

## Berkeley Sports Two Counties Youth Cricket Competition 2018

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### 1. Allocation of Points

The points should be awarded for each match on the Play-Cricket website as follows:

- **5 points** to a team for a **win**;
- **3 points** to a team for a **tie** (irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen);
- **2 points** to a team for a **loss** or for a match which is **abandoned** due to adverse weather after it has commenced. For a match to be abandoned for adverse weather, the match must have completed 5 overs of the 2<sup>nd</sup> innings.
- **1 point** to each team for matches **cancelled** due to adverse weather that will not be played by the fixture deadline. This allocation should only be awarded when there is no chance of the match being re-arranged within the fixture deadline.
- **5 points** to a team where the **opposition have conceded** the game for failing to fulfil a fixture; either by agreement of both teams or as governed by the rules on fixture re-arranging.
- **0 points** to a team who have **conceded** a game; either by agreement of both teams or as governed by the rules on fixture re-arranging.
- **-5 points to both team for not reporting their match within the 3-day time limit. (this also means changing the date should a match be re-arranged. (see section 4 Reporting Match Results for further details)**

Match concessions **without prior emailed** approval of the TC secretary, must not be entered on play-cricket.

The secretary discusses the situation with other committee members. Full correspondence using the correct document, must be provided to assist the TC committee in its decision-making process. **This additional administration is to make it easier to play a re-scheduled match than claim a concession.**

Should a team withdraw from the League during the season then any points obtained against that team shall be voided

No matches can be played for 'double points'. i.e. one match being played to represent 2 matches with identical scores being entered on play-cricket.

If the allocation of points for any match cannot be agreed by the respective team managers, then they must ask their respective junior section managers to assist in reaching an amicable solution. **If an agreement is still not reached then both junior section managers should contact the Two Counties Secretary by completing the match report and then email the secretary. Correspondence should include your opponent's youth section leader on cc, including all relevant documentary evidence, and ask for an arbitration decision from the Two Counties Committee.**

Any arbitration decision made by the Two Counties Committee is binding and may not be appealed.

### 2. League / Division Table Positions

1. In respect of end of season League and Division Table Positions, a team can only receive concession points from a maximum of one game per season. Any team with points from more than 1 concession will have points removed for end of season tables.
2. Positions will be determined by the number of points won by each team. The winner of the league/division shall be the team with the most number of points.
3. If, after the resolution of all matches, there are two or more teams at the top of the league/division with the same number of points, then the winner of the match(es) between the two teams shall be deemed to be the winner; in this analysis, match concessions will be considered as defeats against the team who conceded. If there have been two matches and each team has won once then both teams will be joint-winners and the trophy shared.

### 3. Fixtures are Arranged & Re-Arranged

All teams will be allocated with suggested fixture dates on the Two Counties & Play-Cricket websites well in advance of the season commencing. All fixtures must be confirmed between all teams by April 20<sup>th</sup>. It is the home team's responsibility in each fixture to have confirmed the date of the match with their opposition and ensure that any change of date is accurately updated on their team's Play-Cricket website (this will automatically update the fixture information on the Two Counties Play-Cricket website); to make a change on your club's Play-Cricket website you will need to be granted *Fixture Administrator* role rights by your own club's Play-Cricket webmaster.

In order to try and prevent over 50% of the matches being played in July (as happened in 2013), all match dates that are changed before April 20<sup>th</sup> must be rearranged within the same calendar month originally suggested by the Two Counties unless agreed otherwise by both teams. ECB County & National U13 & U15 fixture clashes are deemed acceptable reasons for requesting a TC re-arrangement. Non-ECB arranged cup fixture clashes (e.g. West Surrey Cup U9, U10, U11, U12, U13 & U14) are deemed acceptable reasons for requesting a TC re-arrangement. There are no WS Cup matches in 2018 so minimal requests for re-arrangements are anticipated. **Any club progressing in the u13 and u15 National ECB tournaments should contact their likely TC opponents at the earliest opportunity if they win a knock-out round. Our season does extend into August, so there is plenty of time to play fixtures.**

After April 20<sup>th</sup>, if a team cancels or postpones a match more than seven days ahead of the fixture date, both clubs may agree another date to play the match; it is the **home** team's responsibility to update the fixture information on Play-Cricket. If both teams cannot agree another mutually-convenient date, or if the re-organised match is subsequently rained-off, then the team who originally cancelled the match will have **conceded** the match and the points allocated accordingly.

After April 20<sup>th</sup>, if a team cancels or postpones a match less than seven days ahead of the fixture date for any reason other than poor weather then the team who cancel the match will have **conceded** the match and the points allocated accordingly.

If a match is cancelled because of poor weather during the season then both teams can offer to host a re-arranged match, however there is no reason for a team to compel an opponent to play a weather impacted match. Any revised & confirmed fixture date must be recorded on the Play-Cricket website by the **home** team. If the venue is swapped, please contact the TC play-cricket administrator to swap the home & away teams. If it is not possible to agree a new date for the match then the match will be considered **cancelled** and the points allocated accordingly.

For the purposes of all match arrangements or re-arrangements, in case of any dispute, all teams should retain all emails, texts and any other paper trail that may be used for arbitration. Failure to provide this evidence, in cases where arbitration is necessary, will mean that the match result may be considered to have been cancelled and the points allocated accordingly.

Any team managers who are judged by the Two Counties Committee to have cancelled matches for the reason of poor weather without justifiable evidence may have points deducted or, in extreme cases, may have their teams expelled from the competition.

#### 4. Reporting Match Results & Fines

All results must be entered on the Play Cricket website by the **winning** team (unless agreed otherwise by the two team managers). The results must be entered within **three** days of the fixture date; this reduces the volume of matches requiring follow-up.

*Ideally*, both managers will check the correct match scores are entered in the same week as the fixture. It is all team manager's responsibility to check that all results for their team have been entered correctly.

The complete scorecard should be entered; but as a minimum the **summary page** must be completed in detail.

This means:

Which club won the toss, which club batted first, total runs, wickets and overs for both innings.

For pairs matches enter the **gross** runs total as play-cricket will calculate the net score. Optional are the official's names. Failure to enter a result within three days *may* mean the fixture is declared void and **-5 penalty points for the match**.

**This new ruling is to advance far greater responsibility for all club managers to learn how to enter the results and eliminate or reduce a significant amount of 'results chasing' across the season by multiple individuals.**

If match results are not entered before the end of season deadline cut-off (September 1<sup>st</sup> 10am) the fixture is declared void. **It will be subject to a £10 charitable fine will be levied against teams for each non-reported match.**

If any fixture needs re-arranging for any reason (rain interruption, last-minute cancellation) then the revised fixture date must be recorded on the Play-Cricket website by the **home** team within three days of the original fixture. *(if in doubt change the match date to Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, so that age-group administrators aren't chasing phantom results.)*

**ONLY** if a match has no chance of being played within the fixture deadline should a **cancelled** or **abandoned result be entered**. To enter the results on the Play-Cricket website, all team managers need to be registered on their respective Play-Cricket websites and need to be granted the *Fixture Administrator* role rights by their club's Play-Cricket webmaster.

## 2018 Divisional Age Group Results Chasers (Mondays and Tuesdays)

Converting result chasing into a time reasonable activity.... the following is the activity required.

- Fixture chasing will be collated into WEEKLY timeframes.
- E.g. Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>:
- Both managers should agree who is going to enter the summary result information at their match.
- They both have **3 days** to enter the result and if necessary communicate with each other to get the result loaded. Success at this stage, eliminates additional 'chasing' by others.
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>: each division has 2 allocated people who will contact both managers to ask why result not entered.
- Wednesday – TC secretary will send a final 24 hours notice email to both managers & club youth section leader.
- Thursday – TC secretary will ask Mike Hughes, our play-cricket administrator, to enter match result as cancelled.
- Net impact – clubs have 3 days for Sunday fixtures and longer for midweek matches.
- *Last year, over 50% of all TC matches required chasing. In plain terms that equated to over 125 emails to managers asking them "did you play your game vs Club Z, please can you enter the result?"*

**Under 8** Chasers are the u8 managers from Chiddingfold & Fernhurst

**Under 9** Chasers are the u9 managers from Brook & Elstead

**Under 10** D1 Chasers are the u10 managers from Frensham & Fleet

D2 Chasers are the u10 managers from Churt & Liphook & Ripsley

**Under 11** D1 Chasers are the u11 managers from Farnham & Hambledon

D2 Chasers are the u11 managers from Grayshott & Headley

**Under 12** Chasers are the u12 managers from Woking & Horsell & Grayswood

**Under 13** D1 Chasers are the u13 managers from Guildford & Finchampstead

D2 Chasers are the u13 managers from Headley & Aldershot

**Under 15** D1 Chasers are the u15 managers from Camberley & Valley End

D2 Chasers are the u15 managers from Grayswood & Wood St Village

**Under 17** Chasers are the u17 managers from Grayshott & Grayswood

Any club that has not yet (as of March 26<sup>th</sup>) named their age group manager, then the person responsible for chasing becomes the Youth Section Leader of that club.