
Club Registration Pack



Welcome!



A warm welcome back to all our players and coaches ahead of the new season. A special welcome to our new members who are joining us for the first time.

The club is in a very positive position with membership and the number of teams growing each year. It costs a significant amount of money to provide the facilities and football that we want for our players. So please pay your season subscription on time and support all the fundraising activities our volunteers organize during the season. Information on where your money goes is contained later in this pack. Subscriptions can be paid online at the **'Easypayments Plus'** link on our new website: www.baldoyleunited.ie

I want to thank all our coaches and other volunteers who continue to provide their spare time to ensure that we can provide football for so many boys, girls and adults for the coming season.

The enjoyment of playing football is the most important thing for our boys, girls and adults. I would ask that you play your part by abiding by the **Parents Code of Conduct** set out in this pack and helping out your team manager. Maybe offer to wash the kit, set up the goalposts, or help in any way you can. If you have any issues or concerns please contact your team manager to arrange a discussion and our Child Welfare Officer is also available if you need to speak with them.

Finally, I wish all our players, coaches and volunteers an enjoyable and successful season. Come on Baldoyle!

Yours in sport
Dermot Penrose
Chairman
Baldoyle United FC

About the club

Baldoyle United FC is a football club located on the North East coast of Dublin close to Sutton and Howth. The club currently has over 20 teams playing in the North Dublin Schoolboys League (NDSL), Metropolitan Girls League (MGL) and Leinster Senior League. The club also has a Junior Academy for boys and girls age 4—7 years. Baldoyle United clubhouse, with private grass pitch and astro is located at Brookstone Road Baldoyle Dublin 13. The club also plays matches at Racecourse Park and Seagrang Road, Baldoyle.

Club colours: Green and white hooped shirts, white shorts and green socks. Change of colours is usually red shirts, white shorts and red socks.

The club has been providing continuous football in Baldoyle since 1969. In 2016 the club's progress and commitment to the community was recognised by the FAI, when it received a Community Club of the Year Award, and by Fingal County Council when it won the Sports Club of the Year and overall Community Group of the Year awards.

Club Website: <https://www.baldoyleunited.ie/>

Club Committee: <https://www.baldoyleunited.ie/committee-managers>

Club Managers: <https://www.baldoyleunited.ie/managers>

Governance: <https://www.baldoyleunited.ie/governance>

Facebook: Baldoyle UTD

Twitter: @BaldoyleUtd

Registration Form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1numCJ6SdeQ5Pkzqza1liZmFGkypuPCfaPk87Zw7g03A/>

Covid-19 Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1m2xZwneu_qSSyPYIT2rgr-jcyLVqV6MGn6yMI37I7Ug/

Membership

Baldoyle United is a football club with over 20 teams. The volunteers who assist and give their time to the club, be they managers, coaches, parents and also those who serve on committees help to run the club to the best of their ability.

There is also a financial cost to running Baldoyle United. Players' subscriptions are a vital part of the income of the club and are payable for the Junior Academy (weekly), schoolboys/girls teams and senior teams.

What do these annual subscriptions cover?

- **Insurance** for all players while playing for the club in training sessions and at matches in case of injury.
- **Referee expenses** for home games in both pre-season, league and cups.
- Supply of **footballs** to each team, including training balls and match balls, **bibs and cones**. There is an annual cost as most footballs will only last one to two seasons.
- **Electricity** for the use of the **floodlighting** on the all-weather pitch, small grass areas and walkways which are in use from Monday to Friday, usually from 5pm to 10pm throughout the year.
- Providing **medical kits** to managers.
- **League registration fees** for each Baldoyle United team entered into the Metropolitan Girls League, Dublin and North Dublin Schoolboy League and Leinster Senior Leagues.
- The all-weather pitch and main pitches represent an investment by the club and require annual **maintenance** given the level of training throughout the season to keep them playable.

The Club is grateful to all managers, coaches and parents who participate in the running of the club.

The club believes that the facilities provided by Baldoyle United provide value for subscriptions paid by players.

€240 per season from August to June fee equates to just **€2 per training session** and **€2 per match day** or €24 per month which is good value compared to many other clubs and activities. There are family discounts where applicable also. Apart from the financial costs of running the club, players receive coaching, playing time, development of their football skills, learning to interact with other team members and play as a team in a sport that they enjoy from the age of 4 up to and including senior football.

We hope this note provides more detail as to what expenses your annual subscriptions go towards meeting in a season.

Code of Conduct for Players

- Play for enjoyment, not just to please your parents or coach.
- Play by the laws of the game.
- Never argue with the referee's decision.
- Play with control. Do not lose your temper.
- Play for yourself and your team—your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.
- Be a "good sport". Applaud all good play whether by your team or the opponent.
- Respect your opponent. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
- Give opponents a hand if they are injured, put the ball out of play so they can receive attention.
- Give the ball back to you opponents if they have put the ball out of play so that one of your team mates could get attention.
- Do not "bully" or take advantage of any player. Do not accept "bullying" in your club.
- Co-operate with referees, coaches, team mates and opponents.
- Remember that the goals of the game are to have fun, improve your skills and feel good.
- At the final whistle applaud and thank your opponents and the referee for the match.
- Always remember that you owe a duty of care to your opponents.
- Tackle hard but fairly, do not intend to hurt your opponent.
- Win with humility—loose with dignity. Nobody likes a sore loser.
- Do not attempt to cheat by diving or feigning injury in an attempt to con the referee.
- It is most important that you don't keep secrets. If you are unhappy or uncomfortable with how anyone else is behaving towards you at the club please let us know. Tell your Club Children's Officer, your parents or anyone you trust, if someone is causing you harm or distress. You have a right to be safe.
- Baldoyle United does not tolerate racial or any other form of abuse or discrimination.

Code of Ethics Code for Parents

- Remember, young people are involved in football for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage your child always to play by the laws of the game.
- Teach young people that honest endeavor is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.
- Help you people to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.
- Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at young players for making a mistake or losing a match.
- Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.
- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in the playing of football. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from football.

- As a spectator, do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches or players.
- Do not publicly question the referees' judgement and never their honesty.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for young people.
- Encourage in your child an appreciation of mutual respect for team-mates and opponents.
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Code for Spectators

- Remember that although children play organised football they are not miniature professionals. Don't place excessive pressure on children to perform to unrealistically high expectations. Children play football to develop their skills, to have fun and enjoy the game.
- Be on your best behaviour and lead by example. The behaviour of a team's supports will often be remembered long after the result of the game. Be remembered for the right reasons.
- Applaud good play, sportsmanship and best efforts of the visiting team as well as your own team.
- Welcome and respect all your teams' opponents. Without them there would be no match.
- Condemn the use of violence in all forms at every opportunity.
- Verbal abuse of players, match officials or opposing supporters cannot be accepted in any shape or form. Players or match officials should never be regarded as fair targets for ignorant or abusive behaviour.
- Encourage young players to play within the rules of the game in the spirit of Fair Play.
- Respect the coaches. Remember they are volunteers giving up their time for the benefit of your children.
- Assist the coaches. If the coach requires assistance on match days please assist.
- Inform the coaches of any underlying medical condition and how this is to be dealt with in training or matches.
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Club Shop

The following items are available from the club shop:

Shorts: White for boys and black for girls: Size 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-15, small, medium and large

Socks: Shoe size 11-2, 2-4, 4-7, 8-12

Academy training kits (top and shorts): Ages 5-6, 7-8 and 9-10

T-shirts: Sizes 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, small, medium and large

Tracksuit bottoms: Sizes 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, small, medium and large

Tracksuit tops: Sizes 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, small, medium and large