



2021 Assessment Process: U11-U13

North Delta FC wants to ensure that our players are in a positive environment, allowing them to participate at a level that meets their abilities and desire. To accomplish this, we hold assessments for Development Teams to allow players to demonstrate their abilities to our technical staff and team coaches.

In previous years, North Delta Soccer Club & Surdel Soccer Club (now NDFC) have hosted player assessments at the end of the Fall/Winter Season; this year, NDFC's assessment process may look a bit different due to the pandemic. The Club will be planning for our assessments as in previous years; however, if we cannot host on-field assessments due to PHO restrictions, the Club will host player selection meetings in the Spring, and players will be selected.

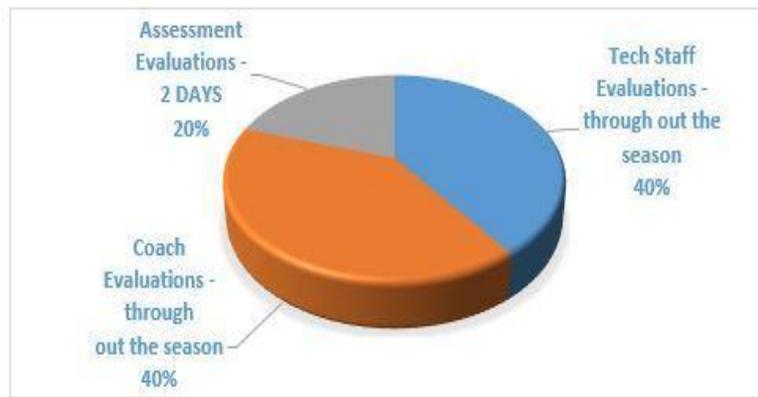
How does the assessment process work?

The assessment process is a combination of team coaches and age group technical staff assessments that have been completed throughout the previous season, as well as postseason on-field assessment sessions. There are generally 1-2 postseason on-field assessment sessions per age group, depending on the number of players in the age group. The Technical staff coaches will run postseason on-field assessments with assistance from team coaches.

Players are assessed by team coaches and age group technical staff in various categories throughout the season. Assessments are based on a player's overall performance during training and academy sessions, as well as games played. These assessments form the major part of a player's evaluation and selection process for the development program.

The on-field assessments offer a final opportunity for players to showcase their abilities and earn selection for the following season. The postseason on-field assessments will provide a final chance for technical staff to consider players for selection. Players will be assessed against other players who may be new to the Club or new to the divisional level.

The goal of the assessments is to maintain a fair, objective, and thorough process for evaluating each player's abilities and skills, and place each player onto a team that will best challenge their current level of play.



How do I register for the on-field assessments?

- ⇒ **Step 1:** Development and Club level players currently registered for the Fall/Winter Season 2020/2021 who are interested in playing in the Development Program for the following season must complete the [Player Assessment Form](#) by **January 20, 2021**. This form will collect information that will assist us in planning for the next season and will also provide information to the Club in the event that we cannot host on-field assessments.
- ⇒ **Step 2:** All players will be notified via email when registration opens for on-field assessments. Players can register online on our website and pay the \$15 assessment fee; registrations must be completed by midnight the night before the first assessment. Players must ensure they enter the correct email address on the registration, as it will be used for further communication about team placement.

If we are able to host on-field assessments in March, registration may open as late as February/early March.

Where can I find the assessment schedule?

To view the assessment schedule, click [HERE](#).

What if players don't register for assessments but want to be considered for a Development Team?

Unfortunately, if players are not registered, they will not be considered for a Development Team and will be placed (if registered) on a Club/Recreational Team.

What if a player cannot attend the on-field assessments?

A player that has to miss assessments due to injury, illness, or other valid reasons, must contact td@northdeltafc.com to arrange an alternative means of assessment. They are still required to register for assessments, and must contact our technical staff for permission to miss an assessment date and be considered for a Development Team.

Do parents need to attend a parent meeting for the assessment process?

Yes, there will be a mandatory parent information meeting (at the field) at the beginning of the first day of assessments. Parents will have an opportunity to ask questions at this meeting. For further information on the parent meeting, please check the assessment schedule.

Who selects the rosters after the on-field assessments have been completed?

At the conclusion of the final assessment, the Development Head Coach, in consultation with the Club's Technical Staff, will have a player selection meeting, and rosters will be finalized.

What is a player selection meeting?

The Development & Club level Coaches will have a Player Selection Meeting with the Technical Staff to select players for Development Teams. The Technical staff will have the final approval on the selection of players to ensure that selections are accurate. The Club is confident that the ongoing assessment of players throughout the season by our Team Coaches and Technical Staff can properly place like-minded players at their appropriate skill level while ensuring a fair and transparent process.

When will the email invites be sent out?

The timeline to receive an invitation email will be within 7-10 days of the final on-field assessment day unless otherwise noted. Email invites will go out simultaneously to all players in Division 1 and 2.

When will the regret emails for players who have not made the team be sent out?

The timeline to receive a regret email will be within 7-10 days of the final on-field assessment day. In some instances, these players may get an opportunity to be invited to a Development Team if players decline the offer for a spot on a Development Team.

What do players need to do to accept a position on a Development Team?

Once players receive an invite email to a Development Team, they will need to accept the position on the team within 48 hours (unless otherwise noted) and complete registration and payment. If players do not accept the position within 48 hours, the Club will be forced to move on to another player down the list. The Development fee of \$250 is non-refundable.

When do players find out who the Head Coach for the Development Team they are trying out for?

At the time that the invitation email to a Development Team is sent, we will announce the Head Coach. Only in unexpected circumstances would we not be able to announce the coach.

How many Development Teams will be formed for each age group?

The number of teams formed each year will be based on the pool of players available at each age group and the players' skill level.

If a player makes a Development Team, is there still an opportunity for a player to move up or down during the season?

Player movement between teams/divisions can occur at any time, even after selections have been made.

If a player does not make a Development Team, what are their options?

If a player does not make a Development Team, they are eligible to play on a Club/Recreational Team. No assessments are required for this program.