

The R&A Junior Player Pathway.

The Junior Player Pathway is a suite of best practice resources, designed to support the delivery of junior golf programmes through the provision of developmental and progressive activities.

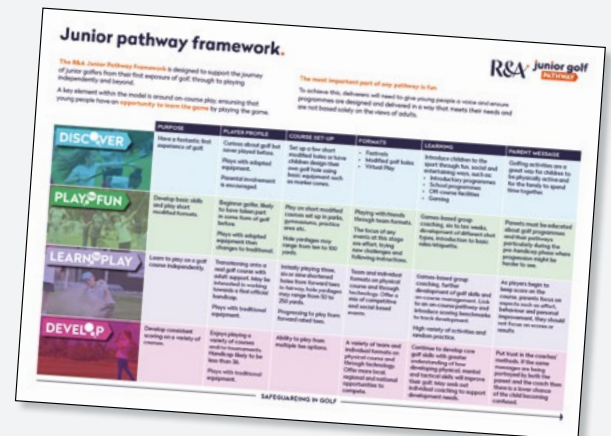
The pathway materials are flexible and can be used at the discretion of each organisation or venue. For example, they can be used to act as a main resource or to assist organisations in developing their own pathway.

Below is a brief summary for each of the pathway resources.

JUNIOR PATHWAY FRAMEWORK

The Junior Pathway Framework sets out a four stage journey from a player's first experience of golf, through to playing independently and beyond.

The Framework outlines a clear pathway of progression for players and provides guidance on central topics such as learning programmes, course set-up, playing formats and parental messaging.



GOLF IN SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

The six week programme provides a platform for children to learn fundamental golf skills and develop mental toughness tools in a fun and meaningful way.

The programme is supported by a training workshop and can be delivered by teachers, golf coaches and Community Golf Instructors.

JUNIOR EVENTS & FORMATS

This resource provides a series of formats and on-course events that align to each of the four stages of the pathway.

These can be used by those delivering junior programmes to provide players with a positive introduction to competition and on-course play.



COACHING/INSTRUCTION

Play for Fun programme

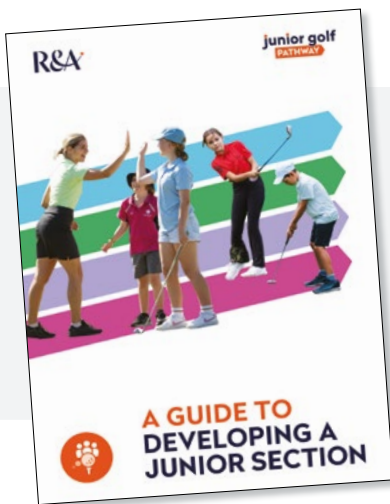
A six week programme designed to build upon the skills and knowledge developed within the schools programme. This can be delivered by golf coaches and Community Golf Instructors across a variety of venues.

Structured Coaching Pathway

A structured and progressive coaching programme with clear goals that can be delivered across the pathway.

Games Resource

A selection of fun and developmental activities with a focus on fundamental movement skills, golf specific skills and on-course play.



DEVELOPING A JUNIOR SECTION

This guide provides practical tips and information on how to build a thriving junior section and create a structure that ensures the long-term sustainability of programmes and activity.

The guide covers a variety of topics including structuring a junior section, creating a development plan and building a pathway.

SAFEGUARDING TOOLKIT

The safeguarding toolkit provides a collection of templates, policies and good practice guidelines that can be used to create and promote a safe environment for children to enjoy the game.

The resource provides guidance for staff and volunteers working with children and anyone taking on the lead safeguarding role.

