



# KUAFC - NRF Regional Teams Guidelines and Culture

## Northland Regional Football (NRF) Philosophy:

- Club and community-centric, focused on growing registered members and enhancing their football experience.

## KUAFC Regional Team:

- Registered to the NRF Regional “Community” League by an affiliated Regional Football Club.
- Kaitaia United AFC (KUAFC) are affiliated to NRF and are registered NRF members.

## Committee and Responsibilities:

- **Liaison:** Dino Houtas, Vice President KUAFC
- **Representatives:** Dino, Sarah (KUAFC Secretary) , Blair, Bailey, Nadia
- **Responsibilities:** Uphold professional, relational, ethical, and operational criteria under New Zealand Football Federation Guidelines.
- **Confidential Data:** KUAFC holds all data. Determine who has overall responsibility for players and confidential details.

## Team Management:

- **Coaches:** Proposed by local clubs and vetted by KUAFC. Must have qualifications or be in coaching training. Coaches are volunteers. Any variance must be brought to the attention of the KUAFC Board.
- **Managers:** Assigned by local club and approved by KUAFC: 1 manager per team.
- **Referees:** Need to seek training.
- **Codes of Conduct:** For players, parents, volunteers, coaches, managers, referees. Must be signed and adhered to.

## Team Selection and Training:

- **Selection Process:** Regional muster and game time (early March). Venue agreed by KUAFC sub-committee. All player names and details to be submitted to KUAFC Liaison/committee at least one month before the season begins.
- **Age Guidelines:** Age for grade is the player's age in January. Specific rules for playing up or down.
- **Minimum Commitment:** NFC Selected players: Train and play as they can. All others: Training twice weekly as a minimum.

### Players' Game Time on Match Days:

- **Minimum Playing Time:** Each player is guaranteed a minimum of 30 minutes of game time per match.
- **Tracking:** Game time tracked using an Excel sheet to ensure fairness and transparency.
- **Rotation:** Coaches will implement a rotation system to provide equal opportunities for all players.
- **Communication:** Coaches will communicate with players and parents about game time expectations and any adjustments needed.

### Support and Logistics:

- **Funding:** Teams' kit and transport subsidized with grants, topped up by parents with a weekly tariff (amount TBC).
- **Feeding Players:** Provide sustenance for players (details needed).
- **Vetting and Child Safety:** All volunteers, coaches, referees, managers need to be vetted and complete an online child safety course.
- **Contact Information:** Provide contact details for key personnel.
- **Training Schedule:** Outline days, times, and locations.
- **Equipment Requirements:** Specify equipment needed for training and matches.
- **Uniforms:** Details on distribution.
- **Health and Safety Protocols:** Include injury protocols, hydration guidelines, and COVID-19 precautions if applicable.
- **Parental Involvement:** Expectations for volunteering, transportation, and support during matches.
- **Communication Channels:** Specify how updates will be communicated: **KUAFC Preferred Communications via Friendly Manager.**
- **Fee Structure:** Breakdown of fees, what they cover, and payment deadlines.
- **Disciplinary Procedures:** Procedures for handling disciplinary issues.
- **Feedback Mechanism:** Way for players and parents to provide feedback or raise concerns. **Friendly Manager.**

### KUAFC Kaupapa:

- Maintain high communication standards, uphold confidentiality and integrity, adhere to KUAFC rules, comply with NZ Football Federation Codes of Conduct, attend monthly committee meetings, assist other committee members.
- Represent and advocate for delegates and players.

- Build strong community relationships.
- Promote inclusivity and participation.
- Develop programs celebrating diverse cultures.
- Ensure accessibility.
- Encourage whānau participation.
- Lead positive social change.
- Strive for football excellence.
- Instil belief in players to reach for the top.
- Promote fair play.

### Why Get Involved?

- **Community Spirit:** Be part of a vibrant community that supports and uplifts each other.
- **Skill Development:** Enhance your football skills with top-notch coaching and training.
- **Personal Growth:** Build confidence, teamwork, and leadership skills.
- **Fun and Fitness:** Enjoy the game while staying active and healthy.
- **Pathway to Excellence:** Opportunities to progress to higher levels of competition.

### Join Us in Making a Difference!

- **Support Our Teams:** Whether as a player, coach, manager, or volunteer, your involvement makes a huge difference.
- **Celebrate Diversity:** Help us create an inclusive environment where everyone feels welcome.
- **Build Lasting Relationships:** Form friendships and connections that go beyond the football field.
- **Contribute to Success:** Your participation helps us achieve our goals and reach new heights.