Criteria for Northern Ireland entrants in Minor section

The closing date for entrants for the Minor section for Northern Ireland **clubs** (affiliated to the NIYFA) is Monday 2nd November.

Any entrants received after 23:59 on Monday 2nd November will be automatically rejected.

The deciding criteria for Northern Irish clubs playing in the Minor section is as follows.

1. League position of clubs in their respective leagues as of Sunday 29th November. League tables will be requested from the National Youth League and any other relevant leagues if needed.

Only If the teams cannot be separated using the above criteria, then the following additional criteria will be put in place.

- Previous performance from the 2026 tournament
    - Teams will be allocated points based on their final place
        - 1st = 16 points
        - 2nd = 15 points
        - 3rd = 14 points etc...
        - 16th = 1 point

The 8 successful Northern Ireland teams will be informed by Friday 11th December 2026.