

# 2026–2028 Nomination Pack Zone Councils & Advisory Groups

#### Welcome

Thank you for your interest in becoming part of the Football South Australia Zone Councils or Advisory Groups for the 2026–2028 term.

These groups play a major role in shaping the direction of football across South Australia. They help bring the voices, experiences and insights of our football community directly into the decision-making process.

#### **About Zone Councils & Advisory Groups**

Zone Councils and Advisory Groups support Football SA in strengthening and developing football across the state. Their work reflects all levels of the game; players, coaches, referees, administrators, volunteers and supporters.

Each elected or appointed member will serve a two-year term.

Positions Open for Nomination (2026–2028)

- Zone Representatives North, South, East, West
- Women's Advisory Group
- Men's Advisory Group
- Juniors' Advisory Group
- Referees' Advisory Group
- Amateurs' Advisory Group
- Coaches' Advisory Group
- Futsal Advisory Group

#### What Each Group Does

This section outlines the functions and responsibilities of all Advisory Groups and Zone Councils, consistent with Football SA's constitution and By-Laws.

#### **Zone Councils:**

- Promoting the objectives of Football SA
- Attend meetings
- Representing the Zone at Football SA functions

- Support Football SA initiatives
- Act as primary communication channels

#### **Advisory Groups:**

Each Advisory Group provides strategic advice to Football SA and makes recommendations to support development and growth in their area of focus.

#### **Eligibility & Expectations**

Nominees must:

- Be 18 years or older
- Be active members of the SA football community
- Agree to comply with Football SA Rules and Regulations
- Not nominate for more than one group in the same election cycle
- Be prepared to attend meetings and actively contribute

#### **Nomination Process**

Nomination forms must be completed and lodged by the due date.

Clubs/Associations must nominate an authorised Electoral Contact Person to verify the nomination.

#### Completed forms should be submitted to the Returning Officer:

Elvira Liaptsis elvira.liaptsis@footballsa.com.au

#### **Key Documents**

Relevant documents:

Football SA Constitution

Football SA By-Laws

Advisory Group & Zone Council Function and Operation Document

#### Contact

For enquiries, please contact: Football South Australia Email: info@footballsa.com.au

#### **Next Steps After Nomination**

After nominations close:

- Football SA confirms eligibility
- Voting occurs where needed
- · Chairs and Deputy Chairs are elected
- Voting members are confirmed



## **Zone Councils & Advisory Groups**

The Zone Councils and Advisory Groups continue to play an important role in shaping the direction of football across South Australia. These groups help Football South Australia create a stronger, more connected environment for everyone involved in the game. This includes players at every level, coaches, referees, administrators, volunteers and the wider football community.

Football SA remains committed to openness, transparency and genuine engagement with our community, and these groups are one of the keyways we ensure your voice is part of the decision-making process.

Each Advisory Group and Zone Council Representative is appointed for a two-year term.

### Outline of the positions and their functions.

**Zone Representatives - North, South, East, West** 

Zone Representatives work closely with Football SA management to support the growth and development of football within their designated Zone.

Zone Council Members are expected to:

- Promote the objects of Football SA and Football Australia
- Attend zone meetings were reasonably practicable
- Review reports and matters raised within their zone
- Represent their Zone at relevant Football SA functions and meetings
- Support the implementation of Football SA policies, initiatives and programs
- Be a communication link between Football SA and their Zone
- Carry out other reasonable tasks as requested by Football SA

The Chair and Vice Chair of each Zone Council will be invited to serve as voting members of Football SA for the duration of their term.

#### Women's Advisory Group

The Women's Advisory Group plays a strategic role in guiding the development of women's and girls' football in South Australia. This includes overseeing the Women's Trust Account with the Board and Management, and advising on policies, pathways and initiatives aligned with the Football Australia national curriculum.

The Chair is invited to serve as a voting member of Football SA for the duration of their term.

#### Men's Advisory Group

The Men's Advisory Group focuses on strengthening Premier and State League football. The group provides advice on policies, competitions, talent pathways and broader strategic matters, consistent with Football Australia frameworks.

The Chair is invited to join Football SA as a voting member during their term.

#### Juniors' Advisory Group

This group supports the growth and improvement of junior football for boys and girls and plays a key role in increasing participation across the state. The work aligns with the Football Australia national curriculum and emphasises development pathways for talented young players.

The Chair is invited to be a voting member of Football SA for their term.

#### Referees' Advisory Group

The Referees' Advisory Group provides targeted advice on referee development, policies, education and pathways. This includes identifying and supporting talented referees from community level through to advanced programs.

The Chair is invited to serve as a voting member of Football SA during their term.

#### **Amateurs' Advisory Group**

This group advises on the development and growth of amateur football in South Australia, ensuring alignment with Football Australia policies. It also contributes to strategies that support talent pathways and stronger amateur competitions.

The Chair is invited to be a voting member of Football SA during their term.

#### **Coaches' Advisory Group**

This group focuses on elevating coaching standards across South Australia. It provides advice on education, policies and pathways for aspiring and established coaches, consistent with national strategies and frameworks.

The Chair will serve as a voting member of Football SA for the duration of their term.

#### **Futsal Advisory Group**

The Futsal Advisory Group advises on the development and promotion of futsal statewide. This includes supporting participation, talent identification and alignment with Football Australia's national futsal strategies.

The Chair is invited to become a voting member of Football SA during their term.



# 2026 Nomination Form – Advisory Group

**SECTION 1: NOMINEE DETAILS** (Please complete clearly)

Full Name		
Address		
Suburb		
Postcode		
Mobile		
Email		
ADVISORY GROUP BEING NOMINATED FOR (tick one)  □ Amateurs □ Futsal □ Juniors □ Men □ Women □ Coaches □ Referees		
ZONE REPRESENTE	,	
DECLARATION BY Note that:	NOMINEE:	
<ul> <li>The information</li> <li>I agree to be the second of the second</li></ul>	and understood the Football South Australia By-Laws. On I have provided is true and correct. Ocupand by all Football SA and FA regulations and statutes. On I have provided is true and correct. Ocupand by all Football SA and FA regulations and statutes. On I have not position one Advisory Group and cannot nominate the Council and Advisory Group in the same election cycle. On the Provided Have not accepted nomination for a Zone Council position or any of Group position in the 2026 election cycle.	
Candidate Signature	Date	

# **SECTION 2: NOMINATOR DETAILS** (To be completed by the authorised Electoral Contact Person)

Full Name		
Club / Association		
Address		
Suburb		
Postcode		
Mobile		
Email		
INTEREST GROUP REPRESENTED (tick all that apply)  Amateurs   Futsal   Juniors   Men   Women   Coaches   Referees  I confirm I am the authorised Electoral Contact Person for this club/association/interest group.		
Signature	Date	

Completed forms must be sent to:

Returning Officer – Elvira Liaptsis elvira.liaptsis@footballsa.com.au



# 2026 Nomination Form - Zone Council

### **SECTION 1: NOMINEE DETAILS** (Please complete clearly)

Full Name	
Address	
Suburb	
Postcode	
Mobile	
Email	
□ North □ South □ I	REPRESENTED (tick one)    Uniors   Men   Women   Coaches   Referees
DECLARATION BY Note:	NOMINEE:
<ul> <li>I have read and understood the Football South Australia By-Laws.</li> <li>The information provided is true and correct.</li> <li>I agree to be bound by all Football SA, FA, FIFA and AFC regulations.</li> <li>I acknowledge I may only nominate for one Zone Council position.</li> <li>I certify that I have not accepted nomination for an Advisory Group position in the 2026 election cycle.</li> </ul>	
Candidate Signature	Date

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