

AFC Kit & Equipment Policy

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1. Purpose & Objective

The purpose of this document is to detail the agreed approach to supply and replacement of kit and equipment which is to be used by youth teams of Asfordby Football Club.

2. Home Kit

The club has chosen its home strip to be a Sky-blue shirt, black shorts and black socks and this will be the consistent approach for all age groups.

- Each player will be entitled to a brand-new home kit every 2 years which will be provided at the club's expense.
- Should a player require new kit prior to the expiry of this 2-year period;
 - The club will attempt to offer a spare kit that is held in stock (subject to availability) or;
 - The player/parents can choose to purchase a new kit, at their cost, which the club can arrange to supply.
- All home kit to be ordered through the club kit and equipment manager, who will liaise with the supplier to ensure that a timely supply is provided.
- Used home kit may be collected by the club for spares or for charity. The collection of this kit will not prevent the issue of new kit.
- No sponsors on home kit
- Squad numbers should be limited from 1-50
- Home kit should always* be worn for home fixtures.

*Only exceptions are a clash with away team who do not have an alternative strip, and unavailability of home kit for a justifiable reason.

3. Away Kit / Training Wear

The club has chosen its second/away shirt to be a primary colour of Orange, Black shorts, Black socks* and training outerwear (jackets, training midlayers etc.) to be Royal Blue

- Away/Training kit, printing, and embroidery to be financed by the individual team / sponsors.
- Age-appropriate sponsors only. (i.e. no alcohol, betting etc.)
- No mandated supplier / manufacturer.
- Away/Training kit may be ordered through the club kit and equipment manager, or directly by the team.
- Badge embroidery to be arranged through the club supplier.

*Applies to any new away/training kits purchased. Kits purchased prior to the publication of this document can continue to be worn, irrespective of colour.

4. Coaches Kit

To be ordered through club kit and equipment manager at the club's expense (Up to 3 coaches per team)

- T-Shirt / Polo shirt with club badge and coach initials.
 - Grey
 - Replaced at clubs' expense every 2 years.
- Jacket.
- Bag.
- Bibs – 1 set per team
- Cones – 1 set per team

To ensure that a uniformed look across the club is maintained, once newly issued kit is provided, this should be worn by all coaches/managers attending matches.

5. Specialist Playing Kit

It is understandable that there might be other pieces of kit/equipment that are required by teams/players which require to be financially supported by the club, agreed specialist equipment as follows;

- Goalkeeper Gloves
 - Club allowance of £25 per season, per team.
 - Refunded by the club upon submission of a valid receipt.
- Prescription Safety Spectacles
 - Club allowance of 50% of the cost, up to a maximum of £100.
 - Refunded by the club upon submission of a valid receipt.

6. Footballs

Training Balls - the club will provide each team 1 age-appropriate sized football per signed on player.

Match Balls – the club will provide each team 2 age-appropriate sized footballs

New/Replacement balls will be provided on request subject to;

- A reason being given by the requestor (e.g. lost, burst, end of lifespan).
- The club will keep log of new balls provided to ensure this policy is not abused.

7. Goals

Training Goals – the club will ensure that plastic ‘samba style’ goals are available for each teams training session. If the goals are found to be unfit for purpose, they should be placed in the compound and not used until repaired/replaced.

Match Goals – the club will provide metal match goals for each pitch, at the appropriate size related to the format of the game (i.e. 5v5/7v7, 9v9, 11v11 etc).

8. Club Procurement of Kit / Equipment

Kit Supplier - to ensure that the club are seeking the most competitive and cost-effective deals, the main kit supplier will be reviewed every 3 years, with 3 different suppliers being approached to tender the best deal, with the current supplier being given an option to retain the supply. The first tender period will begin Autumn/Winter 2021.

Equipment – for the supply of ad hoc non-clothing kit/equipment (i.e. cones, bibs, goals, balls etc.) the kit and equipment manager should seek the most competitive deal, which maintains the club’s quality standards.

There are no exceptions to this policy