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Petawawa Minor Soccer Club's

PLAYER EVALUATION

Assessment Guidelines of
Individual Player Performance



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INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

The Petawawa Minor Soccer Club's *Player Evaluation* is designed to provide a consistent and structured approach to assessing individual performance across key areas of the game, including physicality, technical ability, soccer IQ, and competitiveness in 50/50 situations.

The primary purpose of this evaluation is to begin building a year-over-year player database that tracks development, identifies strengths and areas for improvement, and supports informed decisions related to sorting, team placement, and technical development planning.

By evaluating each player relative to others within their age group, we aim to ensure fair assessments and better guide their progression within the club.



KEY ASSESSMENT AREAS

1. 50/50 Challenges

This category evaluates a player's willingness and ability to compete in contested situations—when possession of the ball is up for grabs. Winning 50/50 balls is a strong indicator of a player's competitiveness, physical commitment, and confidence. Evaluators should consider how often the player engages in duels, their body positioning, timing, and whether they win or lose the challenge. Compare the player's performance to others in the same age group, focusing on effort, not just outcomes.

2. Technical Skills

This category assesses the player's ball control, dribbling, passing, and shooting abilities relative to their age group. A technically sound player demonstrates control under pressure, consistency in execution, and comfort with both feet. Evaluators should observe how confidently and accurately the player handles the ball in game-like situations. The goal is to identify players who can maintain possession, make smart passes, and execute fundamental skills that match or exceed their peer group.



KEY ASSESSMENT AREAS

3. Soccer IQ

Soccer IQ reflects a player's decision-making, awareness, anticipation, and understanding of the game. It includes movement off the ball, tactical positioning, reading plays, and making the right decisions under pressure. Players with strong soccer IQ know when to pass, dribble, or hold the ball, and they contribute effectively to both offensive and defensive plays. Evaluators should assess how well the player adapts to game flow and whether they demonstrate age-appropriate understanding of roles and responsibilities.

4. Physicality

Physicality measures a player's strength, speed, balance, and endurance relative to others in their age group. It's not just about size or power but how effectively a player uses their body in a game. Can they hold off an opponent? Do they recover quickly? Do they show balance when dribbling or absorbing contact? Evaluators should focus on how the player competes physically in a fair and safe manner, and whether they can keep up with the demands of their level of play.



KEY ASSESSMENT AREAS

5. Overall Ranking

The overall ranking provides a summary judgment of the player's impact and potential, taking into account all other categories. This score should reflect how the player performs relative to their peers in the same age group, both in terms of current ability and future promise. Consider consistency, coachability, attitude, and potential when assigning this score. It helps to categorize players as top-tier, developing steadily, or needing targeted support.



PMSC Player Evaluation Form

Comparison Standard:
 All scores must be age-relative.
 Evaluate each player based on expectations for their specific age group.
 For example, an 11-year-old should be assessed only in comparison with other 11 year old players (within your team and across the league), not older or younger age groups

Player Name:		Age Group (U-):	
Evaluator Name:		Date:	

Assessment Area 1: 50/50 Challenges

* Measures willingness, aggression, and ability to win contested balls.

CRITERIA	SCORE (0-10)	NOTES
Wins most 50/50 balls compared to peers.		
Shows physical presence and smart positioning.		

- 9-10: Dominates most duels, initiates contact, rarely loses.
 6-8: Competent in challenges, but inconsistent.
 0-5: Avoids or loses most challenges.
- Guidelines:

Assessment Area 2: Technical Skills

* Assesses ball control, dribbling, passing and shooting relative to age standards.

CRITERIA	SCORE (0-10)	NOTES
Comfortable on the ball pressure.		
Can dribble, pass, and shoot accurately.		

- 9-10: Excellent for age; consistently accurate and creative.
 6-8: Generally consistent; some technical gaps.
 0-5: Struggles with control or basic execution.
- Guidelines:

Assessment Area 3: Soccer IQ

* Evaluates decision-making, awareness, positioning, and teamwork.

CRITERIA	SCORE (0-10)	NOTES
Makes good decisions with and without the ball.		
Reads the game and adjusts accordingly.		

- 9-10: Advanced understanding and awareness.
 6-8: Understands the basics; some positioning errors.
 0-5: Lacks awareness or tactical decision-making.
- Guidelines:

Assessment Area 4: Physicality

* Measures strength, speed, balance, endurance, and overall athletic presence.

CRITERIA	SCORE (0-10)	NOTES
Can hold off players, shows good balance and strength.		
Displays speed and endurance appropriate to age group.		

- 9-10: Strong and fast; stands out physically among peers.
 6-8: Average strength and mobility for age group.
 0-5: Struggles physically; easily overpowered or lacks stamina.
- Guidelines:

Assessment Area 5: Overall Ranking

*Evaluator's summary of the player's total performance relative to peers.

AREA	SCORE (0-10)	NOTES
Overall Impact & Development Potential		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidelines:	9-10: Among top 10% of age group (team or league). 6-8: Contributes consistently; meeting developmental targets. 0-5: Below average for age group; developmental focus needed.	
FINAL NOTES:		



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