



Standards & Recognition

The FGCU Sport Clubs Standards & Recognition System is in place to recognize the effort and hard work put forth by our teams on an annual basis. The recognition levels listed below will help determine a Sport Club's funding for the upcoming fiscal year, as well as a team's status as a registered Sport Club. *The time frame for completing these criteria begins July 1 and runs through the Friday following Spring Commencement.*

Base Level (White)

This is the level we expect every team meet each year to maintain their status as a Sport Club. Clubs which may be more recreational or clubs rebuilding their membership base can still achieving these base requirements in fundraising, hosting activities on campus and other requirements.

Above Average (Blue)

The mid-level for recognition is for the clubs which are visible to the campus community, by providing competitive or spectating opportunities for students, in addition to going beyond the average fundraising and community services requirements expected of all Sport Clubs.

Outstanding (Emerald)

The highest level in recognition is reserved for the teams which achieve excellent fundraising levels, are very active in the community, as well as on campus, and support other Sport Clubs in their activities. This elite group will represent a small number of exceptionally dedicated teams.

Recognition Items

Fundraising, Community Service, First Aid/CPR Certifications, Attendance at SCC Meetings & Officer Trainings, Attendance at other Sport Club's events

Additional items to achieve Blue or Emerald level: hosting a home event, type/amount of travel, alumni engagement & coaching staff CPR/First Aid certification.

Relationship to A&S Funding

Funding for the upcoming fiscal year is determined by the level achieved the previous year. Specifics on funding associated with each level will be released annually during the Sport Clubs budget hearings (held during the Spring Semester) and calculated based upon the number of clubs expected to maintain status.

Relationship to Sport Clubs Status

If a club does NOT meet the criteria for any of the three levels, they must meet the standards of the Blue or Emerald level the following year to remain a Sport Club.

Base Level - White

Club must satisfy the following criteria:

1. Must fundraise at least 10% of its annual Student Government allocation.
2. Clubs must participate in a community service project with a minimum of 10 total service hours.
3. A Sport Club Council representative must be in attendance for 6 out of 8 SCC meetings.
4. Must meet attendance requirements for all Sport Club officer trainings.
5. Club must have at least 2 active members with a current First Aid/CPR certification which must be valid from at least September through May of that school year.
6. At least 5 club members will attend 1 Sport Club event as spectators
 - Must be in attendance for two hours (or entire game) to receive credit

To achieve Blue or Emerald level, each criterion must be met in parts A & B.

Above Average – Blue (part A)

A. Club must satisfy the following criteria:

1. Club must fundraise at least 30% of its annual Student Government allocation.
2. Club must participate in at least 1 community service project with a minimum of 30 total service hours. At least 5 members must be in attendance for the event.
 - If the club does a walk/run event (i.e. - Relay for Life) there must be a minimum of 15 people
3. A Sport Club Council representative must be in attendance for 6 out of 8 SCC meetings.
4. Must meet attendance requirements for all Sport Club officer trainings.
5. Club must have at least 2 active members with a current First Aid/CPR certification which must be valid from at least September through May of that school year.
6. At least 5 club members will attend 1 Sport Club events as spectators.
 - Must be in attendance for two hours (or entire game) to receive credit
7. Club must travel and represent Florida Gulf Coast University for a minimum of 1 event per year, not including a national event.

Outstanding – Emerald (part A)

A. Club must satisfy the following criteria:

1. Club must fundraise at least 50% of its annual Student Government allocation.
2. Club must participate in least 2 distinct community service projects with a minimum of 60 total service hours. At least 10 members must be in attendance at each event.
 - If the club does a walk/run event (i.e. - Relay for Life) there must be a minimum of 15 people
3. A Sport Club Council representative must be in attendance for 7 out of 8 SCC meetings.
4. Must meet attendance requirements for all Sport Club officer trainings.
5. Club must have at least 2 active members with a current First Aid/CPR certification which must be valid from at least September through May of the school year.
6. At least 10 club members will attend 2 Sport Club events as spectators.
 - Must be two different sports
 - Must be in attendance for two hours (or entire game) to receive credit
7. Club must travel and represent Florida Gulf Coast University at a competitive event, for a minimum of 2 events per year, not including a national event.

Above Average & Outstanding (part B)

B. To achieve Blue, clubs must also complete 1 of the following 4 criteria; OR to achieve Emerald, clubs must also complete 2 of the following 4 criteria:

1. Host at least 1 competitive event or non-competitive event.
2. Work with another Sport Club, student org or community group to co-sponsoring an event.
3. Host an alumni function, approved as such by the Sport Clubs Coordinator, OR has an active alumni network and can demonstrate that they regularly solicit alumni support.
4. Have a coach/instructor (with relevant experience) that is First Aid/CPR certified.

*****Clubs who fail to achieve any of the above levels will have their Sport Club status reviewed*****

- If a club does NOT meet the criteria for any of the levels, they must meet the standards of the blue or emerald level the following year to remain a Sport Club
- Funding for the next academic year will be determined by the number of points and/or level achieved the previous year
- THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETING ABOVE CRITERIA IS THE FRIDAY FOLLOWING SPRING SEMESTER COMMENCEMENT