

Scottish Football Association



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Background

- **One of the key strategic pillars within the Scottish FA's 'National Plan for Football Development' is to encourage active participation in our national game. This applies equally to Scotland's disabled population.**
- **The Scottish FA created the National Development Officer for Disability Football post in April 2005 in partnership with Scottish Disability Sport, McDonald's and Sports Match.**
- **Prior to April 2005 the majority of the work relating to disability football was undertaken by Scottish Disability Sport.**
- **The Scottish FA have a national plan for disability football that was created in partnership with SDS :
'Hitting the Target 2006 – 2010 the future of disability football'**

Hitting the Target 2006 - 2010 - the future of disability football

Key Aims:

- To increase the number of footballers with disabilities participating in Scotland.
- Develop a programme of training and competition for footballers with disabilities.
- Develop a pathway to allow footballers with disabilities to compete at the highest level.
- Raise the standard of football coaching available to players with disabilities by establishing a comprehensive education and mentoring programme for new and existing coaches.
- To raise the profile of disability football and provide appropriate structures that support the programme both centrally and locally

Grassroots Activities:

- SFA/local authority Coaching Blocks / Festivals

- Service Level Agreements
- Regional Development Plan

- Soccer Centres

- PAN / VI / Wheelchair / LD

- Community Clubs

- disability specific / mainstream

- Professional Clubs

- Rangers FC / Kilmarnock FC / St Mirren FC
Hibernian FC? Celtic FC? / Heart of Midlothian FC?
Aberdeen FC?

- Coach Education

- Clubs
- FE / HE



Developmental Activities

- SFA Regional Development Squads
 - East / West
- SDFA
 - Club Development / Coach Education
- SIDF
 - Planning & Support
- Learning Disability Football
 - Branch Support
 - Classification Training & Testing/ Database Creation



International Programmes

- Talent Identification:
 - Press
 - Awareness Raising
 - Club / Festival visits
 - National Classification
- National Team – CP National / Future Squad & LD U19 Squad
 - National Centre for Disability Football
 - Residential Training
 - Diet Nutrition
 - Medical Screening / Profiling
 - Personalised Fitness Programme



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Competition

- Local
 - Regional Competitions
 - LA Festivals
- National
 - SDS / Scottish FA 5's, 7's , 11's
- International – Host & Attendee
 - World Championships, European Championships, World Cup, Home Nations Championships, Challenge Matches



Player Pathway

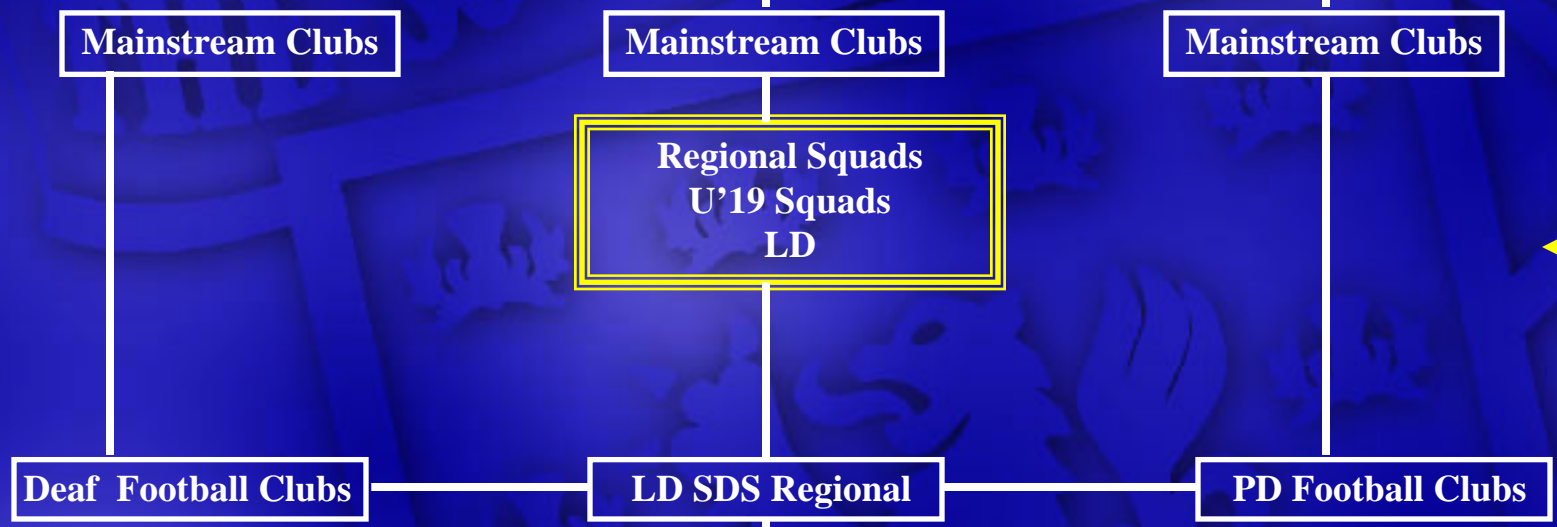
Achieving Excellence

Talent



Developing Potential

Identification



Widening Opportunities

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Questions?