunteers to lend a hand. Committee members are ordinary people, typically players' parents, who receive no financial reward for their work. The Committee, and therefore the club, cannot function without volunteers.

Can **you** provide general assistance as required from time to time?

Please get in touch with our Club President at president@castlehillunitedfc.com.au if you are willing to help make CHUFC an even better Club.

CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

Home Ground:	Fred Caterson Reserve, Caterson Drive (off Gilbert Road), Castle Hill
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Clubhouse Phone:	(02) 9680 7988
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Website:	www.castlehillfootball.com.au
Instagram:	https://www.instagram.com/castlehillfootball
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/castlehillfootball