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WELCOME TO THE 2023 SEASON

The CCCL Junior Section Chair and Committee would like to extend a warm welcome to existing coaches and managers, and also to new participants who are responsible for junior teams for the first time. In addition to the 2023 season fixtures and contact details, this handbook also contains the league's playing regulations and ECB guidelines and regulations for junior cricket. It is in all our interests that everyone involved, no matter with what age group, takes time to read through the handbook before the playing season starts.

The Handbook is now a digital only publication. It has been totally revised and brought up to date with the latest ECB regulations and codes. The Match Playing Regulations have been updated and reorganised to make age group reference easier. All cross references and external links are now clickable. Of particular note, the Contents list page numbers are clickable as are the external links to club Play-cricket and Google maps pages in the final section.

Rules, Regulations and Guidance

Managers, coaches, umpires and players should be familiar with the Laws of Cricket together with relevant ECB Guidelines and Directives, and the Junior Section's Match Playing Regulations. The ECB Code of Conduct incorporating The Spirit of Cricket ("ECBCoc/SoC") appears on page 10 of this handbook. The CCCL Junior Section has also adopted the ECB 2022 Anti-Discrimination Code ("ADC") the text of which appears on page 12. The Clubmark Code of Conduct (see below) is aimed at parents/guardians and other family members/friends. Ideally, before the start of a season, copies of the ECBCoc/SoC and ADC should be given to every young cricketer and to the parents of those cricketers with the intention that all concerned fully understand the importance of these underpinnings to the game of cricket.

The Junior Section has adopted the ECB General Conduct Regulations which supersede the ECB Model Discipline Regulations (see page 100 for a link to the GCR).

All managers, coaches and umpires are asked to read all the Match Playing Regulations carefully (starting on page 62) before the season starts.

We introduced a new rule in 2021, namely, that any Zonal or Groups match (not semi-finals or finals) may be rescheduled by mutual agreement between managers provided that specific conditions were obeyed. From experience in 2021 and 2022, this rule has been made less stringent and has been incorporated as age group specific instructions.

Umpires and umpiring

We recognise that, for the vast majority of junior matches in this and other leagues, the umpires are not allocated from the panel but are team managers or other club volunteers. We would like to remind those who umpire that there must be zero tolerance for any dissent or verbal abuse and that 'sledging' during the match is unacceptable. Umpires along with the team captains have a responsibility to ensure that the ECBCoc/SoC and ADC are observed together with the Match Playing Regulations. The ultimate sanction available to umpires in the event of serious breach of any of the foregoing is to stop the match and call it off.

Friendly Games

Approaches for friendly games in the competition age groups will usually be welcomed by your fellow managers and coaches.

Match balls

Readers match balls have once again been approved for use in the 2023 Season. Whilst it is preferred that teams use a new ball for each innings, reuse of undamaged balls will be permitted subject to approval by the manager of the opposing team. Flexibility and common sense are the watchwords. Ball approval must take place before the start of play, as is customary.

Team Managers' Responsibilities

Rule 11) states that the *home* team is responsible for ensuring that the correct details of a match result are entered on to play-cricket.com but that the away team may enter the result if it wishes to do so. Results, including those for abandoned and cancelled matches, MUST be entered within 48 hours following the date that each match has been played.

It takes only a few minutes to log in to play-cricket.com to become a member of your own club site and/or the CCCL Juniors site. Contact your club's Juniors Organiser for details.

For a guide to entering results on to play-cricket, click here <https://play-cricket.ecb.co.uk/hc/en-us/articles/115003501629-Add-Results-And-Scorecards#:~:text=Click%20on%20the%20icon%20under,of%20umpires%20for%20league%20fixtures>.

Ideally, players' individual performances should also be recorded on play-cricket. Scorers and even the players themselves are often happy to contribute to this task which is made very much easier for users of the **play-cricket**

Scoring App for phones and tablets. This app enables the upload of results and player performances directly to play-cricket at the touch of a button meaning that complete and up to date individual statistics are automatically made available on your club's play-cricket.com web site.

Nominations for Player of the Year

At the end of the season, the Managers of the Championship-winning team and the runners up for each of the U11, U13 and U15 age groups are required to submit nominations from their team, with appropriate batting, bowling and wicket keeping statistics, for consideration by the committee for the Player of the Year award in their respective age group. (Averages for players from other teams are no longer required.) **No awards will be made unless substantiated by statistics from play-cricket.**

Photographs

Almost everyone has a digital camera of some kind with them all the time and yet so many photos are disappointing when viewed after the event. If you are taking a team photograph after a match please try to remember the following hints:

- If possible, position the team against a dark background such as a hedge. Try to avoid the back row with their heads along the sky line and watch out for stray people in the background. Outside the clubhouse rarely provides a good background for a team photo.
- If it is sunny, the photographer should stand so the light comes from an angle over one of their shoulders so that the players will not squint into the light.
- If there is a trophy, place it in the centre of the picture either on the ground or with one player holding it so that it can be clearly seen.
- *Fill* the viewfinder with the *team* and make sure vertical and horizontal *are* vertical and horizontal.
- Take a few pictures – someone is sure to be looking the wrong way in one of them – so that you can choose the best one later.
- Please do try to take the photos immediately after the match has finished. It is very difficult to get young players together for a photograph after the event.

Code of Conduct

Managers are asked to draw the attention of family members of the League's young cricketers to the following code of conduct (which is expected from clubs with Clubmark status):

- Encourage your child to learn the Laws of Cricket and to play within the spirit of those laws.
- Discourage unfair play and disputes with officials/coaches.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in any sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and by applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept the judgement of officials without argument or comment.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy cricket and to develop within it.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Do not forget, children are involved in organised sport for their enjoyment and not yours.

Please take time to read and understand the table in the rules section of this handbook which summarises acceptable coaching and parental behaviour before, during and after a junior cricket match. Please also note that, whenever independent umpires stand, they will be asked to enforce the prohibition of coaching of any form during the course of play.

Disputes

Whilst we always hope otherwise, it is inevitable that disputes arise in any sport, and cricket is no exception. In the event that any League dispute cannot be settled amicably with the assistance of the appropriate Competition Secretary, then the matter will be referred to the Conduct & Diversity Secretary. The procedure is set out in Rule 13 with reference to the ECB General Conduct Regulations.

Looking ahead to the 2024 Season

In order to try to make the League's fixtures available early in 2024, the closing date for entries for the 2024 Season will be 31st January 2024.



THE ECB CODE OF CONDUCT, THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET AND THE ECB ANTI-DISCRIMINATION CODE

The ECB Cricket Code of Conduct, The Spirit of Cricket and the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code are sets of rules, regulations and guidance that govern the behaviour of players, officials, and spectators in cricket in general and in cricket matches in particular, with the aim of promoting fair play and preventing discrimination. The codes cover a wide range of issues, including player behaviour on and off the field, the use of offensive language, and discrimination based on race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation. The ECB takes these codes seriously and expects all those involved in cricket to adhere to them in order to maintain the integrity of the game and create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all to enjoy.

ECB Code of Conduct

1. The ECB is committed to maintaining the highest standards of behaviour and conduct. This Code of Conduct incorporates the Spirit of Cricket, as set out below. It applies to all matches played under the auspices of the ECB and may be applied to cricket in general.
2. The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket as well as within the Laws.
3. Players and team officials must at all times accept the umpire's decision. Players must not show dissent at the umpire's decision or react in a provocative or disapproving manner towards an umpire at any time.
4. Players and team officials shall not intimidate assault or attempt to intimidate or assault an umpire, another player or a spectator.
5. Players and team officials shall not use crude and/or abusive language (known as sledging) nor make offensive gestures or hand signals nor deliberately distract an opponent.
6. Players and team officials shall not make racially abusive comments nor indulge in racially abusive actions against fellow players, officials, members and supporters. Clubs must operate an active open door membership policy whilst respecting player qualification regulations and welcome players/members irrespective of ethnic origin.

7. Players and team officials shall not use or in any way be concerned in the use or distribution of illegal drugs.
8. Clubs must take adequate steps to ensure the good behaviour of their members and supporters towards players and umpires.

The Spirit of Cricket

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.

1. **There are two Laws which each place the responsibility for the team's conduct firmly on the captain.**

Responsibility of Captains:

The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.

Player's Conduct:

In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an umpire, or criticising by word or action the decisions of an umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the game into disrepute, the umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the other umpire and to the player's captain, and instruct the latter to take action.

2. **Fair and Unfair play**

According to the Laws, the umpires are the sole judges of fair and unfair play.

The umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the captain to take action where required.

3. **The Umpires are authorised to intervene in cases of:**

- Time wasting
- Damaging the pitch
- Dangerous or unfair bowling
- Tampering with the ball
- Any other action that they consider to be unfair

4. **The Spirit of the Game involves RESPECT for:**

- Your opponents
- Your own captain and team
- The role of the umpires
- The game's traditional values

5. It is against the Spirit of the Game:

- To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture
- To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire
- To indulge in cheating or any sharp practice, for instance:
 - a) to appeal knowing that the batter is not out
 - b) to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - c) to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side

6. Violence

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play.

7. Players

Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution to this.

ECB Anti-Discrimination Code

Introduction

The England and Wales Cricket Board (the ECB) is responsible for the governance of cricket in England and Wales. This ECB Anti-Discrimination Code (the Code) is part of the ECB's continuing efforts to maintain the integrity, diversity and inclusivity of cricket.

The ECB aims to create an environment within cricket in England and Wales in which no individual, group or organisation experiences discrimination or acts in a discriminatory manner on the basis of a Protected Characteristic (as defined in the Equality Act 2010 from time to time – which at the time of writing are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation).

This Code therefore sets out discriminatory behaviour which, when carried out by a participant who is required to comply with it, will be a breach of the Code and may be sanctioned accordingly.

All Participants (as defined below) agree by virtue of their involvement in cricket in England and Wales to be bound by this Code and submit to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the relevant body which applies to them.

All County Cricket Boards, First Class Counties, Regional Hosts, the National Counties, leagues, clubs and other organisations under the jurisdiction of the ECB or its Members must adopt and enforce the Code.

Participants who are party to an ECB agreement and/or in receipt of ECB funding may be obliged, as a condition of those agreements or funding, to comply with or adopt the Code and/or enforce the provisions of the Code through their own processes.

The Code may be amended from time to time by the ECB in its sole discretion, with such amendments coming into effect on the date specified by the ECB.

BREACHES UNDER THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION CODE

Cricket Organisation means

- a) County Cricket Boards, First Class Counties, Regional Hosts, National Counties, the Marylebone Cricket Club and other organisations under the jurisdiction of the ECB or its Members;
- b) clubs and leagues which are affiliated to or under the jurisdiction of either the ECB or any of its Members; and
- c) any other organisations which adopt this Code.

Participant means

- a) Cricket Organisations;
- b) employees, directors, officers, committee members, contractors and volunteers, in each case, of the ECB or any Cricket Organisation;
- c) match officials including members of the Association of Cricket Officials;
- d) members of the ECB Coaches Association;
- e) an individual taking part in a cricket match or event under the jurisdiction of the ECB and/or any ECB Member; and
- f) any other individual who becomes bound by this Code.

Example

Paragraph (f) above is intended to cover other individuals which a cricket organisation chooses to have bound by the Code. For example, a cricket venue may require spectators to abide by the Code by making it a

provision of the ticket terms and conditions which a spectator agrees to.

1. It will be a breach of this Code for any Participant to:
 - 1.1 discriminate against any person or persons based upon any relevant Protected Characteristic, whether by act or omission, directly or indirectly, unless permitted by law; and/or
 - 1.2 engage in conduct related to a relevant Protected Characteristic which has the purpose or effect of violating another's dignity, or creating an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment for that person or persons.
2. In deciding whether the conduct has the effect referred to in paragraph 1.2 above, the following shall be taken into account, namely –
 - a) the perception of the relevant person or persons,
 - b) the circumstances of the case, and
 - c) whether it is reasonable for the conduct to have that effect.
3. In instances where the Participant is an organisation, it will be a breach of this Code to fail to provide an effective, timely and proportionate response to an alleged breach under paragraph 1 above, carried out by any individual or organisation under the jurisdiction of the Participant.
4. The breaches referenced in paragraph 1 shall apply regardless of whether the Protected Characteristic(s) around which the breach is based applies to the person or people to whom the offending conduct is directed.

Example

If a player makes a homophobic comment directed at another player during a match, regardless of whether that other player belongs to the group referred to, this would amount to a breach of the Anti-Discrimination Code.

5. Any breach of this Code may also constitute an offence or breach of other applicable laws, rules and/or regulations. This Code is intended to supplement such other laws, rules and regulations and is not intended, and may not be interpreted, construed or applied, to prejudice or undermine in any way the application of such other laws, rules and/or regulations. Participants therefore acknowledge and agree that this Code does not limit their responsibilities or obligations under other laws, rules and/or regulations.



IMPORTANT ECB GUIDANCE AND DIRECTIVES CONCERNING YOUNG CRICKETERS

Safety Guidance on the Wearing of Cricket Helmets by Young Players

In February 2015 the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) issued updated safety guidance on the wearing of helmets by young players up to the age of 18. In brief, the guidance recommends that:

- helmets with a faceguard or grille must be worn when batting against a hard cricket ball in matches and in practice sessions
- young players should regard a helmet with a faceguard as a normal item of protective equipment when batting, together with pads, gloves and, for boys, an abdominal protector (box)
- young wicket keepers must wear a helmet with a faceguard, or a wicketkeeper face protector when standing up to the stumps.

With the assistance of schools, cricket clubs and leagues, the wearing of helmets by young players is now standard practice in cricket throughout England and Wales. Helmets are widely available and are covered by an updated British Standard (BS7928:2013). A face protector represents an alternative head protection system for young wicket keepers. Wicketkeeper Face Protectors are covered by a new British Standard (BS 7928 – 2 :2009). The ECB strongly recommends that wherever possible junior players use head protectors that have been tested against junior sized cricket balls.

Parental or guardian written consent allowing a young player not to wear a helmet should not be accepted in any form of cricket. This guidance applies to all players up to the age of 18, both in adult cricket and in all junior cricket played with a hard cricket ball. The guidance also applies during all practice sessions. Any individual taking responsibility for players should take all reasonable steps to ensure that this guidance is followed at all times.

The ECB asks that the guidance is communicated to the parents or guardians of all young players through clubs and schools, and that young players are not allowed to bat or stand up to the stumps when keeping wicket against a hard ball without wearing appropriate protection.

Safety Guidance for young players in adult matches (2007)

At the beginning of 2007 the ECB clarified the guidance relating to young players in adult matches and confirmed that all young players who have not reached their 18th birthday must wear a helmet with a faceguard when batting and when standing up to the stumps when keeping wicket in adult matches. Parental consent not to wear a helmet should not be accepted in adult cricket.

This guidance applies to all players up to the age of 18, both in adult cricket and in all junior cricket played with a hard cricket ball. The guidance also applies during all practice sessions. Any individual taking responsibility for players should take all reasonable steps to ensure that this guidance is followed at all times.

The ECB asks that the guidance is communicated to the parents or guardians of all young players through clubs and schools, and that young players are not allowed to bat or stand up to the stumps when keeping wicket against a hard ball without wearing a helmet.

ECB Fielding Regulations for Junior Cricketers

The ECB's regulations covering the minimum fielding distances for young players in all matches where a hard ball is used.

- No young player in the Under 15 age group or younger shall be allowed to field closer than 8 yards (7.3 metres) from the middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side, until the batter has played at the ball.
- For players in the Under 13 age group and below the distance is 11 yards (10 metres).
- These minimum distances apply even if the player is wearing a helmet.
- Should a young player in these age groups come within the restricted distance the umpire must stop the match immediately and instruct the fielder to move back.
- In addition, any young player in the Under 16 to Under 18 age groups, who has not reached the age of 18, must wear a helmet and, for boys, an abdominal protector (box) when fielding within 6 yards (5.5 metres) of the bat, except behind the wicket on the off side. Players should wear appropriate protective equipment whenever they are fielding in a position where they feel at risk.

- These fielding regulations are applicable to all cricket in England and Wales. Age groups are based on the age of the player at midnight on 31st August in the year preceding the current season.

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ECB FAST BOWLING MATCH DIRECTIVES

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Age	Max. overs per spell	Max. overs per day
Up to 13	5 overs per spell	10 overs per day
U14, U15	6 overs per spell	12 overs per day
U16, U17, U18, U19	7 overs per spell	18 overs per day

For the purposes of these Directives a fast bowler is defined as a bowler to whom a wicket keeper in the same age group would *in normal circumstances* stand back to take the ball.

Having completed a spell the bowler cannot bowl again, from either end, until the equivalent number of overs to the length of his* spell have been bowled from the same end. A bowler can change ends without ending his current spell provided that he bowls the next over that he legally can from the other end. If this does not happen his spell is deemed to be concluded. If play is interrupted, for any reason, for less than 40 minutes any spell in progress at the time of the interruption can be continued after the interruption up to the maximum number of overs per spell for the appropriate age group. If the spell is not continued after the interruption the bowler cannot bowl again, from either end, until the equivalent number of overs to the length of his spell before the interruption have been bowled from the same end. If the interruption is of 40 minutes or more, whether scheduled or not, then the bowler can commence a new spell immediately.

Once a bowler covered by these Directives has bowled in a match he cannot exceed the maximum number overs per day for his age group even if he subsequently bowls spin. He can exceed the maximum overs per spell if bowling spin, but cannot then revert to bowling fast until an equivalent number of overs to the length of his spell have been bowled from the same end.

If he bowls spin without exceeding the maximum number of overs in a spell the maximum will apply as soon as he reverts to bowling fast.

Captains, Team Managers and Umpires are asked to ensure that these Directives are followed at all times. For guidance it is recommended that in any 7 day period a fast bowler should not bowl more than 4 days in that period and for a maximum of 2 days in a row. Age groups are based on the age of the player at midnight on 31st August in the year preceding the current season.

2022 SEASON RESULTS

U9 Championship	Timperley CC
U11 Championship	Timperley CC
U12 John North Cup	Mellor CC
U13 Championship	Macclesfield CC
U13 Plate	Mellor CC
U13 Shield	Timperley CC
U13 Medal	Davenham CC
U13 Cup	No competition in 2022
U14 John North Cup	Alderley Edge CC
U15 Championship	Macclesfield CC
U15 Plate	Middlewich CC
U15 Shield	Chester Boughton Hall CC
U15 Medal	Cheadle CC
U15 Cup	No competition in 2022
U17 John North Cup	Neston CC
U17 Hundred Competition	Hyde CC

Player of the Year Awards

The Under 11s, Under 13s and U15s awards were not awarded in 2022 because the committee did not receive either recommendations or statistics from the championship-winning clubs.

UNDER 9 CHAMPIONSHIP

The summary below must be used in conjunction with the full Rules for the U9s Championship on page 76 of the Handbook. All team managers and coaches should be familiar with these Rules.

Playing day/time	The fixture lists show “week commencing” dates. The normal day-of-week for each club’s home match is shown along with the list of Under 9 contacts at the end of this section. Matches should normally take place on that day-of-week but, with the intent of maintaining participation, rearrangements are permitted (see Rule 13)e), page 77).
Pitch length	15 yards.
Ball type/weight	Youth sized ‘Incrediball’ or equivalent. The same physical Ball to be used by both sides in a match.
Overs/innings	One innings each of 16 overs per side.
Public holidays	No matches scheduled for 28th May (Spring Bank holiday week).
Zonal stage	Three Zones: West/central, East, North East play each other twice. Begins w/c Sunday 23rd April. Ends w/c Sunday 2nd July.
Play-offs	For all Play-off matches, the Competition Secretary will toss a coin to decide home advantage. Semi-finals: Play during w/c Sunday 9th July. See Rule 11)e) for full details of the selection process from the Zonal tables. SF1: Winner, Zone 1 v. Winner Zone 3 SF2: Winner, Zone 2 v. Best runner-up Final: Play during w/c Sunday 16th July.

Under 9 Zone 1

Cheadle Hulme, Didsbury, Heaton Mersey, Hyde Hurricanes, North East Cheshire (*N E Cheshire*), Stockport Georgians (*Stockport Geos*) (6 teams)

w/c Sunday, 23rd April

Cheadle Hulme v. Didsbury
Hyde Hurricanes v. N E Cheshire
Stockport Geos v. Heaton Mersey

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Didsbury v. N E Cheshire
Hyde Hurricanes v. Heaton Mersey
Stockport Geos v. Cheadle Hulme

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Didsbury v. Heaton Mersey
Hyde Hurricanes v. Stockport Geos
N E Cheshire v. Cheadle Hulme

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Didsbury v. Cheadle Hulme
Heaton Mersey v. Stockport Geos
N E Cheshire v. Hyde Hurricanes

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Didsbury v. Stockport Geos
Hyde Hurricanes v. Cheadle Hulme
N E Cheshire v. Heaton Mersey

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

Cheadle Hulme v. Stockport Geos
Heaton Mersey v. Hyde Hurricanes
N E Cheshire v. Didsbury

w/c Sunday, 16th July

U9s FINAL

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Didsbury v. Hyde Hurricanes
Heaton Mersey v. Cheadle Hulme
N E Cheshire v. Stockport Geos

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Cheadle Hulme v. Hyde Hurricanes
Heaton Mersey v. N E Cheshire
Stockport Geos v. Didsbury

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Cheadle Hulme v. N E Cheshire
Heaton Mersey v. Didsbury
Stockport Geos v. Hyde Hurricanes

w/c Sunday, 25th June

Cheadle Hulme v. Heaton Mersey
Hyde Hurricanes v. Didsbury
Stockport Geos v. N E Cheshire

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U9s SEMI-FINALS

Under 9 Zone 2

Alvanley, Chester Boughton Hall (*Chester B H*), Mobberley, Toft (4 teams)

w/c Sunday, 23rd April

Chester B H v. Mobberley
Toft v. Alvanley

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Alvanley v. Toft
Mobberley v. Chester B H

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Alvanley v. Chester B H
Mobberley v. Toft

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Chester B H v. Alvanley
Toft v. Mobberley

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Alvanley v. Mobberley
Toft v. Chester B H

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

NO FIXTURES

w/c Sunday, 16th July

U9s FINAL

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Mobberley v. Alvanley
Toft v. Chester B H

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Chester B H v. Mobberley
Toft v. Alvanley

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Alvanley v. Chester B H
Mobberley v. Toft

w/c Sunday, 25th June

Chester B H v. Toft
Mobberley v. Alvanley

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U9s SEMI-FINALS

Under 9 Zone 3

Alderley Edge, Bramhall, Lindow Tigers, Macclesfield, Timperley (5 teams)

w/c Sunday, 23rd April

Alderley Edge v. Timperley
Lindow Tigers v. Bramhall
Macclesfield *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Lindow Tigers v. Alderley Edge
Macclesfield v. Bramhall
Timperley *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Alderley Edge v. Macclesfield
 Timperley v. Lindow Tigers
 Bramhall *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Bramhall v. Timperley
 Lindow Tigers v. Macclesfield
 Alderley Edge *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Alderley Edge v. Bramhall
 Timperley v. Macclesfield
 Lindow Tigers *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Bramhall v. Macclesfield
 Timperley v. Alderley Edge
 Lindow Tigers *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

Bramhall v. Alderley Edge
 Macclesfield v. Lindow Tigers
 Timperley *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 16th July

U9s FINAL

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Bramhall v. Lindow Tigers
 Macclesfield v. Timperley
 Alderley Edge *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Lindow Tigers v. Timperley
 Macclesfield v. Alderley Edge
 Bramhall *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 25th June

Alderley Edge v. Lindow Tigers
 Timperley v. Bramhall
 Macclesfield *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U9s SEMI-FINALS

Under 9s Team Managers

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UNDER 11 CHAMPIONSHIP

The summary below must be used in conjunction with the full Rules for the U11s Championship on page 80 of the Handbook. All team managers and coaches should be familiar with these Rules.

Playing day/time	The fixture lists show “week commencing” dates. The normal day-of-week for each club’s home match is shown along with the list of Under 11 contacts at the end of this section. Matches should normally take place on that day-of-week but, with the intent of maintaining participation, rearrangements are permitted (see Rule 14)d), page 80).
Pitch length	17 yards.
Ball type/weight	Youth sized cricket ball from League’s mandated supplier.
Overs/innings	One innings each of 20 overs per side.
Public holidays	No scheduled fixtures during w/c 28th May (Spring Bank Holiday week).
Zonal stage	Three Zones: West/central, East, North East. Begins w/c Sunday 30th April. Ends w/c Sunday 18 th June.
Play-offs	For all Play-off matches, the Competition Secretary will toss a coin to decide home advantage. Quarter-finals: Play during w/c Sunday 25 th June. See Rule 11)e) for full details of the selection process from the Zonal tables. The draw is: QF1: Winner, Zone 1 v. Second-best runner-up QF2: Winner, Zone 2 v. Third-best runner-up QF3: Winner, Zone 3 v. Best third-placed team QF4: Best runner-up v. Second-best third-placed team Semi-finals: Play during w/c Sunday 2 nd July: SF1: Winner, QF1 v. Winner QF3 SF2: Winner, QF2 v. Winner QF4 Final: Play during w/c Sunday 9 th July.

Under 11 Zone 1

Alvanley, Chester Boughton Hall Leopards (*Chester B H Leopards*), Chester Boughton Hall Pumas (*Chester B H Pumas*), Davenham Green, Grappenhall, Neston Oysters, Toft (7 teams)

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Alvanley v. Neston Oysters
Chester B H Leopards v. Davenham Green
Toft v. Grappenhall
Chester B H Pumas *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Chester B H Leopards v. Chester B H Pumas
Davenham Green v. Toft
Grappenhall v. Neston Oysters

Alvanley *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Alvanley v. Chester B H Leopards
Chester B H Pumas v. Grappenhall
Neston Oysters v. Davenham Green
Toft *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 25th June

U11s QUARTER-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U11s FINAL

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Chester B H Pumas v. Alvanley
Grappenhall v. Chester B H Leopards

Toft v. Neston Oysters
Davenham Green *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Alvanley v. Davenham Green

Chester B H Pumas v. Toft
Neston Oysters v. Chester B H Leopards
Grappenhall *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Chester B H Leopards v. Toft
Davenham Green v. Chester B H Pumas
Grappenhall v. Alvanley
Neston Oysters *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Davenham Green v. Grappenhall
Neston Oysters v. Chester B H Pumas
Toft v. Alvanley
Chester B H Leopards *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

U11s SEMI-FINALS

Under 11 Zone 2

Alderley Edge, Bowdon Cutters, Bramhall, Heaton Mersey U10s, Langley Dragons, Macclesfield, North East Cheshire (*N E Cheshire*), Timperley Lightning (*Timp. Lightning*) (8 teams)

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Bowdon Cutters v. Langley Dragons
Bramhall v. Timp. Lightning
Macclesfield v. Heaton Mersey U10s

N E Cheshire v. Alderley Edge

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Alderley Edge v. Macclesfield
Bramhall v. Bowdon Cutters
Heaton Mersey U10s v. Langley Dragons

N E Cheshire v. Timp. Lightning

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Alderley Edge v. Heaton Mersey U10s
Langley Dragons v. Bramhall
N E Cheshire v. Bowdon Cutters
Timp. Lightning v. Macclesfield

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Bowdon Cutters v. Macclesfield
Bramhall v. Alderley Edge
Heaton Mersey U10s v. N E Cheshire
Langley Dragons v. Timp. Lightning

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Heaton Mersey U10s v. Bramhall
Langley Dragons v. Alderley Edge
N E Cheshire v. Macclesfield
Timp. Lightning v. Bowdon Cutters

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Bowdon Cutters v. Heaton Mersey U10s
Bramhall v. N E Cheshire
Macclesfield v. Langley Dragons
Timp. Lightning v. Alderley Edge

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Alderley Edge v. Bowdon Cutters
Langley Dragons v. N E Cheshire
Macclesfield v. Bramhall
Timp. Lightning v. Heaton Mersey U10s

w/c Sunday, 25th June

U11s QUARTER-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

U11s SEMI-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U11s FINAL

Under 11 Zone 3

Bowdon Drivers, Brooklands, Heaton Mersey, Romiley, Stockport Georgians
(*Stockport Geos*), Stockport Trinity, Timperley Thunder (7 teams)

w/c Sunday, 30th April

Brooklands v. Stockport Geos
Heaton Mersey v. Romiley
Timperley Thunder v. Stockport
Trinity
Bowdon Drivers *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 14th May

Bowdon Drivers v. Brooklands
Romiley v. Timperley Thunder
Stockport Geos v. Stockport Trinity
Heaton Mersey *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 28th May

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WEEK

w/c Sunday, 11th June

Heaton Mersey v. Stockport Geos
Romiley v. Bowdon Drivers
Stockport Trinity v. Brooklands
Timperley Thunder *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 25th June

U11s QUARTER-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 9th July

U11s FINAL

w/c Sunday, 7th May

Bowdon Drivers v. Heaton Mersey
Romiley v. Brooklands
Timperley Thunder v. Stockport Geos

Stockport Trinity *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 21st May

Stockport Geos v. Romiley
Stockport Trinity v. Bowdon Drivers
Timperley Thunder v. Heaton Mersey
Brooklands *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 4th June

Bowdon Drivers v. Timperley Thunder
Brooklands v. Heaton Mersey
Stockport Trinity v. Romiley
Stockport Geos *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 18th June

Brooklands v. Timperley Thunder
Heaton Mersey v. Stockport Trinity
Stockport Geos v. Bowdon Drivers
Romiley *NO FIXTURE*

w/c Sunday, 2nd July

U11s SEMI-FINALS

Under 11s Team Managers

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UNDER 12 JOHN NORTH CUP

All U12s Cup matches are 20 overs per side. The pitch length for U12s is 19 yards. Full U12s Rules appear on page 82.

The first three rounds and semi-finals are Date Ranges (see Rule 22)a)ii)). All dates are immutable and will be strictly enforced.

U12s John North Trophy Final: Sunday, 16th July **

U12s John North Trophy Reserve date for Final: w/c Sunday, 16th July or w/c 23rd July**

Rules 23)b) and 23)c) apply specifically to Final and Reserve Dates.

**** The match date and time will be decided by the Competition Secretary. Home advantage will be by the toss of a coin by the Competition Secretary.**

Play-cricket link to draw: *Not available at publication date*

2023 Under 12 John North Cup				
<i>Round 1 by 14th May</i>	<i>Round 2 by 4th June</i>	<i>Round 3 by 25th June</i>	<i>Semi-finals by 9th July</i>	<i>Final 16th July</i>
	Lindow			
	Toft			
	Oxton			
	Neston			
	Heaton Mersey			
North East Cheshire				
Stockport Trinity				
Timperley				
Bowdon				

	Bramhall			
	Davenham			
	Middlewich			
Hyde: U12 Hurricanes				
Romiley				
	Brooklands			
	Macclesfield			
	Stockport			
	Alderley Edge			
	Elworth: U12 Foxes			

Under 12s Cup Team Managers

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Elworth [Fridays]	Foxes: Ross Bayley	07411 728 953 ross.bayley1@gmail.com
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UNDER 13 CHAMPIONSHIP

The summary below must be used in conjunction with the full Rules for the U13s Championship on page 83 of the Handbook. All team managers and coaches should be familiar with these Rules.

Playing day/time Sunday mornings at 9:30 am but see Rule 5)d) for alternative possibilities.

Pitch length 19 yards.

Ball type/weight Youth sized cricket ball from League's mandated supplier.

Overs/innings One innings each of 20 overs per side.

Public holidays No breaks in the schedule.

Zonal stage Starts 23rd April. Ends 4th June.
Three Zones: West/central, East, Further East.

Groups stage Starts 11th June. Ends 23rd July.

Championship Group: Zonal stage winners and runners-up from each Zone plus the best two third-placed teams (8 teams).

Plate/Shield Groups: One of 7 and one of 8 teams organised as geographically proximate as possible.

Results of matches played on Sunday 4th June must be communicated by the home team to the U13s Competition Secretary by text, email or phone immediately after the match is finished. The home team must also update play-cricket. Clubs will be notified of the Groups fixtures by Thursday 8th June.

Under 13 Zone 1

Chester Boughton Hall (*Chester B H*), Davenham Green, Elworth Foxes, Haslington, Neston, Oakmere Originals, Oxton (7 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Chester B H v. Oakmere Originals
Davenham Green v. Elworth Foxes
Oxton v. Neston
Haslington *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 30th April

Davenham Green v. Chester B H
Haslington v. Neston
Oxton v. Elworth Foxes
Oakmere Originals *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 7th May

Neston v. Elworth Foxes

Oakmere Originals v. Haslington

Oxton v. Davenham Green

Chester B H *NO FIXTURE***Sunday, 21st May**

Elworth Foxes v. Chester B H

Haslington v. Davenham Green

Oakmere Originals v. Neston

Oxton *NO FIXTURE***Sunday, 4th June**

Chester B H v. Haslington

Neston v. Davenham Green

Oakmere Originals v. Oxton

Elworth Foxes *NO FIXTURE***Sunday, 14th May**Davenham Green v. Oakmere
Originals

Haslington v. Elworth Foxes

Oxton v. Chester B H

Neston *NO FIXTURE***Sunday, 28th May**

Elworth Foxes v. Oakmere Originals

Haslington v. Oxton

Neston v. Chester B H

Davenham Green *NO FIXTURE***Sunday, 11th June***U13s GROUP STAGE STARTS***Under 13 Zone 2**

Alderley Edge, Bowdon, Grappenhall, Lindow Reds, Macclesfield, Mobberley, Timperley Eagles, Toft (8 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Alderley Edge v. Bowdon

Lindow Reds v. Timperley Eagles

Macclesfield v. Mobberley

Toft v. Grappenhall

Sunday, 30th April

Bowdon v. Lindow Reds

Grappenhall v. Macclesfield

Mobberley v. Timperley Eagles

Toft v. Alderley Edge

Sunday, 7th May

Alderley Edge v. Timperley Eagles

Bowdon v. Mobberley

Grappenhall v. Lindow Reds

Macclesfield v. Toft

Sunday, 14th May

Alderley Edge v. Macclesfield

Lindow Reds v. Toft

Mobberley v. Grappenhall

Timperley Eagles v. Bowdon

Sunday, 21st May

Grappenhall v. Bowdon

Lindow Reds v. Alderley Edge

Mobberley v. Toft

Timperley Eagles v. Macclesfield

Sunday, 28th May

Macclesfield v. Lindow Reds

Mobberley v. Alderley Edge

Timperley Eagles v. Grappenhall

Toft v. Bowdon

Sunday, 4th June

Alderley Edge v. Grappenhall
 Bowdon v. Macclesfield
 Lindow Reds v. Mobberley
 Toft v. Timperley Eagles

Sunday, 11th June

U13s GROUP STAGE STARTS

Under 13 Zone 3

Hale Barns, Heaton Mersey, Hyde, Mellor CCCL, North East Cheshire (*N E Cheshire*), Romiley, Sale, Timperley Falcons (8 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Mellor CCCL v. Heaton Mersey
 N E Cheshire v. Hyde
 Romiley v. Timperley Falcons
 Sale v. Hale Barns

Sunday, 30th April

Hale Barns v. Timperley Falcons
 Hyde v. Heaton Mersey
 N E Cheshire v. Sale
 Romiley v. Mellor CCCL

Sunday, 7th May

Heaton Mersey v. Timperley Falcons
 Hyde v. Hale Barns
 N E Cheshire v. Mellor CCCL
 Sale v. Romiley

Sunday, 14th May

Heaton Mersey v. Romiley
 Hyde v. Sale
 Mellor CCCL v. Hale Barns
 Timperley Falcons v. N E Cheshire

Sunday, 21st May

Heaton Mersey v. Hale Barns
 Mellor CCCL v. Hyde
 Romiley v. N E Cheshire
 Sale v. Timperley Falcons

Sunday, 28th May

Hale Barns v. Romiley
 Mellor CCCL v. Sale
 N E Cheshire v. Heaton Mersey
 Timperley Falcons v. Hyde

Sunday, 4th June

Hale Barns v. N E Cheshire
 Hyde v. Romiley
 Sale v. Heaton Mersey
 Timperley Falcons v. Mellor CCCL

Sunday, 11th June

U13s GROUP STAGE STARTS

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UNDER 14 JOHN NORTH CUP

All U14s Cup matches are 20 overs per side.

The first three rounds and semi-finals are Date Ranges (see Rule 22)a)ii). All dates are immutable and will be strictly enforced.

U14s John North Trophy Final: Sunday, 9th July **

U14s John North Trophy Reserve date for Final: w/c Sunday, 9th July or w/c Sunday, 16th July **

Rules 23)b) and 23)c) apply specifically to Final and Reserve Dates.

**** The match date and time will be decided by the Competition Secretary. Home advantage will be by the toss of a coin by the Competition Secretary.**

The full U14s Rules are on page 85.

Play-cricket link to draw: *Not available at publication date*

2023 Under 14 John North Cup				
<i>Round 1 by 14th May</i>	<i>Round 2 by 4th June</i>	<i>Round 3 by 18th June</i>	<i>Semi-finals by 2nd July</i>	<i>Final 9th July</i>
New Brighton				
Oxton				
	Chester Boughton Hall			
	Alvanley			
	Neston			
Sandbach				
Middlewich				
	Lindow			
	Bowdon			
	Brooklands			
Davenham				
Grappenhall				

	Heaton		
	Mersey		
Macclesfield			
North East Cheshire			
Toft			
Warrington: U14 Hurricanes			
Hyde			
Stockport			
Ashley			
Timperley			
	Alderley Edge		
	Mobberley		

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UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIP

The summary below must be used in conjunction with the full Rules for the U13s Championship on [page 83 of the Handbook](#). All team managers and coaches should be familiar with these Rules.

Playing day/time Sunday mornings at 9:30 am but see Rule 5)d) for alternative possibilities.

Pitch length 22 yards.

Ball type/weight Adult sized cricket ball from League's mandated supplier.

Overs/innings One innings each of 20 overs per side.

Public holidays No breaks in the schedule.

Zonal stage Starts 23rd April. Ends 4th June.
Three Zones: West/central, East, Further East.

Groups stage Starts 11th June. Ends 23rd July.

Championship Group: Zonal stage winners and runners-up from each Zone plus the best two third-placed teams (8 teams).

Plate/Shield Groups: One of 7 and one of 8 teams organised as geographically proximate as possible.

Results of matches played on Sunday 4th June must be communicated by the home team to the U13s Competition Secretary by text, email or phone immediately after the match is finished. The home team must also update play-cricket. Clubs will be notified of the Groups fixtures by Thursday 8th June.

Under 15 Zone 1

Alvanley, Caldý, Chester Boughton Hall (*Chester B H*), Irby, Neston, Oxton, Port Sunlight (7 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Alvanley v. Chester B H
Neston v. Oxton
Port Sunlight v. Irby
Caldý *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 30th April

Alvanley v. Oxton
Chester B H v. Caldý
Neston v. Irby
Port Sunlight *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 7th May

Alvanley v. Caldý
 Irby v. Chester B H
 Port Sunlight v. Neston
 Oxton *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 21st May

Chester B H v. Port Sunlight
 Neston v. Alvanley
 Oxton v. Caldý
 Irby *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 4th June

Caldý v. Neston
 Irby v. Alvanley
 Oxton v. Port Sunlight
 Chester B H *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 14th May

Caldý v. Port Sunlight
 Chester B H v. Neston
 Irby v. Oxton
 Alvanley *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 28th May

Caldý v. Irby
 Oxton v. Chester B H
 Port Sunlight v. Alvanley
 Neston *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 11th June

U15s GROUP STAGE STARTS

U15 Zone 2

Alderley Edge, Bowdon, Grappenhall, Langley Dragons, Macclesfield, Middlewich, Nantwich, Timperley (8 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Bowdon v. Alderley Edge
 Grappenhall v. Langley Dragons
 Middlewich v. Nantwich
 Timperley v. Macclesfield

Sunday, 30th April

Alderley Edge v. Grappenhall
 Langley Dragons v. Bowdon
 Macclesfield v. Middlewich
 Timperley v. Nantwich

Sunday, 7th May

Langley Dragons v. Macclesfield
 Middlewich v. Grappenhall
 Nantwich v. Alderley Edge
 Timperley v. Bowdon

Sunday, 14th May

Bowdon v. Nantwich
 Grappenhall v. Timperley
 Langley Dragons v. Middlewich
 Macclesfield v. Alderley Edge

Sunday, 21st May

Alderley Edge v. Langley Dragons
 Bowdon v. Macclesfield
 Nantwich v. Grappenhall
 Timperley v. Middlewich

Sunday, 28th May

Alderley Edge v. Timperley
 Bowdon v. Middlewich
 Grappenhall v. Macclesfield
 Nantwich v. Langley Dragons

Sunday, 4th June

Grappenhall v. Bowdon
 Langley Dragons v. Timperley
 Macclesfield v. Nantwich
 Middlewich v. Alderley Edge

Sunday, 11th June

U15s GROUP STAGE STARTS

U15 Zone 3

Bramhall, Cheadle, Heaton Mersey, Hyde, North East Cheshire (*N E Cheshire*), Stockport, Stockport Georgians (*Stockport Geos*) (7 teams)

Sunday, 23rd April

Heaton Mersey v. Cheadle
 Hyde v. Bramhall
 Stockport Geos v. N E Cheshire
 Stockport *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 30th April

Bramhall v. Stockport Geos
 Cheadle v. Stockport
 Heaton Mersey v. N E Cheshire
 Hyde *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 7th May

Bramhall v. Cheadle
 Stockport v. Heaton Mersey
 Stockport Geos v. Hyde
 N E Cheshire *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 14th May

Bramhall v. Heaton Mersey
 Cheadle v. Hyde
 N E Cheshire v. Stockport
 Stockport Geos *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 21st May

Hyde v. Heaton Mersey
 N E Cheshire v. Bramhall
 Stockport v. Stockport Geos
 Cheadle *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 28th May

Cheadle v. N E Cheshire
 Heaton Mersey v. Stockport Geos
 Hyde v. Stockport
 Bramhall *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 4th June

N E Cheshire v. Hyde
 Stockport v. Bramhall
 Stockport Geos v. Cheadle
 Heaton Mersey *NO FIXTURE*

Sunday, 11th June

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JOHN NORTH UNDER 16 CUP

All U16s Cup matches are 20 overs per side.

The first three rounds and semi-finals are Date Ranges (see Rule 22)a)ii). All dates are immutable and will be strictly enforced.

U16s John North Trophy Final: Sunday, 23rd July **

U16s John North Trophy Reserve date for Final: TBC **

Rules 23)b) and 23)c) apply specifically to Final and Reserve Dates.

**** The match date and time will be decided by the Competition Secretary. Home advantage will be by the toss of a coin by the Competition Secretary.**

The full U16s Rules are on page 88.

Play-cricket link to draw: *Not available at publication date*

2023 Under 16 John North Cup				
<i>Round 1 by 7th May</i>	<i>Round 2 by 25th June</i>	<i>Round 3 by 9th July</i>	<i>Semi-finals by 16th July</i>	<i>Final 23rd July</i>
	Heaton			
	Mersey			
	North East			
	Cheshire			
Alderley				
Edge				
Haslington				
Bramhall				
Brooklands				
Macclesfield				
Ashley				
Stockport				
Trinity				
Stockport				
Warrington				
Middlewich				
Toft				
Lindow				
Cheadle				

Timperley			
Bowdon			
Hale Barns			
	Hyde		
	Stockport Georgians		
Birkenhead Park			
Oxton			
Irby			
Neston			
Barrow			
Davenham			
Port Sunlight			
Chester Boughton Hall			

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U17 HUNDRED COMPETITION

The summary below must be used in conjunction with the full Rules for the U17s Hundred on page 89 of the Handbook. All team managers and coaches should be familiar with these Rules.

Playing day/time	The fixture lists show “week commencing” dates. The normal day-of-week for each club’s home match is shown along with the list of Under 17 Hundred contacts at the end of this section. Matches should normally take place on that day-of-week but, with the intent of maintaining participation, rearrangements are permitted (see Rule 20)b), page 89).
Pitch length	22 yards.
Ball type/weight	Adult sized cricket ball from the League’s approved supplier.
Overs/innings	One innings each of 20 overs per side.
Public holidays	n/a
Zonal stage	Four Zones: West/central, Central/East, East, North East play each other once. Begins w/c Sunday 9th July. Ends w/c Sunday 6th August.
Play-offs	For all Play-off matches, the Competition Secretary will toss a coin to decide home advantage. Semi-finals: Play during w/c Sunday 13th August. See Rule 11)e) for full details of the selection process from the Zonal tables. SF1: Winner, Zone 1 v. Winner Zone 3 SF2: Winner, Zone 2 v. Winner Zone 4 Final: Play during w/c Sunday 20th August.

Under 17 Hundred Zone 1

Barrow Bashers, Davenham, Haslington, Middlewich, Neston, Port Sunlight
(6 teams)

w/c Sunday, 9th July

Davenham v. Haslington
Middlewich v. Neston
Port Sunlight v. Barrow Bashers

w/c Sunday, 23rd July

Davenham v. Barrow Bashers
Haslington v. Middlewich
Port Sunlight v. Neston

w/c Sunday, 6th August

Barrow Bashers v. Haslington
Middlewich v. Port Sunlight
Neston v. Davenham

w/c Sunday, 20th August

U17s HUNDRED FINAL

w/c Sunday, 16th July

Haslington v. Port Sunlight
Middlewich v. Davenham
Neston v. Barrow Bashers

w/c Sunday, 30th July

Barrow Bashers v. Middlewich
Neston v. Haslington
Port Sunlight v. Davenham

w/c Sunday, 13th August

U17s HUNDRED SEMI-FINALS

Under 17 Hundred Zone 2

Bramhall, Grappenhall, Lindow, Timperley, Toft, Warrington (6 teams)

w/c Sunday, 9th July

Bramhall v. Lindow
Grappenhall v. Toft
Timperley v. Warrington

w/c Sunday, 23rd July

Bramhall v. Warrington
Lindow v. Grappenhall
Toft v. Timperley

w/c Sunday, 6th August

Grappenhall v. Bramhall
Lindow v. Timperley
Warrington v. Toft

w/c Sunday, 16th July

Bramhall v. Toft
Timperley v. Grappenhall
Warrington v. Lindow

w/c Sunday, 30th July

Grappenhall v. Warrington
Timperley v. Bramhall
Toft v. Lindow

w/c Sunday, 13th August

U17s HUNDRED SEMI-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 20th August

U17s HUNDRED FINAL

Under 17 Hundred Zone 3

Alderley Edge, Cheadle Hulme, Macclesfield, Mellor, North East Cheshire (*N E Cheshire*), Stockport Georgians (*Stockport Geos*) (6 teams)

w/c Sunday, 9th July

Alderley Edge v. N E Cheshire
Macclesfield v. Cheadle Hulme
Stockport Geos v. Mellor

w/c Sunday, 16th July

Cheadle Hulme v. Alderley Edge
Mellor v. Macclesfield
Stockport Geos v. N E Cheshire

w/c Sunday, 23rd July

Mellor v. Cheadle Hulme
N E Cheshire v. Macclesfield
Stockport Geos v. Alderley Edge

w/c Sunday, 30th July

Alderley Edge v. Mellor
Macclesfield v. Stockport Geos
N E Cheshire v. Cheadle Hulme

w/c Sunday, 6th August

Alderley Edge v. Macclesfield
Cheadle Hulme v. Stockport Geos
N E Cheshire v. Mellor

w/c Sunday, 13th August

U17s HUNDRED SEMI-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 20th August

U17s HUNDRED FINAL

Under 17 Hundred Zone 4

Bredbury St Marks (*Bredbury St M*), Cheadle, Heaton Mersey, Hyde, Stockport Blues, Stockport Trinity Topcats (6 teams)

w/c Sunday, 9th July

Hyde v. Cheadle
Stockport Blues v. Bredbury St M
Stockport Trinity Topcats v. Heaton Mersey

w/c Sunday, 16th July

Bredbury St M v. Cheadle
Hyde v. Stockport Trinity Topcats
Stockport Blues v. Heaton Mersey

w/c Sunday, 23rd July

Bredbury St M v. Heaton Mersey
 Cheadle v. Stockport Trinity Topcats
 Stockport Blues v. Hyde

w/c Sunday, 30th July

Cheadle v. Stockport Blues
 Heaton Mersey v. Hyde
 Stockport Trinity Topcats v. Bredbury St M

w/c Sunday, 6th August

Bredbury St M v. Hyde
 Heaton Mersey v. Cheadle
 Stockport Trinity Topcats v. Stockport Blues

w/c Sunday, 13th August

U17s HUNDRED SEMI-FINALS

w/c Sunday, 20th August

U17s HUNDRED FINAL

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CCCL JUNIOR CRICKET SECTION

MATCH REGULATIONS (2023 SEASON)

These Rules incorporate rules for the U9s, U11s, U12s Cup, U13s, U14s Cup, U15s, U16s Cup and U17s Hundred competitions. Abbreviations such as “U9s” for “Under 9s” are used throughout.

Reference to “he” or to “his” shall be taken to mean, respectively, “he or she” or “his or her”, unless specific reference is made to male or female.

DEFINITIONS:

“Senior League”	The Cheshire County Cricket League (“CCCL”) as an entity (Senior and Junior Sections).
“League”	Unless stated otherwise, the CCCL Junior Section.
“Member”	A Full or Associate Member of the Junior Section - see 1)b) below.
“Committee”	The CCCL Junior Section Committee.
“Secretary”	The CCCL Junior Section Secretary.
“Fixture Secretary”	The CCCL Junior Section Fixture Secretary.
“Organiser”	The person at a club whose role is Juniors Chair, Juniors Organiser, Head of Junior Cricket etc.
“Handbook”	The current season’s League handbook.
“Zone”, “Zonal”	Referring to mini-league(s) consisting of teams whose grounds are relatively close geographically.
“Group”, “Groups”	Referring to mini-league(s) consisting of teams chosen from the outcome of the Zonal stage of a competition.
“Playing Day”	Refers to the day of week nominated by a club or mandated by the League for the club’s home matches in a particular age group. E.g. “U11 Playing Day”.
“Average Run Rate”	See Appendix 1, page 100.
“Net Run Rate”	See Appendix 1, page 100.

GENERAL RULES APPLYING TO ALL COMPETITIONS

1) ETHOS AND MEMBERSHIP:

- a) The object of the League shall be to increase the interest in, and popularity of, the game of Cricket and to encourage the development of junior talent throughout the League.
- b) Membership of the Junior Section is automatic for full members of the Senior League. Other clubs in Cheshire may become Associate Members of the Junior Section at the discretion of the Junior Cricket Section Committee whose decision shall be final.
- c) It is understood that Members will not necessarily enter team(s) into the Junior Section every season. The Organiser will be the point of contact for each Member. Members will be emailed with notifications and calls for action from time to time. If a Member's Organiser changes, the onus is on the Member to notify the Secretary in order to avoid any missed messages such as those relating to the AGM or entry requirements for a new season.
- d) Applications to join any of the competitions for a season must be made not later than 31st January in the year of that season by means of a digital entry form accessed by a link that is circulated to Members via email by the Secretary or Fixture Secretary early in the said January.
- e) Entry fees will be invoiced to clubs on or after the date that the initial (Zonal and cups) fixtures have been declared as final by the Fixture Secretary. Any withdrawals notified on or after this date will be invoiced as if the withdrawal had not taken place.

2) LAWS, RULES, AND GUIDANCE:

- a) All matches shall be played according to the Laws of Cricket and relevant ECB guidelines (especially those that apply to junior cricket), except where otherwise provided for in these regulations. Organisers, coaches and managers should be aware of the ECB General Conduct Regulations ("GCR"), and they, and all players, parents and spectators, should be familiar with the ECB Code of Conduct incorporating the Spirit of Cricket ("ECBCoc/SoC"), and the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code (2022) ("ADC Code").
- b) The ECBCoc/SoC and ADC Code are reproduced at the start of the Handbook. Links to the GCR and related information are provided in the Handdbook, Appendix 2, page 102.
- c) Every team shall have a manager and/or a coach and that person or

their nominated alternate or deputy shall be present at each match that the team plays. If a team manager and/or coach are not available for any reason, then the Club is expected to find someone else to deputise. Not having the normal manager/coach available will not be a valid reason for not accepting a match date offered by opposition in any division or cup competition.

- d) On field coaching in CCCL junior matches is governed by the guidelines set out in the chart on the next page. Whenever independent umpires stand, they will be asked to enforce the prohibition of coaching of any form during the course of play.
- e) At the start of every match, coaches and managers shall make every reasonable effort to emphasise, to players and their parents and/or friends who are present, that the League will continue to take whatever action is appropriate to ensure that all participants and spectators adhere to the principles and values set out in the ECB documents cited in Rule 2)a).
- f) Each team must provide the opposing team with a complete team sheet, either on paper or digitally on play-cricker.com *before* play commences. *For the avoidance of doubt, specifically for juniors' matches played in the League, if a player arrives so late that he misses the first innings during which his team is fielding, he may bat during his team's subsequent innings.*
- g) Every team shall have a scorer and scoring shall be conducted according to Rule 10).
- h) If inclement weather has potentially made a ground unfit and the groundsmen is not available to make a decision, then the two team managers should mutually agree cancellation at a reasonable time before the scheduled match start time, taking into account possible improving weather conditions.

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		Under 17	Under 14/15	Under 12/13	Under 11	Under 9
Parental & spectator involvement	ACCEPTABLE	Encouragement and applause from the boundary				
	NOT ACCEPTABLE	Any form of coaching or shouting to the players on pitch, parents must abide by the code of conduct				
ON pitch umpire involvement (the umpire in most cases will be a team coach or manager)	ACCEPTABLE	Talking to captain between overs if asked for advice	Talking to captain between overs. Helping captains when asked to do so during an over. Directing bowling changes	Helping captains to set fields and encouraging players- this might be in the form of a reminder of where they should be fielding or to remember to walk in/back up etc. Directing bowling changes		
	NOT ACCEPTABLE	Directing field placings, shouting instructions across the ground. Team meetings/huddles during an innings.	Overtly directing field placings, shouting instructions across the ground. Team meetings/huddles during an innings. Stopping play to coach or move fielders	Shouting instructions across the ground. Team meetings / huddles during an innings. Lengthy stoppages of play to coach an individual player.		
OFF pitch coach / manager involvement	ACCEPTABLE	Talking to team and captain before, mid- and post- game and during a drinks break. Walking around boundary encouraging fielders. Passing advice to captain if requested.				
	NOT ACCEPTABLE	Directing field placings/bowling changes. Shouting instructions across the ground				

The table above diagrams acceptable coaching behaviour during a match.

For finals, where independent umpires are involved, any form of coaching from the boundary line will **NOT** be permitted by the umpires.

3) HEALTH AND SAFETY:

Umpires and coaches must ensure that ECB Health and Safety guidelines for junior cricket are followed, in particular:

- a) That all junior players wear helmets with a face visor when batting or keeping wicket standing up (see page 7 of the Handbook).
- b) That the ECB Fielding Regulations (see page 16 of the Handbook or <https://www.ecb.co.uk/governance/regulations/non-first-class-regulations> for this and other relevant regulations) are obeyed.
- c) That at grounds such as Chester Boughton Hall, during periods where low evening sunlight can make it impossible for batters to see the ball, umpires will stipulate that all overs are bowled into the sun during those periods.
- d) For all matches that are League fixtures, the home club must provide drinks at the interval for its own team and for the visiting team.

4) REGISTRATION AND AGE GROUPS:

- a) Every player must be properly registered member of the club in whose team(s) he plays.
- b) The age of every male player in a team that is entered in any of the League's competitions must be as required by the Rule pertaining to the age of players for that competition.
- c) A female player, who plays in team composed predominantly of male players, may play in age groups below the one that would normally be determined by her age subject to the following restrictions:
 - i) If the female player is also playing representative or senior cricket, then she may play only ONE age group year below the one that would normally be determined by her age.
 - ii) All other female players may play up to TWO age group years below the one that would normally be determined by their age.
 - iii) There is no limit to the number of overage female players that may be included in any one predominantly male team.
- d) For the avoidance of doubt, an 'overseas' junior player who is visiting the UK, say, on a school exchange or as a result of parental employment, may, subject to Rule 4)a), play in the competition appropriate for his age group as defined in these rules.
- e) A junior player who is registered with two clubs *must always* play in different leagues for each club. *For the avoidance of doubt, a junior player may play in two leagues for the same club but he may NOT play*

in the same league for two clubs. If such a player joins a club after the start of the playing season, the Secretary must be notified at least 10 days in advance of the date that the player will participate in his first competitive match for that club.

- f) Inter-club transfers are required to be referred to the Senior Committee in accordance with Senior League practice (see the CCCL Senior handbook for details of this procedure).

5) ENTRIES, TEAMS, FIXTURES & REARRANGEMENTS:

- a) A club may enter one or two teams into the U9s or U11s Championships, however, a club may normally enter only one team in the U13s or U15s Championships, the U12s, U14s or U16s_John North Cups and the U17s Hundred competition. The League requests that Organisers consider carefully, before entering a team, that the required number of players for that team is sustainable throughout the season. In particular, Organisers should note the italicised wording in Rule 5)d)vii).
- b) All junior players must be registered on play-ricket.com and play-cricket squads created for each team entered in any of the League competitions. *A club that enters two teams into a competition MUST follow this registration process for both teams in the relevant age group.*
- c) If a team is forced to withdraw from any age group league format competition after the season has started, its total points in the league table will be zeroised. [*This possibility will be born in mind by the Fixture Secretary when drawing up fixtures so no assumptions will be made as to the exact numbers of teams in any Zone or group when considering outcomes.*]
- d) Normally, all league-format (round robin) matches must be played on the dates, or during the time periods, specified in the official fixture list. [*Specific rules apply to all cup-format (knockout) matches: see Rule 21.*]
 - i) Clubs will be expected to fulfil their league-format fixtures on a specified date even if, on that date, some of their players are selected to play in county matches, or if they wish to enter a cricket festival, or if the team is involved in a match in another league on the day in question.
 - ii) As a concession to the inevitable problems of player and ground availability during the first three weeks of the season in April and early May due to conflicts with sports such as football, rugby etc,

the following applies: U9s, U11s, U13s and U15s teams that normally play on Sunday mornings may, *by mutual agreement with the opposing team's manager*, play a scheduled Sunday morning league-format match later on the same day or in an evening on a date that is *BEFORE* the last scheduled date for the Zonal stage of the relevant competition. (If an evening match for U13 or U15 see also Rule 5)d)iii) below.) Only one such rearrangement per fixture may be made and the Competition Secretary for the age group must be informed by email, with the reason for the deferment, at least *seven* days in advance of the original scheduled date of the match.

- iii) Following the first three weeks of the season there are age group specific rules for possible Zonal and/or Groups stage rearrangements for which see the specific age groups sections for U9s (page 76), U11s (page 79), U13s (page 83), U15s (page 86).
- iv) If no response is received to a request for rearrangement by the home team to the away team then the first step should be escalation of the request to the away club's Juniors Organiser. A list of Juniors Organisers starts on page 53. If this approach also fails, the home team manager should make a brief but detailed email report to the relevant Competition Secretary whose decision on the result of the impasse will be final and binding.
- v) If the rearrangement rules are not followed or the two team managers cannot agree, then the match will be treated as null-and-void (i.e. no points to either side) in the Zone/group league table.
- vi) The normal playing day for U13s and U15s is Sunday morning with the option of a weekday evening match. By *MUTUAL* agreement between team managers, any U13 or U15 match may be rearranged as a (possibly reduced-overs) match in the week immediately following the scheduled Sunday. Only *ONE* rearrangement per fixture is permitted and the mutually rearranged date must be notified to the appropriate Competition Secretary at least *SEVEN* days in advance of the scheduled Sunday. Furthermore:
 - (1) If such advanced notification is not given as prescribed, or the team managers cannot mutually agree a rearrangement, the match will be treated as null-and-void (i.e. no points to either side) in the Zone/group league table.

- (2) If no response is received to a request for rearrangement by the home team to the away team then the first step should be escalation of the request to the away club's Juniors Organiser. A list of Juniors Organisers starts on page 53. If this approach also fails, the home team manager should make a brief but detailed email report to the relevant Competition Secretary whose decision on the result of the impasse will be final and binding.
- vii) In exceptional circumstances, with the approval of both clubs involved in the fixture, an application may be made to the Secretary at least SEVEN days before the planned match for an alternative date which must be before the final date for fixtures in the current phase of a competition. The Secretary will consult Committee members and the decision shall be final and binding. *Exceptional circumstances do not include players absent due to holidays, or playing any form of representative cricket, or playing in a cricket team in another league or festival, or participating in another sport.* The following are examples of valid reasons:
- A ground will be unavailable because it is required for a senior match, a junior county match or a cricket festival.
 - A team has reached the semi-final or final in the Cheshire U13s Cup or U15s Cup and the date for that match is immutable.
- e) If a team concedes a match, then for a League, Zonal or Group match, points will be deducted (see Rule 11)d).
- f) If a club chooses to enter more than one team in any age group in a season, then (i) No player who has played more than three matches in this league for a team in an age group may thereafter play any match for any other team in the same age group in the current season and (ii) No player shall play a match in the same age group more than once in any week (where a week is defined as Sunday to Saturday).

6) DEFAULT:

If a team cannot field at least 8 players (7 players for U9s) for a match at the scheduled start time, then that team will be considered to have defaulted. This Rule 6) applies to both the teams in a fixture:

- a) For U9s, U11s, U12s, U13s, U14s, U15s and U17s matches, the defaulting club will be fined, at a rate to be fixed annually by the Management Committee (2023 £20 per default).
- b) For the U9s and U11s semi-final and final, and U14s, U12s and U16s

cup matches, then

- i) If only one team has defaulted, then the other team will win the match.
 - ii) In the unlikely event that both teams have defaulted, the Secretary will be informed so that a decision can be made regarding the continuance of the competition.
- c) For the U9s and U11s Zonal stage, and the U13s and U15s competitions, THREE penalty points will be *deducted* from the defaulting team's accumulated total in the relevant table and, provided that the opposing side has fielded 8 or more players, the opposing side will be *awarded* FIVE points. If *both* teams have fielded less than 8 players, then THREE penalty points will be *deducted* from the accumulated totals of *both* teams.
- d) Any match played where one or both teams have fielded less than 8 players (7 players for U9s) will be considered to be a friendly game, and the result will be recorded as a default.

7) UMPIRES, UMPIRING AND CONDUCT ON AND OFF THE FIELD OF PLAY:

- a) Umpires must at all times conduct a match according to the Laws of Cricket, together with these playing regulations and the ECB Code of Conduct.
- b) Normally, each club must provide a senior member to act as umpire for each match. In order to ensure consistency in the application of the Laws, umpires should not be changed during the course of a match, unless an event, such as illness, makes this absolutely necessary.
- c) **Bowling of 'beamers'**: From 1 April 2019, the Laws contain a reversion to much of the pre-2018 law regarding the taking off of a bowler for delivering a 'beamer' (i.e. a ball above waist height that has not hit the pitch). First of all, the waist is now defined as the waistband on trousers worn normally and the striker standing upright on the crease. Second, all beamers are No Balls. Third, the umpires need to assess the danger involved, taking into account speed, direction, repetition and skill of batter. If the umpire(s) believe the delivery is dangerous, a warning is to be given, and on the second occurrence, the bowler ought to be taken off. Coaches/team managers who umpire will not be expected to make automatic taking-off decisions but will continue to use common sense. It was noted in discussion at the 2018 League AGM that many 'beamers' are bowled accidentally by young players during the learning process so some leeway is normally appropriate. It

was also noted that, in a junior final with panel umpires, coaches should discuss the application of 'taking off because of a beamer' before the game with the umpires who will stand. Of course, any obvious deliberate beamer must always be penalised.

d) Behaviour of players and spectators:

- i) If, at any time during a match, it is the joint opinion of the umpires that the behaviour of player(s), non-playing club members or spectator(s) is significantly and/or repeatedly in contravention of the ECB Code of Conduct and/or the Spirit of Cricket and/or the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code then the umpires, acting jointly, will cease play immediately. The match will be deemed to have been abandoned.
- ii) If, at any time during a match, including during the period before the starting time for a match and the period immediately after a match has finished, either umpire is personally abused by a player, or players, or by a spectator or spectators, then the umpires will jointly have the right to deem the match to have been abandoned, regardless of any actual result on the field of play.

If a stoppage or abandonment is necessary under this rule, the umpires will email a report following the template provided in the ECB General Conduct Regulations (see page 102) Conduct & Diversity Secretary so that appropriate further action can be taken by the League and/or Senior League and/or County Cricket Board (see Rule 12)).

- e) The League, in common with all other cricketing bodies, does not tolerate dissent by players. Cases of dissent will be reported to the player's club and, if not dealt with appropriately by that club, will be dealt with as mandated in Rule 7)d) above.
- f) Independent umpires will be appointed by the League Committee for all Finals.

8) MATCH BALLS:

For matches in the U11s, U12s, U13s, U14s, U15s, U16s and U17s age groups, each club must provide a match ball of the prescribed grade and

make from the League's appointed supplier ¹ for its team's innings. Sizes are:

- a) For U11, U12 and U13 matches, 4.75 oz ("youth sized") cricket balls.
- b) For U14, U15, U16 and U17 matches, 5.5 oz ("adult sized") balls.
- c) For U9 matches, see Rule13)ii).
- d) *For age groups other than U9, pink match balls of the correct weight and from the appointed supplier must be used for evening matches.*

9) CLOTHING:

Clothing should be predominantly white for league-format matches but coloured kit is permitted for the U17 Hundred and the three John North Cups.

10) SCORING:

- a) For the purposes of these rules, the following terms have the definitions shown:
 - **"Scoring App"** is the Play-cricket scoring app available for Android and IOS devices.
 - **"Manual Scorebook"** is used to refer specifically to a traditional scorebook.
 - **"Scorebook"** is either or both of Scoring App and Manual Scorebook.
 - **"Sign"** or **"Signing"**, when referring to a Scorebook, means a handwritten signature for a Manual scorebook or its digital equivalent (if available) for the Scoring App.
- b) Use of the Scoring App is mandatory in all CCCL John North Cup matches and non-pairs Play-off matches (so that Duckworth-Lewis is available at the touch of a button in the event of inclement weather). The Scoring App is also strongly recommended for use in all CCCL Juniors league-format matches. When the Scoring App is being used, parallel use of a Manual Scorebook is, of course, always an option on the 'belt and braces' principle.
- c) Scorebooks must be completed to show every batter's and bowler's

¹ For 2023, the official make of ball is Readers, from Kookaburra-Readers Ltd. Full details regarding the use of mandatory balls are available from the Secretary.

name (see Rule 2)f) regarding team sheets), the runs, extras and penalties subtotals, the total score and the number of wickets fallen for each innings. At the end of an innings, scorers must confirm that the two scorebooks agree, whereupon scorers and managers must confirm that the relevant subtotals and totals agree, and managers must print their name in and Sign each other's scorebooks. Umpires must also Sign scorebooks in the case of cup finals. In cases of dispute, match results from incomplete scorebooks may, at the committee's sole discretion, be deemed to be void.

- d) It may aid accurate scoring if batters wear a coloured armband (e.g. cycle through red, yellow, blue, orange) to assist scorers in identification,
- e) If the details in a scorebook, or a post-match transcript to play-cricket.com, show that either side has breached competition-specific rule regarding enforced retirement of batters and/or bowling restrictions, then the match result will be declared Null and Void. In a league competition, zero points will be awarded to both teams. In a cup competition, both teams will be eliminated from the draw.

11) NOTIFYING AND RECORDING RESULTS:

- a) The result of either a league-format or cup-format match must be entered on play-cricket.com immediately after that match has been played.
- b) The home team is responsible for reporting a result on play-cricket within 48 hours of the start of the match, however, the away team may report the result if it chooses to do so. If no result has been reported after 48 hours, the Competition Secretary for the age group will mark and lock the result as 'Null and Void' and
 - i) In the case of a league-format match, NEITHER team will receive any points from that match.
 - ii) In the case of a cup-format match, BOTH clubs will be disqualified from the competition.
- c) Additionally, the home club responsible will be fined, at a rate to be fixed annually by the Committee (£10 per late report). Clubs will have the right of appeal where there are extenuating circumstances such as illness. Such appeals should be sent to the League Secretary, who will consult with the Committee. The Committee's decision will be final and binding.
- d) Details of results recorded on the League's play-cricket.com website,

together with appropriate League, Zone or Group tables, or Knockout charts, will be available for viewing by members.

- e) For results not determined on a knock-out basis, the automatically-generated play-cricket.com website tables will be the sole method used to determine the positions of teams in any league-format competition or stage in a competition (Zone or Group).
- f) Points will be awarded and/or deducted for each completed league-format, Zonal or Group fixture as follows:

	Team 1 points	Team 2 points	Notes
Win	5	0	No points for a loss.
Tie	3	3	
Default (team not having at least 8 players present at the start of a match)	See Rule 7	See Rule 7	
Concession (unable to fulfil a fixture)	5	-2	Conceding team is Team 2 from which two points are <i>deducted</i> . Fine also applies.
Cancelled or Abandoned (inclement weather etc.)	2	2	
Null & Void	0	0	(a) No result reported within 48 hours. Fine also applies or (b) team managers cannot agree on a playing date or re-arrangement.

- g) In the event of two or more teams having the same number of points in a table, or the same Zonal positions where Zonal positions are used to select teams for the following stage of a competition, then, for the purposes of deciding the leading team:
- i) The team with the highest play-cricket.com NRR (Net Run Rate) will be ranked highest. [*NRR is defined at the start of these rules.*]
 - ii) If, after application of 11)g)i) there are still tied team(s), then the remaining tied teams will be ranked by descending number of matches won
 - iii) If, after application of 11)g)ii) there are still tied team(s), then the remaining tied teams will be ranked by ascending number of matches lost.
 - iv) If, after application of 11)g)iii) there are still tied team(s), then the remaining tie(s) will be resolved by the toss of a coin (or coins in the event of three or more tied teams).
- h) After the Zonal stage of a competition it is often necessary to choose the “best runner-up”, “best third placed team” etc. “Best” in this context means “with the highest number of points in the Zones under consideration”. This is straightforward if all the Zones contain the same number of teams but, in cases where one or more Zones contains fewer teams than the other(s), the points and other numbers in such Zones must be upscaled to permit fair comparison. If necessary, Rule 11)g) must be applied before the upscaling.

An example will illustrate the process: Zone A contains 9 teams and Zone B only 8 teams so multiply the points etc in Zone B by 9/8 (1.125) to give a fair comparison between the two Zones.

- i) Rules 11)g) and 11)h) will also apply to Groups tables or any other league-format table.

12) CONCERNS, DISPUTES AND BREACHES:

- a) **Definitions:**
 - i) An example of a **Concern** would be the notification to the League of a possible overage player in a team.
 - ii) A **Dispute** would typically be between the coaches/managers of two opposing teams e.g. because agreement could not be reached on the date for a match.

- iii) A **Breach** would be a potentially serious matter relating to the ECB Code of Conduct, the Spirit of Cricket and/or the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code.
- b) Concerns and Disputes should be communicated by email to the appropriate Competition Secretary in a timely manner. Should escalation be required, the Competition Secretary will forward all written communications regarding the matter to the Conduct & Diversity Secretary whereupon it will be dealt with as a Breach.
- c) A Breach will be dealt with formally from the outset:
 - i) A written report regarding the circumstances of the Breach (following the requirements of the template provided in the ECB General Conduct Regulations (“GCR”) must be emailed to the Conduct & Diversity Secretary and CC’d to the Chair.
 - ii) The Chair and Conduct & Diversity Secretary will consult with members of both the League committee and Senior League committee to establish the personnel who will investigate the Breach.
 - iii) The investigation will follow the stipulations of the GCR.
 - iv) Sanctions, if any, may include, but not be limited to deduction of points, reallocation of points, and removal of the offending team and/or a player and/or the team manager and/or other official(s) (not the club itself) from part or all of the current season or following season.

LEAGUE FORMAT COMPETITIONS

13) UNDER 9 CHAMPIONSHIP

To be eligible for the U9s Championship, male players must have been under the age of 9 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U9s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following age group specific regulations apply:

- a) The initial stage of the competition will be played in geographic mini-league Zones. The number of Zones and the teams therein are detailed in the U9s fixtures section (Handbook page 20). Play-offs (see page 20) will take place immediately after the completion of the Zonal stage.
- b) A Zonal fixture should be played in the week commencing with the

Sunday allocated for that fixture. In normal circumstances, the away team should expect to travel to a club on that club's U9 Playing Day but rescheduling is permitted provided that the stipulations of Rules 13)d) and 13)e) are strictly followed.

- c) Team managers must contact each other at least seven days before the start of the week in which a fixture is scheduled.
- d) A fixture scheduled for the home club's U9 Playing Day may be rearranged within the allocated week by mutual agreement between the team managers provided that the Competition Secretary is immediately notified by email.
- e) Any Zonal match (not Play-off matches) may be rescheduled to a different week by mutual agreement between managers subject to the following constraints:
 - i) The age group competition secretary is given SEVEN days' notice by email.
 - ii) The match is rescheduled to a date prior to the Sunday of the last week of Zonal fixtures.
 - iii) Only one rearrangement per published fixture is permitted.
 - iv) If a match cannot be played on its scheduled date and the two managers cannot agree on an alternative date then the match will be treated as cancelled with no points awarded to either team.
- f) Matches abandoned owing to inclement weather must not be rearranged (*other than as a friendly game*) and will be recorded as abandoned for the determination of Zonal league table positions.
- g) **Results:**
 - i) See Rule 11) for information on the timely reporting of results on to play-cricket.com.
 - ii) **Points** will be awarded for the outcome of a Zonal fixture according to Rule 11)f).
 - iii) If the scores are level at the end of a match, irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen on either side, the result shall be a tie.
 - iv) In cases where teams finish the Zonal stage of the competition with equal numbers of points, the final table positions in each case will be decided according to Rule 11)g).
- h) Immediately after completion of the Zonal stage, **Play-offs**, consisting of possible quarter finals and certainly semi-finals and a final, will be

contested for the U9s Championship on a knockout basis. The immutable dates for the Play-offs are shown in the U9s fixtures section of the Handbook (page 20).

i) **Match format:**

i) All matches must be played on a pitch 15 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 27 inches tall must be used. The home team shall provide the match ball which must be a youth sized 'Incrediball' or equivalent and this same physical ball must be used for both innings.

ii) Dependent upon where the wickets are pitched, it is suggested that team organisers should agree the length of the boundaries before the start of play, bearing in mind the age of the players involved.

iii) Each side shall comprise of 8 players but if a team can only field 7 players, the managers shall mutually agree, *before the match starts*, the name of the player from that team who will bat twice to avoid "last man standing". The "last man" and the chosen player will then bat normally as the last pair in the innings.

iv) Matches are "pairs" format.

v) All matches shall comprise one innings per side of 16 overs.

vi) Each team shall commence with 200 runs. This total shall be added to as runs are scored. Three runs shall be deducted from the total for each wicket to fall.

vii) The winning team shall be that which finishes with the highest net total of runs.

viii) Where clubs have large squads, Organisers are encouraged to arrange to play two matches at the same time: the competitive match and a friendly game to allow more young players to participate.

j) **Batting:**

i) Each pair shall bat for four overs. Unlimited 'lives' shall be allowed. The batters shall change ends at the fall of each wicket, except when a wicket falls on the last ball of an over.

ii) Normally, the use of wooden or plastic bats shall be at the option of players individually but coaches may agree mutually if they share a desire to play a match with all plastic or all wooden bats.

k) The **LBW** law will not apply as a means of dismissal.

- l) **Stumpings** will be allowed in all U9 matches.
- m) **Bowling:**
- i) All players except the wicket-keeper shall bowl. Each bowler shall bowl at least 2 overs and not more than 3 overs. *For the avoidance of doubt, no player may bowl only one over.*
 - ii) Six-ball overs shall be bowled. Deliveries shall be bowled from above the shoulder of the bowler ² (i.e. *no underarm deliveries are permitted*).
 - iii) Up to two illegal deliveries in any over will be penalised by the normal penalty.
 - iv) Further illegal deliveries in the same over shall incur the normal penalty, but no additional extra deliveries shall be allowed.
 - v) There will be no such limit on the length of the last over, which must consist of six legal deliveries.
 - vi) Balls which are rolling along the ground when they reach the batter, shall be called a 'No Ball'.
 - vii) Any "Beamer" bowled shall be called a "No Ball". See also Rule 7)c).
 - viii) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of an over, that over shall be completed by another bowler.
- n) **Substitutes** will be allowed to take the place of an injured player. Such substitutes will only act as non-strikers while the team is batting. The live batter will receive the strike continuously. Substitutes shall neither bowl nor keep wicket.

Further detailed special regulations concerning the Play-offs, in particular, provisions for the effects of inclement weather appear in Rules 21) to 25).

14) UNDER 11 CHAMPIONSHIP

To be eligible for the U11s Championship, male players must have been under the age of 11 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in

² *(From discussion at the 2013 AGM.) In an ideal world, U9s playing in a scheduled game should be able to bowl with a straight arm but common sense should prevail especially early in the season. It is important to encourage young players to stay in the game but coaches should try to avoid selecting players who have not yet mastered the basic bowling technique.*

predominantly male U11s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following age group specific regulations apply:

- a) The initial stage of the competition will be played in geographic mini-league Zones. The number of Zones and the teams therein are detailed in the U11s fixtures section (Handbook page 25). Play-offs (see 14)h)) will take place immediately after the completion of the Zonal stage.
- b) A Zonal fixture should be played in the week commencing with the Sunday allocated for that fixture. In normal circumstances, the away team should expect to travel to a club on that club's U11 Playing Day but rescheduling is permitted provided that the stipulations of Rules 14)d) and 14)e) are strictly followed.
- c) Team managers must contact each other at least seven days before the start of the week in which a fixture is scheduled.
- d) A fixture scheduled for the home club's U11 Playing Day may be rearranged within the allocated week by mutual agreement between the team managers provided that the Competition Secretary is immediately notified by email.
- e) Any Zonal match (not Play-off matches) may be rescheduled to a different week by mutual agreement between managers subject to the following constraints:
 - i) The age group competition secretary is given SEVEN days' notice by email.
 - ii) The match is rescheduled to a date prior to the Sunday of the last week of Zonal fixtures.
 - iii) Only one rearrangement per published fixture is permitted.
 - iv) If a match cannot be played on its scheduled date and the two managers cannot agree on an alternative date then the match will be treated as cancelled with no points awarded to either team.
- f) Matches abandoned owing to inclement weather must not be rearranged (*other than as a friendly game*) and will be recorded as abandoned for the determination of Zonal league table positions.
- g) **Results:**
 - i) See Rule 11) for information on the timely reporting of results on to play-cricket.com.
 - ii) **Points** will be awarded for the outcome of a Zonal fixture according to Rule 11)f).

- iii) If the scores are level at the end of a match, irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen on either side, the result shall be a tie.
- iv) In cases where teams finish the Zonal stage of the competition with equal numbers of points, the final table positions in each case will be decided according to Rule 11)g).
- h) Immediately after completion of the Zonal stage, **Play-offs**, consisting of possible quarter finals and certainly semi-finals and a final, will be contested for the U11s Championship (Gary Hambleton Trophy) on a knockout basis. The immutable dates for the Play-offs are shown in the U11s fixtures section of the Handbook (page 25).
- i) **Match format:**
 - i) All matches must be played on a pitch 17 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 27 inches tall must be used. The match balls must be "youth sized" (see Rule 8)).
 - ii) Dependent upon where the wickets are pitched, it is suggested that team organisers should agree the length of the boundaries before the start of play, bearing in mind the age of the players involved.
 - iii) Each side shall comprise of 10 players but if a team can only field 9 players, the managers shall mutually agree, *before the match starts*, the name of the player from that team who will bat twice to avoid "last man standing". The "last man" and the chosen player will then bat normally as the last pair in the innings.
 - iv) Matches are "pairs" format.
 - v) All matches shall comprise one innings per side of 20 overs.
 - vi) Each team shall commence with 200 runs. This total shall be added to as runs are scored. Four runs shall be deducted from the total for each wicket to fall.
 - vii) The winning team shall be that which finishes with the highest net total of runs.
- j) **Batting:** Each pair shall bat for four overs. Unlimited 'lives' shall be allowed. The batters shall change ends at the fall of each wicket, except when a wicket falls on the last ball of an over.
- k) The **LBW** law will not apply as a means of dismissal **except in circumstances where a batter persistently attempts to circumnavigate this rule.**

- l) **Stumpings** will be allowed in all U11 matches.
- m) **Bowling:**
- i) All players except the wicket-keeper shall bowl. Each bowler shall bowl at least 2 overs and not more than 3 overs. *For the avoidance of doubt, no player may bowl only one over.*
 - ii) Six-ball overs shall be bowled.
 - iii) Up to two illegal deliveries in any over will be penalised by the normal penalty.
 - iv) Further illegal deliveries in the same over shall incur the normal penalty, but no additional extra deliveries shall be allowed.
 - v) There will be no such limit on the length of the last over, which must consist of six legal deliveries.
 - vi) Any “Beamer” bowled shall be called a “No Ball”. See also Rule 7)c).
 - vii) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of an over, that over shall be completed by another bowler.
- n) **Substitutes** will be allowed to take the place of an injured player. Such substitutes will only act as non-strikers while the team is batting. The live batter will receive the strike continuously. Substitutes shall neither bowl nor keep wicket.

Further detailed special regulations concerning the Play-offs, in particular, provisions for the effects of inclement weather appear in Rules 21) to 25).

15) UNDER 12 JOHN NORTH TROPHY (CUP COMPETITION)

To be eligible for the U12s John North Trophy, male players must have been under the age of 12 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U12s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following special regulations apply:

- a) The competition will be played on a knockout basis according to the draw published on the League’s play-cricket website.
- b) Teams consist of 11 players playing ‘normal’ cricket (not ‘pairs’).
- c) All matches must be played on a pitch 19 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 27 inches tall must be used. The match balls must be “youth sized” (see Rule 8)).
- d) The winners will receive the U12s John North Trophy.

Further detailed special regulations concerning the general conduct of this competition and, in particular, provisions for the effects of inclement weather appear in Rules 21)to 24).

16) UNDER 13 CHAMPIONSHIP

To be eligible for the U13s Championship, male players must have been under the age of 13 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U13s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following special regulations apply:

- a) The normal playing day for U13s is Sunday morning with the option of a weekday evening match. Rearrangements are permitted subject to mutual agreement between team managers and the constraints set out below.
 - i) **EARLY SEASON MATCHES:** Rule 5)d)ii) provides for rearrangements due to clashes with rugby, football etc. during the first three weeks of the season.
 - ii) **SAME WEEK:** Any U13s Zonal, Groups or Play-off match may be rearranged to a date during the weekdays immediately following the published Sunday fixture date. Following rearrangement, the new fixture date must be notified to the appropriate Competition Secretary at least SEVEN days in advance of the original published fixture date.
 - iii) **DIFFERENT WEEK:** Any Zonal or Groups match (not Play-off match) may be rescheduled to a different week provided that:
 - (1) A request for rearrangement is emailed to the age group competition secretary at least seven days prior to the published fixture date.
 - (2) The proposed fixture date is prior to the Sunday of the last week of Zonal or Groups fixtures as appropriate.
 - iv) Only one rearrangement per published fixture is permitted.
 - v) If a match cannot be played on its published fixture date and the two managers cannot agree on an alternative date then the match will be treated as cancelled with no points awarded to either team.
- b) **Competition format:** The competition will take places in two stages:
 - i) An initial stage wherein teams compete in geographic mini-league **Zones**. Depending on the locations and number of entrants there will be between three and five such Zones each with its own

league table. The placings in each Zone will be decided according to Rule 11)g).

- ii) Immediately after the completion of the Zonal stage teams will compete in a **Groups** stage. The teams in the primary group (“Championship”) will be chosen by ability according to the placements in the Zonal league tables. Between two and four further groups (“Shield”, “Plate”, “Medal”, “Cup”) will be organised geographically to minimise travelling. Each group will have its own league table and will compete for its own trophy. The placings in each group will be decided according to Rule 11)g).

Details regarding dates/Zones/groups/teams for the current season appear in the U13s fixtures section of the Handbook (page 34).

c) **Results:**

- i) See Rule 11) for information on the timely reporting of results on to play-cricket.com.
- ii) **Points** will be awarded for the outcome of a Zonal fixture according to Rule 11)f).
- iii) If the scores are level at the end of a match, irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen on either side, the result shall be a tie.
- iv) Where teams finish the Zonal stage, and later the Groups stage, of the competition with equal numbers of points, the final table positions in each case will be decided according to Rule 11)g).

d) **Match format:**

- i) All matches must be played on a pitch 19 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 27 inches tall must be used. The match balls must be “youth sized” (see Rule 8)).
- ii) Dependent upon where the wickets are pitched, it is suggested that team organisers agree before the start of play the length of the boundaries, bearing in mind the age of the players involved.
- iii) The competition is for 11 players per team.
- iv) Matches are 20 overs each innings.

e) **Late starts:**

- i) In the event of a late start for *any* reason, the number of overs must be reduced by one over per innings for every six minutes lost. For the fixture to constitute a match, each innings must be at

least 10 overs though a shorter innings is permissible where a team loses all its wickets in a lesser number of overs.

- ii) Umpires must agree on the start time and must agree on the allocated number of overs prior to the start time.
 - iii) The team bowling first will have 1 hour and 15 minutes to complete 20 overs. The team batting second will be allocated the same number of overs as the team batting first.
 - iv) Umpires must warn the captains if it is suspected that there are any delaying tactics by either team in either innings.
 - v) In a reduced-overs match, if the team batting second has not batted for a minimum of 10 overs the match will be recorded as being abandoned. However, the team batting first will win if the team batting second has lost all its wickets, including any enforced retirements (see Rule 16)f), in less than 10 overs.
- f) **Batting:** A batter shall retire 'out' (i.e. he shall not return to the crease although no fall of wicket is recorded) upon completion of the runs which take his score to 30 or more, even if this means the end of the innings.
- g) **Bowling:**
- i) A MINIMUM of SIX bowlers shall be used by each side (e.g. two bowling four overs and four bowling three overs etc) in an innings and this limit will not change in a reduced-overs match.
 - ii) An over which has started at the time of a team's dismissal shall be deemed to be completed.
 - iii) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of an over, that over shall be completed by another bowler.

17) UNDER 14 JOHN NORTH TROPHY (CUP COMPETITION)

To be eligible for the U14s Cup Competition, male players must have been under the age of 14 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U14s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following special regulations apply:

- a) The competition will be played on a knockout basis according to the draw published on the League's play-cricket website..
- b) Teams consist of 11 players.
- c) All matches must be played on a pitch 22 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 28 inches tall must be used.

The match balls must be “adult sized” (see Rule 8)).

- d) The winners will receive the U14s John North Trophy.

Further detailed special regulations concerning the general conduct of this competition and, in particular, provisions for the effects of inclement weather appear in Rules 21)to 24).

18) UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIP

To be eligible for the U15s Championship, male players must have been under the age of 13 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U15s teams are subject to Rule 4)c). The following special regulations apply:

- a) The normal playing day for U15s is Sunday morning with the option of a weekday evening match. Rearrangements are permitted subject to mutual agreement between team managers and the constraints set out below.
- i) **EARLY SEASON MATCHES:** Rule 5)d)ii) provides for rearrangements due to clashes with rugby, football etc. during the first three weeks of the season.
- ii) **SAME WEEK:** Any U15s Zonal, Groups or Play-off match may be rearranged to a date during the weekdays immediately following the published Sunday fixture date. Following rearrangement, the new fixture date must be notified to the appropriate Competition Secretary at least SEVEN days in advance of the original published fixture date.
- iii) **DIFFERENT WEEK:** Any Zonal or Groups match (not Play-off match) may be rescheduled to a different week provided that:
- (1) A request for rearrangement is emailed to the age group competition secretary at least seven days prior to the published fixture date.
- (2) The proposed fixture date is prior to the Sunday of the last week of Zonal or Groups fixtures as appropriate.
- iv) Only one rearrangement per published fixture is permitted.
- v) If a match cannot be played on its published fixture date and the two managers cannot agree on an alternative date then the match will be treated as cancelled with no points awarded to either team.
- b) **Competition format:** The competition will take places in two stages:

- i) An initial stage wherein teams compete in geographic mini-league **Zones**. Depending on the locations and number of entrants there will be between three and five such Zones each with its own league table. The placings in each Zone will be decided according to Rule 11)g).
- ii) Immediately after the completion of the Zonal stage teams will compete in a **Groups** stage. The teams in the primary group (“Championship”) will be chosen by ability according to the placements in the Zonal league tables. Between two and four further groups (“Shield”, “Plate”, “Medal”, “Cup”) will be organised geographically to minimise travelling. Each group will have its own league table and will compete for its own trophy. The placings in each group will be decided according to Rule 11)g).

Details regarding dates/Zones/groups/teams for the current season appear in the U15s fixtures section of the Handbook (page 34).

c) **Results:**

- i) See Rule 11) for information on the timely reporting of results on to play-cricket.com.
- ii) **Points** will be awarded for the outcome of a Zonal fixture according to Rule 11)f).
- iii) If the scores are level at the end of a match, irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen on either side, the result shall be a tie.
- iv) Where teams finish the Zonal stage, and later the Groups stage, of the competition with equal numbers of points, the final table positions in each case will be decided according to Rule 11)g).

d) **Match format:**

- i) All matches must be played on a pitch 22 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 28 inches tall must be used. The match balls must be “adult sized” (see Rule 8)).
- ii) Dependent upon where the wickets are pitched, it is suggested that team organisers agree before the start of play the length of the boundaries, bearing in mind the age of the players involved.
- iii) The competition is for 11 players per team.
- iv) Matches are 20 overs each innings.

e) **Late starts:**

- i) In the event of a late start for *any* reason, the number of overs must be reduced by one over per innings for every six minutes lost. For the fixture to constitute a match, each innings must be at least 10 overs though a shorter innings is permissible where a team loses all its wickets in a lesser number of overs.
 - ii) Umpires must agree on the start time and must agree on the allocated number of overs prior to the start time.
 - iii) The team bowling first will have 1 hour and 15 minutes to complete 20 overs. The team batting second will be allocated the same number of overs as the team batting first.
 - iv) Umpires must warn the captains if it is suspected that there are any delaying tactics by either team in either innings.
 - v) In a reduced-overs match, if the team batting second has not batted for a minimum of 10 overs the match will be recorded as being abandoned. However, the team batting first will win if the team batting second has lost all its wickets, including any enforced retirements (see Rule 16)f), in less than 10 overs.
- f) **Batting:** A batter shall retire 'out' (i.e. he shall not return to the crease although no fall of wicket is recorded) upon completion of the runs which take his score to 35 or more, even if this means the end of the innings.
- g) **Bowling:**
- i) Any bowler on either side shall be limited to FOUR overs in an innings and this limit will not change in a reduced-overs match.
 - ii) An over which has started at the time of a team's dismissal shall be deemed to be completed.
 - iii) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of an over, that over shall be completed by another bowler.

19) UNDER 16 JOHN NORTH TROPHY (CUP COMPETITION)

To be eligible to play in the U16s Cup, players must have been under the age of 16 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U16s teams are subject to Rule 4)c).

- a) The competition will be played on a knockout basis with the winners receiving the U16s John North Trophy. In 2023, as far as possible, the first and second rounds will be played between teams whose clubs are reasonably geographically proximate.
- b) Teams consist of 11 players.

- c) All matches must be played on a pitch 22 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 28 inches tall must be used. The match balls must be “adult sized” (see Rule 8)).
- d) The winners will receive the U16s John North Trophy.

Further detailed special regulations concerning the general conduct of this competition and, in particular, the actions to be taken in the event of inclement weather appear in Rules 21) to 24).

20) UNDER 17 HUNDRED COMPETITION

To be eligible for the U17s Hundred Competition, male players must have been under the age of 17 on 1st September 2022. The ages of female players in predominantly male U17s teams are subject to Rule 4)b).

Entries to the Competition may have to be limited “first come, first served” with full member clubs and those associate member clubs with consistent long term support for the League having priority.

For the avoidance of doubt: the rules below broadly follow those for the Professional Hundred. Where there is a difference, the rules below take precedence. The ECB Hundred Playing Conditions are here <https://resources.ecb.co.uk/ecb/document/2022/03/10/12a85f8f-e3c3-4796-8e79-a95cd0b0140e/7.The-Hundred.pdf>.

The following competition-specific regulations apply:

- a) The initial stage of the competition will be played in geographic mini-league Zones. Play-offs (see 14)h)) will take place immediately after the completion of the Zonal stage. Details regarding dates/Zones/Play-offs/teams for the current season appear in the U17s Hundred fixtures section of the Handbook (page 53).
- b) A Zonal or Play-off fixture must be played in the week commencing with the Sunday allocated for that fixture. In normal circumstances, the away team should expect to travel to a club on that club’s U17 Playing Day. However, any U17s Hundred Zonal or Play-off match may be rearranged to a date during the weekdays immediately following the published Sunday fixture date. Following rearrangement, the new fixture date must be notified to the appropriate Competition Secretary at least SEVEN days in advance of the original published start of week date.
- c) Team managers must contact each other at least seven days before

the start of the week in which a fixture is scheduled.

d) **WIN, LOSE, TIE:**

i) Points will be awarded for the outcome of a **Zonal** match according to Rule 11f). If the scores are level at the end of a Zonal match, irrespective of the number of wickets that have fallen on either side, the result shall be a tie.

ii) In cases where teams finish the Zonal stage of the competition with equal numbers of points, the final table positions in each case will be decided according to Rule 11g).

iii) Immediately after completion of the Zonal stage, **Play-offs**, consisting of possible quarter finals and certainly semi-finals and a final, will be contested for the U17s Hundred Trophy on a knockout basis. A tie at the normal end of a Play-off match will be contested by means of a **Super Over** (see Rule 25)).

e) All matches must be played on a pitch 22 yards in length, in accordance with ECB guidelines. Stumps 28 inches tall must be used. The **match balls** must be "adult sized" (see Rule 8)).

f) Dependent upon where the wickets are pitched, it is suggested that team organisers should agree the **distance of the boundaries** before the start of play, bearing in mind the age of the players involved and the ethos of the Hundred format.

g) A **Fielding Circle** – an area bounded by two semi-circles centred on each middle stump (each with a radius of 30 yards and joined by a parallel line on each side of the pitch - must be clearly marked out prior to the match.

h) The competition is for teams consisting of 11 players.

i) **LENGTH OF AN INNINGS:**

i) Matches are 100 balls maximum each innings (20 'sets', where a **5-ball Hundred 'set'** is the equivalent of an over in other cricket formats) plus wides and No Balls.

ii) In the event of the need for a late start, umpires must agree on a revised start time and must agree on a revised allocated number of sets. The number of sets must be reduced from 20 by one set per innings for every SIX minutes lost. For the fixture to constitute a match, each allocated innings must be at least 10 sets.

iii) In a reduced-sets match, if the team batting second has not lost all its wickets but has not been able to bat for a minimum of 10 sets

(e.g. because of adverse weather or bad light) the match will be recorded as being abandoned.

- j) **POWERPLAY:** The first 25 balls (5 sets) of an innings are a Powerplay. If the number of sets has been reduced, then the number of balls in the Powerplay must also be reduced according to the following table:

Total sets in an innings	Powerplay sets.balls	Total sets in an innings	Powerplay sets.balls
10	2.3	11	2.4
12	3.0	13	3.1
14	3.3	15	3.4
16	4.0	17	4.1
18	4.3	19	4.4

k) **FIELDING:**

- i) During the Powerplay, at the instant of delivery, no more than TWO fielders may be in the space between the Fielding Circle and the boundary.
- ii) After the Powerplay no more than FIVE fielders are permitted to be outside the fielding circle at the instant of delivery.
- iii) At the instant of delivery there shall not be more than FIVE fielders on the leg side.

l) **BOWLING:**

- i) A bowler shall be limited to FOUR sets (20 balls) in a 100-ball innings. For a reduced-sets match this limit shall be one fifth of the available balls rounded up to the nearest multiple of 5 (e.g. 70-ball match, one fifth is 14 balls, rounded up is 15 balls equal to a 3 sets limit per bowler).
- ii) A bowler may bowl a single set or two sets 'on the trot' (5 or 10 balls).
- iii) Two sets (10 balls) must be delivered by one or two bowlers before changing bowling ends.
- iv) At the end of each set, the umpire shall hold up a white card and call either 'Five' or 'Over'.
- v) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of a set, that set shall be completed by another bowler.

m) **BATTING:**

- i) A batter shall retire 'out' (i.e. he shall not return to the crease although no fall of wicket is recorded) upon completion of the runs which take his score to 40 or more, even if this means the end of the innings.
- ii) If the striker is dismissed Caught, the not out batter shall return to their original end.

n) **ON THE CLOCK:**

- i) The team bowling first will have 1 hour and 5 minutes to complete 20 sets reduced by 3 minutes for each set removed in a reduced-sets match.
- ii) The fielding side's Captain may apply to the Umpires (permission not to be unreasonably withheld) to take a single **Strategic Timeout** of no more than TWO minutes duration at any time after the Powerplay.
- iii) The bowling team is expected to be in position to bowl the first ball of their final over by the scheduled end of the innings (see 20)n)iii) above). If not, as an over rate penalty until the innings is completed, one fewer fielder shall be permitted outside the Fielding Circle than would normally be the case for the remaining deliveries of the innings.
- iv) An incoming batter must be in position to take guard or for their partner to be ready to receive the next ball within 60 seconds of the fall of the previous wicket or the retirement of a batter.
- v) Umpires must warn the captains if it is suspected that there are any delaying tactics by either team in either innings.

o) **EXTRAS:**

- i) The penalty for a **No Ball** is TWO runs plus a '**Free Hit**' for whichever batter was facing it.
- ii) The penalty for a **Wide** is ONE run. Umpires are instructed to apply a very strict and consistent interpretation in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.
- iii) The penalty for a **Bye** is ONE run.

CUP (KNOCKOUT) FORMAT COMPETITIONS

The Rules in this section apply to the U12s, U14s and U16s John North Trophy Cup competitions. Rules 22) to 25) also apply to possible Play-offs for the U11s Gary Hambleton Trophy, the U13s Championship and the U15s Championship.

In the rules that follow, reference is made to **MRO** (“Minimum Required Overs”). The number of overs that constitute a complete cup-format (knockout) match depends on the scoring method used. Rule 10)b) notes that the use of the play-cricket.com Scoring App is highly recommended because of its ability to provide **D-L** (“Duckworth-Lewis”) at the touch of a button. D-L can give a reliable outcome from a match consisting of as few as five overs per side. Using the traditional approach, a match must consist of at least 10 overs per side.

In what follows:

- If using the Scoring App, MRO = 5 overs
- If using only traditional scoring, MRO = 10 overs

21) RULES THAT APPLY TO ALL JOHN NORTH CUP MATCHES AND TO ANY PLAYOFFS THAT MAY BE A SCHEDULED PART OF THE U13S AND U15S CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- a) Every such match shall consist of one innings per team with each innings being of a maximum of 20 six-ball overs.
- b) The bowling team must achieve an average over rate of 17 overs per hour for its innings in normal playing conditions.
- c) If a bowler is incapacitated during the course of an over, the over shall be completed by another bowler, but the bowling restrictions set out in Rule 21)d) will apply.
- d) The following bowling and batting restrictions apply to the respective age groups in Cup competitions:
 - i) **U12s:** Each bowler shall bowl a maximum of THREE overs. A batter shall retire out on reaching a score of 30 runs even if it means the end of a team’s innings. All runs scored in the stroke taking a batter past 30 shall count to the score.
 - ii) **U13s:** A MINIMUM of SIX bowlers shall be used (e.g. Two bowling four overs and four bowling three overs etc). A batter shall retire out on reaching a score of 30 runs even if it means the end of a team’s innings. All runs scored in the stroke taking a batter past 30 shall count to the score.

- iii) **U14s and U15s:** Each bowler shall bowl a maximum of FOUR overs. A batter shall retire out on reaching a score of 35 runs even if it means the end of a team's innings. All runs scored in the stroke taking a batter past 35 shall count to the score.
- iv) **U16s:** Each bowler shall bowl a maximum of FOUR overs. A batter shall retire out on reaching a score of 40 runs even if it means the end of a team's innings. All runs scored in the stroke taking a batter past 40 shall count to the score.
- e) The following fielding restrictions apply to **ALL U16s John North Cup matches** (there are no prescribed fielding restrictions for U12 and U14 matches except those in the Laws of Cricket and in the ECB guidance for young players):

A fielding circle at a radius of 30 yards centered on the two middle stumps must be clearly marked out prior to the match. At the instant of delivery, a minimum of four fielders plus the bowler and wicket keeper must be within the fielding circle. In the event of an infringement the striker's end umpire shall call and signal No Ball. The first six overs of each innings are Fielding Restriction Overs (FRO) where only two fielders are permitted to be outside the fielding circle at the time of delivery. No more than five fielders are allowed on the leg side at any time during any match. In circumstances when the number of overs is reduced by inclement weather, the number of Fielding Restriction Overs in both innings will be reduced as set out below.

Overs in innings	FRO
10 – 11	FRO = 2
12 – 13	FRO = 3
14 – 16	FRO = 4
17 – 19	FRO = 5
20	FRO

	= 6
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- f) The match result must be notified to the appropriate Competition Secretary immediately after a match (see Rule 10).

22) RULES THAT APPLY TO ALL CUP ROUNDS EXCEPT FINALS AND TO ALL ROUNDS OF PLAYOFFS EXCEPT FOR THE U9S CHAMPIONSHIP (“ROUNDS”):

- a) The Handbook for any season specifies a date and time (“Default Date”) for completion of each Round that is not a Final. Each match in any Round *must* be completed by or on its Default Date. The Handbook will include notes to indicate, for each age group, which of the following rules applies to each Round of that Cup Competition:
- i) If a single explicit date and time (“Single Date/Time”) is specified for all the matches in any Round, then the Single Date/Time is the Default Date. If any home team cannot have use of their own ground to play the fixture on the Single Date/Time, then that team shall give up home advantage and play the match as an away fixture.
 - ii) If a range of dates (“Date Range”) is specified for any Round, then the last date in the Date Range is the Default Date. Any match in the Round may be played on any date and time during the Date Range that is mutually agreed by the two teams in the fixture.
 - (1) For a one week Date Range, the home team must offer two dates for the away team to choose from. For a Date Range of two or more weeks, the home team must offer one date in each week subject to a maximum of three dates in total.
 - (2) If, during the Date Range, the home team cannot have use of their home ground, then the home team shall give up home advantage and arrange to play an away fixture during the Date Range.
 - iii) If several explicit alternative dates/times (“Explicit Dates”) are specified for the matches in any Round, then the latest date in the Date Range is the Default Date. Each match in that Round *must* be played on one of the Explicit Dates. If any home team cannot have use of their own ground on every Explicit Date on which it is possible for the away team to play the fixture, then the home shall give up home advantage and play the match as an away fixture on one of the Explicit Dates.
- b) If any match in any Round has not been played by or on its Default

Date as defined in Rule 22)a) above, then the result shall be decided on the Default Date by a match of a minimum of the MRO per team or, if that is not possible, by a bowlout (see Rule 24)).

- c) In the event of a late start because of inclement weather:
- i) The number of overs must be reduced by one over per innings for every six minutes lost. To constitute a match, each innings must not be reduced below the MRO though a shorter innings is permissible where a team loses all its wickets in a lesser number of overs.
 - ii) The team batting second shall be allocated the same number of overs as the team batting first. If, after its commencement, a match is affected by adverse weather in the second innings, the second innings may be reduced to a *minimum* of the MRO, with one over being deducted for every three minutes of play lost. The result of the match will then be decided as follows:
 - (1) If the Scoring App has been used, by D-L.
 - (2) If traditional scoring has been used, by the better Average Run Rate (ARR). [Note: ARR is defined with examples of calculation in Appendix 1.] If the ARR is the same for both teams, then Rule 24) applies.
 - iii) In the second innings of a weather-affected match, reductions in the total overs will NOT cause any reduction in the maximum number of overs per bowler specified by Rule 21)d)) for the age group.
- d) If, because of inclement weather or an unusable wicket and/or ground, it is *neither* possible to play a match consisting of the MRO per team *nor* possible for the team batting second to receive the minimum allocation of the MRO (see Rule 22)c), then
- i) Provided that the Default Date and circumstances for both teams allow it, the match shall be rearranged. The ground shall be decided by the toss of a coin. If the match has been abandoned, the rearranged match shall be played as a completely new match (i.e. no part of an abandoned match shall count towards the result of the new match).
 - ii) If it is not possible to rearrange the match, then a bowl out shall take place (see Rule 24)), however, a team shall not be required to travel to another ground solely for a bowl out. If travel is not possible, then Rule 22)f) will be applied.
- e) If both teams have completed their innings in the normal way and the

scores are level then, for the purpose of deciding the winning team, the following criteria are used in the order shown:

- i) The winning team will be the winner of a one-over eliminator (“Super Over”) will take place as described in Rule 25) below.
 - ii) If, after application of Rule 22)e)i), the teams are still tied, then the winning team will be the one that lost the fewest wickets during its innings.
 - iii) If, after application of Rule 22)e)ii), the teams are still tied, then the winning team will be the one with the highest Average Run Rate (ARR). [Note: ARR is defined with examples of calculation in Appendix 1.]
 - iv) If, after application of Rule 22)e)iii), the teams are still tied, a bowl out (see Rule 24)) shall take place and the match shall NOT be rearranged.
- f) If for any reason, the result for any match in any Round has not been determined by or on its Default Date, then the result will be determined by the toss of a coin by the Competition Secretary for the age group or, if the Competition Secretary is not available, by another nominated League Officer.

23) RULES THAT APPLY TO ALL CUP FINALS AND TO ANY PLAY-OFF FINAL THAT MAY BE SCHEDULED FOR THE U11, U13 AND U15 CHAMPIONSHIPS AND THE U17 HUNDRED COMPETITION:

- a) If the ground for the final is neither a neutral ground nor another ground whose name is published in the Handbook, the appropriate Competition Secretary will toss a coin to decide home advantage.
- b) The final for an age group (“Final”) will take place on a date (“Final Date”) that is mandated by one of the following two alternatives:
 - i) The Final Date is specified explicitly in the Handbook. In this case, the Final Date is immutable.
 - ii) A Date Range is specified explicitly in the Handbook. In this case, the Final Date will be selected from within that Date Range by agreement between the two finalist clubs (“Finalists”) and the Competition secretary for the age group. Given end of season fixture congestion across all divisions, it is acceptable for the home club to offer only one such date for each week in the Date Range. If the home club does not have ground availability in the Date Range, the home club must relinquish home advantage. If the Finalists cannot agree for any reason the Competition Secretary

for the age group and the Secretary will jointly make a decision which will be binding on the Finalists.

- c) A Final may also have a Reserve Date in which case the match may be played on its Reserve Date *only* if inclement weather prevents a result from being determined on the Final Date (see Rule 23)f). The away team on the Final Date will have home advantage on the Reserve Date. The Reserve Date will be mandated exactly as described for the Final Date in Rules b)i) and b)ii) immediately above.
- d) Neutral umpires will be appointed for a Final by the Chair and/or Secretary. If, for any reason, it is not possible to appoint neutral umpires, each Finalist must appoint an umpire, who is an official of that club, and who is not directly associated in any way with the Finalist team or any of its playing members (for the avoidance of doubt, not the team's coach/manager/scorer/parent/other relative etc.).
- e) In the event of a late start because of inclement weather, Rule 22)c) applies.
- f) If, because of inclement weather or an unusable wicket and/or ground, it is *neither* possible to play a match consisting of a minimum of the MRO *nor* possible for the team batting second to receive the minimum allocation of the MRO (see 22)c)ii)), then
 - i) If an unplayed or abandoned match is on the Final Date, a rearranged match must be played on the Reserve Date. If the match has been abandoned, the rearranged match must be played as a completely new match (i.e. no part of an abandoned match will count towards the result of the new match).
 - ii) If an unplayed or abandoned match is on the Reserve Date, then the result of that match must be determined by a bowl out (see Rule 24)).
- g) If both teams have completed their innings in the normal way and the scores are level, Rule 22)e) must be applied.

24) BOWLOUT:

- a) If the circumstances require a bowlout, the match must be decided by all twenty-two players (twenty players in the case of U11s teams) bowling overarm at unguarded stumps, alternating players from each team.
- b) The bowlout may take place in nets with an artificial surface by mutual agreement between the two umpires.

- c) The team whose bowler bowls first shall be decided by the toss of a coin.
- d) The ball to be used the bowlout must be the same used ball for both teams. In the event that the ball becomes wet or damaged, it must be replaced by another used ball that is acceptable to both umpires.
- e) Each delivery may pitch once only to be valid. A score of ONE will be made for each breaking of the stumps and the team with the highest total score will be declared as the winners.
- f) If the scores are level after every player has bowled as described, the bowling must continue, once again alternating between all the players from the two teams, *in the same order as the initial bowl-out round*, and repeating as necessary, until a “sudden death” result is obtained.

25) SUPER OVER:

If the circumstances require a Super Over then, weather permitting, the Super Over will commence 5 minutes after the main match.

- a) A Super Over consists of one innings of one over for each team. For the U11s Final, the Super Over is NOT a ‘pairs’ contest.
- b) Each team must nominate three batters and a bowler. A player may NOT both bat and bowl during a Super Over.
- c) The team batting second in the main match will bat first in the Super Over.
- d) The loss of two wickets ends the Super Over innings for a team.
- e) The winner of the Super Over is the team with the highest score from its single over.
- f) In the event of the scores being level in the Super Over, then Rules 22)e)ii), 22)e)iii) and 22)e)iv) are applied.

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APPENDIX 1: AVERAGE RUN RATE AND NET RUN RATE DEFINITIONS

AVERAGE RUN RATE ("ARR")

For the purpose of these rules ARR is:

**[total runs scored in an innings including extras]
divided by**

[the number of legal balls faced in that innings]

The number of valid balls in an innings is:

([number of completed overs faced] x 6)

plus

[balls bowled in any part over that were not No Balls or wides]

ARR Example 1

Team A scores 100 runs from 20 overs

Balls faced by Team A: $6 \times 20 = 120$

Average Run Rate for Team A: $100/120 = 0.83$

Team B scores 84 runs from 14 overs.

Balls faced by Team B: $6 \times 14 = 84$

ARR for Team B: $84 / 84 = 1.00$

Team B has the higher ARR and wins the match.

ARR Example 2

Team X scores 120 runs from 20 overs

Balls faced by Team X: $6 \times 20 = 120$

Average Run Rate for Team X = $120/120 = 1.00$

Team Y scores 90 from 14 overs and 3 balls

Balls faced by Team Y: $(6 \times 14) + 3 = 87$

ARR for Team Y: $90 / 87 = 1.03$

Team Y has the higher ARR and wins the match.

ARR Example 3

Team P scores 120 runs from 20 overs

Balls faced by Team P: $6 \times 20 = 120$

Average Run Rate for Team P = $120/120 = 1.00$

Team Q scores 87 from 14 overs and 3 balls

Balls faced by Team Q $(6 \times 14) + 3 = 87$

ARR for Team Q: $87 / 87 = 1.00$

Teams P and Q have the same ARR.

NET RUN RATE (“NRR”)

The NRR shown on the play-cricket web site league tables is not the ODI definition. It is defined as:

(RunsFor / OversReceived) – (RunsAgainst / OversBowled)

The value shown in a league table is based on the values that have been input in the summary score; if any value is missing then the match is not included in the NRR calculation. If a side is bowled out, then the overs figure is not reset to the full overs value for the match because that value is not necessarily known (the match may have been rescheduled to a fewer overs value). Abandoned matches are included in the calculation.

APPENDIX 2: ECB GENERAL CONDUCT REGULATIONS (“GCR”) FOR RECREATIONAL CRICKET

The purpose of the GCR is to set consistent standards of conduct and behaviour and provide a single set of regulations which can be applied consistently at the top end of recreational cricket. This will ensure that disciplinary matters are dealt with in a fair, efficient and consistent manner by cricket organisations and provide assistance to cricket organisations when establishing and running their disciplinary processes. The GCR also contain sanction guidelines, which will ensure there is more consistency across recreational cricket. It is to the benefit of cricket as a whole that broadly the same process and sanctions will apply to a participant, wherever they are based in England or Wales. Conducting a fair and transparent disciplinary process will also help to protect cricket organisations from legal or reputational damage.

The links below are to the ECB supporting documents:

GCR:

<https://resources.ecb.co.uk/ecb/document/2023/03/01/1732bdea-fac9-4c5f-84e2-dd1ede452d2e/26.-GCR.pdf>

The GCR contains a reporting template which must be used for all GCR reports of misconduct.

GCR REPORTING TEMPLATE:

https://cccljuniors.play-cricket.com/site_admin/document_library/articles/show?id=41177

GROUND ADDRESSES AND CLUB PLAY-CRICKET LINKS

The links below are clickable. The play-cricket link lands on the About Us page of the chosen club's Play-cricket site. The club's Google map link shows a live Google map centred on the location of the chosen club.

ALDERLEY EDGE

Play-cricket: <https://alderleyedge.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3030211,-2.2301623&z=19>

Ground: Moss Lane, Alderley Edge, SK9 7HN

Tel: 01625 584 733

Directions: From Holmes Chapel: At Alderley Edge turn right onto A34, pass over bridge, first left into Hayes Lane, first right into Trafford Road, second left into Moss Lane and ground is 200 yds on right.

From South: On A34 at Alderley Edge, opposite the De Trafford Hotel, take second right (do not go up the edge) along Chapel Road, second left into Trafford Road, first right into Moss Lane and ground is 200 yards on right.

From North: Take A34 from Wilmslow, pass over bridge, first left into Hayes Lane, first right into Trafford Road, second left into Moss Lane and ground is 200 yards on right.

Second Ground: Styal Cricket Club, adjacent to Ship Inn, Altrincham Road, Styal

Tel: 01625-529303

ALVANLEY

Play-cricket: <https://alvanley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2634196,-2.7543397&z=19>

Ground: Frodsham Road, Alvanley., Nr Frodsham, Cheshire WA6 9DB

Tel: 07812 207571

APPLETON

Play-cricket: <https://appletoncheshire.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3588481,-2.569708&z=19>

Ground: Off Lyons Lane, Appleton, Warrington, WA4 5JG

Directions: Exit M56 at junction 10. Follow signs A49 Warrington. Go straight on at traffic lights and straight ahead at roundabout. At next lights turn right into Lyons Lane. Entrance to ground by track in 100 yards on right.

ASHLEY

Play-cricket: <https://ashley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3539772,-2.3451717&z=19>

Ground: Ashley Road, Ashley (nr Altrincham), Cheshire

Directions: Leave M56 at junction 6. Take A538 signed Altrincham through Hale Barns. At traffic lights turn left into Park Road, B5162. Turn right at T-junction and at crossroads turn left into Ashley Road. Continue under M56 to crossroads at the Greyhound pub. Turn right, pass church on the right and entrance to the ground is on next left hand bend.

BARNTON

Play-cricket: <https://barnton.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2759899,-2.5509226&z=19>

Ground: Townfield Lane, Barnton, Northwich, CW8 4QL

Tel: 01606 777 02

Directions: From A49, turn on to A533 signed Northwich at crossroads by petrol station. In 2 miles enter Barnton village and take first left into Stone Heyes Lane. Continue until lane takes sharp right turn into Townfield Lane. Ground entrance is signed immediately on left: drive down narrow track to car park at bottom.

BARROW

Play-cricket: <https://barrow.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2168651,-2.7941892&z=19>

Ground: The Croft, Station Lane, Great Barrow, Chester, Cheshire, CH3 7JN

Tel: 01244 671439

BIRKENHEAD PARK

Play-cricket: <https://bpcc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3913402,-3.0431829&z=19>

Ground: The Cricket Pavilion, Park Drive, Lower Park, Birkenhead, Cheshire CH43 4TS

Tel: 0151 652 2147

Directions: From J3 M53 exit on to Woodchurch Rd signposted Birkenhead/Oxton/Prenton/Liverpool. After approx 1.3 miles branch left and continue along Woodchurch Rd for 0.4 miles, then left on to Heathfield Road. Continue on to Bessborough Rd for 0.2 miles then continue on to Slatey Rd for 0.5 miles. At the end of Slatey Rd turn left on to Park Rd South and then first right in to Park Drive where you will see the cricket club.

BOLLINGTON

Play-cricket: <https://bollington.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2989487,-2.1018272&z=19>

Ground: The Recreation Ground, Adlington Road, Bollington, Macclesfield, SK10 5JT

Tel: 07788 416 618 or 07919 258 275

Directions: From Macclesfield: turn off Silk Road (A523) at Bollington roundabout. Follow road for 1.5 miles through village. Turn sharp left at Dog & Partridge pub; ground is 100 yards on right.

BOWDON

Play-cricket: <https://bowdon.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.373622,-2.3558324&z=19>

Ground: South Downs Road, Bowdon, WA14 3DT

Tel: 0161 928 1358

Directions: From M56: Exit at Junction 7. At roundabout at end of slip road, follow signs A56 Altrincham. After 1 mile turn right at traffic lights and continue for 0.75 mile along Park Road into Langham Road. Turn half right into South Downs Road. Ground is 200 yards on right. Beware of traffic calming measures near entrance.

BRAMHALL

Play-cricket: <https://bramhall.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3453445,-2.1746244&z=19>

Ground: Church Lane, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1PQ

Tel: 0161 439 4672

Directions: From Bramhall Village: Continue along Woodford Road and after first roundabout take first turning right into Jenny Lane. At T-junction, turn right and after 400 yards turn left into Church Lane and ground is 200 yards on left.

BREDBURY ST MARKS

Play-cricket: <https://bredburystmarks.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4266344,-2.0815864&z=19>

Ground: Hillside Road, off Pennine Road, Woodley, Stockport, SK6 1HS

Directions: From Stockport Town Centre: Follow A560 Stockport Road/Hyde Road through Bredbury to Woodley Precinct. Take first right up Smithy Green to junction of Werneth Low Road and Pennine Road. Cross Pennine Road into Hillside Road: ground is on left.

BROOKLANDS

Play-cricket: <https://brooklands.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4156439,-2.3190308&z=19>

Ground: Brooklands Sports Club, off St Georges Road, Sale, M33 3NL.

Tel: 0161 972 8999

Directions: From M60 junction 6: Take A6144 for Sale. Go straight on at traffic lights, then join one-way system and bear right at traffic island. Move into left hand lane and continue down Marsland Road. In half a mile pass school on right, take next left into Georges Road. At end of road entrance to club is directly opposite. Keys for changing rooms are available from Fitness Centre reception desk.

CALDY

Play-cricket: <https://caldy.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Club website: <https://caldycricketclub.co.uk>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.359051,-3.143273&z=19>

Ground: Paton Field, Telegraph Road, Thurstaston, Wirral, CH48 1NX

Tel: 0151 625 8043

Directions: See club website.

CHEADLE

Play-cricket: <https://cheadlecheshire.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map:

Ground: 225 Kingsway, Cheadle, Stockport, SK8 1LA

Tel: 0161 428 5881

Directions: From M6/M56 West: Immediately after junction 3 take exit for Cheadle / Stockport / Wythenshaw on A560. Follow Congleton signs on A34 and A560 for Cheadle. After 3 miles pass under railway bridge, then turn right at Kingsway lights onto A34 Wilmslow/Congleton and ground is on left in 200 yards.

From M60 West: Exit at junction 10 for A34 Wilmslow / Cheadle/ Congleton. Go through Kingsway lights and ground is on left in 200 yards.

CHEADLE HULME

Play-cricket: <https://cheadlehulme.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3900151,-2.2256541&z=19>

Ground: Grove Park, Grove Lane, Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, SK8 7NB

Tel: 0161 485 3733, then dial 24 for bar.

Directions: From A34 by-pass: Leave A34 at Handforth sign, turning right onto B5094 Grove Lane for Cheadle Hulme. At mini roundabout go straight on and ground entrance is 300 yards on right

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL

Play-cricket: <https://cbh.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1902817,-2.8616936&z=19>

Ground: Boughton Hall Avenue, Filkins Lane, Boughton, Chester,

CH3 5EL

Tel: 01244 326 072

Directions: From interchange of A55/A51: Follow Chester sign, pass through four sets of traffic lights then, after passing over canal bridge, turn sharp left into Filkins Lane opposite Bridge Inn. Turn left in 100 yards, ground is at end of

road. From M56 West: Turn left onto M53 for Chester. This becomes A55, before interchange with A51. Turn right and proceed as above.

CONGLETON

Play-cricket: <https://congleton.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1636497,-2.2190799&z=19>

Ground: Booth Street, Congleton, CW12 4DG

Tel: 01260 275 601

Directions: From Manchester: Take A34 by-pass past McDonalds on right and up to roundabout. Turn left, then second right into Booth Street. Ground is on right.

From M6 Holmes Chapel: Follow Congleton signs and at first junction, turn left onto A34 in Congleton. At first roundabout take third exit, then second right into Booth Street. Ground is on right.

DAVENHAM

Play-cricket: <https://davenham.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2343474,-2.5190615&z=19>

Ground: Butchers Stile, Hartford Road, Davenham, Northwich, CW9 8JG

DIDSBURY

Play-cricket: <https://didsbury.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4093856,-2.2242705&z=19>

Ground: 860 Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester, Lancashire, M20 2ZY

Tel: 0161 445 5347

ELWORTH

Play-cricket: <https://elworth.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1523571,-2.3945959&z=19>

Ground: London Road, Elworth, Sandbach, CW11 3BF

Tel: 01270 759 069

Directions: From M6: Leave at junction 17 taking A534 for Crewe & Nantwich. Go through one set of traffic lights and straight on at two roundabouts,

following A533 Middlewich. After one and a half miles, ground entrance is on the right 50 yards past the Fox pub on left. From Middlewich: Take A533 for Sandbach. In three miles just after reaching outskirts of Elworth, ground entrance is on the left, just before Fox pub on right.

GRAPPENHALL

Play-cricket: <https://grappenhall.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3661938,-2.5402546&z=19>

Ground: Broad Lane, Grappenhall, Warrington WA4 3ER

Tel: 01925 263 497

Directions: From M6: Leave at junction 20, take A50 for Warrington. Turn left at roundabout signed Stretton. Follow road for a mile, then turn right at roundabout into Broad Lane. Follow lane for a mile and ground is partly obscured on left, before bend into village.

HALE BARNES

Play-cricket: <https://halebarnscc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3698645,-2.301702&z=19>

Ground: Brooks Drive, Hale Barnes, Altrincham, Cheshire, WA15 8TN

HASLINGTON

Play-cricket: <https://haslington.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1076490,-2.3948258&z=19>

Ground: Clay Lane, Haslington, Crewe, Cheshire CW1 5SE

Tel: 01270 582482

Directions:

HAWK GREEN

Play-cricket: <https://hawkgreen.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3829193,-2.0634799&z=19>

Ground: Rhode Field, Upper Hibbert Lane, Hawk Green

Tel: 0161 427 9276

Directions: Take A6 Buxton Road from Stockport towards Disley. On reaching High Lane turn left into Windlehurst Road. Pass through Windlehurst and Doodfield to Hawk Green. Go past the green into Upper Hibbert Lane and ground is on left near Post Office.

HEATON MERSEY

Play-cricket: <https://heatonmersey.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4167795,-2.1852851&z=19>

Ground: The Heaton Sports Club, Green Lane, Heaton Moor, Stockport, SK4 2NF

Tel: 0161 432 1757

Directions: From M60: Leave at junction 1 and take a sharp left turn for Didsbury. In three quarters of a mile, turn right at traffic lights into B5169 Bankhall Road, which becomes Moorside Road. In half a mile at traffic lights, turn right into Green Lane. Entrance is on the left in about 600 yards.

HYDE

Play-cricket: <https://hydecc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4311803,-2.0641937&z=19>

Ground: Werneth Low, off Joel Lane, Gee Cross, Hyde, SK14 3AF

Tel: 0161 368 2331

Directions: From M56: Join M60 for Stockport. Exit at junction 25 onto A560 Bredbury. At first island take second exit. At second island turn right and follow A560. Pass Safeway garage then turn left at traffic lights and follow signs for Barnsley/Sheffield. In two miles turn right at Texaco garage on left, go up hill then turn right into Joel Lane beside the Grapes Hotel. Continue to top of hill, bear right and ground entrance is 50 yards on left.

IRBY

Play-cricket: <https://irby.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3633826,-3.1231786&z=19>

Ground: Mill Hill Road, Irby, Wirral, CH61 4XQ

Tel: 0151 648 4155

Directions: From M53: Leave at Jct. 3 and follow sign left for Neston. At roundabout go straight on past Arrowe Park hospital. At traffic lights turn left and take left fork at the bottom of the hill. In 2 miles turn left at roundabout, by Mill Hill pub, into Mill Hill Road. Ground is set back on left in 400 yards.

KINGSLEY

Play-cricket: <https://kingsley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2700563,-2.6704112&z=19>

Ground: The Croft, Mill Lane, Kingsley, Cheshire WA6 8HH

Directions: From Junction 10 off the M56: Take the A49 South (Whitchurch). Straight on at the filling station traffic lights. Take the first right (Acton Lane) after crossing the river by the Leigh Arms pub. Turn right after the Maypole pub at T Junction by Hazel Pear pub on the B5153. Pass through Crowton village, once in Kingsley the ground is 1/2 mile past Kingsley Mill on the right. From Frodsham: Take B5152 out of Frodsham signposted Delamere. Go past Ladyheyes Craft Centre, then take next left for Kingsley village, B5153. Head into the village, past the Co-op Village store. Ground is on the left as you start to head out of the village.

LANGLEY

Play-cricket: <https://langley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2396391,-2.0888419&z=19>

Ground: Cockhall Lane, Langley, Macclesfield, Cheshire, SK11 0DE

LINDOW

Play-cricket: <https://lindow.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3123162,-2.2551456&z=19>

Ground: Upcast Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 6EH

LYMM OUGHTRINGTON PARK

Play-cricket: <https://lopcc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.37959,-2.455926&z=19>

Ground: Oughtrington Lane, Lymm, Cheshire, WA13 ORB

Directions: From M6 Jn 20/M56 Jn 9 interchange: Take exit sign posted Lymm A56. Take B158 (Cherry Lane) for approx 2.5 miles. Turn right onto A56. After

1.75 miles approx turn left into Oughtrington Lane (signposted Lymm High School). Go past the High School and St. Mary's Church on left. Immediately after passing Church turn right down long narrow track adjacent to farmer's field. Follow track and you will reach the clubhouse parking area.

From Altrincham/M56 Jn 7 take A56 exit - signposted Lymm: Follow for 4 miles approx and turn right into Oughtrington Lane (signposted Lymm High School), shortly after it becomes a 30mph zone. Go past the High School and St. Mary's Church on left. Immediately after passing Church turn right down long narrow track adjacent to farmer's field. Follow track and you will reach the clubhouse parking area.

MACCLESFIELD

Play-cricket: <https://macclesfield.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2617541,-2.1451521&z=19>

Ground: Victoria Road, Macclesfield, SK10 1FU

Tel: 01625 424 249

Directions: From West: Take M56 to M6, leaving at junction 19 Knutsford/Macclesfield. Continue through Knutsford on A537 Macclesfield. At outskirts turn left at Broken Cross roundabout for Prestbury. Take second exit at next roundabout, then go straight down Victoria Road. Ground is on right just before Macclesfield Hospital.

Google map:

Ground 2: Old Parkside C.C. ground, next to main ground.

MARPLE

Play-cricket: <https://marple.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3978651,-2.0692706&z=19>

Ground: Bowden Lane, Marple, Stockport, SK6 6LJ

Tel: 0161 427 3006

Directions: Exit M60 at junction 27, signed Stockport East. Follow signs for Marple. Continue up hill and pass Rose Hill Station on right. Then take second left just before traffic lights and row of shops, into Bowden Lane. Take second turn on right to ground.

MELLOR

Play-cricket: <https://mellor.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3934423,-2.0406273&z=19>

Ground: 215 Longhurst Lane, Mellor, SK6 5PN

Directions: From Stockport go towards Marple and proceed past Marple station and a pub on the right called the Midland. Just past it is a set of traffic lights where you turn right, signposted Marple Bridge and Mellor. Continue for approximately 2 miles travelling through Marple Bridge, you will see signs for Mellor. At the top of the hill going into Mellor, you will see a pub called The Royal Oak on the right. The ground is around 500 yards further on the left, being the first turning after Knowle Road. The Sports Club entrance is slightly obscured by a large oak tree.

MIDDLEWICH

Play-cricket: <https://middlewich.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1955953,-2.4546276&z=19>

Ground: Haddon Fields, Croxton Lane, Middlewich, Cheshire, CW10 9EZ,

MOBBERLEY

Play-cricket: <https://mobberleycc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3165024,-2.3161197&z=19>

Ground: Church Lane, Mobberley, Knutsford.

Tel: 01565 872 890

Directions: From Knutsford: Take A537 and turn right at traffic lights into Mobberley Road B5085 leading to Town Lane. At Mobberley Victory Hall turn left into Church Lane and ground is on the left after sharp left bend. From Wilmslow: On Alderley Edge Road A34 take Knutsford Road at roundabout leading to B5085. Turn right and proceed to Mobberley. At Victory Hall turn right into Church Lane. Ground is on left after sharp left bend.

MOSSLEY

Play-cricket: <https://mossley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1499265,-2.200692&z=19>

Ground: Moss Road. Congleton CW12 3BN

Directions: From Sandbach: Enter Congleton and turn right at the traffic lights into Padgbury Lane. At the T junction, turn right towards Stoke. Take next left after the sign for Egerton Arms, past the pub and Astbury Church. Follow the road past Astbury Golf Club, over a bridge, past a garden centre and then you will see a sign on your left Mossley CC. Turn right immediately down dirt track leading to the club. From Macclesfield: Enter Congleton, turn left at traffic lights, straight ahead at roundabout, through traffic lights, take 2nd exit at next roundabout and then straight ahead through another set of traffic lights up Park Lane. Next set of traffic lights turn right onto Leek Road then, as you come to a corner, turn left down Moss Road. After 500 yards you will see a sign to the club on your left. Turn left down dirt track. Mossley CC is at the bottom on the left.

NANTWICH

Play-cricket: <https://nantwich.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.0767902,-2.5114053&z=19>

Ground: The Doreen Bloor Green, Whitehouse Lane, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 6HH

Tel: 01270 626155

NESTON

Play-cricket: <https://neston.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2933394,-3.0793463&z=19>

Ground: Parkgate, Wirral, CH64 6QJ

Tel: 0151 336 4199

Directions: From end of M56: Take A5117 North Wales to next roundabout. Turn right onto A540 Hoylake. Continue for 5 miles. At 4th set of traffic lights, immediately after Shell garage and Hinderton Arms Hotel, turn left into Hinderton Road, B5134. Turn right at traffic lights at T-junction after 1 mile, then left in 100 yards at Neston Cross. Follow Parkgate Road for 1 mile when ground is on left.

NEW BRIGHTON

Play-cricket: <https://newbrighton.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4270341,-3.0421126&z=19>

Ground: Rake Lane, Wallasey, Wirral, Cheshire CH45 5DE

Tel: 0151 639 4900

Directions: Pick up the M56 and then join the M53 towards Wallasey and Liverpool. Just after exit 1 (A554), is a turn off on the flyover to Wallasey docks. Take this turning and, keeping to the right, cross over the motorway and the road drops down to the left. Pass a 'Toyota' agent on the left and at a roundabout, turn left. Immediately after, go through traffic lights (pub on right) and then a second set. Go straight on and at the church on the left, follow the one-way system to the left. Keep to the right and turn right at traffic lights. Go straight on at next set of lights. Keep to the left, passing a car showroom on the right. After a short distance, you'll see a wall on the left after some houses. Go straight on and, as the road goes towards the right, keep left and turn left at the end of the wall into Mortuary Road. The car park is on the left.

NORTHWICH

Play-cricket: <https://northwich.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.256804,-2.533011&z=19>

Ground: Moss Farm Recreation Centre, Moss Lane, Northwich

Tel: 01606 753 89

Directions: From M56: Leave at Jct. 10 for A49 Whitchurch. In 3 miles turn left at Tall Trees traffic lights onto A533 Northwich. Pass through Barnton and downhill to lights. Turn right and cross bridge and go past Winnington Park C.C. At top of hill turn right at lights onto Moss Road. In about 500 yards turn right onto Moss Lane. Take first turn right and ground entrance is 100 yards on right. From Altrincham: On A556 take right fork at end of 60 mph limit. Pass through town centre and take A533 Barnton/Runcorn. Go up steep hill and turn left at lights at top into Moss Road. In 500 yards turn right into Moss Lane. Ground is at foot of hill.

NORTH EAST CHESHIRE

Play-cricket: <https://neccc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3509374,-2.1185009&z=19>

Ground: Poynton Sports Club, London Road North, Poynton, Stockport, SK12 1AG

Tel: 01625 875 765

Directions: From M60: Follow directions for Cheadle C.C and go past club on left. Go straight on at next two roundabouts. At third one take first left onto A555, signed Poynton. Go up hill and join dual carriageway. At end turn right at roundabout, signed A5102 Woodford/Poynton. At mini-roundabout turn left onto A5149 Poynton. Continue over rail bridge to traffic lights in Poynton Village. Turn left onto A523 Stockport and in 300 yards ground entrance is on right.

OAKMERE

Play-cricket: <https://oakmere.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.223812,-2.6128565&z=19>

Ground: Overdale Lane, Oakmere, Northwich, Cheshire, CW8 2EL

OULTON PARK

Play-cricket: <https://oultonpark.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.1842357,-2.609389&z=19>

Ground: Pinford Lane, Little Budworth, Tarporley, CW6 9EL

Directions: On A49: Follow signs for Tarporley from Oakmere crossroads. Cross A54, turn left into Coach Road before reaching Wyevale Nurseries on right. Continue until Oulton Park gates are straight ahead. Turn left for Little Budworth, then left at War Memorial into Pinfold Lane. Ground entrance is 50 yards on right.

OXTON

Play-cricket: <https://oxton.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3813262,-3.0529359&z=19>

Ground: Townfield Lane, Oxton, Birkenhead, CH43 2LH

Tel: 0151 652 1331

Directions: From M56: Continue to M53 and leave at junction 3 Birkenhead. After 400 yards turn left at Swan Hotel into Holm Lane. Follow lane round to top of the hill bending left to join Mount Road. Continue to traffic lights and turn left into Townfield Lane. Ground is 200 yards on left.

PORT SUNLIGHT

Play-cricket: <https://portsunlight.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.326756,-2.9691705&z=19>

Ground: Leverhulme Sports Ground, Green Lane, Bromborough, Wirral
Cheshire, CH62 3PU

Directions: From the A41-New Chester Road, Bromborough, turn into Old Hall Road (CH62 3NX), at the end of the road at the roundabout take 3rd exit Riverwood Rd, then take almost immediate right turn in Warren Lane (best road for Satnav is Old Hall Rd).

PRESTBURY

Play-cricket: <https://prestburyches.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.288905,-2.151789&z=19>

Ground: The Cricket Ground, Prestbury Village

Tel: 01625 820 397

Directions: Take A538 to Prestbury Village. Entrance to the ground is off the main street, opposite the church and Threshers shop, between the butchers and the "Nice" restaurant, opposite Threshers. Take the left hand fork in the drive to car park.

ROMILEY

Play-cricket: <https://romiley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4163705,-2.0780129&z=19>

Ground: Birchdale Drive, Romiley, SK6 4LD

Tel: 0161 494 2600

Directions: Leave M60 at junction 25, signed Bredbury. Take second exit at roundabout for Bredbury. Turn left at traffic lights. At second set of lights turn right to Marple/ Romiley. Carry on for 2 miles through Romiley Village. Pass BP petrol station and take turning on left into Birchdale Drive. Ground is on right.

RUNCORN

Play-cricket: <https://runcorn.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3329825,-2.737676&z=19>

Ground: Moughland Lane, Runcorn, Cheshire, WA7 4SD

Tel: 01928 575 656

Directions: Leave M56 at junction 12, follow signs for Widnes (A557). Take exit for Runcorn Station then turn right at T-junction into Pilow Farm Road. Turn right into Penn Lane (post box on corner), go uphill and turn right at T-junction. In about 50 yards turn left into Weston Road at T-junction. Turn right at Runcorn War Memorial into Moughland Lane. Ground is on left in 50 yards.

SALE

Play-cricket: <https://sale.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4274324,-2.3047634&z=19>

Ground: Rockwood, Clarendon Crescent (off Dane Road), Sale, M33 2DE

Tel: 0161 973 7250

Directions: From the M60 leave at junction 6 for Sale Water Park. Drive 300 yards to traffic lights, then right into Dane Road B5397. After third of mile turn left into Clarendon Crescent, Clubhouse and Ground are immediately on right.

SANDBACH

Play-cricket: <https://sandbach.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.137293,-2.3875646&z=19>

Ground: Hind Heath Road, Sandbach, Cheshire CW11 3LZ

Tel: 01270 762549

Directions: From M6 junction 17 turn right towards Sandbach. Go straight through traffic lights with premier cars on the left hand side. At the first round about take the second exit with Homebase on the left. At the next round about take the second exit. Drive for approx half a mile until you come to a co-op on the left hand side. Turn left just before the co-op onto Abbey Road. Follow the road down to the roundabout. At the roundabout take the first exit. The club is on the right hand side in 100 yards.

STOCKPORT

Play-cricket: <https://stockportcc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3938715,-2.1578962&z=19>

Ground: Beech Road, Cale Green, Stockport, SK3 8HD

Tel: 0161 480 2766

Directions: Take M56 then M60 to Stockport. Leave M60 at junction 1 and follow signs for A6 Buxton. In about 1 mile veer right at lights onto A5102 signed Bramhall into Bramhall Lane. In 250 yards turn right by school Beech Road. Entrance to ground is second turning on left.

STOCKPORT GEORGIANS

Play-cricket: <https://sgcc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3810798,-2.1476709&z=19>

Ground: Cromley Road, Woodsmoor, Stockport, SK2 7DT

Tel: 0161 483 6581

Directions: From M60 West: Leave at junction 2 Cheadle. Take 4th exit at roundabout, A560 Cheadle. At traffic lights turn left into Chancellor Lane. In 1 mile go straight on at crossroads, past Cross Keys pub, under railway bridge and to roundabout. Take 2nd exit and continue to T-junction at Davenport Station. Turn right and in 400 yards pass Jolly Sailor pub on. At roundabout turn sharp left into Woodsmoor Lane, then first right in 400 yards into Flowery Field. Continue into Cromley Road and near end, entrance to ground is on right. From M60 East: Leave at Stockport East junction, take second exit at roundabout onto St Marys Way. Follow road through traffic lights and turn left at Flying Dutchman pub. Go past shops, through traffic lights and pass Davenport Station on left. Then follow the directions above.

STOCKPORT TRINITY

Play-cricket: <https://stockporttrinity.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3810507,-2.1546227&z=19>

Ground: Sports Ground, Highfield Road, Bramhall, Cheshire, SK7 3BE

TIMPERLEY

Play-cricket: <https://timperley.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3910117,-2.331144&z=19>

Ground: Stockport Road, Timperley, Altrincham, WA15 7LU

Tel: 0161 980 4397

Directions: From Altrincham: At Cresta Court Hotel turn onto A560 Stockport Road and continue for 1 mile. Entrance to grounds is on right, just before traffic lights. From Stockport: Continue on A560 across the Baguley

roundabout. After passing through several sets of traffic lights, grounds entrance is on left in Stockport Road.

TOFT

Play-cricket: <https://toft.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2983018,-2.3514541&z=19>

Ground: Booths Park, Chelford Road, Toft, Knutsford, WA16 8QX

Tel: 01565 632 734

Directions: From Knutsford: Take Chelford Road signed Macclesfield. Ground is 1 mile from town set back on the left just before Booths Park roundabout. From Macclesfield: Take Knutsford road and pass through Chelford and Ollerton. Ground is on the right just after roundabout serving Booths Park.

TRANMERE VICTORIA

Play-cricket: <https://tranmerevictoria.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3733291,-3.023739&z=19>

Ground: Victoria Park, Bebington Rd, Tranmere, Wirral CH42 6PX

Directions: Leave M53 at junction 4. Take 4th exit (B5151). Continue to double roundabout, bear right to Thornton Road. At junction with Borough Road take a right into "The Wiend". Then first right into Bedford Drive and at roundabout take left onto Bebington Road. Ground is 200 yards on the right.

UPTON

Play-cricket: <https://uptoncc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3852213,-3.1052034&z=19>

Ground: Old Greasby Road, Upton, Wirral, CH49 6LT

Tel: 0151 677 1558

Directions: From M56: Take M53 to junction 2 Hoylake. Proceed to mini-roundabout at end of spur, then go straight on for three quarters of a mile to next roundabout. Take left hand exit for Upton and twin grounds are set back on left.

WALLASEY

Play-cricket: <https://wallasey.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.4267886,-3.0595629&z=19>

Ground: The Kevin McCullagh Oval, Rosclare Drive, Wallasey, Wirral, Cheshire CH45 6UX

Tel: 0151 638 1091

Directions: Travel to the end of the M53 to Junction 1 and take the A554 exit to Wallasey/Birkenhead 0.2 miles. At the roundabout, take the first exit onto A554 1.4 miles. Turn right onto Harrison Drive/B5477 continue to follow B5477 0.4 miles. Turn left onto Sandy Lane 0.3 miles. Turn right onto Claremount Road (140 yds). Take the first left onto Rosclare Drive 0.1 miles. Take the 2nd left onto the Oval (70 yards)

WARRINGTON

Play-cricket: <https://warrington.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3633098,-2.6014772&z=19>

Ground: Warrington Sports Club, Walton Lea Road, Walton, Warrington, WA4 6SJ

Tel: 01925 263 210

Directions: From M56 Westbound: Leave at junction 10 taking A49 towards Warrington.. After 2 miles on reaching Stockton Heath village centre turn left onto A56 signed towards Walton, then left again after 400 yards into Whitefield Road. Continue then for approximately half a mile into Walton Lea Road. Ground entrance is on right hidden amongst trees

From M56 Eastbound: Leave at junction 11 taking A56 towards Warrington & Stockton Heath. Follow road for about three and a half miles. Immediately after passing an Indian restaurant (currently named The Jahan) and as the road bends to the left towards Warrington fork instead to the right, staying with the A56; then after about 100 yards turn right into Hill Cliffe Road. Continue for about 400 yards before turning right into Walton Lea Road. Ground entrance is on right hidden amongst trees.

Warning for Sat Nav users: The postcode for the Sports Club is shared with Warrington Crematorium. Though both buildings are on Walton Lea Road the road is blocked half way along, between the two premises, for traffic management puposes. Some Sat Nav users have been sent into Walton Lea Road from the wrong end as a consequence. Sat Nav users are advised therefore to use postcode WA4 6NE instead which should ensure they enter

Waton Lea Road from the eastern end. (The code is for private houses about 300 yards from the Sports Club)

WINNINGTON PARK

Play-cricket: <https://wpcc.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.2653938,-2.5320607&z=19>

Ground: The Recreation Club, Park Road, Winnington, Northwich, CW8 4EB

Tel: 01606 705 322

Directions: From M56, leave at junction 10 and take A49 Whitchurch. After 3 miles, turn left at Tall Trees lights onto A533 Northwich. Pass through Barnton and downhill to lights. Turn right over bridge and continue for 400 yards to lights. Turn right over the river bridge and continue for half a mile to the ground on the left.

WOODFORD

Play-cricket: <https://woodford.play-cricket.com/Aboutus>

Google map: <https://maps.google.co.uk/?q=53.3472238,-2.1676356&z=19>

Ground: Moor Lane, Woodford SK7 1PW

Directions: Moor Lane is off the A5102 Wilmslow to Poynton Road, 100 metres south of BAE Systems main entrance. Ground is 150 metres along Moor Lane on the left hand side.