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EMSA Playing Down Policy

With the **written permission** of its District Association, for local league recreational competition only, a Club may:

- a) Permit a player of demonstrated lower ability to play for an age level team within its Local League lower than the one to which he/she should, by age, be registered, provided that the age difference does not exceed two years; and
- b) Place children with special needs at the appropriate age group.

The process for obtaining permission for a player to play down is as follows:

1. Submit the appropriate Club information and player information, including date of birth;
2. Identify the team to which the Club would like to register said player; and
3. Provide written reasons, with supporting medical documentation to EMSA. *Please note that submissions without the appropriate medical documentation will not be considered.*

The Board will review the information and provide a written decision to the Club as soon as possible.