

# Family Credit Program

## What is the Grafton Soccer Club (GSC) Family Credit Program?

The GSC Family Credit Program allows families participating in Grafton Soccer Club to earn credits toward next years fees. It is designed to help offset the cost of registration and Select expenses.

## Who can participate?

Every family that is a member in the GSC can participate. There are a few guidelines that must be met before a family can participate. (1) Families must be in good standing with the GSC (no outstanding fees). (2) Families must have at least one player participating in the Grafton Soccer Club. (Official rules do allow for a short carry over period for families that have a gap between players or players that take a year off)

## How does the program work?

The GSC Family Credit Program uses the current Gift Card Program to build credits for your family. Here are the guidelines:

- 1) **Families must meet the Volunteer Hours obligation** for each player as outlined on the soccer club website. (In summary: This obligation is 10 hours of volunteer time, per player, per year, with a maximum of 20 hours for multiple children; U15+ requirements = 5 hours of volunteer time)
- 2) Throughout the year, 50% of all future profits will be put aside into a Family Credit Account for your family to use on future Soccer Club Expenses. **These funds are not available for use until Volunteer Hours requirement has been met!**
- 3) Once the Volunteer Hours obligation has been met, a request can be submitted to use available Family Credits toward the payment of Registration Fees, Volunteer Deposit fee, Select Coaches fees, Select Uniform expenses, Select Tournament Fees. **Minimum distribution from the Family Credit Account is \$10.00 per request.**

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## How do I request the Family Credit?

Family Credit distribution is an internal transfer of credit from one account to another. There is no cash value to the Family Credit account. The Family Credit Request Form will be available on the website. Following are the guidelines for using the Family Credit:

- 1) **Registration Fees:** Complete the Family Credit Request Form and indicate that you would like to apply your Family Credit (all or part- \$10.00 minimum) toward your registration. Note: This is for future registration and cannot be used to pay previous obligations. The Family Credit Request Form must be completed and submitted to the Gift Card Chairperson 2 weeks before the registration deadline in order to allow processing time. **Late forms will not be accepted and the full registration fee will be required.**
- 2) **Select Coaches Fees:** Complete the Family Credit Request Form and indicate that you would like to apply your Family Credit (all or part -\$10.00 minimum) to the Coaches Fees. All forms must be completed and submitted to the Gift Card Chairperson 2 weeks prior to the deadline in order to allow processing time. **Late forms will not be accepted and the full coaches fee will be required.**
- 3) **Tournament Fees:** Complete the Family Credit Request Form and indicate that you would like to apply your Family Credit (all or part -\$10.00 minimum) to Tournaments for your son or daughter's team. All forms must be completed and submitted to the Gift Card Chairperson 2 weeks prior to when money is due to the team. **Since funds must be transferred from the GSC to the individual teams, it is required that all forms from the team must be submitted at once to the Treasurer, so a single check is processed per team.**

## Who is responsible for reminding me to use my Family Credit?

You are responsible for remembering to use the Family Credits.

If you have questions about your balance in the Family Credit Program, you can contact the Gift Card Chairperson. Allow plenty of time (at least one week) for the Chair to get back to you. The Gift Card Chair does not keep track of Volunteer Hours so this may need to be verified independently.

Keep in mind that there is a 2 week timeframe required for processing of the Family Credit. Make sure you submit the form in time!

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## **What happens once I submit my Family Credit Request Form?**

The Gift Card Chairperson will verify that the Volunteer Hours obligation has been met. The form will be signed off on and forwarded to the appropriate individuals. For example, if the Family Credit is being used for Registration Fees or Coaches Fees, the form will be forwarded to the Registrar who will verify that the Family Credit plus the amount paid covers the full Registration or Coaches fee.

For Select Fees owed to the individual teams, team treasurer involvement is required. For example, if the Family Credit is being used for Uniform charges or Tournament Fees, the forms will be given to the Team Treasurer who will then verify that the amount paid plus the Family Credit equals the amount due. The Team Treasurer will then submit these forms together to the Club Treasurer and request payment for Tournaments.

## **Can I transfer my Family Credit Account?**

No. There is no cash value to the Family Credit Program. Any funds in the Family Credit Program Account stay with that family until they are no longer members of the Grafton Soccer Club. At that time, all Family Credit balances will go to the general Soccer Club funds to help maintain the operations of a successful club.

## **Can I help another family with their Family Credits?**

Yes, however, this must be done at the time your Gift Card order is placed. Once an order has been placed for one family, it cannot be transferred to another family. Be sure to mark on your order form the family/player who should receive credit for the order.

**NOTE: All Grafton Soccer Club Families are eligible for the Family Credit Program. Please be sure to check all registration materials for due dates and allow 2 weeks for processing time.**

**This program has been modified. You no longer need to meet the initial \$30 profit before earning credits for your family. We appreciate your understanding in that some adjustments to the program may be necessary as we go along. The Grafton Soccer Club Board has the right to adjust or tweak the program so that the outcome of the program meets the objectives of the Grafton Soccer Club and its members.**