Darlington Soccer Club Development Matrix











Age Croup	U7 & U8	U10
Age Group	07 & 08	010
Playing Format	6v6 (including GK)	6v6 (including GK)
Substitutions	Unlimited (on the fly)	Unlimited (any stoppage)
Practice to Playing Ratio	1:1 or 2:1	1:1 or 2:1
Recommended Practice Duration	45 minutes to 1 hour	45 minutes to 75 minutes
Recommended Playing Time	Fair time in all positions	Fair time in all positions
Maximum Game Duration	25 min halves	30 min halves
Season Length	13-14 games	13-14 games
Referee/Game Leader	Game Leader/Referee	Referee
Throw Ins	Pass in	Throw in
Retreat Line	Yes - 1/2 way	Yes - 1/3 way - (10 yards from half)
Offside	No	No
Field Width	25m to 30m	30m to 36m
Field Length	30m to 36m	40m to 55m
Goal Size (No Larger Than)	5f / 1.52m x 8f / 2.44m	6f / 1.83m x 16f / 4.88m
Ball Size	4	4