

**UCL/FA**

**F**



**GRADING**

**SHEET**

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_ /2014 Grade **F**

Club Rep(s):

UCL Reps:

	Description	Current Facilities	Notes
1.0	<b>Ground</b> must give the impression of being a football ground suitable for the National League System		
	Viewing possible from the full length of at least 3 sides of the ground (No Spectator access unless hard-standing)		
1.1	<b>Security of Tenure</b> - Adequate Security of Tenure, Copies sent to office (remainder of this and all of next season)		
1.2	<b>Ground Sharing</b> permitted (not to gain promotion or avoid relegation) providing use of facilities on Match Days		
1.3	<b>Capacity</b> requirements (grade E requires 1000)	N/A	
1.4	<b>Boundary to the Grnd</b> Permanent & Secure 1.83m high external (Higher grades cannot be see-through) boundaries with private property may be allowed		
1.5	<b>Clubhouse Facilities</b> on or adjacent to the ground		
	Clubhouse/Other Facility open on match days to provide spectator refreshments		
1.6	<b>Car Parking</b> Adequate on, or adjacent to Ground		
1.7	<b>Pitch Perimeter Barrier</b> Fixed and of sound construction 1.1 metres High (e.g. Concrete / Steel) free from corrosion and sharp edges on all sides that may be occupied by spectators (Existing Barriers may be accepted)		
	Distance between pitch/goal line and barrier to be ideally 2 metres and not less than 1.83 metres		
1.8	<b>Pitch Standards</b> Grass (or artificial authorised by league)		
	Pitch to be well maintained, free from depressions and excessive undulations. Maximum slope allowed (1:41)		
	Artificial to have annual FIFA test by 28 <sup>th</sup> February		
1.9	<b>Playing Area</b> to be minimum 100 x 64 m (110 x 70 yds)		
	Goalposts, supports and Nets to meet safety standards		
1.10	<b>Technical Area</b> Marked as in the Laws of the Game.		
	Two covered trainers boxes marked Home and Away/Visitors (may be part of a seated stand)		
	Portable boxes permitted –securely fixed when in use		
	Boxes to be equidistant from halfway line on same side to be ideally a minimum of 3 metres apart		
	Fixed Seats or Benches to accommodate 8 people (4m)		
1.11	<b>Secure Walkway</b> – There must be a safe, unimpeded passage of players and match officials between their dressing rooms and the pitch. The passage onto and off the pitch must be suitably enclosed when players/officials are leaving/entering the field of play.		
	Adequate stewarding and procedures (Inc Jackets) ready to respond to situations, and spectator behaviour.		
1.12	<b>Floodlighting</b> Average Lux reading must be minimum of 120 (180 for new and upgraded installations) – no, one reading to be less than one quarter of highest reading. Current Grid from approved contractor within the last 2 yrs.		
1.13	<b>PA System</b> audible in all areas occupied by spectators		
1.14	<b>Entrance</b> to ground via (mechanical) turnstile/Pay box with protection for operator and Hard Standing to viewing area		
1.15	Location and number of <b>Exits</b> to be accessed by hard standing from the viewing area – to be clearly signed with “running man” signs and to be kept clear from obstructions		
1.16	<b>Emergency Lighting</b> consideration must be given by a club to its procedures in the event of a power failure.	N/A	
1.17	<b>Adjoining pitches</b> There must be no ball games played whilst matches are in progress		
1.18	<b>Emergency Access</b> must be provided and maintained free from obstruction.		

	Description	Current Facilities	Notes
2.1	<b>Spectator Accommodation</b> to be covered and of sound construction of timber/steel/brick/concrete - open timber stepped stands are acceptable subject to fire assessment		
	Development may be on one side of the ground, ideally 2		
	Minimum Covered spectator accommodation – to be 200 including Seating - standing accommodation must not restrict view from seating areas (signage/hatching needed)		
	Min No of Seats in Stand(s) must be 100, unobstructed view, Bench seating to be marked, min 50 seats per stand		
	Hard (Bound) Standing on all sides of Ground (unless alternative agreed - sect 1.0) min width 0.9m from barrier		
	Min 16 seats provided for Directors/Committee. seats must be clearly marked "Home" and "Away Directors"		
2.2	<b>Press Seating</b> (Grade E requires 2 seats )	N/A	
2.3	<b>Terracing</b> Where provided, must comply with the requirements of the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds. All terracing must be in a sound condition. If crumbling, has grass/weeds growing through it or broken/ loose concrete will not be accepted. Any surface should be hard-standing and level. Flat well-maintained grass areas or the use of tree bark instead of grass may be allowed, subject to prior permission obtained from the league		
2.4	<b>Toilets</b> Facilities located within the ground for spectators, Signed and kept to a high level of cleanliness must include wash basins, warm hand driers and/or paper towels and toilet paper. Can be in Clubhouse if available match days and provided not a great distance. (not at Higher grades) Temp facilities connected to mains drainage are allowed		
	Minimum of 2 Urinals/trough and 1 WC for Male spectators		
	Minimum of 2 WC's for Female spectators		
2.51	<b>Directors/Committee/Guests</b> refreshments must be available for officials and guests in a reserved room/area		
2.52	<b>Ground Refreshment Facilities</b> – may be temp, mobile, or in clubhouse provided no great distance is involved.		
2.6	<b>Disabled Facilities</b> No specific requirement is currently included but The Football Association strongly recommends that access is provided to both a covered viewing area and toilet and refreshment facilities.	Recommended	
2.7	<b>Segregation</b> if in operation, must be adequate facilities		
3.1	<b>Dressing Room Facilities for Players</b> Separate dressing rooms must be provided for both teams within the enclosed area of the ground. The dressing rooms must be of sound construction and be permanent. Dressing room a minimum of 12m <sup>2</sup> (18m <sup>2</sup> for new build), excluding shower and toilet. Must have Hot/Cold Water & be clean/secure		
	Four Shower Heads		
	One WC in a cubicle		
	One Wash Hand Basins located outside the shower area		
	Cushioned Treatment Table (If no separate Medical Rm)		
3.2	<b>Match Officials</b> Dressing Room to be minimum 4m <sup>2</sup> (6m <sup>2</sup> for new Build) excluding shower and toilet. Must have Hot/Cold water & be clean/secure on match days		
	One Shower Head		
	One WC in a cubicle		
	One Wash Hand Basin with Hot/Cold running Water		
	Separate Provision for Male/Female Officials		
	Audible warning device linked to dressing rooms		
4.0	<b>Medical</b> 2 suitably qualified people - min FA Emergency Aid (Certs to be held at UCL) in attendance on match days Emergency Action Plan to be in place for medical help		
	first aid equipment and stretcher for use by all, location in the ground (if not in a medical room) should be clearly marked by notices (medical room required for grade D)		

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Insurances – Public Liability</b> at least £10 million		
<b>UCL1</b>	<b>Match programme</b> , including league Advertisements /Sponsorship to be produced for league matches		
<b>UCL2</b>	<b>Light Refreshments</b> to be provided for visiting club and playing officials on site at full-time		
	<b>Liquid Refreshments</b> (Tea or similar) to be provided at half time and full time in dressing rooms for players.		
<b>UCL3</b>	<b>Playing Staff</b> must be adequately insured (approx. £50pw)		
<b>UCL4</b>	<b>Finances</b> should comply with FA guidelines		
<b>UCL5</b>	<b>Charter Standard</b> Adult/Club/Community/Development		

## Outstanding

## Advisory



**IF THE RELEVANT GRADE IS NOT ACHIEVED  
YOU WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR DEMOTION**

Signed by the club representative as a true account of the inspection

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

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