



Ground Criteria - Tier 4 Men

These criteria must be in place by the 30th of April prior to the following Season

1. The minimum size of the playing area shall be 100 yards by 50 yards (91 metres by 45 metres) in accordance with 'Laws of the Game'
2. All playing areas must be completely fenced off with wood or metal tubing set in adequate support posts. Boundary fencing is to be a minimum of 2 metres outside the playing area.
3. There must be two separate 'dugouts' for managers, trainers and substitutes with the front of the 'dugout' in line with the boundary fence and not the touchline. The 'Technical Area' must be marked out in accordance with the 'Laws of the Game'.
4. All Clubs are to provide dressing (Changing) room accommodation for all players and separate accommodation for Match Officials. Separate showering facilities shall be provided for both Teams and Match Officials as well as toilet facilities on site.
5. The Home Club is to provide as a minimum, Tea, Coffee or some form of liquid refreshments for all players and Match Officials prior to the game and at half time.
6. An emergency aid person per Team shall be available at each game and serviceable first aid equipment shall be kept on every ground. *NB: From season 23/24 each team must have a First Aider with a Valid FAW First Aid Award*
7. Emergency vehicles must be able to drive into the stadium. The access and egress point(s) must not be blocked. A parking space must be identified for an emergency vehicle to park, which must not be occupied by any other vehicle or used for any other purpose.
8. Unobstructed access leading from a spectator area in the stadium to the playing area must be provided to allow access and egress for a stretcher. It is recommended that this access is located as close as possible to the area designated for the access/egress of the emergency vehicle(s).
9. Each Club must take every precaution to ensure its ground is always in a satisfactory playing condition. Goal-nets and corner flags must be always provided.
10. Clubs are reminded that alcohol is strictly forbidden at all League & Cup matches and that Clubs are responsible for the behavior of their players and supporters.
11. Home team should know where the nearest Defibrillator is situated upon request.

Ground Criteria - Tier 5 Men, Reserves, Tier 3 Women & U19's

These criteria must be in place by the 30th of April prior to the following Season

1. The minimum size of the playing area shall be 100 yards by 50 yards (91 metres by 45 metres) in accordance with 'Laws of the Game'
2. All playing areas must be completely fenced off with wood/metal tubing set in adequate support posts or respect barriers. Boundary fencing is to be a minimum of 2 metres outside the playing area.
3. In the absence of a Dugout, all clubs should have a designated technical area with cones to contain appropriate personnel as defined on team sheet (Manager, Coaches, First Aider & Subs)
4. All Clubs are to provide dressing (Changing) room accommodation for all players and separate accommodation for Match Officials. Separate showering facilities shall be provided for both Teams and Match Officials as well as toilet facilities on site.
5. The Home Club is to provide as a minimum, Tea, Coffee or some form of liquid refreshments for all players and Match at half time.
6. An emergency aid person per Team shall be available at each game and serviceable first aid equipment shall be kept on every ground. *NB: From season 23/24 each team must have a First Aider with a Valid FAW First Aid Award*
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Appendix 1

Pitch regulations will be reviewed annually with notification provided 12 months in advance.

Ground criteria for Promotion from T4 to T3

As per FAW Regulations

Ground criteria for Promotion from T5 to T4

Applications should be sent to the Association by 31st December together with £50 fee. £50 is only returned on ground criteria being successful.

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Deadline for submission of **ground sharing** requests/documents is **1st March** each season.
