

THE UK MINIFOOTBALL ASSOCIATION*

EQUITY AND ACCESS POLICY

As the governing body for small-sided football in the UK, the UK Minifootball Association (UKMA) recognises the need for equity and access for all individuals as athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and leaders in the sport. In order to maximise the UKMA's commitment to ensuring equity and fair access, we shall:

1. Respect the rights of all individuals involved in the playing, development and administration of small-sided football regardless of age, gender, race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status, and/or social or economic status.
2. Ensure that female athletes, coaches, volunteers, officials and leaders in small-sided football will be fairly represented in national competitions and leagues (where possible in regards to current affiliated league provider numbers of the UK Minifootball Association).
3. Ensure that access for disabled small-sided football players is provided in national competitions and leagues (where feasible).
4. Encourage the application of female, disabled and minority groups to apply for any available position in the sport, including that of a coach, athlete, official, volunteer and sports leader.
5. Investigate all reported cases of harassment, and/or discrimination in small-sided football and deal with these cases according to the UKMA disciplinary procedure.
6. Provide our affiliated league providers and accredited facilities with educational materials on equity and access, where necessary, to promote inclusion and equality in small-sided football leagues.