

# Player Evaluations

Under-12/14  
Player Evaluation Form

Player Name \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation Date \_\_\_\_\_

The intent of this evaluation is to provide you with a neutral, qualified evaluator's opinion of your soccer skills relative to a typical U-12/14 soccer player. This "typical" player would have the skills needed to play soccer in a typical U-12/14 program requiring players to compete for positions on the team. We hope this evaluation will give you an honest assessment of how you might currently fare in competition with other players nationally for opportunities to play at the U-12/14 level. We further recognize that the competitive level of U-12/14 programs differs in different geographic areas so the typical U-12/14 program would be considered at an average competitive soccer level.

Points 1-10    1 = need improvement    10 = outstanding

TACTICAL

Has an awareness of what is happening or what might happen on the field of play; is able to communicate verbally and non-verbally with teammates; has a willingness to assume responsibility for taking charge on the field; and has the soccer skills required to develop tactical play. Is very aware of what constitutes organization and shape of play; is able to play both on and off the ball; consistently provides support for the attack and defense and creates options with appropriate runs.

TECHNICAL

When dribbling, is expert at turning, has great touch, is able to shield defender, maintains excellent field vision while incorporating feints/fakes to unbalance an opponent, and consistently uses change of speed to beat an opponent. When passing, passes are accurate, of correct pace, well timed, deceptive, and successful in advancing the ball or maintaining possession. When controlling, uses all controlling surfaces while maintaining eye contact with the ball, moves into the line of flight of the ball, has excellent balance, cushions on contact with ball, and consistently prepares the ball for the next move.

FUNCTIONAL DEFENDING

Has great defending control and balance; is able to establish appropriate marking distance; maintains a goal-side, ball-side position; is able to prevent an attacker from turning; and has exceptional tackling skills.

FUNCTIONAL ATTACKING

Is able to constantly maintain possession of the ball under pressure; is able to create individual and team space; is able to turn on a defender; has the ability to take on a defender; recognizes and takes the direct route to goal; is able to anticipate when to shoot; and has great preparation, decisiveness and timing when shooting. Is able to maintain possession of the ball most of the time under pressure; is able to create individual space at times.

GOALKEEPER

Is always in the ready position; is constantly adjusting his or her position as the angle of the ball changes; is able to take the initiative away from the attacker; has the ability to read and assess the line; is focused at all times; uses communication that is instructive in nature and clear and loud enough to carry to teammates; has excellent physical and technical skills to deal with demands of the goalkeeper position; is proficient at initiating the attack; consistently makes the save; and

Overall Rating For: Behavior, Sportsmanship, Coachability, and Attitude.

Outstanding       Above Average       Average       Below Average      Poor