

PLAYING ENVIRONMENT

CRITERIA FOR PROGRESSION



IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC ELITE INTERNATIONAL SQUADS

International Matches
Full international squads - training weekends, friendly matches, tri-nation tournaments, World and European championships

Selected from those referees officiating in the impairment specific talent programme

IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC TALENT PROGRAMME

FA Disability Talent Programme training matches (Youth age groups)

Selected from those referees officiating in the impairment specific national leagues

NATIONAL IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC LEAGUES

AMPUTEE

7-a-side
Central venue fixtures
Monthly

BLIND

Adapted version of Futsal
Played at RNC, Hereford
Monthly

CP

7-a-side
Central venue fixture
Monthly

DEAF

11-a-side
Home & away fixtures
Monthly

PARTIALLY SIGHTED

Adapted version of Futsal
Central venue fixtures
Monthly

POWERCHAIR

Powerchair National League
4v4
Central venue played over a full weekend
6 regional leagues as well as 2 national league divisions

Mandatory for Amputee and CP Leagues – FA Referees Course, small-sided football course or mini-soccer course and relevant impairment specific workshop

Mandatory for Blind and Partially Sighted Leagues – Futsal course and impairment specific workshop

Powerchair Leagues – Ideally an FA qualification, Powerchair specific training delivered by Wheelchair FA (official FA disability partner)

COUNTY FA PAN-DISABILITY LEAGUES

Ability banded; small sided (4v4 up to 9v9 with a very small minority playing 11v11), monthly (as a minimum), the majority are central venue based; local 'rules' will apply

Strongly recommended – FA Referees Course, small-sided football or mini soccer course and disability refereeing workshop