



THAMES VALLEY CRICKET LEAGUE



Tuesday, 28th August, 2018

Promotion, Relegation & 2019 structure

Dear Member Clubs,

We have received a series of questions from clubs about promotion and relegation scenarios ahead of this coming weekend. We've therefore prepared the following to hopefully answer your questions. There are two key statements in our rules to note first.

Firstly, the caveat that the league committee has the right to adjust the divisions as maybe required:

Format 2.8) "There may be occasions when these rules are not possible to be applied and in such event the Management Committee or its delegated Sub-Committee shall have the power to make the appropriate adjustments. The Management Committee may make appropriate adjustments to move Teams between Divisions A & B (in Levels 4 & below only) for the purposes of regionalisation only to limit travel distances where possible."

Secondly, and noting that all Member Clubs must notify the League Secretary **by 30th September latest**, if they wish to field an additional XI in our 2019 competition. We will then consider all applications and place teams where we deem most appropriate.

Constitution 4.3) "Any Member Clubs wishing to add a further Team(s) to the TVCL must obtain the approval of the Management Committee. The Management Committee shall have the authority to place such Team(s) at the Level(s) it considers appropriate within the championship structure."

Now, moving back to the 2018 competition, noting that it is now likely that no teams will be relegated from the HCPCL into the TVCL, the impact to promotion and relegation would feasibly look like this:



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Divisions	Teams	Promotion UP	Relegation DOWN	Workings			Total Teams
				Relegation IN	Promotion IN	FEEDER IN	
Level 1	10	1	2	0	3		10
Level 2	19	3	3	2	5		20
Level 3	20	5	4	3	6		20
Level 4	20	6	4	4	4 + 1	1	20
Level 5	20	4 + 1	4	4	4 + 1		20
Level 6	20	4 + 1	4	4	4 + 1		20
Level 7	20	4 + 1	4	4	4 + 1		20
Level 8	20	4 + 1	4	4	4 + 1		20
Level 9	18	4 + 1	~				

Note 1: The 2019 Divisional Structure will only be confirmed after the 30th September.

Note 2: All Promotions are subject to Grading & Standards. In the event of not meeting G&S – as per Format of the League 2.6 – this would mean a reprieve for a relegated Team – not an additional promotion.

Note 3: There are always 2 Teams relegated from Each Division (except for 2b, which only has 9 – so only 1 is relegated.)

Note 4: The Number of Promotions from Level 5 and below, will automatically be 4 (Top 2 in each Division) – with a provisional 5th (the best 3rd place) – should there be no changes or additions of New Teams in that part of the TVCL Structure.

As we have come to expect in recent times “change is likely” so aim to finish in the automatic spots...

Note 5: For any Odd number promotions – the Best Runner-up is determined on the Total Points, with the exception of Level 2 due to odd number of Teams in 2b – where an “Average Points per Match” basis calculation will be applied.

(to save calculations on the day: Wargrave requires 1 more point to secure the ‘Best Runner-Up’)

Note 6: Any Teams on Equal Points – are separated as per Format of the League 1.6



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Good luck to all Teams, and wishing you an enjoyable conclusion to the League Season

Should you have any other questions on the above – or indeed thoughts already ahead for AGM Proposals, please let me know.

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