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 Uppingham Town FC
 Wisbech Town Reserves

Division One - 16

Baston FC
 Glington & Northborough FC
 Kings Cliffe United FC
 Long Sutton Athletic FC
 Moulton Harrox Reserves
 Netherton United Reserves
 Oakham United Reserves
 Oundle Town FC
 Peterborough Polonia FC
 Riverside FC
 Spalding United Reserves
 Stamford Belvedere FC
 Sutton Bridge United FC
 Warboys Town FC
 Whittlesey Athletic Reserves
 Wittering FC

Division Two - 15

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 Crowland Town Reserves
 Ketton Reserves
 Langtoft United Reserves
 Leverington Sports Reserves
 Netherton United 'A'
 Parkway Eagles FC
 Peterborough ICA Sports Reserves
 Pinchbeck United Reserves
 Ramsey Town FC
 Spalding Town FC
 Stamford Lions Reserves
 Thorney Reserves
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 Whittlesey Athletic 'A'

Division Three - 16

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 Bretton North End FC
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 Farcet United FC
 FC Peterborough
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 Rutland DR FC
 Sawtry Reserves
 Stamford Belvedere Reserves
 Stilton United Reserves
 Sutton Bridge United Reserves
 Thorpe Wood Rangers FC
 Uppingham Town Reserves
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 Feeder FC
 Holbeach Bank FC
 Huntingdon Rovers FC
 Long Sutton Athletic Reserves
 Netherton United 'B'
 Parkside FC
 Premiair FC
 Stamford Lions 'A'
 Tydd St Mary Reserves
 Whaplode Drove FC
 Whittlesey Athletic 'C'
 Wittering Reserves

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 Glington & Northborough Reserves
 Kings Cliffe Reserves
 Holbeach United 'A'
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 Ramsey Town Reserves
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 Feeder Veterans

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 Kings Cliffe Veterans
 Long Sutton Athletic Veterans
 Moulton Harrox Veterans
 Netherton United Veterans

Oakham United Veterans
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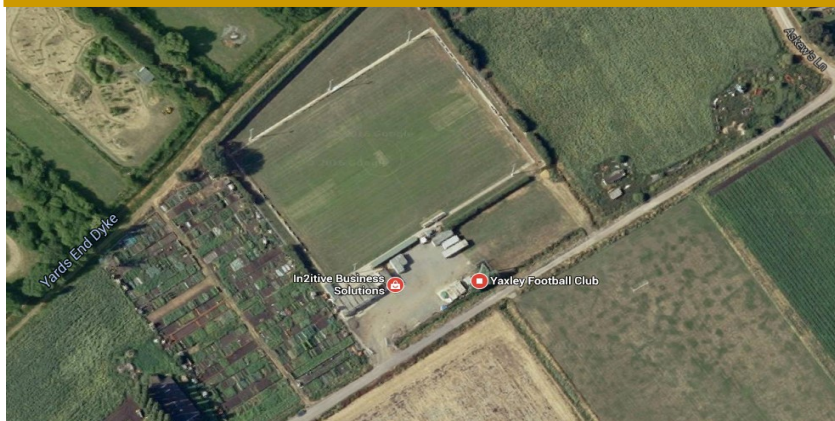


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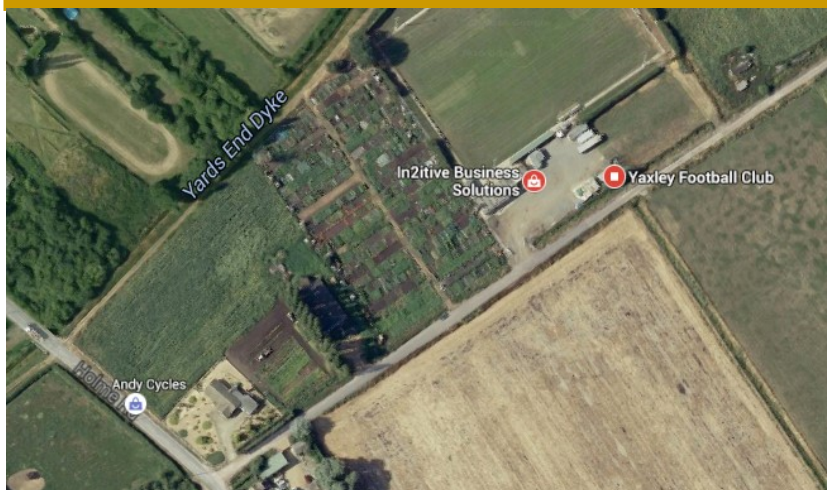
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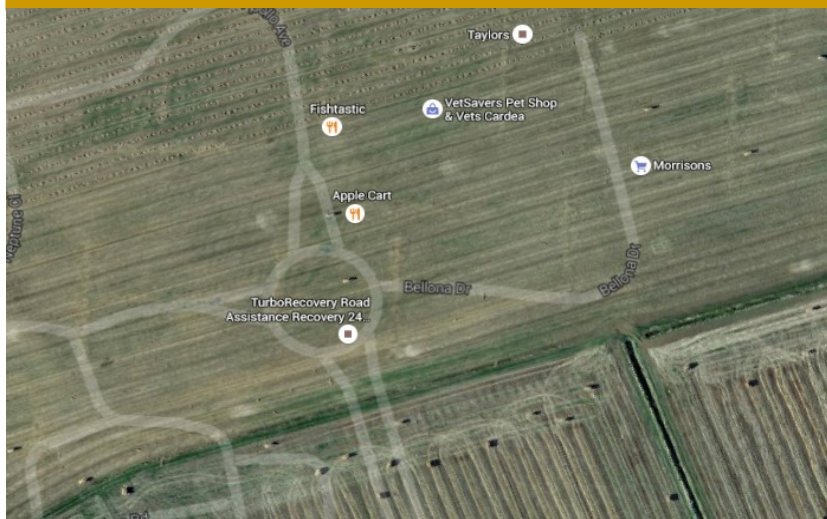
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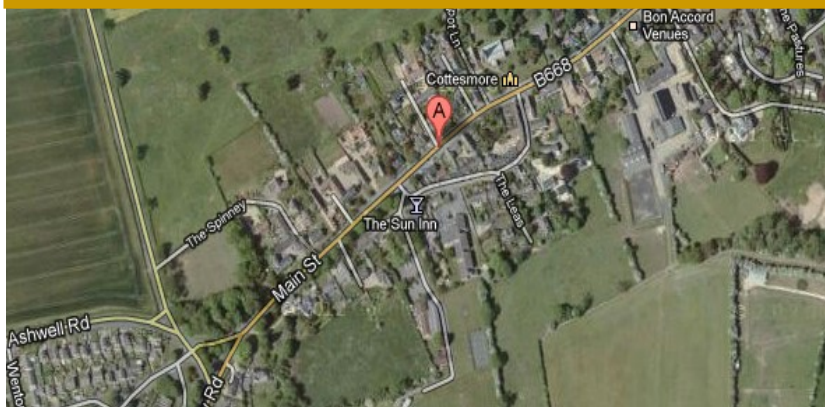


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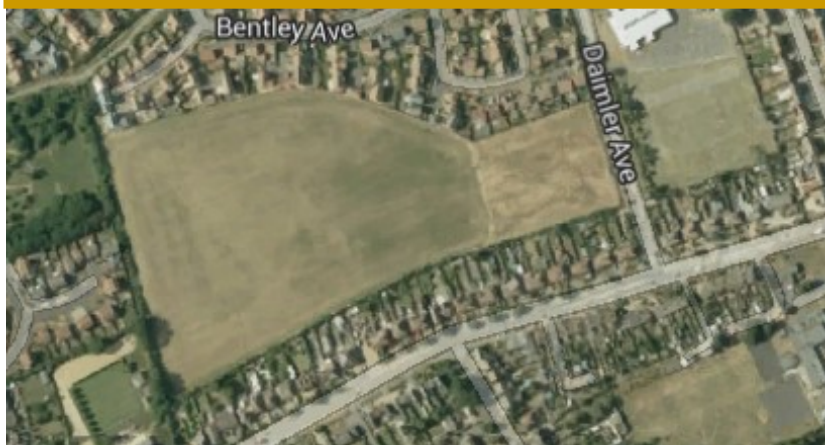
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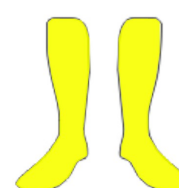
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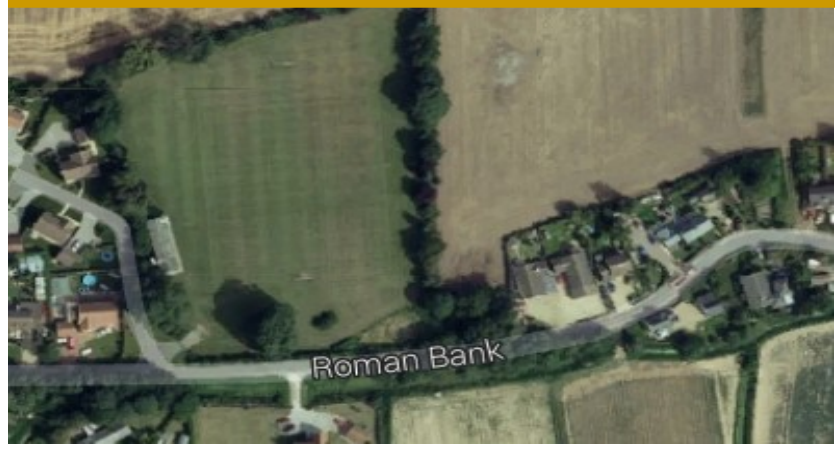


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 **Twitter:**

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Club Location



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Social Media

League Website:
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Club Location



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Club Kits



1st Team

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Veterans Team

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Social Media

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Social Media

League Website:

Club Website:

Twitter: @Levy_Sports_FC

Facebook:

Club Location



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League Website:
Club Website:

Twitter:
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Social Media

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Club Website:
Twitter: @MoultonHFC
Facebook:

Club Location



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1st Team

Reserve Team

Veterans Team



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Social Media

League Website:
Club Website:

 **Twitter:**

 **Facebook:**

Club Location



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Club Kits





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Social Media

League Website:

Club Website:

Twitter: @Nethertonunited

Facebook:

Club Location



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Social Media

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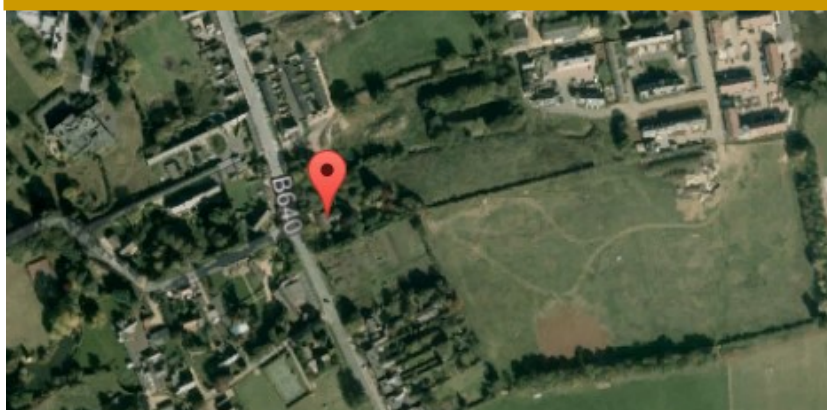


Twitter: @OakhamUnited



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Club Kits



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Veterans Team

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Club Location



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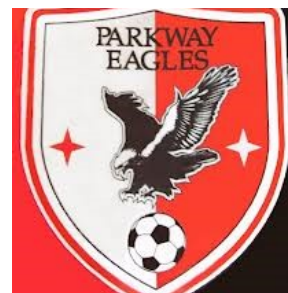


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Social Media

League Website:

Club Website:



Twitter:



Facebook:

Club Location



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Club Website:

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Club Location



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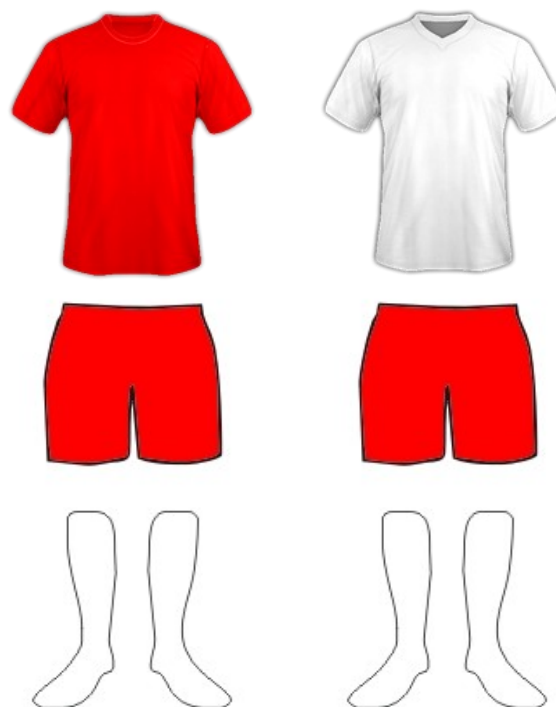
League Website:
Club Website:
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Club Location



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Social Media

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Club Location



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Club Kits



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Club Website:



Twitter:



Facebook:

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Facebook:

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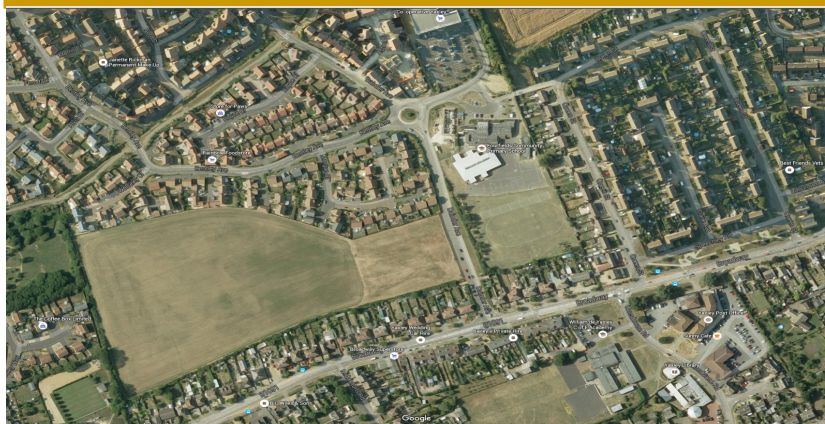
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Club Location



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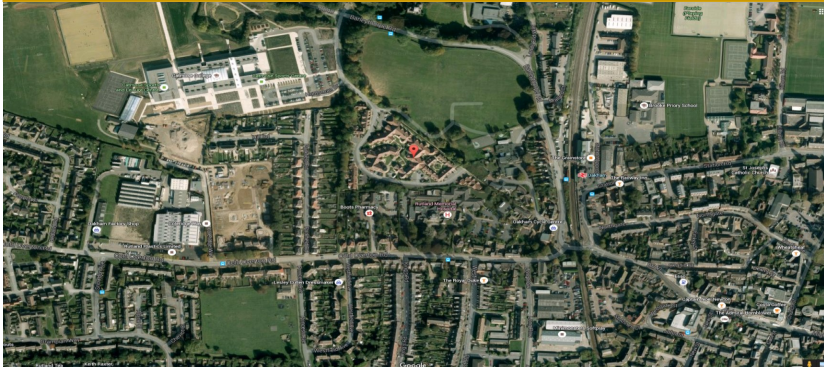
League Website:

Club Website:

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Club Location



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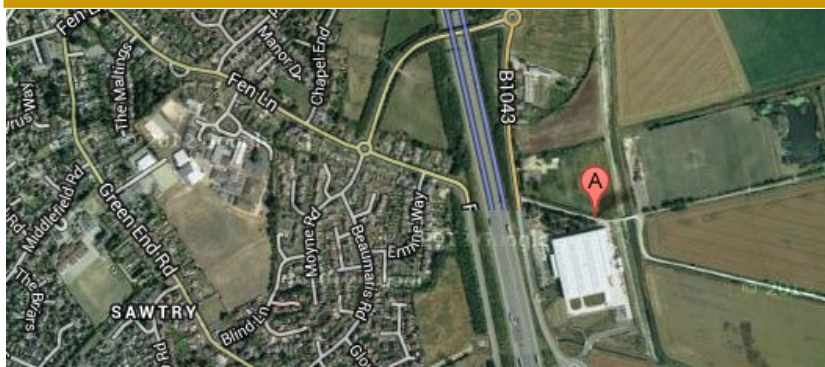
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Twitter:

Facebook:

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Club Kits





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Social Media

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Twitter: @_SBFC
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Club Location



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Club Kits



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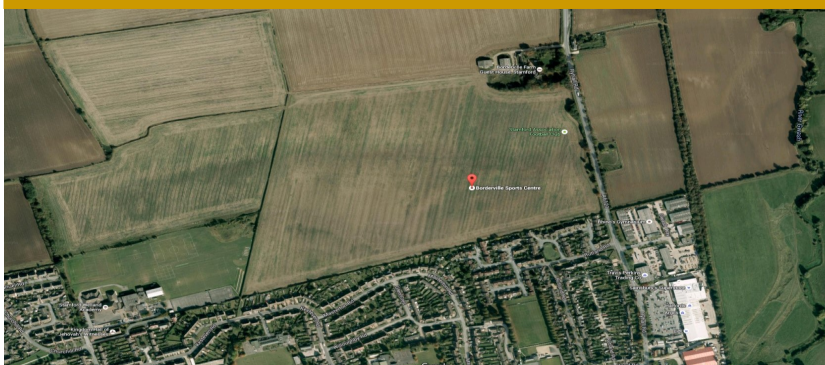
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Social Media

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Club Kits



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Club Kits

Club Location

Ground: TBC



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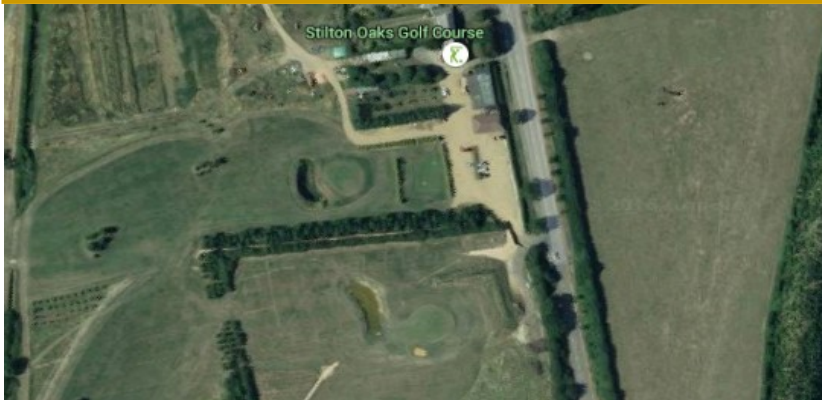
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Club Location



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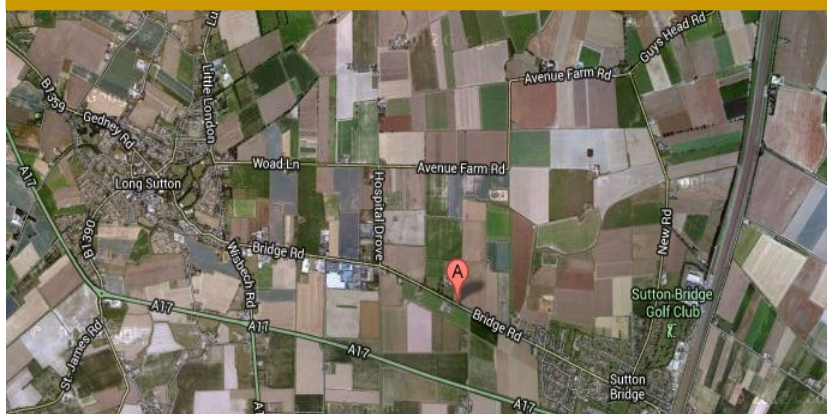
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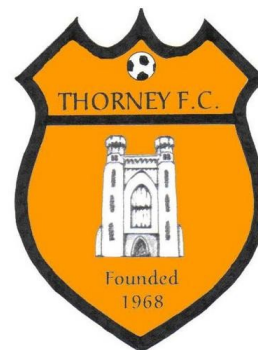
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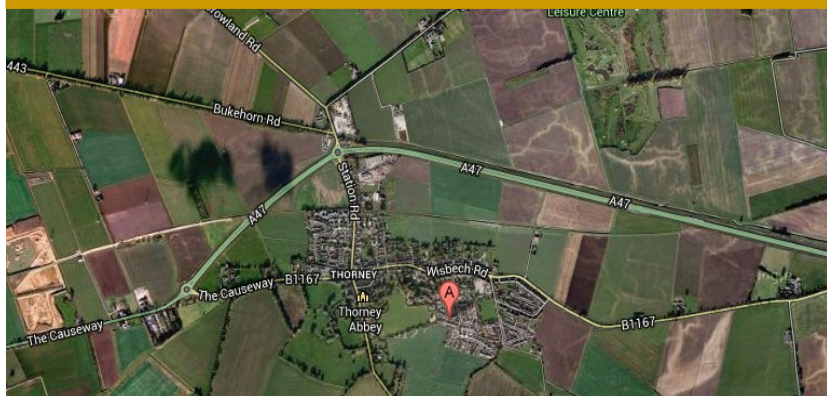


Twitter:



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Club Location



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Club Kits



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Club Kits



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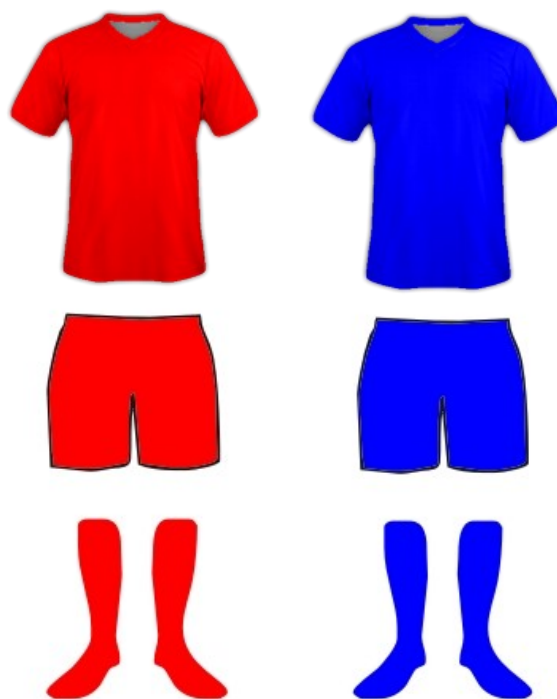
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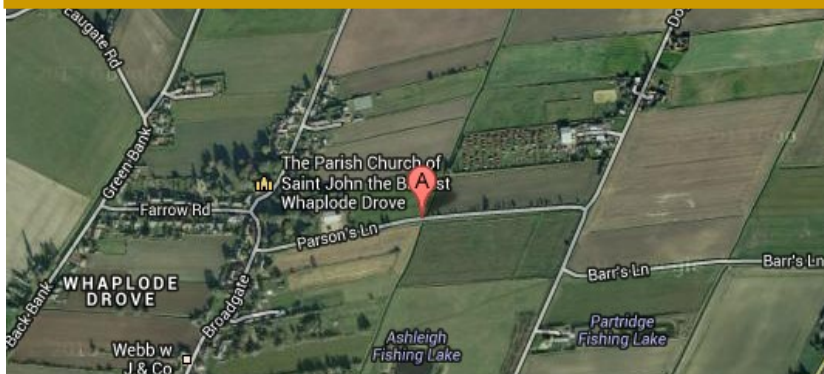


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Club Location



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Club Kits





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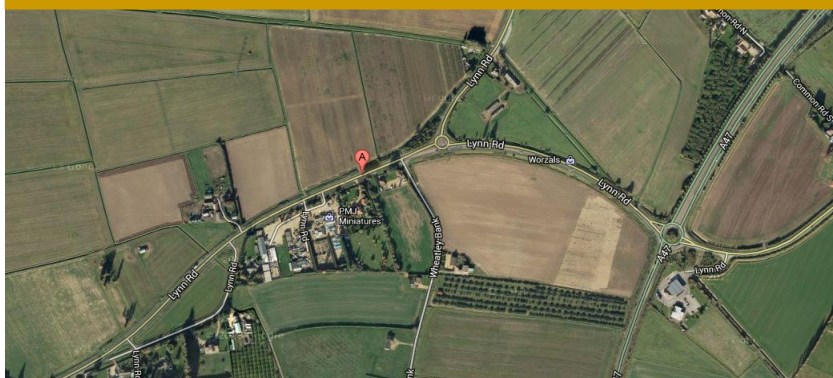
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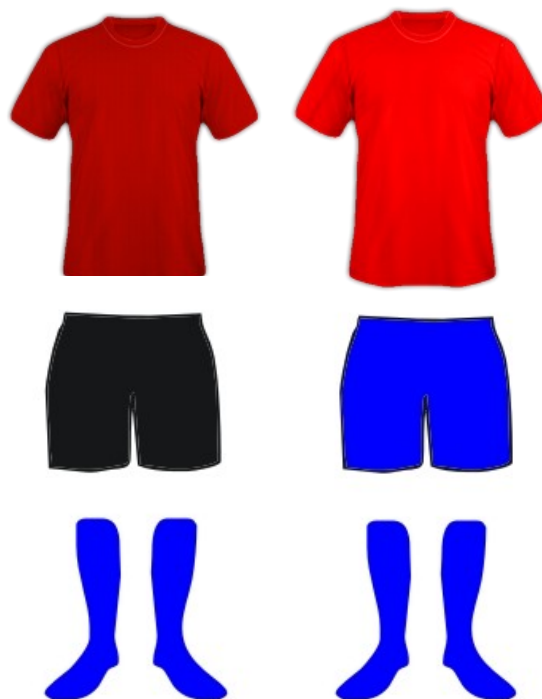
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Club Location



Ground: Wittering Sports Field, Townsend Road, Wittering, PE8 6HB

Club Kits



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GROUND GRADING - STEP 7

Notices

Clubs are reminded it is their responsibility to ensure they meet the relevant FA Ground Grading criteria at all times. They may be accessed by checking The FA grass roots website and following the link to <http://www.thefa.com/my-football/club-leagues/ground-grading>

1. GROUND

1.1 Security of Tenure

Where a club does not own the freehold of their ground then evidence of adequate security of tenure must be provided.

1.2 Ground Share

Ground sharing would be at the discretion of each league within the National League System, taking into account local circumstances. Where ground sharing is permitted the club must have sole control over and use of facilities on match days.

Ground sharing must not be allowed in order for a club to gain promotion.

1.3 Capacity

There is no stated ground capacity.

1.4 Boundary of Ground

There is no requirement for a ground to be enclosed in any way.

1.5 Clubhouse

A clubhouse facility, whilst being desirable, is not compulsory.

If a clubhouse facility exists either on or adjacent to the ground, this should be open on match days to provide refreshments to spectators.

1.6 Car Parking

There should be adequate car parking facilities on or adjacent to the ground.

1.7 Pitch Perimeter Barrier

As a minimum, there must be post and rope surrounding the pitch on all those sides that may be occupied by spectators.

The barrier, if other than solid wall type of construction may be infilled. Advertising boards may be acceptable as a means of infill.

Ideally, there should be a minimum of 1.83 metres, ideally 2 metres between the touchline, goal line and the pitch perimeter barrier.

1.8 Pitch Standards

The playing surface will be grass, unless otherwise authorised by the respective League Rules and must be of an acceptable standard. It must be free from surface depressions and excessive undulations.

The maximum slope allowable shall not exceed an even gradient of vertical to horizontal 1 : 41 in any direction.

1.9 Playing Area

The playing area is to be in accordance with the requirements of the Laws of the Game. Law 1 states that the length of the touchline must be greater than the length of the goal line.

Length	-	Minimum 90 m (100 yds)	Maximum 120 m (130 yds)
Width	-	Minimum 45 m (50 yds)	Maximum 90 m (100 yds)

It should be noted that at Grade H the playing area must be a minimum of 100 metres x 64 metres.

Goal posts and goal net supports should be of professional manufacture and conform to the current safety requirements and to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

Reference should be made to the Goalpost Safety Information booklet published by The Football Association.

GROUND GRADING - STEP 7 continued

1.10 Technical Area

Portable trainers' boxes are permitted and must be securely fixed when in use.

It is desirable for a Technical Area to be marked out in accordance with the guidance contained in the 'Laws of the Game' booklet.

1.11 Secure Walkway

A secure walkway is not a requirement.

1.12 Floodlighting

Floodlighting is not compulsory at this Grade.

However, where it is provided it must be to an average lux reading of 120. No single reading can be less than one quarter of the highest reading so as to ensure an even spread of light.

Reading shall be on a grid of 88 markings (8 across, 11 down) evenly spaced with the outside readings falling on the pitch boundary line. The average of all the readings is taken to be the average illumination level in lux of the floodlighting installation.

The lux values must be tested every two years in accordance with current guidelines by an approved independent contractor.

When new or improved installations are being planned, an average lux. reading of 180 should be provided.

1.13 Public Address System

A public address system is not compulsory.

1.14 Entrances

There is no requirement for fixed entry points.

However, where a turnstile is installed, it must be fully operational and of the controlled revolving type.

1.15 Exits

Where fixed exit points are provided, there must be sufficient to ensure the safe evacuation of the ground if necessary.

All exits must be clearly signposted.

1.16 Emergency Access

Access for emergency services should be provided.

2. SPECTATOR FACILITIES

2.1 Seated Accommodation

Seated accommodation is not a requirement.

2.2 Covered Standing Accommodation

Covered accommodation is not compulsory.

Hard standing is not compulsory.

However, where it is provided it must be a minimum width of 0.9 metre, measured from the spectator side of the pitch perimeter barrier where provided.

2.3 Toilets

Provision should be made for adequate toilet facilities.

2.4 Refreshment Facilities

Refreshment facilities for spectators are not compulsory.

GROUND GRADING - STEP 7 continued

3. DRESSING ROOM FACILITIES

All dressing rooms must be secure and suitable for purpose.

3.1 Players

Separate dressing rooms must be provided for both teams. Existing dressing room dimensions will be in order, provided that they are of a minimum of 12 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas. However, clubs wishing to progress should be aware of the need to increase to a minimum of 18 square metres. Where clubs are planning to build new changing rooms, these must be planned to be a minimum size of 18 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas.

Each dressing room should have the following:

A shower area comprising of at least 3 working showerheads for each team – if not located in the dressing room then they must be located adjacent to it.

Adequate toilet facilities exclusively for the use of players - if not located in the dressing room then they must be located adjacent to it and must not be accessible to the general public.

Hot and cold running water

Shared shower facilities are not acceptable.

Ideally separate toilet facilities should be provided for each team. It is not acceptable for players and match officials to share toilet facilities.

In order to be considered for promotion to Step 6, clubs must have en suite shower and toilet facilities with a minimum of 4 showerheads.

3.2 Match Officials

Separate dressing rooms must be provided for match officials, the minimum size of which shall be 4 square metres excluding shower and toilet areas.

Each match official's dressing room should have the following:

At least 1 working showerhead.

Adequate toilet facilities, exclusively for the use of match officials, which must be separate from those provided for the players. These do not necessarily need to be situated in the dressing room but must not be accessible to the general public.

Hot and cold running water

Provision should be made for changing accommodation for both male and female match officials.

When new changing rooms are being planned or existing changing rooms refurbished an area of 6 square metres and facilities for mixed gender match officials should be provided.

In order to comply with the G Grade after promotion to Step 6, clubs must provide en suite shower and toilet facilities for the match officials.

All dressing room areas to be maintained to a high level of cleanliness and secure on match days.

4. MEDICAL

There must be a suitable qualified person (minimum F.A. Save a Life) in attendance.

All clubs must provide first aid equipment at their ground.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H

(appropriate to entry to NLS Step 6)

NB When considering any developments of the ground to comply with the requirements of this grade, clubs are recommended to bear in mind the criteria for higher gradings which might be achieved for minimal additional expense.

NB Amendments agreed in May 2015 are shown in red italics

1. GROUND

It must be possible for spectators to view the match, either standing or seated, for the full length of at least 2 sides of the playing area. Where a side is designated as spectator-free, measures must be in place to ensure there is no unauthorised access.

The location of the ground, in so far as its relation to the conurbation whose name the club bears, or is traditionally associated with, must meet with the approval of both The Football Association and the Board of Directors or Management Committee of the league of which it is in membership.

1.1 Security of Tenure

The club must demonstrate security of tenure as required by The Football Association and the league of which it is a member. (Standardised rule 2.3.2)

1.2 Ground Share

Ground sharing is permitted in accordance with the provisions of individual league rules and the Regulations for the Establishment and Operation of the National League System.

1.3 Capacity

There is no minimum capacity at this level but a club should be mindful that the minimum requirement for Grade E is 1,000.

1.4 Boundary of Ground

The ground must be enclosed by a boundary, not necessarily of a permanent nature. As a general rule, the minimum height, when measured from outside the ground, must be 1.83 metres. It should be noted that at higher grades (E and above) the boundary fence should be of a construction to prevent viewing from outside the ground.

1.5 Clubhouse

There must be a clubhouse facility either on the ground or in the near vicinity and which must be open on match days to provide refreshments to spectators. NB for Grade G and above, the clubhouse, if not on the ground, must be immediately adjacent to it.

1.6 Car Parking

There should be adequate car parking facilities on or adjacent to the ground. Car parking within the ground may not be acceptable.

1.7 Pitch Perimeter Barrier

Subject to the provisions detailed below, there must be a permanent fixed barrier ideally 1.1 m high as measured from the spectator side, of sound construction (eg concrete and steel) and free from all sharp edges, surrounding the pitch on all sides that may be occupied by spectators. Existing barriers/rails not at 1.1m high may be acceptable, provided they meet the requirements set out in 1.7 of the Appendix.

The barrier, if other than solid wall type of construction may be infilled. Plastic multi-purpose hi-vis fencing is not considered suitable for infill.

There must be a minimum of 1.83 metres, ideally 2 metres, between the touchline, goal line and the pitch perimeter barrier.

Immediately in front of an area of seated accommodation the boundary of the playing area may be indicated by means other than a permanent fixed barrier, provided the Club is able to provide assurances that no spectator be allowed to stand in this area to watch the match.

Where there is a walkway in front of a standing terrace which is itself fronted by a crush barrier that has itself been subject to an annual risk assessment and, if necessary, tested, an alternative to a fixed barrier (e.g. A-frames) may be used, provided no spectators are allowed to stand in this area to watch the match. The Club must implement a safety management system to ensure this and also to protect the integrity of the playing area.

NB where A-frames are utilised instead of a fixed barrier, they must be continuous.

(See also Appendix)

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H continued

1.8 Pitch Standards

The playing surface must be grass, unless otherwise authorised by the Competition's Board of Directors or Management Committee, must be of the highest possible standard. It must be level and free from surface depressions and excessive undulations.

The maximum slope allowable shall not exceed an even gradient of vertical to horizontal 1: 41 in any direction. NB When a new pitch is being developed or significant improvements made to a pitch, the gradient of 1:41 would not be acceptable and the pitch must be constructed in accordance with and with reference to the FIFA Performance Quality Standard.

The playing surface must be maintained to a standard acceptable to the competition in which the club is playing or seeks to play.

Where 3G Football Turf Pitches are installed they must meet the FIFA 1 Star/IATS performance standards and be listed on the FA's Register of Football Turf Pitches. To meet the criteria a Football Turf Pitch must pass a test annually for FA Competitions as defined in the FIFA Quality Concept for Football Turf. The performance test must be completed by no later than 28th February each year and the result and details submitted to the FA and League by 31st March. Any remedial work must be carried out once the season ends and the pass Performance Test Certificate submitted to The FA and League by 31st May.

On receipt of the pass certificate/test report, The FA will add the pitch to the register.

1.9 Playing Area

The playing area must be a minimum of 100 metres x 64 metres and must conform to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

Goalposts and goal net supports should be of professional manufacture and conform to the relevant safety requirements and to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

(See also Appendix)

1.10 Technical Area

Two covered trainers' boxes clearly marked "Home" and "Away or Visitors" must be provided unless adequate provision is made in a seated stand. They must be on the same side of the pitch ideally either side of the halfway line, ideally both equidistant from it and ideally a minimum of 3 metres apart and provide an unobstructed view of the playing area.

NB When new boxes are being constructed or installed, they must be on each side of the half way line, equidistant from it and a minimum of 3 metres apart.

Each box should accommodate at least 8 persons on fixed seats or benches. Where bench seating is provided, a minimum of 0.5 m must be allowed for each person (i.e. 8 persons require a minimum of 4 metres.).

Portable trainers' boxes are permitted but must be securely fixed when in use.

A technical area must be marked out, in accordance with the guidance contained in the 'Laws of the Game' booklet.

1.11 Secure Walkway

There must be a safe, unimpeded passage for players and match officials between their dressing rooms and the pitch.

The design of the safe walkway will inevitably differ from ground to ground and it will rarely guarantee the safe passage of players and match officials unless supplemented by stewards. A club should implement procedures appropriate to the particular structure and be ready to respond to on the field situations which might affect spectator behaviour.

1.12 Floodlighting

Floodlights must be provided to an average lux reading of at least 120. No single reading can be less than one quarter of the highest reading so as to ensure an even spread of light. NB When installing a new system, clubs are advised to check any planning restrictions for its use.

Reading shall be on a grid of 88 markings (8 across, 11 down) evenly spaced with the outside readings falling on the pitch boundary line. The average of all the readings is taken to be the average illumination level in lux of the floodlighting installation.

The lux values must be tested every two years in accordance with current guidelines by an approved independent contractor. Floodlights must be retested after any significant alterations. Existing certification will be accepted provided that the test was carried out within the last two years unless work has been carried out at the ground which may have affected previous readings.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H continued

An example of an “approved” contractor is one which is in possession of the NICEIC (National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting) Approved Contractors Award or ISO 9000/BS 5750 (International Standards/British Standards) or is a member of the Electrical Contractors' Association. Alternatively, it can be a contractor deemed acceptable by the league.

The contractor must, when detailing the lux values, give confirmation in writing of the date when the illumination test equipment used was last calibrated.

When new or improved installations are being planned, an average lux reading of at least 180 should be provided.

1.13 Public Address System

A public address system is not compulsory for this grade but clubs must be mindful that it may be necessary to convey information to spectators in the event of an emergency.

1.14 Entrances

There should be at least 1 fully operational turnstile (which must be of the revolving type) or a pay box where a charge for entry to the ground can be taken. In both cases adequate protection and security for the turnstile operator must be incorporated.

It must be possible to gain access to the spectator viewing areas from the turnstiles via a bound surface to a minimum width of 0.9 metre.

1.15 Exits

All exits must be clearly signed, ideally with “running man” signs, and are to be kept clear and free from obstructions. (For further information, reference should be made to the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds.)

There must be access via a bound surface to all exits from the nearest spectator viewing areas.

1.16 Lighting

(See Appendix)

1.17 Adjoining Pitches

Where deemed that they are likely to interfere with the playing of a match, ball games will not be played on adjoining pitches whilst a match is in progress.

1.18 Emergency Access

Access must be provided for the emergency services and maintained free from obstruction.

2. SPECTATOR FACILITIES

2.1 Spectator Accommodation

The minimum covered accommodation must be 50.

Covered accommodation must be of sound construction of timber/steel/brick/concrete or any combination of these materials. Existing timber stands are only acceptable subject to a fire risk assessment conducted by a competent person.

Any seating must afford a good view of the pitch and be clean, functional and in good condition. Bench seating will be permitted provided that it is in good repair and that individual spaces (min 500mm) are clearly marked.

Standing spectators are not allowed in or near a seated spectator stand where they can obstruct views.

Areas where spectators are not permitted to stand must be clearly marked with yellow hatched markings. Alternatively, appropriate signage may be acceptable.

Hard standing to a minimum width of 0.9 metre, measured from the spectator side of the pitch perimeter barrier, must be provided on a minimum of 2 adjacent end/sides of the ground with direct access from the entrance. The surface must be tarmac, concrete, concrete paving or other approved materials which create a bound material

Where a club shares its ground with a cricket club which limits the amount of permanent hard standing which can be installed, a maximum of one side or end of temporary flooring made of a polypropylene material or such like may be acceptable. Precise details of the specification must be supplied to the league and The Football Association before its installation.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H continued

Spectators must not be permitted to access any end/side without hard standing.

2.2 Press Seating

There is no requirement for dedicated press seating.

2.3 Terracing

Where terracing is provided, it must comply with the requirements of the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds. All terracing must be in a sound condition. Terracing that is crumbling, has grass/weeds growing through it or has broken or loose concrete will not be accepted.

Any level surface within the ground should ideally be hard standing, such as tarmac, concrete, concrete paving or other approved materials which create a bound surface. However, flat and well maintained grassed areas may be accepted.

The use of tree bark instead of grass may be acceptable, subject to prior permission being obtained from the league and The Football Association.

2.4 Toilets

Toilets must be located within the ground and must be accessible both to male and to female spectators. NB Where it is necessary to exit the ground to gain access to toilets located in an adjacent clubhouse, these may be deemed acceptable, provided no great distance is involved.

A minimum of 2 WCs must be provided.

In addition, wash hand basins, with running water, warm air hand driers and/or paper towels, together with a supply of toilet paper, must be provided in each toilet area.

All toilet areas must be in working order, with a roof and operational lighting, and maintained to a high level of cleanliness.

These facilities may be of a temporary or mobile kind but must be connected to the mains supply (ie water and power) and main drainage or an acceptable alternative drainage system.

They must be fully accessible with permanent access

Individual toilet units often known as 'portaloos' are permissible on a temporary basis but may not be included in the minimum toilet requirements.

The location of all toilet facilities must be indicated with appropriate signage.

2.5 Refreshment Facilities

2.5.1 Directors/Committee/Guests

Refreshments must be made available for visiting officials and guests.

2.5.2 Ground Refreshment Facilities

Refreshment facilities must be provided at the ground or the clubhouse. These facilities may be of a temporary or mobile type.

2.6 Disabled Facilities

(See Appendix)

2.7 Segregation

When segregation is in operation, there must be adequate toilet facilities and refreshment facilities in each segregated area in addition to the appropriate means of egress and exit.

3. DRESSING ROOM FACILITIES

3.1 Players

Separate dressing rooms must be provided for both teams within the enclosed area of the ground. The dressing rooms must be of sound construction and be of a permanent nature. Existing dressing room dimensions will be acceptable provided they are a minimum of 12 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas. Where clubs are planning to build new dressing rooms these must be a minimum size of 18 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H continued

NB Clubs need to be aware of the increase at grade D to a minimum size of 18 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas, as from 31st March 2018.

Each dressing room must have the following:

- A shower area comprising of at least 4 showerheads
- At least 1 wash hand basin located outside the shower area.
- (All the above must have hot and cold running water)
- At least 1 WC in a cubicle

There must be a treatment table which is clean and in good condition in each dressing room.

3.2 Match Officials

The size of the match official's dressing room must be a minimum of 4 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas. When new dressing rooms are being constructed the match officials' room should be a minimum of 6 square metres in size, excluding shower and toilet areas.

NB Clubs need to be aware of the increase at grade D to a minimum size of 6 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas, as from 31st March 2018.

Each match officials' dressing room must have the following:

- at least 1 showerhead
- 1 wash hand basin
- at least 1 WC in a cubicle. This must be for the exclusive use of the match officials but need not necessarily be en suite

Provision must be made for separate dressing rooms for male and female match officials.

Where new dressing rooms are being constructed or existing are being re-designed, separate purpose built facilities for male and female match officials must be provided.

There must be an audible electronic warning device (bell or buzzer) in working order located in the match officials' dressing room, and which is linked to the players' dressing rooms.

All dressing room areas must be maintained to a high standard of cleanliness and be heated, well ventilated, free from damp and secure on match days.

4. MEDICAL

A stretcher must be provided for the removal of injured players from the pitch.

(See also Appendix)

APPENDIX

1. GROUND

1.7 Pitch Perimeter Barrier

It is important to distinguish between a pitch perimeter barrier/rail which exists to separate spectators from the playing area and a crush barrier which has been constructed and tested according to the requirements of the Green Guide. Where the structure cannot be designated as a crush barrier, e.g. its height exceeds 1.1m, the maximum depth of standing behind it is limited to 1.5m and this must be borne in mind in any capacity calculations.

It is recognised that the above may not be an issue for normal attendances but, when a larger crowd is anticipated, the Club should be mindful of the associated management issues and, if necessary, take professional advice.

Whatever system is employed, a club should be mindful of its responsibility to ensure spectator safety and minimise the possibility of unauthorised incursions on to the playing area.

1.9 Playing Area

Reference should be made to the Goalpost Safety information published by The Football Association and, in particular, it should be noted that the use of metal cup hooks is prohibited.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE H continued

1.16 Lighting

Whilst their installation is strongly recommended, neither working nor emergency lighting is any longer a grading requirement. Clubs are reminded that they have a responsibility to ensure the safety of spectators entering, leaving and moving about the ground and, if a ground is used in non-daylight hours, adequate artificial lighting should be provided. Further, consideration must be given by a club to its procedures in the event of a power failure.

2. SPECTATOR FACILITIES

2.5 Disabled Facilities

A club must take full account of the needs of disabled spectators and be mindful of its obligations under the provisions of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. Reference made should be made to the publications / data sheets issued by both The Football Association and the Football Foundation.

No specific requirement is currently included in the ground grading criteria but The Football Association strongly recommends that access is provided to both a covered viewing area and toilet and refreshment facilities.

4. MEDICAL

All clubs must provide first aid equipment, including a stretcher, for the use of players and spectators. Its location in the ground, if other than in a dedicated treatment room, should be clearly marked by notices placed in the dressing rooms for teams and match officials.

There must be a nominated and suitably qualified person in attendance to assist with spectator problems unless the St John Ambulance Brigade, Red Cross Society or other capable agency are in attendance. The requirements of the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds are for one first aider per 1000 anticipated spectators, with a minimum of two.

If a crowd of less than 2000 is anticipated, known and practiced arrangements should be in place to summon either a doctor or NHS ambulance alternative. For crowds of over 2000, an experienced crowd doctor should be in attendance.

NB The above in no way purports to be a comprehensive list of Health and Safety issues which it is the responsibility of a club to address. Clubs are recommended to arrange regular safety audits conducted by persons with the appropriate expertise.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G

(appropriate to NLS Step 6)

NB When considering any developments of the ground to comply with the requirements of this grade, clubs are recommended to bear in mind the criteria for higher gradings which might be achieved for minimal additional expense.

NB Amendments agreed in May 2015 are shown in red italics

1. GROUND

The ground must give an overall appearance and impression of being a football ground suitable for the National League System.

It must be possible for spectators to view the match, either standing or seated, for the full length of at least 2 sides of the playing area. Where any side is designated as spectator-free, measures must be in place to ensure there is no unauthorised access.

The location of the ground, in so far as its relation to the conurbation whose name the club bears, or is traditionally associated with, must meet with the approval of both The Football Association and the Board of Directors or Management Committee of the league of which it is in membership.

The club must disclose plans and details of any proposed future move to a new stadium or of any significant alteration to the existing ground to both the league of which it is in membership and The Football Association.

1.1 Security of Tenure

The club must demonstrate security of tenure as required by The Football Association and the league of which it is a member. (Standardised rule 2.3.2)

1.2 Ground Share

Ground sharing is permitted in accordance with the provisions of individual league rules and the Regulations for the Establishment and Operation of the National League System.

1.3 Capacity

There is no minimum capacity at this level but a club should be mindful that the minimum requirement for Grade E is 1000.

1.4 Boundary of Ground

The ground must be enclosed by a permanent boundary. As a general rule, the minimum height, when measured from outside the ground, must be 1.83 metres. It should be noted that at higher grades (E and above) the boundary fence should be of a construction to prevent viewing from outside the ground.

Where any side of the ground is bounded by private land/property, the fixed boundary of that private land / property may be acceptable as the boundary of the ground.

1.5 Clubhouse

There must be a clubhouse facility either on or adjacent to the ground, which must be open on match days to provide refreshments to spectators.

1.6 Car Parking

There should be adequate car parking facilities on or adjacent to the ground. Car parking within the ground may not be acceptable.

1.7 Pitch Perimeter Barrier

Subject to the provisions detailed below, there must be a permanent fixed barrier ideally 1.1 m high as measured from the spectator side, of sound construction (eg concrete and steel) and free from all sharp edges, surrounding the pitch on all sides that may be occupied by spectators. Existing barriers/rails not at 1.1m high may be acceptable, provided they meet the requirements set out in 1.7 of the Appendix.

The barrier, if other than solid wall type of construction may be infilled. Plastic multi-purpose hi-vis fencing is not considered suitable for infill.

There must be a minimum of 1.83 metres, ideally 2 metres, between the touchline, goal line and the pitch perimeter barrier.

Immediately in front of an area of seated accommodation the boundary of the playing area may be indicated by means other than a permanent fixed barrier, provided the Club is able to provide assurances that no spectator be allowed to stand in this area to watch the match.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G continued

Where there is a walkway in front of a standing terrace which is itself fronted by a crush barrier that has itself been subject to an annual risk assessment and, if necessary, tested, an alternative to a fixed barrier (e.g. A-frames) may be used, provided no spectators are allowed to stand in this area to watch the match. The Club must implement a safety management system to ensure this and also to protect the integrity of the playing area.

NB where A-frames are utilised instead of a fixed barrier, they must be continuous.

(See also Appendix)

1.8 Pitch Standards

The playing surface must be grass, unless otherwise authorised by the Competition's Board of Directors or Management Committee, and must be of the highest possible standard. It must be level and free from surface depressions and excessive undulations.

The maximum slope allowable shall not exceed an even gradient of vertical to horizontal 1: 41 in any direction. NB When a new pitch is being developed or significant improvements made to a pitch, the gradient of 1:41 would not be acceptable and the pitch must be constructed in accordance with and with reference to the FIFA Performance Quality Standard.

The playing surface must be maintained to a standard acceptable to the competition in which the club is playing or seeks to play.

Where 3G Football Turf Pitches are installed they must meet the FIFA 1 Star/IATS performance standards and be listed on the FA's Register of Football Turf Pitches. To meet the criteria a Football Turf Pitch must pass a test annually for FA Competitions as defined in the FIFA Quality Concept for Football Turf. The performance test must be completed by no later than 28th February each year and the result and details submitted to the FA and League by 31st March. Any remedial work must be carried out once the season ends and the pass Performance Test Certificate submitted to The FA and League by 31st May.

On receipt of the pass certificate/test report, The FA will add the pitch to the register.

1.9 Playing Area

The playing area must be a minimum of 100 metres x 64 metres and must conform to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

Goalposts and goal net supports must be of professional manufacture and conform to the relevant safety requirements and to the requirements of the Laws of the Game. (See also Appendix)

1.10 Technical Area

Two covered trainers' boxes clearly marked "Home" and "Away or Visitors" must be provided unless adequate provision is made in a seated stand. They must be on the same side of the pitch ideally either side of the halfway line, ideally both equidistant from it and ideally a minimum of 3 metres apart and provide an unobstructed view of the playing area.

NB When new boxes are being constructed or installed, they must be on each side of the half way line, equidistant from it and a minimum of 3 metres apart.

Each box must accommodate at least 8 persons on fixed seats or benches. Where bench seating is provided, a minimum of 0.5 m must be allowed for each person (i.e. 8 persons require a minimum of 4 metres.).

Portable trainers' boxes are permitted but must be securely fixed when in use.

A technical area must be marked out, in accordance with the guidance contained in the 'Laws of the Game' booklet.

1.11 Secure Walkway

There must be a safe, unimpeded passage for players and match officials between their dressing rooms and the pitch.

The design of the safe walkway will inevitably differ from ground to ground and it will rarely guarantee the safe passage of players and match officials unless supplemented by stewards. A club should implement procedures appropriate to the particular structure and be ready to respond to on the field situations which might affect spectator behaviour.

1.12 Floodlighting

Floodlights must be provided to an average lux reading of at least 120. No single reading can be less than one quarter of the highest reading so as to ensure an even spread of light. NB When installing a new system, clubs are advised to check any planning restrictions for its use.

Reading shall be on a grid of 88 markings (8 across, 11 down) evenly spaced with the outside readings falling on the pitch boundary line. The average of all the readings is taken to be the average illumination level in lux of the floodlighting installation.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G continued

The lux values must be tested every two years in accordance with current guidelines by an approved independent contractor. Floodlights must be retested after any significant alterations. Existing certification will be accepted provided that the test was carried out within the last two years unless work has been carried out at the ground which may have affected previous readings.

An example of an “approved” contractor is one which is in possession of the NICEIC (National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting) Approved Contractors Award or ISO 9000/BS 5750 (International Standards/British Standards) or is a member of the Electrical Contractors' Association. Alternatively, it can be a contractor deemed acceptable by the league.

The contractor must, when detailing the lux values, give confirmation in writing of the date when the illumination test equipment used was last calibrated.

When new or improved installations are being planned, an average lux reading of at least 180 must be provided.

1.13 Public Address System

A public address system is not compulsory for this grade but clubs must be mindful that it may be necessary to convey information to spectators in the event of an emergency.

1.14 Entrances

There must be at least 1 fully operational turnstile (which must be of the revolving type) or a pay box where a charge for entry to the ground can be taken. In both cases adequate protection and security for the turnstile operator must be incorporated.

Electronic turnstiles with bar code readers are also acceptable but an emergency procedure must be in place in the event of a power failure. Adequate protection and security must be incorporated for the turnstile operator or, where tickets are sold from a box office, the cashier.

It must be possible to gain access to the spectator viewing areas from the turnstiles via a bound surface to a minimum width of 0.9 metre.

1.15 Exits

All exits must be clearly signed, ideally with “running man” signs, and are to be kept clear and free from obstructions. (For further information, reference should be made to the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds.)

There must be access via a bound surface to all exits from the nearest spectator viewing areas.

1.16 Lighting

(See Appendix)

1.17 Adjoining Pitches

Where deemed that they are likely to interfere with the playing of a match, ball games will not be played on adjoining pitches whilst a match is in progress.

1.18 Emergency Access

Access must be provided for the emergency services and maintained free from obstruction.

2. SPECTATOR FACILITIES

2.1 Spectator Accommodation

Covered accommodation, which should preferably be on 2 sides of the ground, must be of sound construction of timber/steel/brick/concrete or any combination of these materials. Existing timber stands are only acceptable subject to a fire risk assessment conducted by a competent person.

The minimum covered accommodation must be 100, of which at least 50 must be seated and located in one stand. Whilst individual seats are preferred, bench seating may be permitted provided that it is in good repair and that individual spaces (min 500mm) are clearly marked.

The 50 seats must afford a good view of the pitch and be clean, functional and in good condition.

Separate seating for Directors/Committee and guests is not compulsory for this grade.

Standing spectators are not allowed in or near a seated spectator stand where they can obstruct views.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G continued

Areas where spectators are not permitted to stand must be clearly marked with yellow hatched markings. Alternatively, appropriate signage may be acceptable.

Hard standing to a minimum width of 0.9 metre, measured from the spectator side of the pitch perimeter barrier, must be provided on a minimum of 2 adjacent end/sides of the ground with direct access from the entrance.. The surface must be tarmac, concrete, concrete paving or other approved materials which create a bound material.

Where a club shares its ground with a cricket club which limits the amount of permanent hard standing which can be installed, a maximum of one side or end of temporary flooring made of a polypropylene material or such like may be acceptable. Precise details of the specification must be supplied to the league and The Football Association before its installation.

Spectators must not be permitted to access any end/side without hard standing.

Existing athletics stadia may be exempt from this requirement.

2.2 Press Seating

There is no requirement for dedicated press seating.

2.3 Terracing

Where terracing is provided, it must comply with the requirements of the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds. All terracing must be in a sound condition. Terracing that is crumbling, has grass/weeds growing through it or has broken or loose concrete will not be accepted.

Any level surface within the ground should ideally be hard standing, such as tarmac, concrete, concrete paving or other approved materials which create a bound surface. However, flat and well maintained grassed areas may be accepted.

The use of tree bark instead of grass may be acceptable, subject to prior permission being obtained from the league and The Football Association.

2.4 Toilets

Toilets must be located within the ground and must be accessible both to male and to female spectators. NB Where it is necessary to exit the ground to gain access to toilets located in an adjacent clubhouse, these may be deemed acceptable, provided no great distance is involved.

The following minimum toilet facilities must be provided:

Male: 2 urinals or equivalent and 1 WC

Female: 2 WC's

In addition, wash hand basins, with running water, warm air hand driers and/or paper towels, together with a supply of toilet paper, must be provided in each toilet area. Whilst replaceable linen roller towels in a cabinet are acceptable, individual hand towels are not permitted

The provision of toilet facilities within a clubhouse will be acceptable if these are accessible and available at all times on match days.

All toilet areas must be in working order, with a roof and operational lighting, and maintained to a high level of cleanliness.

These facilities may be of a temporary or mobile kind but must be connected to the mains supply (ie water and power) and main drainage or an acceptable alternative drainage system.

They must be fully accessible with permanent access

Individual toilet units often known as 'portaloos' are permissible on a temporary basis but may not be included in the minimum toilet requirements.

The location of all toilet facilities must be indicated with appropriate signage.

2.5 Refreshment Facilities

2.5.1 Directors/Committee/Guests

Refreshments must be made available for visiting officials and guests.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G continued

2.5.2 Ground Refreshment Facilities

Refreshment facilities shall be provided at the ground or in an adjacent clubhouse (See 2.4 Toilets). These facilities may be of a temporary or mobile type.

2.6 Disabled Facilities

(See Appendix)

2.7 Segregation

When segregation is in operation, there must be adequate toilet facilities and refreshment facilities in each segregated area in addition to the appropriate means of egress and exit.

3. DRESSING ROOM FACILITIES

3.1 Players

Separate dressing rooms must be provided for both teams within the enclosed area of the ground. The dressing rooms must be of sound construction and be of a permanent nature. Existing dressing room dimensions will be acceptable provided they are a minimum of 12 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas. Where clubs are planning to build new dressing rooms these must be a minimum size of 18 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas.

NB Clubs need to be aware of the increase at grade D to a minimum size of 18 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas, as from 31st March 2018.

Each dressing room must have the following:

- A shower area comprising of at least 4 showerheads
- At least 1 wash hand basin located outside the shower area.
- (All the above must have hot and cold running water)
- At least 1 WC in a cubicle

There must be a treatment table which is clean and in good condition in each dressing room.

3.2 Match Officials

The size of the match official's dressing room must be a minimum of 4 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas. When new dressing rooms are being constructed the match officials' room should be a minimum of 6 square metres in size, excluding shower and toilet areas.

NB Clubs need to be aware of the increase at grade D to a minimum size of 6 square metres, excluding shower and toilet areas, as from 31st March 2018.

Each match officials' dressing room must have the following:

- At least 1 shower
- At least 1 WC in a cubicle and 1 wash hand basin

Provision should be made for separate dressing rooms for both male and female match officials.

Where new dressing rooms are being constructed or existing are being re-designed, separate purpose built facilities for both male and female match officials must be provided.

There must be an audible electronic warning device (bell or buzzer) in working order located in the match officials' dressing room, and which is linked to the players' dressing rooms.

All dressing room areas must be maintained to a high standard of cleanliness and be heated, well ventilated, free from damp and secure on match days.

GROUND GRADING - GRADE G continued

4. MEDICAL

A stretcher must be provided for the removal of injured players from the pitch.

(See also Appendix)

APPENDIX

1. GROUND

1.7 Pitch Perimeter Barrier

It is important to distinguish between a pitch perimeter barrier/rail which exists to separate spectators from the playing area and a crush barrier which has been constructed and tested according to the requirements of the Green Guide. Where the structure cannot be designated as a crush barrier, e.g. its height exceeds 1.1m, the maximum depth of standing behind it is limited to 1.5m and this must be borne in mind in any capacity calculations.

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Whatever system is employed, a club should be mindful of its responsibility to ensure spectator safety and minimise the possibility of unauthorised incursions on to the playing area.

1.9 Playing Area

Reference should be made to the Goalpost Safety information published by The Football Association and, in particular, it should be noted that the use of metal cup hooks is prohibited.

1.16 Lighting

Whilst their installation is strongly recommended, neither working nor emergency lighting is any longer a grading requirement. Clubs are reminded that they have a responsibility to ensure the safety of spectators entering, leaving and moving about the ground and, if a ground is used in non-daylight hours, adequate artificial lighting should be provided. Further, consideration must be given by a club to its procedures in the event of a power failure.

2. SPECTATOR FACILITIES

2.5 Disabled Facilities

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No specific requirement is currently included in the ground grading criteria but The Football Association strongly recommends that access is provided to both a covered viewing area and toilet and refreshment facilities.

4. MEDICAL

All clubs must provide first aid equipment, including a stretcher, for the use of players and spectators. Its location in the ground, if other than in a dedicated treatment room, should be clearly marked by notices placed in the dressing rooms for teams and match officials.

There must be a nominated and suitably qualified person in attendance to assist with spectator problems unless the St John Ambulance Brigade, Red Cross Society or other capable agency are in attendance. The requirements of the Guide to Safety at Sports Grounds are for one first aider per 1000 anticipated spectators, with a minimum of two.

If a crowd of less than 2000 is anticipated, known and practiced arrangements should be in place to summon either a doctor or NHS ambulance alternative. For crowds of over 2000, an experienced crowd doctor should be in attendance.

NB The above in no way purports to be a comprehensive list of Health and Safety issues which it is the responsibility of a club to address. Clubs are recommended to arrange regular safety audits conducted by persons with the appropriate expertise.

RULES

Peterborough & District Football League

1. DEFINITIONS

(A) In these Rules:

“Affiliated Association” means an Association accorded the status of an affiliated Association under the Rules of The FA.

“AGM” shall mean the annual general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition.

“Deposit” means a sum of money deposited with the Competition as part of the requirements of membership of the Competition.

“Club” means a Club for the time being in membership of the Competition and “Team” means a side from a Club especially where a Club provides more than one Team in a division in accordance with the Rules.

“Competition” means the Peterborough & District Football League.

“Competition Match” means any match played or to be played under the jurisdiction of the Competition.

“Secretary” means such person or persons appointed or elected to carry out the administration of the Competition.

“Contract Player” means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play under a written contract of employment with a Club.

“Fees Tariff” means a list of fees approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Board for any matters for which fees are payable under the Rules.

“Fines Tariff” means a list of fines approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Board for any breach of the Rules.

“Ground” means the ground on which the Club’s team(s) plays its Competition Matches.

“Board” means in the case of a Competition which is an unincorporated association, the Board elected to manage the running of the Competition and where the Competition is incorporated it means the Board of Directors appointed in accordance with the articles of association of that company.

“Match Officials” means the referee, the assistant referees and any fourth official appointed to a Competition Match.

“Non Contract Player” means any Player (other than a Player on a Scholarship) who is eligible to play for a Club but has not entered into a written contract of employment.

“Officer” means an individual who is appointed or elected to a position in a Club or Competition which requires that individual to make day to day decisions.

“Player” means any Contract Player, Non Contract Player or other Player who plays or who is eligible to play for a Club.

“Playing Season” means the period between the date on which the first competitive fixture in the Competition is played each year until the date on which the last competitive fixture in the Competition is played.

“Rules” means these rules under which the Competition is administered.

“Sanctioning Authority” means the Northamptonshire County Football Association Limited.

“Scholarship” means a Scholarship as set out in Rule C 3 (a) (i) of the Rules of The FA.

“Team Sheet” means a form provided by the Competition on which the names of the Players taking part in a Competition match are listed.

“The FA” means The Football Association Limited.

“written” or “in writing” means the representation or reproduction of words or symbols or other information in a visible form by any method or combination of methods, whether sent or supplied in electronic form or otherwise.

RULES continued

(B) All Clubs shall adhere to the Rules. Every Club shall be deemed, as a member of the Competition to have accepted the Rules and to have agreed to abide by the decisions of the Board in relation thereto, subject to the provisions of Rule 16.

(C) The Competition will be known as “Peterborough & District Football League” (or such other name as the Competition may adopt). The Clubs participating in the Competition must be members of the Competition. A Club which ceases to exist or which ceases to be entitled to play in the Competition for any reason whatsoever shall thereupon automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.

(D) The administration of the Competition under these Rules will be carried out by the Competition acting (save where otherwise specifically mentioned herein) through the Board in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of The FA.

2. NOMENCLATURE AND CONSTITUTION

(A) This Competition shall consist of not more than 88 Clubs approved by the Sanctioning Authority

(B) All Clubs must be affiliated to an Affiliated Association and their names and particulars shall be returned annually by the appointed date on the Form 'D' to the appropriate County Football Association and must have a constitution approved by the Sanctioning Authority.

This Competition shall apply annually for sanction to the appropriate County Football Association and the constituent teams of Member Clubs may be grouped in divisions, each not exceeding 20 in number. With additional Veteran Development Divisions. The Premier Division may be increased by one team to meet the contingencies of the National League System.

(C) Only one team shall be permitted from any Club to participate in the same division as another team from the same Club unless there is no viable alternative because of logistical issues and/or reasons linked to participation and geographical boundaries. The Competition will obtain the prior approval of the Sanctioning Authority in the event of a division comprising of more than one team from the same Club. This Competition will ensure that, where permission is given, teams from a Club operating in the same division are run as separate entities with no interchange of player's other than via transfers of registration in accordance with these Rules.

(D) Inclusivity and Non-discrimination

The Competition and each Club must be committed to promoting inclusivity and to eliminating all forms of discrimination

Any alleged breach of the Equality Act 2010 legislation must be referred to the appropriate Sanctioning Authority for investigation.

(E) Clubs must comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA which are adopted by the Competition including but not limited to, Charter Standard and RESPECT programmes.

(F) Clubs shall not enter any of their teams playing in the Competition in any other Competitions (with the exception of FA and County FA Competitions) except with the written consent of the Management Committee.

RULES continued

(G) At the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, a majority of the delegates present shall have power to decide or adjust the constitution of the divisions at their discretion. When necessary this Rule shall take precedence over Rule 12.

3. ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT

(A) Applications by Clubs for admission to the Competition or the entry of an additional team(s) from the same Club must be made in writing to the Secretary and must be accompanied by the Entry Fee as set out in the Fees Tariff per team which shall be returned in the event of non-election.

At the discretion of a majority of the accredited voting members present applications, of which due notice has been given, may be received at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting.

When Rule 12(B) is applied or a team seeks a transfer or is compulsorily transferred to another division no Entry Fee shall be payable.

The Board shall examine all applications from new Clubs and shall recommend acceptance or rejection to the Annual General Meeting. They will be placed in a division suitable to their playing strength. If the number of applicants accepted exceeds the number of vacancies the member clubs shall then vote by Ballot.

Present Clubs applying to be placed in the Premier Division must do so in writing to the Company Secretary by 31st December in the relevant year. A non-returnable fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff must accompany all such applications otherwise the application will lapse. A Ground inspection will be carried out by the League's Facilities Committee by 28th February and applicant Club(s) will be given until 31st March to complete any changes necessary to bring facilities up to the required standard. A second inspection will be carried out to ensure that the required changes have been made. (See details of requirements on the FA Full Time system News Page).

(B) The Annual Subscription shall be in accordance with the Fees Tariff payable on or before the Annual General Meeting of the Competition, in each year.

(C) In the event of any issue concerning the membership of any Club with the Competition the Board may require a Deposit to be paid by or on behalf of the Club on such terms and for such period as it may in its entire discretion think fit in accordance with the Fees Tariff

(D) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the Entry Fee, Annual Subscription and Deposit have been paid.

(E) Clubs must advise annually to the Company Secretary in writing by 1st July of its Sanctioning Authority affiliation number for the forthcoming Season, failing which they will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff Clubs must advise the Company Secretary in writing, or on the prescribed form, of details of its Headquarters, Officers and any other information required by the Competition.

(F) STATIONERY: - All teams/clubs will be supplied with the following stationery.

(i) Each team will be supplied with 1 book of Team/Result Forms, in accordance with the Fees Tariff

(ii) Registrations Forms can be downloaded from the FA Full Time system free of charge.

(iii) 1 Book of Match Report Forms in accordance with the Fees Tariff

(iv) Transfer Forms can be downloaded from the FA Full Time system. Each transfer will be in accordance with the Fees Tariff

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(G) Promotion to Step 6 - Any Premier Division club wishing to apply for promotion to Step 6 must apply in writing to The Football Association and copied to the Peterborough & District Football League Limited, Company Secretary by the 31st December.

4. MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION

(A) The Board shall comprise the Directors (Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman of the Board, Company Secretary, Development Director, Facilities Director, Disciplinary Director, Cup Competition Director and Finance Director) of the Competition and 14 ordinary members who shall all be elected at the Annual General Meeting. This will be supported by the President.

This will be done with Board Members elected on a 3-year cycle. The Chairman of the Board and Finance Director on the first cycle, Disciplinary Director, Company Secretary and Cup Competition Director on the second cycle, with the, Vice Chairman, Development Director and Facilities Director being elected on the third year cycle. (Note: - Auditors are not Officers).

(B) All candidates for election as Directors or Members of the Board shall be nominated to the Secretary in writing, signed by the Secretaries of two Member Clubs, not later than 30th April in each year. Names of the candidates for election shall be circulated with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. In the event of there being no nomination in accordance with the foregoing for any office, nominations may be received at the Annual General Meeting.

(C) The Board shall meet as and when required with no more than three calendar months between each meeting.

On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds of the members of the Board the Secretary shall convene a meeting of the Committee.

(D) Except where otherwise mentioned all communications shall be addressed to the Secretary who shall conduct the correspondence of the Competition and keep a record of its proceedings.

(E) All communications received from Clubs must be conducted through their nominated Officers.

(F) Members and Directors of the League Board having completed 15 years of service shall be eligible for Life Membership and Long Service Award. They will be entitled to attend the A.G.M. and Board meetings without the power to vote. A Club Secretary with 15 years' service shall be eligible for Honorary Life Membership. He / She will be entitled to attend the A.G.M. and Board meetings without the power to vote.

5. POWERS OF MANAGEMENT

(A) The Board Members may appoint Sub-committees and delegate such of their powers, as they deem necessary. The decisions of all Sub Committees shall be reported to the Board for ratification. All Board members must sit on at least one Sub-committee and attend at least 2/3 of meetings in conjunction with Rule 5N. The Board shall have power to deal only with matters within the competition and not for any matters of misconduct that are under the jurisdiction of the Football Association or Affiliated Association.

(B) Subject to the permission of the Sanctioning Authority having been obtained, the Board may order a match or matches to be played each season, the proceeds of which to be devoted to the funds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call upon each Club (including any Club which may have withdrawn during the season) to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any deficiency at the end of the season.

(C) Each Member of the Board shall have the right to attend and vote at all such Board Meetings and have one vote thereat, but no Member shall be allowed to vote on any matters directly appertaining to such Member or to the Club so represented or where there may be a conflict of interest. (This shall also apply to the procedure of any sub-committee).

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In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chairman of the Board shall have a second or casting vote.

(D) The Board shall have powers to apply, act upon and enforce these Rules and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the Competition. Any action by the Competition must be taken within 28 days of the Competition being notified.

With the exception of Rules 5(I), 6(H), 10(A), 11 and 19, for all breaches of Rule a formal written charge must be issued to the Club Concerned. The Club charged shall be given seven days from the date of notification to reply to the charge and given the opportunity to: -

- (i) Accept or deny the charge
- (ii) Submit in writing a case of mitigation, or
- (iii) Put their case before the Board at a personal hearing.

All breaches of the Laws of the Game, Rules and Regulations of The Football Association shall be dealt with in accordance with F.A. Rules by the appropriate Association.

Any fines levied shall be in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

The maximum fine permitted for any breach of a Rule is £250 and, when setting any fine, the Competition must ensure that the penalty is proportional to the offence, taking into account any mitigating circumstances.

(E) All decisions of the Board shall be binding subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 16. Decisions of the Board must be notified in writing to those concerned within ten days.

(F) More than fifty percent (50%) of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Board or any sub-committee thereof.

(G) The Board, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill in an acting capacity, any vacancies that may occur amongst their number.

(H) A Club must comply with an order or instruction of the Board and must attend to the business and/or the correspondence of the Competition to the satisfaction of the Board.

(I) All fines and charges are payable forthwith and must be paid within 21 days of the date of notification of the decision. Any Club failing to do so will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Further failure to pay the fine including the additional fine within 14 days will result in fixtures being withdrawn until such time as the outstanding fines are paid.

(J) A member of the Board appointed by the Competition to attend a meeting or match may have any reasonable expenses incurred refunded by the Competition. Travelling expenses for attending meetings of the Board are in accordance with the Fees Tariff

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(K) The Board shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the membership of the Competition between the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting called to decide the constitution and the commencement of the Competitions season.

(L) The business of the Competition as determined by the Board shall be transacted by electronic mail or facsimile.

(M) Should any elected member fail to attend three consecutive meetings, except through illness, the Board may declare their seat vacant and shall be empowered to fill any such vacancy.

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(A) The Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than the 30th June in each year. At this meeting the following business shall be transacted provided that at least 20 Members are present and entitled to vote:

- (i) To receive and confirm the Minutes of the preceding Annual General Meeting.
- (ii) To receive and adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.
- (iii) Election of Clubs to fill vacancies
- (iv) Constitution of the Competition for ensuing season.
- (v) Election of President, Vice Presidents, Directors and Board Members
- (vi) Appointment of Auditor.
- (vii) Alteration of Rules, if any
- (viii) Fix the date for commencement of the season and kick off times applicable to the Competitions.
- (ix) Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted as being relevant to an Annual General Meeting.

(B) A copy of the verified Balance Sheet, Statement of Accounts, and Agenda shall be forwarded to each club at least fourteen days prior to the meeting, together with any proposed change of Rules.

(C) A signed copy of the verified Balance Sheet, and Statement of Accounts shall be sent to the Sanctioning Authority within fourteen days of its adoption by the Annual General Meeting.

(D) Each Member Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to an Annual General Meeting. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. Fourteen day's notice shall be given of any meeting.

(E) Clubs who have withdrawn their Membership of the Competition during the season being concluded or who are not continuing Membership shall be entitled to attend but shall vote only on matters relating to the season being concluded. This provision will not apply to Clubs expelled in accordance with Rule 17.

(F) All voting shall be conducted by a show of voting cards unless a ballot be demanded by at least 50% of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chairman of the Board so decides.

(G) No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Member Club.

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(H) Any continuing Member Club failing to be represented at the Annual General Meeting without satisfactory reason being given shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff

(I) Directors and Board members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an Annual General Meeting.

7. AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED

The Chairman and the Secretary of each Club which is an unincorporated Association and two directors of each Club which is an incorporated entity shall complete and sign the following agreement which shall be deposited with the Competition together with the Application for Membership for the coming season, or upon indicating that the Club intends to compete.

“We, (A) (name) [] of (address) [] (Chairman)/(Director) and (B) (name) [] of (address) [] (Secretary)/(Director) of [] Football Club (Limited) have been provided with a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the [] Competition and do hereby agree for and on behalf of the said Club to conform to those Rules and Regulations and to accept, abide by and implement the decisions of the Board of the Competition, subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 16.”

Any alteration to the Chairman or Secretary on the above Agreement must be notified to the County Football Association to which the Club is affiliated and to the Secretary of the Competition.

8. QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

(A) (i) Contract players, are not permitted in this Competition with the exception of those Players who are registered under Contract with the same Club who have a team operating at Steps 1 to 6 of the National League System.

It is the responsibility of each Club to ensure that any Player signing a registration form for that Club has, where necessary, the required International Transfer Certificate. Clearance is required for any Player aged 10 and over crossing borders including Wales, Scotland and Ireland.

(ii) Each Club must have at least 11 players per team registered fourteen (14) days before the start of each Playing Season or be liable to fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(B) A Player is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink, countersigned by an Officer of the Club and who has been registered with the League Office on the FA Full Time system by noon on Friday prior to playing. Failure to complete the player registration form correctly will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

Veterans Division players must be 35 and over the day of the match to be eligible to play. Veteran's Development teams can complete Player Registration Forms on the day with a limit of 2 per team on any one match day and have 3 days after the match to register with the office. Players ideally should take ID to settle age disputes before kick-off.

(C) A team shall not include more than 3 players who have taken part in any Step 6 or more senior competition matches during the current season unless a period of 14 days has elapsed since they played.

For the purpose of this Competition a senior competition(s) are any Step 6 League or League Cup competition, (excepting Reserve & Youth Team competitions), FA competition or its most senior County Cup Competition.

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(D) A player having taken part in matches for any Club affiliated to any County Football Association shall not be allowed to join, be transferred to, or sign for a Club in the Competition without first proving to the officials of the intended Club that the player has discharged all reasonable financial liabilities to the previous Club or Clubs, and a Club official may not accept such player's signature without first ascertaining whether such claims have been discharged to the satisfaction of the Club, or Clubs, for which the player last played. In the event that a Player could be required to pay a proportion of a debt due under The FA Football Debt Recovery System then, whether or not the debt has been referred to the relevant County FA, the Competition must not affect the player's registration in any way or refuse to register a transfer due to that debt being outstanding. The Competition cannot refuse to register a Player for an unpaid non-footballing debt.

(E) A fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff shall be paid for each player registered. This will be invoiced either monthly or on the 31st December and the remaining players will be invoiced on the 31st March. Clubs to indicate payment method via the Renewal of Membership Form. Registration forms shall be obtained from the FA Full Time system.

(F) The Board shall decide all registration disputes.

In the event of a player signing a registration form or having a registration submitted for more than one Club priority of registration shall decide for which Club the player shall be registered. The Disciplinary Director shall notify the Club last applying to register the player of the fact of the previous registration.

(G) It shall be a breach of Rule for a player to: -

(i) Play for more than one Club in the Competition in the same season without first being transferred.

(ii) Having signed for one Club in the Competition, sign for another Club in the Competition in that season except for the purpose of a transfer.

(iii) Submit a signed registration form for registration that the player had wilfully neglected to accurately or fully complete.

(H) (i) The Board shall have the power to accept the registration of any player subject to the provisions of clauses (ii) and (iii) below.

(ii) The Board shall have power to refuse, cancel or suspend the registration of any player or may fine any player at their discretion who has been charged and found guilty of registration irregularities (subject to Rule 16).

(iii) The Board shall have power to make application to refuse or cancel the registration of any player charged and found guilty of undesirable conduct (subject to Rule 16) subject to the right of appeal to the FA or the relevant County Football Association. Undesirable conduct shall mean an incident of repeated proven misconduct, which may deter a participant from being involved in this Competition. Application should be made to the parent county of the club the player is registered or intending to be registered with.

(iv) For a player who has previously had a registration removed in accordance with clause (iii) but has a registration accepted at

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the expiry of exclusion will be considered to be under a probationary period of 12 months. Whilst under a probationary period, should the player commit a further act of proven misconduct under the jurisdiction of the Competition, (excluding standard dismissals), the Competition would be empowered to consider a further charge of bringing the Competition into disrepute.

Note: Action under Clause (iii) shall not be taken against a player for misconduct until the matter has been dealt with by the appropriate Association, and then only in cases of the player bringing the Competition into disrepute and will in any case be subject to an appeal to The Football Association. All decisions must include the period of restriction.

For the purpose of this Rule, bringing the Competition into disrepute can only be considered where the player has received in excess of 112 days' suspension, or 10 matches in match based discipline, in a period of two years or less from the date of the first offence

(I) Subject to compliance with FA Rule C2(a) when a Club wishes to register a Player who is already registered with another Club it shall submit a transfer form to the Competition accompanied by a fee as set out in the Fees Tariff. Such transfer shall be referred by the Competition to the Club for which the player is registered. Should this Club object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the Competition and to the Player concerned within three days of receipt of the notification. Upon receipt of the Club's consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within three days, the Competition Secretary may, on behalf of the Board, transfer the Player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club from such date. The approaching Club may not approach another Player at the same Club within 28 days of an earlier notice of approach or acknowledgment.

In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Board for a decision.

(i) All Transfer forms must be with League Office by 12.00 noon Friday.

The Club responsible for the transfer must confirm with the League Office by 3.00p.m. Friday that the said transfer is in his possession and is on the FA Full Time system.

(ii) Transfer forms can be photocopied and faxed to League Office on 01733 330067 or emailed to pdflooffice@btconnect.com.

(J) A player may not be registered for a Club nor transferred to another Club in the Competition after 31st March, except by special permission of the Board. Development Divisions are excluded from this Rule.

(K) A Club shall keep a list of the players it registers and a record of the games in which they have played, and shall produce such records upon demand by the Board.

(L) A register containing the names of all players registered for each club, with the date of registration, shall be kept by the Disciplinary Director and shall be open to the inspection of any duly appointed member club representative at all Board meetings or at other times mutually arranged. Registrations are valid for one season only.

In the event of a player without a written contract changing his status to that of a contract player with the same club, another club in the competition or with a club in another competition his registration as a player without a written contract will automatically be cancelled and declared void unless the Club conforms to the exception detailed in Rule 8 (A) (i).

(M) A player shall not be eligible to play for a team in any special championship, promotion, relegation or play-off match (as specified in Rule 12(A) unless the player has played 8 games for that team in this Competition in the current season.

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(N) Except by prior permission of the Board, a team may have a maximum of 2 players only, who have played more than 20 PDFL competition matches for a first team or highest team in membership of the League, in that season.

(O) Any Club found to have played an ineligible Player in a match or matches shall have any points gained from that match or matches deducted from its record, up to a maximum of 12 points, and have levied upon it a fine. The Board may also order that such match or matches be replayed on such terms as are decided by the Board which may also levy penalty points against the Club in default.

The Board may vary this decision in respect of the points gained only in circumstances where the ineligibility is due to the failure to obtain an International Transfer Certificate or where the ineligibility is related to the Player's status. In exceptional circumstances the Board may, at its discretion, award the points available in the match in question to the opponents, subject to the match not being ordered to be replayed.

(P) (The following Clause applies to Competitions involving players in full time secondary education): -

(i) Priority must be given at all times to school and school organisations activities.

(ii) The availability of children must be cleared with the Head Teachers (except for Sunday Leagues).

(iii) To play open-age football the player must have achieved the age of 16 (Sixteen).

Any substitute having played part of a game for which he was named, shall be deemed a player for that game.

(Q) A player selected to play in any representative football match for the P.D.F.L. will not be allowed to play for their club on that day. A fine or other action will be brought by the Board against the club / player that infringes this rule.

9. CLUB COLOURS - CLUB NAME

(A) Every Club must register the colour of its shirts, shorts and socks to the League Office by June 1st, who will decide as to their suitability.

Goalkeepers must wear colours, which distinguish them from other players and the Match Officials.

No player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.

Any team not able to play in its normal colours as registered with the League shall notify the colours in which it will play to its opponents and the Company Secretary at least 3 days before the match.

If, in the opinion of the Referee, two Clubs have the same or similar colours, the home team shall make the change. Any team not having a change of colours or delaying the kick-off by not having a change shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

The Secretary of the Competition may request shirts to be submitted if complaints are received as to lack of distinguishing colours, and the Board may refuse to permit any shirts or shorts as they think fit. All shirts must be numbered and agree with the

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numbers on the team sheet

(B) Any team wishing to change its name must obtain permission from its affiliated County Association and from the Board. Any Club wishing to change its colours during the Playing Season must obtain permission from the Board.

10. PLAYING SEASON - CONDITIONS OF PLAY, TIMES OF KICK-OFF. POSTPONEMENTS. SUBSTITUTES_

(A) The Annual General Meeting shall determine the date for the commencement of the season

(B) All matches to be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as determined by the International Football Association Board.

Clubs must take all reasonable precautions to keep their grounds in a playable condition. All matches shall be played on pitches deemed suitable by the Board. Veterans Development Division may play on All Weather Surfaces. If through any fault of the home team a match has to be replayed, the Board shall have the power to order the venue to be changed.

The Board shall have power to decide on whether a pitch and/or facilities are suitable for matches in the Competition and to order the Club concerned to play its fixtures on another ground.

Football Turf pitches (3G) are allowed in this Competition providing they meet the required performance standards and are listed on the FA's Register of Football Turf pitches. For clubs playing at Step 7 and below a pitch must be tested (by a FIFA accredited test institute) every three years and the results passed to the FA. The FA will give a decision on the suitability for use and add the pitch to the Register.

The home Club is also responsible for advising participants of footwear requirements when confirming match arrangements in accordance with Rule 10(D).

All matches shall have a duration 90 minutes unless a shorter time (not less than 60 minutes) is mutually arranged by the two Clubs in consultation with the referee prior to the commencement of the match, and in any event shall be of equal halves. Two matches involving the same two teams can be played on the same day providing the total playing time is not more than 120 minutes.

The times of Kick Off shall be fixed by the A.G.M. and can only be altered by the mutual consent of the two competing clubs prior to the scheduled date of the match with written notification given to the Competition at least 7 days prior. Any club failing to commence at the appointed time shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff or be otherwise dealt with as the Board may determine.

Kick Off time for all matches 2pm.

The Veterans Development Division fixtures will comprise of a mixture of midweek, Saturday/Sunday fixtures allowing Clubs flexibility. The home team will be responsible for setting the fixture day and kick off time. All teams will be given a fixture window to play their respected games.

These times can only be changed by the Board.

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Referees must order matches to commence at the appointed time and must report all late starts to the Competition.

The home team must provide goal nets and at least 4 (Four) official Match footballs fit for play and the referee shall make a report to the Competition if the footballs are unsuitable.

Clubs must use match footballs in the Competition, authorised and supplied through a supplier approved by the Board. Clubs failing to play with the approved match footballs must still play the match, and will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. These footballs will be purchased by member clubs prior to the season or at any time during the season as and when required.

(C) Except by permission of the Board all matches must be played on the dates originally fixed but priority shall be given to the Football Association and parent County Association Cup Competitions. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a match with the consent of the Fixtures Secretary. NOTE: Clubs may apply to call off a maximum of two League Fixtures during the season and NOT consecutive weeks except for F.A. and County Cup Competitions. All teams to advise the Fixture Secretary and give at least 6 weeks' notice prior to calling off a fixture which is intended for social purposes only and not to play any other football match.

In the case of a revised fixture date, the Clubs must be given by the Competition 5 clear days' notice of the match (unless otherwise mutually agreed).

(D) The Secretary of Home Club must give notice of full particulars of the location of, and access to, the ground and time of Kick-Off to the match Officials and the Secretary of the opposing club at least 5 clear days prior to the playing of the match. The Away Club shall seek and acknowledge receipt of such particulars. If not so provided, the away club shall seek such details and report the circumstances to the competition. Any club failing to comply with this rule shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

A Club official must be present at the ground to meet the Referee (and Assistants) at least 30 minutes prior to kick-off.

(E) A minimum of seven players will constitute a team for a Competition match.

(F) (i) Home and Away matches shall be played. In the event of a club failing to keep its engagement the Board shall have the power to inflict a fine, deduct points from the defaulting club, award the points from the match in question to the opponents, order the defaulting club to pay any expenses incurred by the opponents or otherwise deal with them except the award of goals.

Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Board shall have power to order a match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent's ground if they satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances.

Any Club unable to fulfil a fixture must, without delay, give notice to the Fixtures/Referee Administrator, the Secretary of the opposing Club and the match officials. Any Club failing to comply shall be dealt with by the Board who may inflict a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(ii) Any Club with more than one team in the Competition shall always fulfil its fixture, within the Competition, in the following order of precedence: - First Team, Reserve Team, A Team, B Team, C Team. Clubs in breach of this requirement shall be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff or otherwise dealt with by the Board.

(iii) Any Club unable to fulfil a fixture or where a fixture has been postponed for any reason must, without delay, give notice to the (Fixtures) Secretary, the Competition Referees Secretary, the Secretary of the opposing Club and the match officials. Any Club failing to comply shall be dealt with by the Board who may inflict a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(iv) In the event of a match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither club has control, it shall be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two clubs and approved by the Board. Failing such an agreement and notification to the (Fixture/Referee Administrator) within 2 (Two) days the Board shall have power to order the match to be played on a named date or on or before a given date. Providing gate money is taken and retained the visiting club shall re-

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ceive their actual standard class rail or bus fares or the equivalent for 4 (four) persons, or car allowance at 40p per mile for transporting 4 (four) persons, or hire charge of a coach (receipt to be submitted). The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and match officials charges. The home club shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second match.

(v) The Board shall review all matches abandoned in cases where it is consequent upon the conduct of either or both teams. Where it is to the advantage of the competition and does no injustice to either club, the Board shall be empowered to order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. In all cases where the Board is satisfied that the match was abandoned owing to the conduct of one team or its club members they shall be empowered to award the points for the match to the opponents. In cases where a match is abandoned owing to the conduct of both teams and their club members, the Board shall rule all points for the match as void. No fine(s) can be applied by the Board for an abandoned match.

(vi) The Board shall review any match that has taken place where either or both teams were under a suspension imposed upon them by the Association or Affiliated Association. In each case the team that was under suspension would be dealt with in the same manner as if they had participated with ineligible players in accordance with Rule 8(O) above. Where both teams were under suspension the game must be declared null and void.

(G) Premier Division Clubs may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use 3 (three) substitute players in any match in this Competition who may be selected from 5 (five) players.

All other Divisions, Clubs may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use 5 (Five) substitute players in any match in this Competition who may be selected from 5 (five) players.

Except for matches played at Step 7 of the National League System a player who has been substituted himself becomes a substitute and may replace a player at any time subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of Association Football.

The referee shall be informed of the names of the substitutes not later than 15 minutes before the start of the match and a Player not so named may not take part in that match.

The referee and opponents must receive team sheets together with the names of the substitutes not later than 15 (fifteen) minutes before the start of the match. Failure to comply with this Rule will make the Club liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Home Club must provide the Referee with a Referee Match Report form and Misconduct form, failure to provide a form will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

A player who has been selected, appointed or named as a substitute before the start of the match but does not actually play in the game shall not be considered to have been a player in that game within the meaning of Rule 8 of this competition.

(H) The half time interval shall be of 10 (TEN) minutes duration, but it shall not exceed 15 (FIFTEEN) minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.

(I) The Clubs taking part in fixture Competition Match shall identify a team captain who has a responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of his/her team mates.

Premier Division Clubs Assistant Referees must wear the Rain Jackets or Black Tee Shirts that were supplied to all Premier Clubs. Clubs failing to observe this Rule will be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Division One to Five teams must wear the League Assistant Referee bibs.

(J) (i) In addition Premier Division Clubs must ensure that they meet the current Football Association National League System Step 7 minimum Ground Grading requirements. Two covered trainers' boxes clearly marked "Home" and "Away" must be provided, portable covered trainer boxes are permitted and must be securely fixed when in use. Ideally they should be on the same side of the pitch either side of the halfway line, equidistant from it, and, ideally, a minimum of 3 metres apart and provide an unobstructed view of the playing area and be able to seat eight.

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(ii) Home clubs must provide refreshments at half time for opponents and match officials. Premier Teams to provide food after every home game.

Any breach of this rule must be reported to the Company Secretary by the Match Referee. Failure to comply with this rule will make the Club liable to a minimum fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

11. REPORTING RESULTS

(A) Both clubs are required to submit results and statistics including referees' scores and respect marks of the match played in the prescribed manner on FA Full Time system within 2 days of the date of the match excluding Sunday's. Appointed team administrators submitting their results and statistics electronically must confirm the full name and surname of team players who have taken part in that match for approval by the League Registration Secretary. Failure to do so or complete in full or correctly will incur a minimum fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and/or the club being dealt with as the Disciplinary Committee decide. When marking Referees, the whole match must be assessed; isolated and controversial decisions must be ignored. The Referee markings as required by Rule 13 (1 – 100) or any other information required by the Competition, Failure to do so will incur a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and/or the club being dealt with as the Board decide. A letter of explanation must be sent to the League Office, and signed by the club secretary within 4 (four) days of the date of the match when marking of 60 or below Failure to comply will result in a minimum fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

Any Club knowingly submitting incorrect information shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

(B) Each Club playing in the PFDL, PFDL Cups, PFA Cup, FA/County Cup, and any PFDL club playing an FA/County match away to a non PFDL opposition must submit match results by SMS text message to the FA Full-Time system, within 30 minutes from the end of the match. If no result received, incorrectly entered result or result received late clubs will be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

(C) The match result notification, correctly completed, shall be signed by a responsible member of the Club.

12. DETERMINING CHAMPIONSHIP

(A) Team rankings within the Competition will be decided by points with three points to be awarded for a Win and one point for a drawn match. The teams gaining the highest number of points in their respective Divisions at the conclusion of the season shall be adjudged the winners. Matches must not be played for double points.

In circumstances where two or more teams are equal on points team rankings shall be determined by goal difference where the goals scored against by each team shall be deducted from the goals scored by that team and the largest positive difference shall be placed the highest. In the event of the goal difference being equal the highest placed team shall be the team which has scored the most goals. In the event that two or more teams have the same goal difference and have scored the same number of goals then the highest placed team shall be the team which has won the most matches.

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In the event of the two teams still being equal the team which has the better playing record against the other team in their head to head Competition matches during the Season will be the highest placed team.

If the records of two or more teams are still equal and it is necessary for any reason to determine the position of each, then the teams affected shall play a deciding match or matches as determined by the Board.

(B) Automatic Promotion shall be applied to the first two teams in Division Two, Three, Four and Five. Teams finishing 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th in Division Two, Three, Four and Five shall take part in Play Offs for promotion as determined by the Board.

- Team finishing 3rd to play team finishing 6th at venue of 3rd team Match (a)
- Team finishing 4th to play team finishing 5th at venue of 4th team Match (b)
- Winners of Match (a) will play winners of Match (b) in Play off Final.
- Winner of Play Off Final to be promoted to the next higher division
- Venue of Play Off Finals to be decided by the Board

Automatic Relegation shall be applied to the last two teams in the Premier Division. Automatic Relegation shall be applied to the last three teams in Division One, Two, Three and Four.

The first two teams of Division one shall have the right to promotion to the Premier Division thereby replacing the bottom two clubs, providing they meet all the requirements of the League rules. Should any of these clubs fail to meet all the requirements of the League rules, then clubs down to 5th position may be considered for promotion, if they have applied and met all the requirements of the League rules, will be promoted.

(i) Should one or more teams withdraw from any one Division after the fixtures have commenced an equal number of teams to those withdrawing in that Division shall not be automatically relegated.

(ii) Vacancies occurring after the conclusion of the season may be filled in any of the following way: -

Retention of otherwise relegated team(s)

Additional promotion of the next ranked team(s) from the Division below

Election

(iii) The last team in the lowest Division shall retire, but be eligible for re-election except as below, and be subject to the conditions of paragraph (B)(i) above.

(iv) When a senior team is relegated to a lower Division of which its reserve team is a member, or entitled to be a member, such reserve team must accept relegation to, or retain its position in, the next lower Division; and should the senior team be relegated to the lowest Division its reserve team automatically retires from the Competition.

(v) Should either or both of the leading teams in any of the Divisions have its senior team in the next higher Division, promotion shall fall, at the discretion of the General Meeting, to the next highest team or teams in the Division concerned.

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(C) In the event of a team not completing 75% of its fixtures for the season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting team shall be expunged from the Competition table.

(D) In order to recognize services of those Secretaries of at least 5 YEARS STANDING whose Club were winners, or runners-up in their respective divisions, a memento similar to those presented to their players shall be awarded to such Secretaries (free of charge).

(E) Promotion and relegation for the Veteran Development Divisions will be determined annually by the Board.

(F) The lowest Division teams will all play each other once, fixtures to be determined by the Board. Once all matches are concluded the teams will be allocated to either Division A or B depending on finishing position (points from this point will be reset to zero). Division A and B teams will all play each other twice in a standard Division format. Automatic Promotion shall be applied to the first two teams in lowest Division A, teams finishing 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th in lowest Division A, shall take part in Play Offs for promotion as determined by the Board.

- Team finishing 3rd to play team finishing 6th at venue of 3rd team Match (a)
- Team finishing 4th to play team finishing 5th at venue of 4th team Match (b)
- Winners of Match (a) will play winners of Match (b) in Play off Final.
- Winner of Play Off Final to be promoted to the next higher division
- Venue of Play Off Finals to be decided by the Board

13. REFEREES

(A) Registered Referees (and Assistant Referees where approved by the FA or County FA) for all matches shall be appointed in a manner approved by the Board and by the sanctioning Authority.

(B) In the event of the non-appearance of the appointed Referee the appointed senior Assistant Referee shall take charge and a substitute Assistant Referee appointed by the competing Teams. In cases where there are no officially appointed Assistant Referees, the Clubs shall agree upon a Referee. An individual thus agreed upon shall, for that game, have the full powers, status and authority of a registered Referee. Individuals under the age of 16 must not participate either as a Referee or Assistant Referee in any open age competition. Where the teams fail to agree on a substitute referee, the defaulting Club/Clubs will be liable to pay/share expenses. If the game is not played, then both Clubs to give reasons in writing to the Company Secretary within 4 days. Failure to comply fully with this rule will make Defaulting Clubs liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff and will result in being Charged under Rule 10F.

(C) Where Assistant Referees are not appointed each Team shall provide a Club Assistant Referee. Failure to do so will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff being imposed on the defaulting Team.

Club Assistant Referees will need to report to the Referee 15 minutes before the start of each game. Premier Teams must not use a named substitute as an Assistant Referee. Failing to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Assistant Referee must wear the League jackets and tops. Failure to observe this rule will make the club liable to a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

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(D) The appointed Referee shall have power to decide as to the fitness of the ground in all matches and the decision shall be final, subject to either in the case of a ground of a local Authority or the owners of the ground, the Representative of that body is the sole arbiter and whose decision must be accepted

(E) Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the sanctioning Association Match Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a match fee in accordance with the Fees Tariff. Each Match Official may claim the total mileage travelled based on the shortest return route from home to the ground using AA Route Finder.

The Home Club shall pay the Officials their fees and expenses immediately after the match.

(F) In the event of a match not being played because of circumstances of which the clubs have no control, the Match Officials, if present, shall be entitled to half fee plus expenses. Where a match is not played owing to one club being in default, that club shall be ordered to pay the Officials, if they attend the ground, their full fee and expenses.

(G) A Referee not keeping his or her engagement, and failing to give a satisfactory explanation as to their non-appearance, will be reported to the Association with which he or she is registered.

(H) Each Club shall, in a manner prescribed from time to time by the Football Association, award marks to the Referee for each match and the name of the Referee and the marks awarded shall be submitted via FA Full Time system to the Competition. Clubs failing to comply with this rule will be fined in accordance with the Fees Tariff or dealt with, as the Board shall determine.

(I) The Competition shall keep a record of the markings on the form provided, and by the prescribed date each season, shall submit a summary to The Football Association/The County Associations.

(J) The Referee shall submit a Form, supplied by the competition, giving the result of the match, the number of players in each team and the time of kick off to the Company Secretary within 48 hrs of the match (excluding Sundays).

(K) Referees and Assistant Referees shall be able to download, each season, a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge.

(L) Referees and Assistant Referees shall have undertaken a Respect briefing offered by the FA/County FA or the League.

(M) Referees and Assistants appointed to matches must report to the ground at least 30 minutes before the kick-off. Referees must notify acceptance or rejection of each appointment within 7 days of receipt to the Referees Director, otherwise another appointment will be made.

No Referee shall be appointed by the League as Referee of any match in which his Club is concerned.

(N) Clubs shall provide separate dressing room accommodation for Referees.

(O) The total cost of Referees and Assistants fees to be calculated by the League and this total cost to be divided equally be-

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tween all member Clubs of that division and appropriate charge/refund made. Any Club failing to submit any match details will be given the base figure for that division

(P) Referees with 20 years' service to the League to be recognised and receive a suitable memento from the League.

14. CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP OR WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB

(A) A Premier Division Club intending, or having a provisional intention, to withdraw a team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing by 1st February each Season.

Division One and below Clubs intending, or having a provisional intention, to withdraw a team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing by 31st March each Season.

Any Team resigning after these dates shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fees Tariff should any Club, having more than one team in the League, wish to withdraw any of its teams from the League during the playing season, the MOST JUNIOR team must be withdrawn first.

(B) The Board shall have the discretion to deal with a team being unable to start or complete its fixtures for a Playing Season.

(C) In the event of a Member Club failing to discharge all its financial obligations to the Competition in excess of £50, the Board are empowered to refer the debt under The FA Football Debt Recovery provisions.

15. PROTESTS / COMPLAINTS

(A) (i) All questions of eligibility, qualifications of players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Board.

(ii) Objections relevant to the dimensions of the pitch, goals, flag posts or other facilities of the venue will not be entertained by the Board unless a protest is lodged with the Referee before the commencement of the match.

(B) Except in cases where the Board decide that there are special circumstances, protests and complaints (which must contain full particulars of the grounds upon which they are founded) must be lodged with the Secretary within 7 days (excluding Sundays) of the match or occurrence to which they refer. A protest or complaint shall not be withdrawn except by permission of the Board. A Member of the Board who is a member of any Club involved shall not be present (except as a witness or representative of his Club) when such protest or complaint is being determined.

(C) No protest of whatever kind shall be considered by the Board unless the complaining Club shall have deposited with the Secretary a sum in accordance with the Fees Tariff. This may be forfeited in whole or in part in the event of the complaining or protesting Club losing its case. The Competition shall have power to order the defaulting Club or the Club making a losing or frivolous protest or complaint to pay the expenses of the enquiry or to order that the costs to be shared by the parties.

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(D) All parties to a protest or complaint must receive a copy of the submission and must be afforded an opportunity to make a statement at least 7 days prior to the protest or complaint being heard.

(i) All parties must have received 7 days' notice of the Hearing should they be instructed to attend.

(ii) Should a Club elect to state its case in person then the Club should indicate such when forwarding the written response.

16. PROTEST, APPEALS

(A) All protests, claims or complaints relating to these Rules and appeals arising from a Player's contract shall be heard and determined by the Board, or a sub-committee duly appointed by the Board. The Clubs or Players protesting, appealing, claiming or complaining must send a copy of such protest, appeal, claim or complaint and deposit a fee which shall be forfeited in the event of the protest, appeal, claim or complaint not being upheld, and the party not succeeding may, in addition, be ordered to pay the costs at the direction of the Board.

(B) All such protests claims complaints and appeals must be received in writing by the Secretary within fourteen days of the event or decision causing any of these to be submitted.

(C) The Board shall also have power to compel any party to the protest to pay such expenses as the Board shall direct.

(D) Any appeal against a decision of the Board must be lodged with the Sanctioning Authority within fourteen (14) days of the posting of the written notification of the decision causing the appeal, accompanied by a fee which may be forfeited in the event of the appeal not being upheld. A copy of the appeal must also be sent to the Secretary.

(E) If so requested the Board may arbitrate on any disputes, protests, appeals, claims or complaints between two Clubs in which event both Clubs shall send a non-returnable fee. Such arbitration shall be final and binding upon the parties to the arbitration.

17. EXCLUSION OF CLUBS OR TEAMS

MISCONDUCT, CLUBS, OFFICIALS, PLAYERS

(A) At the Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, Notice of Motion having been duly circulated on the Agenda, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude any Club or Team from further membership which must be supported by more than two thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A Club which is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.

(B) At the Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 19, the accredited delegates present shall have the power to exclude from further participation in the Competition any Club whose conduct has, in their opinion, been undesirable, which must be supported by (more than) two-thirds (2/3) of those present and voting. Voting on this point shall be conducted by ballot. A Club whose conduct is the subject of the vote being taken shall be excluded from voting.

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(C) Any Official or member of a Club proved guilty of either a breach of Rule, other than field offences, or of inducing or attempting to induce a player or players of another Club in the Competition to join them shall be liable to expulsion or such penalty as a General Meeting or the Board may decide, and their Club shall also be liable to expulsion in accordance with the provisions of Clauses (A) of this Rule.

18. TROPHY - LEGAL OWNERS - CONDITIONS OF TAKING OVER, AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED, AWARDS

League Trophy Acceptance Form

(A) The following agreement shall be signed on behalf of the winners of the Cup or Trophy: -

“We (A) (name) and (B) (name), the Chairman and Secretary of FC (Limited), members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of Cup or Trophy, and it having been delivered to us by the Competition, do hereby on behalf of the Club jointly and severally agree to return the Cup or Trophy to the Competition Secretary on or before 31st January. If the Cup or Trophy is lost or damaged whilst under our care we agree to refund to the Competition the amount of its current value or the cost of its thorough repair.” Clubs returning trophies after January 31st each year shall be liable to a fine in accordance with the Fees Tariff.

(B) At the close of each Competition awards shall be made to the winners and runners-up if the funds of the Competition permit.

(i) Winners and Runners-up shall receive a maximum of 20 mementoes.

(ii) Winners and Runners of the Veterans Development Divisions shall receive a trophy only.

(19). SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Upon receiving a requisition signed by two thirds (2/3) of Clubs in membership the Company Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting.

The Board may call a Special General Meeting at any time.

At least 7 days' notice shall be given of either meeting under this Rule, together with an Agenda of the business to be transacted at such meeting.

Each Member Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all Special General Meetings. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only, as will members of the Board.

Any continuing Member Club failing to be represented at a Special General Meeting without a satisfactory explanation being given to the Company Secretary in writing will be fined in accordance with the Fees Tariff

Directors and Board members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all Special General Meetings.

All amendment of Rules can only be implemented once approved by the appropriate sanctioning authority.

For Minor Extraordinary General Meetings an electronic voting ballot can be sent via email at the discretion of the Board.

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A Ballot paper with voting boxes will be sent out for clubs to vote, there will also be a box for clubs that wish to abstain. On the bottom will be a section that requests an extraordinary meeting. If five Clubs tick this box a full meeting will be convened.

A ballot email will be sent out and must be completed by The Club Secretary and replied to within seven working days; if no reply is received the League office will contact the Club to ensure their vote has been cast.

Extraordinary General Meeting Electronic Ballot Paper

I Club Secretary

(Please write your full name)

of..... Football Club

Signed this.....day of.....20.....

Signature

The ballot must be returned by.....

Proposed Resolution Description

Ballot Box

Proposed Resolution	For	Against	Abstain

If your Club requires an EGM to be call (please tick) (NB: If five or more clubs request an EGM then all other email ballots will be cancelled and a meeting will be	
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20. ALTERATION TO RULES

Alterations, for which consent has been given by the sanctioning Association, shall be made to these Rules only at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting specially convened for the purpose called in accordance with Rule 19. Any alteration made during the playing season shall not take effect until the following Playing Season.

Notice of proposed alterations to be considered at the Annual General Meeting shall be submitted to the Secretary by 31st January in each year. The proposals, together with any proposals by the Board, shall be circulated to the Clubs by 1st May and any amendments thereto shall be submitted to the Secretary by 15th May. The proposals and proposed amendments thereto shall

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be circulated to Clubs with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of those present and entitled to vote and voting are in favour.

A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting shall be submitted to the sanctioning Football Association 28 days prior to the date of the meeting.

21. FINANCE

(A) The Board shall determine with which Bank or other financial institution the funds of the League will be lodged.

(B) All expenditure in excess of £500 shall be approved by the Board. Cheques shall be signed by at least two Directors nominated by the Board.

(C) The financial year of the League shall end on the 31st May each year.

(D) The books, or a certified balance sheet, of the Competition shall be prepared and shall be verified annually by some suitable person who shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting.

22. INSURANCE

All Clubs must have public liability insurance cover of at least 10 million pounds (£10,000,000).

All Clubs shall be members of a Players' personal accident scheme. The policy cover shall be at least equal to the minimum recommended cover determined from time to time by the sanctioning Association. In instances where The Football Association is the sanctioning Association, the minimum recommended cover will be the cover required by the Affiliated Association to which a Club affiliates.

23 DISSOLUTION

(A) Dissolution of the Competition shall be by resolution approved at a Special General Meeting by a majority of three quarters (3/4) of the members present and shall take effect from the date of the relevant Special General Meeting.

(B) In the event of the dissolution of the Competition, the members of the Board are responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the Competition.

(C) The Board shall deal with any surplus assets as follows:

(i) Any surplus assets, save for a Trophy or any other presentation, remaining after the discharge of the debts and liabilities of the Competition shall be transferred only to another Competition or Affiliated Association or The Football Association Benevolent Fund or to such other charitable or benevolent object in the locality of the Competition as determined by resolution at or before the time of winding up, and approved in writing by the sanctioning Association.

(ii) If a Competition is discontinued for any reason a Trophy or any other presentation shall be returned to the Donor if the conditions attached to it so provide or, if not, dealt with as the sanctioning Association may decide.

24 MEDICAL

Each Club must have a suitably qualified person (Minimum FA Emergency Aid Certificate ideally FA Basic First Aid for Sport) in attendance for every match day, failure to observe this Rule will be fined in accordance with the Fees Tariff Clubs must have a Medical Emergency Action Plan in place and be reviewed by the Club to ensure it's current.

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Medical Emergency Action Plans - Assessment of Your Environment

Questions/Responses (Please tick box)	Yes	No	Don't Know	Sometimes
Is there a Medical Emergency Action Plan in place at your training and match grounds?				
Is there an MEAP when you are at unfamiliar venues - away grounds / sports/community centres etc.?				
Do you always know the address of the venue you are at?				
Is a phone always immediately available for contacting the Emergency Medical Services?				
Is there an appropriately trained/competent first-aider at				
Is there anyone to help the first-aider?				
Is an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) immediately accessible?				
Is there an appropriately stocked first aid kit which is accessible at all times?				
Do any of your players have a pre-existing medical condition?				
Do your players complete a Medical Declaration Form?				
Have the players always got immediate access to their medication?				
Do you know where the nearest hospital is with an Emergency Department /Neurology/Chest Unit?				
Is there vehicle access to your playing areas?				
Is there a list of contact details for the players' parents/guardians/NOK?				
Do your players complete a Medical Consent Form?				

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FA Medical Emergency Action Plan Form

Club name:
Club address:
Name(s) and telephone numbers of First Aider(s):
1.
2.
3.
Names and telephone numbers of Facility Manager / Safety Officer:
Location of Club first aid room:
Location of defibrillator:
Location of first aid kit:
Location of stretcher:
Access routes:
For ambulance into Club:
From pitch to ambulance:
From Club's first aid room to ambulance:
Nearest Hospital Emergency Department:
Directions:
Distance / Journey time:
Nearest Hospital Neurological Unit (for head injuries):
Directions:
Distance / Journey time:
Nearest Minor Injuries Unit / Walk In Centre
Directions:
Distance / Journey time:

KNOCK OUT COMPETITION RULES

Peterborough & District Football League Knock Out Competition Rules

The Competition shall be called the Peterborough & District Football League Knock Out Competitions

1. Names of Trophies

“President Premier”, “Chairman Championship”, “Intermediate” & “League” and “The Veterans Invitation”

2. Management of the Competition

The entire management and control of the Competitions shall be vested in the League Board who shall have the power to deal with any matter for which no specific provision is made. The League Board will have the power to invoke any competition as and when required. Any other matter not provided for in these Rules shall be determined by the League Board. The matches shall be arranged by the Fixture Administrator. In each round Clubs shall be drawn in couples, first Club drawn to have choice of ground, with byes where necessary and only one team from each Club per competition. Final Ties will be played on a neutral venue to be determined by the League Board. All arrangements for the Final Ties shall be made by the League Board. The Competitions shall observe the Rules, Regulations and Bye-Laws of the Football Association, and all matches shall be played according to the Laws of the Game, as settled by the international Football Association Board.

3. Cup Competitions & Status of Clubs to Compete Therein.

All affiliated Clubs that play in the Peterborough & District Football League must compete in the League Knock Out Competition.

THE PRESIDENT PREMIER: To be competed for by Teams from the Peterborough & District Football League as determined annually by the Board.

THE CHAIRMAN CHAMPIONSHIP: To be competed for by Teams from the Peterborough & District Football League as determined annually by the Board.

THE INTERMEDIATE: To be competed for by Teams from the Peterborough & District Football League as determined annually by the Board.

THE LEAGUE SHIELD: To be competed for by Teams from the Peterborough & District Football League as determined annually by the Board.

THE VETERANS INVITATION: To be competed for by Teams from the Peterborough & District Football League Veterans Division and open to affiliated Veterans Teams.

4. Dates & Times of Cup Ties.

The dates of which the matches of each Competition shall be played, shall be fixed by the League Board but may be subject to alteration. Kick Off will be 1.30pm unless otherwise agreed by both teams and sanctioned by the Secretary of the League

5. Entrance Fees

KNOCK OUT COMPETITION RULES

In accordance with the Fees Tariff

6. Venues & Appurtenances to the Game.

In all Cup Matches, except Finals the Club drawn first shall have the choice of ground. The League Board reserves the right to change the venue of any match if deemed necessary. The League Board will advise each club of the name of the team it has been drawn against, along with the Referee and, where applicable Assistant Referees and the time and date on which the match is to be played which shall be decided by the League Board.

The Secretary of the home club must notify their opponents no less than 5 days before the match, particulars including location, directions and club colours.

The home club is required to provide suitable changing facilities for opponents and Referees, including washing facilities. The home team must provide goal nets and corner flags. In the event of a match being postponed for two consecutive weeks due to the non-availability of the designated pitch, the League Board shall have the power to order the match to be played at the away teams ground.

The Finals of all Competitions shall be played on grounds selected by the League Board who shall have direct control of all the arrangements in connection with the matches.

7. Admission to Cup Ties

Where a gate is taken (for Finals only) the admission fee will be set by the League Board.

8. Appointment & Payment of Referees

In all Cup matches the Referee shall be appointed by the League Board. In all matches except Finals, fees and expenses are to be in line with League fees for their respective competition, except the Presidents Premier Shield where Premier Divisions fees shall apply.

Referee fees and expenses shall be paid promptly at the conclusion of the match.

The League Board may/will appoint Assistant Referees in Semi-Finals and Finals. Reserve Officials may/will also be appointed by the League Board to all Finals. Where it is deemed advisable Assistant Referees may be appointed in earlier rounds of all competitions.

Referees and Assistant Referees (where appointed) must arrive at the venue for the match at least 30 minutes before kick-off.

Note: - All references to Assistant Referee(s) apply to neutral appointments only.

If the match is postponed or is not played, and the Referee and/or Assistant Referee(s) are in attendance they will be entitled to half match fee plus expenses. In all matches except Finals the secretaries of the Home Club shall notify the Referee/Assistant Referee(s) full match particulars 5 days before the match. Referees must report Clubs which fail to observe this instruction. Where Assistant Referees are not appointed, both Clubs must provide a suitable Club Assistant Referee as provided for in League Rule 13. Clubs failing to do so may be fined in accordance with the Fines Tarff.

9. The Match.

Matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game. Matches shall be played to a conclusion, if after 90 minutes the scores are level extra-time of 15 minutes each way shall be played, if after extra-time the scores are level penalty kicks shall be taken, as set out by the Football Association Limited. There is no provision for replays. Matches abandoned through the fault of the clubs shall be dealt with by the League Board as provided for in League Rule 10. Reports of short teams, late starts, abandoned matches, failure to provide Assistant Referees etc. shall be referred to the League Board, who will determine any action that may be required.

Substitutions.

As provided for in League Rule 10G

10. Team Colours.

Where the colours of the two competing teams are similar, the home team must change. Goalkeepers must wear colours which distinguish them from other players and the Referee. All shirts must be distinctly numbered on the back. Teams failing to comply will be dealt with by the League Board. Where colours clash in a Final both teams shall provide a second strip as provided for in League Rule 9A

11. Qualification of Players.

A player eligible is one who is a bona-fide registered playing member of a Club as provided for in League Rule 8

KNOCK OUT COMPETITION RULES continued

In any competition a player shall not play for more than one competing team in the same KO competition during the same season. A player may not return to a lower competition having played in a more senior competition.

A team shall not include more than 3 players who have taken part in any Step 6 or more senior competition matches during the current season unless a period of 14 days has elapsed since they played.

Except by prior permission of the Board, a team may have a maximum of 2 players only, who have played more than 20 PDFL competition matches for a first team or highest team in membership of the League, in that season.

Semi-final and Final: No player shall be allowed to play in a semi-final or final unless he has played a league game or in an earlier round for that team.

Postponed, Drawn and Abandoned matches: In cases of postponed, drawn, abandoned or replayed matches only those players shall be allowed to play who are eligible on the date originally fixed for the tie to be played, except a player who has been suspended who may play following the expiry of any suspension. Any Club contravening this Rule will be struck out of the competition, and may be fined in accordance with the Fines Tariff. Where a team is removed from the competition the opposing team shall be awarded a walkover.

12. Failing to Fulfil Fixture

Any Club refusing to play or failing to complete the match against the team with whom it has been drawn within the time stated, shall be struck from the competition and fined in accordance with the Fee Tariff. Where a team is removed from the competition the opposing team shall be awarded a walkover.

13. Team Sheets.

As provided for in League Rule 11

Match Day Results.

As provided for in League Rule 11

14. Match Expenses

In all rounds of the Competition, except for the finals, the home club shall be responsible for all costs and the payment of match officials. The away team to contribute £30 to the home team to cover their share of the overall costs.

15. Violation of Knock Out Cup Rules

As provided for in League Rule 5, 15 and 16

If the League Board should subsequently discover that any rule or spirit of the results has, in their opinion, been violated by mutual agreements or otherwise. It shall be in the power of the League Board to disqualify one or both Teams/Club from further competing in the competition, or order the match or matches to be replayed and to impose such other penalty as it may think fit without any protest having been laid by either or any Club. The League Board reserves the right to re-instate any club to a competition.

All questions of eligibility, disqualification of players, interpretation of the competition Rule or failure to comply with the Laws of the Game, as well as other matters in dispute, shall be referred to the League Secretary and thereafter to the League Board, whose decision shall be final.

16. Cups and Trophies

The League shall present to the winners of the Final Ties a suitable trophy/shield which will be retained by the League following the competition presentation. In addition, the winning team will be provided with a replica which shall be retained by the club indefinitely.

17. Mementoes

The League will present mementoes to both the winners' and runners up of all competitions of the final tie. In final ties of the competitions the appointed Referees, Assistants Referees and Fourth Officials will receive a memento.

REGULATIONS FOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION APPEALS

Regulations for Football Association Appeals

Commencement of Appeal

- 1.1 An appeal shall be commenced by lodging a notice of appeal (“the Notice Of Appeal”) with the Association.
- 1.2 The Notice of Appeal shall be lodged within 14 days of the date of Notification of the decision appealed against. In the case of an appeal from a decision of a Regulatory Commission, the date of notification of the decision shall be the date of the written decision or, if applicable, the date of the written reasons for the decision. In relation to any other decision, the relevant date shall be the date on which it was first announced.
- 1.3 The Notice of Appeal must:
- (1) Identify the specific decision(s) being appealed;
 - (2) Set out the ground(s) of appeal and the reasons why it would be substantially unfair not to alter the original decision;
 - (3) set out a statement of the facts upon which the appeal is based;
 - (4) Be accompanied by any deposit prescribed by the relevant Rules or Regulations. Where an appeal is lodged by fax, the deposit must be received not later than the third day following the day of Dispatch of the fax (including both the day of dispatch and Receipt);
 - (5) Where appropriate, apply for leave to present new evidence under 2.6 below.
- 1.4 The grounds of appeal, available to Participants and The Association, shall be that the body whose decision is appealed against:
- (1) Misinterpreted or failed to comply with the rules or regulations relevant to its decision; and/or
 - (2) Came to a decision to which no reasonable such body could have come; and/or
 - (3) Imposed a penalty, award, order or sanction, which is excessive.
- 1.5 Once an appeal has been commenced, it shall not be withdrawn except by leave of the Appeal Board, with such order for the costs as the Appeal Board may consider appropriate.
- 1.6 Once an appeal has been commenced, it shall not be withdrawn except by leave of the Appeal Board, with such order for costs, as the Appeal Board may consider appropriate.

Appeal Proceedings

- 2.1 An Appeal Board shall proceed as set out below.
- 2.2 Reference to a party or parties’ means:
- (1) The appellant (the “Appellant”); and
 - (2) The Association in the case of an appeal against a decision of the Disciplinary Commission, or the Affiliated Association or Competition whose decision is appealed against (the “Respondent”).
- 2.3 The Respondent shall nominate an individual or individuals to represent it before the Appeal Board.
- 2.4 The Respondent shall serve a written reply to the Notice of Appeal (the “Reply”) on an Appellant and the Appeal Board within 21 days of the lodging of the Notice of Appeal. Where appropriate, the Reply must include any application for leave to present new evidence under 2.6 below.
- 2.5 The parties shall be entitled to make oral submissions to the Appeal Board but an appeal shall be by way of a review on documents only, without oral evidence, except where the Appeal Board gives leave to present new evidence under 2.6 below.
- 2.6 The Appeal Board shall hear new evidence only where it has given leave that it may be presented. An application for leave to present new evidence must be made in the Notice of Appeal or the Reply, setting out the nature and the relevance of the new evidence, and why it was not presented at the original hearing. Save in exceptional circumstances, the Appeal Board shall not grant leave to present new evidence unless satisfied with the reason given as to why it was not, or could not have been, presented at the original hearing and that such evidence is relevant. The Appeal Board’s decision shall be final. A deposit of £100 is required for Appeals against decisions of the F. A. Disciplinary Commissions and £50 for Appeals against decisions of Commissions of Affiliated Associations.
- 2.7 The Chairman of an Appeal Board may upon the application of a party or otherwise, give any instructions considered necessary for the proper conduct of the proceedings, including but not limited to
- (1) extending or abridging any time limit;
 - (2) amending or dispensing with any procedural steps set out in these Regulations;

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- (3) instructing that a transcript be made of the proceedings;
- (4) ordering parties to attend a preliminary hearing;
- (5) ordering a party to provide written submissions.

The decision of the Chairman of the Appeal Board shall be final.

2.8 The Appeal Board may adjourn a hearing for such a period and upon such terms (including an order as to costs) as it considers appropriate.

2.9 The Appellant shall prepare a set of documents, which shall be provided to the Appeal Board and Respondent at least seven days before the hearing and which shall comprise the following (or their equivalent):

- (1) the Charge;
- (2) the Answer;
- (3) any documents or other evidence referred to at the original hearing relevant to the appeal;
- (4) any transcript of the original hearing;
- (5) the notification of decision appealed against and where they have been given the reasons for the decision;
- (6) any new evidence;
- (7) The Notice of Appeal;
- (8) The Reply. Where the Disciplinary Commission or other body appealed against has not stated the reasons for its decision, either
 - (i) the Appellant shall request written reasons from that body which shall be provided to the Appeal Board; or
 - (ii) the Appeal Board shall require that a member of the body that made the decision shall attend (in which case, questions may be put by the Appeal Board at a hearing to satisfy itself as to the reasons for the decision. Cross-examination by the Appellant or Respondent shall not be permitted. Representations may be made by the parties to the Appeal Board who may then put questions to the member of the body that made the decision).

2.10 Appeal hearings shall be conducted how, when and where the Appeal Board considers appropriate. Reasonable notice shall be given by the Appeal Board of the date, time and venue of the appeal. Where an application to present new evidence has been made, the party making the application shall address the Appeal Board in support of the application and the other party may respond; the Appeal Board shall then determine whether or not it will receive the new evidence. The following procedures shall be followed at an appeal hearing unless the Appeal Board thinks it appropriate to amend them:

- (1) The Appellant to address the Appeal Board, summarizing its case;
- (2) Any new evidence to be presented by the Appellant;
- (3) The Respondent to address the Appeal Board, summarizing its case;
- (4) Any new evidence to be presented by the Respondent;
- (5) Each party to be able to put questions to any witness giving new evidence;
- (6) The Appeal Board may put questions to the parties and any witness giving new evidence at any stage;
- (7) The Respondent to make closing submissions;
- (8) The Appellant to make closing submissions.

2.11 The Appeal Board shall proceed in the absence of any party, unless it is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for the failure of the party to attend, and shall do so in such manner as it considers appropriate.

2.12 The Appeal Board may, in the event of a party failing to comply with an order, requirement or instruction of the Appeal Board, take any action it considers appropriate, including an award of costs against the offending party.

Appeal Board Decisions

3.1 A decision, order, requirement or instruction of the Appeal Board shall (save where to be made under the Rules by the Chairman of the Appeal Board alone) be determined by a majority. Each member of the Appeal Board shall have one vote, save that the Chairman shall have a second and casting vote in the event of deadlock.

3.2 A decision of the Appeal Board shall be final and binding and there shall be no right of further challenge.

3.3 The Appeal Board shall have power to:

- (1) allow or dismiss the appeal;
- (2) exercise any power which the body against whose decision the appeal was made could have exercised, whether the effect is to increase or decrease any penalty, award, order or sanction originally imposed;
- (3) remit the matter for re-hearing;
- (4) order that any deposit be forfeited or returned as it considers appropriate;
- (5) make such further or other order as it considers appropriate, generally or for the purpose of giving effect to its

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decision.

Costs

3.4 The Appeal Board shall have the power to make such order as to the costs of the original hearing and the appeal as it considers appropriate.

Announcement of Decision

3.5 The Appeal Board shall announce its decision to the parties as soon as practicable in such a manner as it considers appropriate; and unless it directs otherwise, its decision shall come into effect immediately.

Written Decision

3.6 As soon as practicable after the hearing, the Appeal Board shall publish a written statement of its decision, which shall state:

- (1) the names of the parties, the decision(s) appealed against and the grounds of appeal;
- (2) whether or not the appeal is allowed; and
- (3) the order(s) of the Appeal Board.

The written statement shall be signed and dated by the Chairman of the Appeal Board and be the conclusive record of the decision.

3.7 The Appeal Board shall, upon the request of the Appellant (such request to be received at The Association within 5 days of the date of the announcement of the decision), give written reasons for the decision.

CHILD PROTECTION

1. Any act, statement, conduct or other matter, which harms a child or children, or poses or may pose a risk of harm to a child or children, shall constitute behaviour, which is improper and brings the game into disrepute.

2. In these regulations the expression "Offence" shall mean any one or more of the offences contained in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 and any other criminal offence which reasonably causes the League to believe that the person accused of the offence poses or may pose a risk of harm to a child or children.

3. Upon receipt of the League of:-

3.1 notification that an individual has been charged with an Offence; or

3.2 notification that an individual is the subject of an investigation by the Police, Social Services or any other authority relating to the Offence; or

3.3 any other information which causes the League reasonably to believe that a person poses or may pose a risk of harm to a child or children then the League shall have the power to order the individual to be suspended from all or any specific football activity for such period and on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.

4. In reaching its determination as to whether an order under Regulation 3 should be made the League shall give consideration, inter alia, to the following factors;

4.1 whether a child is or children are or may be at risk of harm;

4.2 whether the matters are of a serious nature;

4.3 whether an order is necessary or desirable to allow the conduct of any investigation by the League or any other authority or body to proceed unimpeded.

5. The period of an order referred to in 3 above shall not be capable of lasting beyond the date upon which the charge under the Rules of The League or any Offence is decided or brought to an end.

6. Where an order is imposed on an individual under regulation 3 above, the League shall bring and conclude any proceedings under the Rules of the League against the person relating to the matters as soon as reasonably practicable.

7. Where a person is convicted, or is made the subject of a caution in respect of an Offence, that shall constitute a breach of the Rules of the League and the League shall have the power to order the suspension of the person from all or any specific football activity for such a period (including indefinitely) and on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.

8. For the purposes of these Regulations, the League shall act through its Council or any Committee or Sub-Committee thereof, including the Board.

9. Notification in writing of an order referred to above shall be given to the person concerned and/or any Club which he is associated as soon as reasonably practicable.

(** Appendix)

FEES TARIFF

Rule	Fees Tariff		Amount
3:A	New Club Application Fee		£50.00
3:A	Veterans Development Divisions Application Fee		£25.00
3:A	Application for Premier Division		£50.00
3:B	Annual Subscription	Premier Div	£125.00
		Divisions One and below	£95.00
		Veterans	£25.00
3:C	Deposits One Month after the A.G.M.		£75.00
3:C	Veterans Development Divisions Deposits		£25.00
3:F(i)	1 Book of Team/Result Forms (35)		£7.00
3:F(iii)	Match Report Forms (25)		£7.00
3:F(iv)	Transfer		£10.00
5J	Board Traveling Expenses	Per mile	35p
8:E	Registration Fee Per Player		£5.00
13:E	Match Officials Fees	Premier	£23.00 plus 40p mile
		Divisions One and below	£19.00 plus 40p mile
		Assistant Referees	£12.00 plus 40p mile
		Veterans (All inclusive)	£25.00
15:C	Protesting		£10.00
16	Football Association Appeal		£50.00
KO Cup	President Premier Shield		£10.00
KO Cup	Chairman Championship Shield		£10.00
KO Cup	Intermediate Shield		£10.00
KO Cup	League Shield		£10.00
KO Cup	Veterans Invitation		£10.00

FINES TARIFF

50	Fines Tariff		Maximum Fine
2:B	Failure to Affiliate		£30.00
2:E	Failure to comply with FA Initiatives		£50.00
2:F	Unauthorised Entry of Teams into Competitions		£50.00
3:E	Failure to Supply Affiliation Number by 1st July		£30.00
4:D	Communication conducted by persons other than nominated Officers		£25.00
5:H	Failure to comply with an instruction of the Board		£50.00
5:I	Failure to clear debts within 21 days		£50.00
6:H	Failure to Attend the A.G.M.		£50.00
7	Failure to submit the required written agreement or to notify changes to signatures		£25.00
8:A(iii)	Failure to Register 11 players per team 14 days before start each divisional season		£50.00
8:B	Failure to complete player registration form correctly		£5.00
8:C	Fielding more than the permitted number of players who have participated in senior competitions matches		
8:G	Signing or playing for multiple clubs, or inaccurate completion of a registration form		£50.00
8:H (ii)	Registration irregularities		£50.00
8:O*	<p>Premier Division</p> <p>If an ineligible player has been fielded any points gained from that match to be deducted plus</p> <p>Each additional offence for that team will result in an additional point being deducted and the fine increased by 50%</p>	2 points deducted for fielding an ineligible player plus	£100.00
8:O*	<p>Premier Division</p> <p>If a club informs the league of its genuine mistake before a charge is raised, any points gained from that match to be deducted plus</p> <p>Each additional offence for that team will result in an additional point being deducted and the fine increased by 50%</p>	2 points deducted for fielding an ineligible player plus	£50.00
8:O*	<p>Division One and Below</p> <p>If an ineligible player has been fielded any points gained from that match to be deducted plus</p> <p>Each additional offence for that team will result in an additional point being deducted and the fine increased by 50%</p>	2 points deducted for fielding an ineligible player plus	£60.00
8:O*	<p>Division One and Below</p> <p>If a club informs the league of its genuine mistake before a charge is raised, any points gained from that match to be deducted plus</p> <p>Each additional offence for that team will result in an additional point being deducted and the fine increased by 50%</p>	2 points deducted for fielding an ineligible player plus	£30.00
8:O*	<p>Veterans Development Division</p> <p>If an ineligible player has been fielded any points gained from that match to be deducted plus</p>		£30.00

FINES TARIFF continued

8:O*	Veterans Development Division If a club informs the league of its genuine mistake before a charge is raised, any points gained from that match to be deducted plus		£15.00
* In exceptional circumstances the Board may, at its discretion, award the points available in the match in question to the opponents, subject to the match not being ordered to be replayed.			
9:A, 10:B	Delaying kick off/no nets/no corner flags		£25.00
9:B	Failure to obtain consent for a change of Club name		£20.00
10:B	Failure to Provide Four Official League Match Balls		£20.00
10:D	Failure to give notice of Match		£10.00
10:E	Playing match with less than required number of players		£20.00
10:F(i)	Premier Division Failure to fulfil a fixture, 1 point deducted plus	3 points awarded to opposition, fixture not to be re-arranged	£100.00
10:F(i)	Division One – Five Failure to fulfil a fixture, 1 point deducted plus	3 points awarded to opposition, fixture not to be re-arranged	£60.00
10:F(i)	Veterans Division Failure to fulfil a fixture	3 points awarded to opposition, fixture not to be re-arranged	£30.00
10:F (ii)	Failure to fulfil fixture in order of precedence		£150.00
10:F(iii)	Failure to give notice to Secretary where a fixture has been postponed		£25.00
10:G(ii)	Late Team sheets to Referees		£20.00
10:G(ii)	Failure to provide Referee with Referee Match Report form		£10.00
10:I	Premier Division Only Rain Jackets/Tee-shirts		£20.00
10:J(i)	Premier clubs – Step 7 Ground Grading		£45.00
10:J (ii)	Failure to provide hospitality		£10.00
11:A	Low referee mark letter to league		£20.00
11:A	Incomplete form or incomplete information		£30.00
11:A	Intentionally Falsifying a Result Sheet		£50.00
11:B	Late/Incorrect/No SMS Text Received		£15.00
13:B	Failure to agree on Referee, plus Charged under Rule 10F		£30.00
13:C	Failure to provide Assistant Referee		£10.00
13:C	Premier team Sub Named as Assistant		£10.00
13:H	Failure to mark Referee		£20.00
14:A	Withdrawal after 1st February Premier Division		£150.00
	Withdrawal after 31 st March Divisions One and below		£100.00
14:B	Withdrawing after the A.G.M.		£200.00
18:A	Returning Trophies after January 31st		£50.00
19	Non Attendance at Special General Meeting		£50.00
24	Failure to have a suitability First aider in attendance		£20.00
KO Cup 8	Failure to provide Assistant Referee	Not less than	£10.00
KO Cup 11	Postponed, Drawn and Abandoned matches: In cases of postponed, drawn, abandoned or replayed matches only those players shall be allowed to play who are eligible on the date originally fixed for the tie to be played, except a player who has been suspended who may play flowing the expiry of any suspension		£60.00
KO Cup 12	Failure to Fulfil Fixture		£60.00



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	1962-1979	F. Airy		2013-2015	I. Hair	
	1980-1985	L. Sutton		2015-	D. Watson	
	1986-1995	R. Leigh	Development Director	2009-2010	W. Newey	
	1996-2002	D. R. Venum		2011-	A. Mutton	
	2003-	M. Starkey	Discipline Director	2009-2012	G. Adams	
Chairman	1947-1957	C. W. Waldron			2012-2013	D. Barfoot
	1958-1959	C. J. Forth		2013-2015	K. Sharp	
	1960-1967	R. Leigh		2015-	D. Barfoot	
	1968-1971	D. R. Venum	Treasurer/Finance Director	1947-1965	A. E. Spires	
	1971-1974	O. England		1965-1981	A. V. Brown	
	1974-1977	P. Waghorn		1981-1998	M. G. Starkey	
	1977-1980	J. Owen		1998-2002	J. S. Cross	
	1980-1983	B. Roseberry		2002-2007	R. L. Evans	
	1983-1986	P. Waghorn		2008-2009	W. Newey	
	1986-1989	B. Waghorn		2009-2010	K. Sharp	
	1989-1992	P. Goodhand		2010-2011	A. Mutton	
	1992-1995	M. G. Starkey		2011-2015	K. Sharp	
	1995-1998	J. R. Senior		2015-	D. Fogg	
	1998-2001	H. A. Mutton		Fixture Secretary	1947-1948	P. Munden
	2001-2004	M. J. Crowson			1948-1960	A. Ellison
	2004-2007	G. Phillips			1960-1965	A. V. Brown
	2007-2010	R. Evans			1965-1970	G. M. Haw
	2011-2013	D. Stapleton			1970-1972	T. Hanks
	2013-2015	D. Barfoot			1972-1974	M. Walker
	2015-	C. Wilson			1974-1978	M. Starkey
		1978-1987			A. Swepson	
		1987-1988			N.K. Dighton	
		1988-1996	D. Stapleton			
		1996-1997	D. Lenton			
		1997-2004	D. Stapleton			
		2004-2007	L. D'Errante			
		2010-2012	J. Douse			
		2012-2013	L. D'Errante			
		2013-2015	D. Leggett			
		2015-	G. Elsom			

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	1960-1970	G.E. Poole		1960-1965	A. V. Brown
	1970-1978	N. W. Brown		1965-1970	G. M. Haw
	1978-1979	R. Leigh		1970-1972	T. Hanks
	1979-1982	M. G. Starkey		1972-1974	M. Walker
	1982-1984	P. Waghorn		1974-1980	M. Starkey
	1984-1986	B.Waghorn		1980-1981	I. Steel
	1987-1989	P. Goodhand		1981-1982	A. Dickeson
	1989-1990	B.Waghorn		1982-1985	D. Stapleton
	1990-1992	M. G. Starkey		1985-1988	D. Hall
	1992-1993	P. Goodhand		1988-1989	M. Croson
	1993-1995	R. Senior		1989-1990	K. F. Sharp
	1995-1996	M. G. Starkey		1990-1996	H. A. Mutton
	1996-1998	H. A. Mutton		1996-1997	J. M. Cowdell
	1999-2002	M. J. Crowson		1997-2001	A. Mutton
	2002-2003	G. Phillips		2001-2008	L. D'Errante
2012-2013	D. Barfoot	2008-2010	N. Vasey		
2013-2015	N. Vasey	2010-2012	J. Douse		
2015-	K. Sharp	2012-2013	L. D'Errante		
League Secretary	1947-1965	A. E. Spires	2013-2016	J. Marsden	
	1965-1981	A. V. Brown	2016-2016	M. McDonald	
	1981-1989	M. G. Starkey	2016	A. Stanley	
	1989-2001	M. J. Croson	Registration and Results	1987-2012	C. Wilson
	2001-2002	R. Evans			
	2002-2003	J. S. Cross			
	2003-2009	M. J. Croson			
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GUIDELINE FOR MARKING OF REFEREES BY CLUB OFFICIALS

The referee's performance will be measured in every Peterborough & District Football League match. Each club will be required to mark the Referee out of 100 marks. These marks will be submitted to the County Football Associations and will form the basis of measurement at the annual review of performance.

In an attempt to assist clubs in compiling their marks a competency based scheme will be introduced. Seven areas are to be marked with a weighting of marks to assist clubs in arriving at their final mark.

A mark should be awarded for each of the 7 sections and then added together for the final mark. A mark of 70 represents the standard expected of a Peterborough & District Referee.

A mark of sixty or below should be accompanied by a written report on the deficiencies witnessed. [To be of any use this report should not only contain criticism but also some positive points which must have been witnessed].

It would be beneficial to the marking scheme if the same club member awarded the mark when possible for the entire season to ensure uniformity of marking is achieved.

Areas to assist when arriving at the mark.

Competency	Max. mark
1. Application of Law	25
2. Position & Work rate	10
3. Alertness & Awareness	10
4. Communication	10
Competency	Max. mark
5. Teamwork	10
6. Advantage	10
7. Match Control	25
Total Marks	100

Application of Law: (Maximum Mark 25)

- Correctly deal with foul play/violent conduct/denial of obvious goal scoring opportunity
- Deal with mass confrontation with appropriate sanctions
- Correctly deal with persistent misconduct.
- Correctly manage the occupants of the Technical Area and deal correctly with substitutions
- Differentiate between serious foul play and offences of a minor nature.
- Remain calm, courteous & confident and manage offensive, insulting, abusive language & dissent.

Positioning, Fitness & Work Rate: (Maximum Mark 10)

- Close to play and remaining with the pace of the game
- Adopt different viewing positions and utilise stoppage time to move forward for the next phase of play and/or have a quiet word with a player.
- Adjust position and movement to keep in touch with events and keep assistants in view -penetrate penalty areas and display willingness to go the extra metre.

Alertness & Awareness: (Maximum Mark 10)

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Be proactive and not reactive, intervene early to sort out problems.
 Retain visual contact with players involved in original challenge, whilst aware of the next phase of play
 Manage Injuries in accordance with law
 Display the understanding when to raise the profile to suit mood of the game

Communication: (Maximum Mark 10)

Make effective use of both voice and whistle.
 Demonstrate the use of the “stepped approach” (ie the quiet word, obvious word, public rebuke, Yellow/Red card).
 Support decisions with clear signals (for the benefit of players and spectators) to clarify and show confidence in decision making.
 Differentiate between direct & indirect free kick and restart game correctly.

Teamwork: (Maximum Mark 10)

Encourage and support Assistant Referees
 Maintain a team approach when accepting or declining advice offered, particularly in relation to offside decisions which may not be obvious to spectators or persons in the technical areas.

Advantage: (Maximum Mark 10)

Distinguish between advantage and mere possession of the ball.
 Position on the field of play and ability of players to make use of the advantage clause.
 Prepared to bring play back when advantage does not accrue
 “Sell” the advantage clause by use of correct visual & verbal signals.

Overall Match Control: (Maximum Mark 25)

Identify the mood, temperature & tensions within the game & effect solutions before it escalates.
 Inspire respect through sensitive management of players
 Demonstrate and implement a flexible game plan in keeping with the changing demands of the game.
 Appear confident and at ease, approach players correctly, and deal with them in a positive manner.
 Understanding of acceptable application of law.
 Demonstrate consistency within the individual game i.e. administer the same punishment throughout for the same type of offence committed by either team.

AWARDING THE MARK

Mark	Comment
95+	This official demonstrated very accurate decision-making and controlled the game totally exceptional.
85 to 94	This official has confidence in the level of accuracy with accurate decisions & correct Law Interpretation.
75 to 84	This official has a confident approach to the decision making process with accuracy in the vast majority of those decision
70 to 74	Expected standard of performance from referees
60 to 69	This reflects the need for further development to achieve standard expected.
50 to 59	This reflects poor performance where most aspects need improvement.
49 and below	Major deficiencies witnessed. This official demonstrated shortcomings in the accuracy of decision-making and control which affected the game.

THE PETERBOROUGH & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE EQUALITY POLICY

The aim of this policy is to ensure that everyone is treated fairly and with respect and that The Peterborough & District Football League is equally accessible to all.

The Peterborough & District Football Leagues commitment is to promote inclusion and to confront and eliminate discrimination whether by reason of age, gender, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, marital status or civil partnership, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability, pregnancy and maternity and to encourage equal opportunities.

The Peterborough & District Football League's commitment is to eliminate discrimination whether by reason of age, disability, gender re-assignment, race, religion and belief, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, sex and sexual orientation.

The Peterborough & District Football League is also committed to promoting equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and by providing access and opportunities for all members of the community.

This policy is fully supported by the Board of The Peterborough & District Football League and the Equality Officer is responsible for the implementation of this policy.

The Peterborough & District Football League will ensure that it treats people fairly and with respect and that it will provide access and opportunities for all members of the community to take part in, and enjoy, its activities.

The Peterborough & District Football League will not tolerate harassment, bullying, abuse, or victimisation of a Participant, which for the purposes of this policy and the actions and sanction applicable is regarded as discrimination, whether physical or verbal. The league will work to ensure that such behaviour is met with appropriate action in whatever context it occurs.

The Peterborough & District Football League commits itself into the immediate investigation of any allegation, when it is brought to their attention, of discrimination and where such is found to be the case, The Peterborough & District Football League will require that the practice stop and impose sanctions as appropriate.

The Peterborough & District Football League is committed to inclusion and anti-discriminatory and raising awareness and educating, investigating concerns and applying relevant and proportionate sanctions, Campaigning, achieving independently verified equality standards, widening diversity and representation and promoting diverse role models are all key actions to promote inclusion and eradicate discrimination within football.

The Peterborough & District Football League is committed to a policy of equal treatment of all members and requires all members to abide and adhere to these policies and requirements of the Equality Act 2010 and any amendments to this Act.

With this in mind, we are working towards achieving the Foundation Level and Preliminary Level of the National Standards for Equality which will demonstrate and measure our commitment to equality.

If you have any queries or questions relating to this statement or any issues relating to equality generally, please contact Wendy Newey on 01733 330056 or email pdfwendy@btconnect.com

Dave Barfoot – Chairman – April 2014

REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM

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1. DEFINITIONS

In the interpretation of these Regulations: any words and expressions, unless otherwise defined herein, shall be words and expressions as defined as follows:-

“AC” means the Alliance Committee appointed by FA Council.

“Association” means The Football Association Limited.

“Club” means a football club for the time being in a League in membership of the NLS

“Competition” in these Regulations means a League in the National League System.

“Conditional Licence” means a Licence with conditions attached to be met by a Club within a period determined by the Competition in which the Club holding the Licence is allocated by the Leagues Committee. Such period is not to exceed 1 March in the Membership Year to which the Licence relates. Save in exceptional circumstances a Conditional Licence cannot be granted to a Club for successive Membership Years in respect of the same Criterion.

“League” means any competition sanctioned by the Association and/or an Affiliated Association in membership of the NLS.

“LC” means the Leagues Committee appointed by FA Council.

“Licence” means an annual licence required to be held by a Club to be a member of a Competition that may be either an Unconditional Licence or Conditional Licence.

“NLS” means the National League System of competitions controlled by the Association where promotion and relegation links exist between participating Leagues.

“Playing Season” means the period between the date on which the first competitive fixture in the League is played each year until the date on which the last competitive fixture in the League is played. For Clubs participating in Play Off Matches this does include the period when Play Off Matches are played.

“Play Off Match(es)” means matches played between Clubs in a Play Off Position on a format to be determined by each League provided that the format is the same across each Step.

“Play Off Position” means the position of a Club at the end of each Playing Season which is provided for in Standardised Rule 13 as qualifying the Club to take part in a Play Off Match to qualify for promotion to the next Step for the next Playing Season.

“Regulations” means these regulations.

“Rules” means the FA Standardised Rules or FA Standard Code of Rules under which a League is administered.

“Step” means the level at which a Club participates in the National League System.

“Unconditional Licence” means a Licence without any conditions attached.

2. The National League System (“NLS”) shall be operated in accordance with the Regulations.

A Club shall be required to hold a Licence to be a member of a Competition at Steps 1 to 4 of the NLS.

The aims and objectives of the NLS are to provide:

2.1 Clubs with a level of competitive football appropriate to their playing ability, stadium/ground facilities and geographical location.

2.2 A framework for discussion on matters of policy and common interest to Leagues and Clubs.

2.3 The seasonal movement of Clubs.

All Leagues are bound by the Regulations. A Club is bound by the Regulations from the date it has qualified for placement into the NLS until such time as it leaves the NLS for whatever reason.

3. Position of a League in the National League System

3.1 The current structure of the NLS is set out below:

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The Leagues currently at Steps 5, 6 and 7 are set out at the end of the Regulations.

- 3.2 Any league wishing to become part of the NLS must apply to The Association by 31st December in the relevant year in such form and/or providing such information as shall be required by the LC from time to time. The decision as to whether or not a league should be admitted to the NLS shall be made by the LC which will then decide on the Step at which the League will play.
- 3.3 Any League wishing to propose an adjustment to its position within the NLS must apply in writing to the LC by 31st December in any year for such proposal to be determined by the LC in order, if approved, to have effect in the following Playing Season.

4. Rules and Regulations for Promotion and Relegation

The LC shall provide for the seasonal promotion, relegation or lateral movement of Clubs. A League must be committed to promoting and relegating Clubs at the conclusion of each Playing Season.

5. Detailed Promotion and Relegation Issues

- 5.1 The criteria for entry to the NLS and the criteria for ground/stadium facilities and the criteria for participation in Play Off Matches shall be determined by the LC. All criteria so determined shall be published by The Association from time to time.
- 5.2 At the conclusion of each Playing Season, the following procedures will apply to promotion/relegation subject to the application of the Rules:

Step 1 and Step 2

The following does not apply to promotion from Step 1.

The Clubs finishing in the bottom four places at Step 1 at the end of the Playing Season will be relegated to a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 2 for the following Playing Season. They will be replaced by the Clubs finishing in 1st position in each of the divisions at Step 2 together with a further two Clubs determined by a series of Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in 1st position but does not meet the criteria for participation at the next Step, the Club finishing in 2nd position shall be promoted and the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in a Play Off Position but does not meet the criteria for participation in Play Off Matches the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. The Play Off Matches shall be played so that in each Step 2 division the highest placed of the eligible Clubs plays against the lowest placed and the other two Clubs play each other. The aggregate winners will play each other and the winner of that match will be promoted. If there are only three eligible Clubs then the highest placed shall receive a bye to a second match where it will play the winner of the other

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Play Off Match and the winner of that match will be promoted. Clubs finishing below position 7 will not be considered for Play Off Matches.

Step 2 and Step 3

The Clubs in the bottom three places in each of the two divisions at Step 2 at the end of the Playing Season will be relegated to a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 3 for the following Playing Season. They will be replaced by the Clubs finishing in 1st position in each of the divisions at Step 3 together with a further three Clubs determined by a series of Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in 1st position but does not meet the criteria for participation at the next Step, the Club finishing in 2nd position shall be promoted and the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in a Play Off Position but does not meet the criteria for participation in Play Off Matches the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. The Play Off Matches shall be played so that the highest placed of the eligible Clubs plays against the lowest placed and the other two Clubs play each other. At Step 2 the aggregate winners will play each other and the winner of that match will be promoted and at Step 3 the winners of each first match will play each other and the winner of that match will be promoted. If there are only three eligible Clubs then the highest placed shall receive a bye to a second match where it will play the winner of the other Play Off Match and the winner of that match will be promoted. Clubs finishing below position 7 will not be considered for Play Off Matches.

The promoted Clubs will be placed in a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 2.

Step 3 and Step 4

The Clubs in the bottom four places in each of the three divisions at Step 3 at the end of the Playing Season will be relegated to a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 4 for the following Playing Season. They will be replaced by the Club finishing in 1st position in each of the divisions at Step 4 together with a further six Clubs to be determined by a series of Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in 1st position but does not meet the criteria for participation at the next Step, the Club finishing in 2nd position shall be promoted and the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. Where a Club finishes in a Play Off Position but does not meet the criteria for participation in Play Off Matches the Club finishing in the next eligible position shall take part in the Play Off Matches. The Play Off Matches shall be played so that the highest placed of the eligible Clubs plays against the lowest placed and the other two Clubs play each other. The winners of each match will play each other and the winner of that match will be promoted. If there are only three eligible Clubs then the highest placed shall receive a bye to a second match where it will play the winner of the other Play Off Match and the winner of that match will be promoted. Clubs finishing below position 7 will not be considered for Play Off Matches.

The promoted Clubs will be placed in a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 3.

Step 4 and Step 5

At the end of the Playing Season the Clubs in the bottom two places in each of the four divisions at Step 4 administered by the Northern Premier and Southern Leagues, together with the Clubs in the bottom three places in each of the two divisions administered by the Isthmian League will be relegated and placed in the most geographically appropriate League at Step 5. Irrespective of any provision contained within the Rules the Clubs finishing in bottom position in each of the six Step 4 divisions will be relegated and will not be reprieved. These Clubs will be replaced by the fourteen most suitable Clubs from the Leagues at Step 5 as determined by the LC. The suitability shall be determined as the Club finishing in 1st position in each Step 5 League which meets the entry criteria and wishes to be considered for promotion. In the event of the 1st placed Club not being eligible, the Clubs finishing in 2nd or 3rd position shall be subject to the same criteria. In usual circumstances, no more than one Club will be promoted from any one League. The Clubs to be promoted from Step 5 will be allocated to the most geographically appropriate division at Step 4.

Any Club seeking promotion from Step 5 to Step 4 must make application to the Association on the prescribed form, copied to their existing League, by 30th November in the relevant year. The application must be accompanied by the appropriate application fee, as determined by the LC, which is non refundable. Applicant Clubs must achieve a minimum E Grade by 31st March in the Playing Season when promotion is sought.

A Club seeking to be promoted to Step 4 shall also be required to apply for a Licence as set out in Appendix 1 to the Sanction and Control of Competitions Regulations.

Step 5 to Step 6 and Step 6 to Step 7

The promotion and relegation of Clubs between Steps 5, 6 and 7 shall be dealt with as follows.

Movement of Clubs between Steps 5, 6 and 7, where a League operates at each Step, shall be included in their constitutional rules and regulations. Irrespective of any provision contained within the Rules, the Clubs finishing in bottom position in each of the fourteen Step 5 divisions will be relegated to Step 6 and will not be reprieved, as determined by the LC.

Clubs seeking promotion to Step 5 from a League at Step 6 which is not linked to Step 5, must make application using the prescribed form direct to the Association, copied to their existing League, by 31st December in the relevant year. Each application must be accompanied by the agreed application fee, as determined by the LC, which is non refundable. Clubs seeking promotion to Step 6 from a League at Step 7 which is not linked to Step 6, must make application using the prescribed form direct to the Association, copied to their existing League, by 31st December in the relevant year. In order to be considered for promotion Clubs must finish in 1st position in their Step 7 league.

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If the Club finishing in 1st position does not wish to be promoted or fails to meet the entry criteria then the club finishing in 2nd position will be eligible for promotion. If the club in 2nd position does not seek promotion or fails to meet the entry criteria then clubs down to 5th position may be considered for promotion provided that they meet the appropriate entry criteria. Clubs finishing below 5th position will not be considered for promotion and only one club will be considered from each League. Each application must be accompanied by the agreed application fee, as determined by the LC, which is non-refundable.

5.3 Where a vacancy occurs within the NLS the following procedures will apply:-

5.3.1 (a) Where a Club notifies its decision to resign from its League at the end of the Playing Season, then a vacancy is created on the date the notification of that decision is formally recorded by that League. Such resignation can only be withdrawn by the end of that Playing Season with the consent of the Board of that League.

In all cases, that Club is treated as a relegated Club. The final table of that division is not affected.

In cases where the vacancy is created prior to the end of the Playing Season, the vacancy will be filled by the best ranked Club in that same division.

In cases where the vacancy is created after the end of the Playing Season but before the League's AGM, the vacancy will be filled in accordance with Regulation 5.3.2 below.

(b) Where, during the course of the Playing Season, a Club notifies its decision to resign from its League with immediate effect or where a Club is removed from the League for any other reason, then the playing record of that Club will be expunged and a vacancy is created on the date the resignation or removal is formally accepted or recorded by that League.

In all such cases that Club is treated as a relegated Club and the vacancy will be filled by the best ranked Club in that same division.

5.3.2 Where a vacancy occurs at Step 1 following the completion of a Playing Season the best ranked Club in a relegation position in that division is reprieved.

Where a vacancy occurs at Steps 2 and 3 following the completion of a Playing Season the best ranked Club in a relegation position across the particular Step is reprieved. The ranking to be determined by the average points gained per game played and comparable league position. The Club with the highest average shall be reprieved first. In the event of Clubs having an identical record the Club to be reprieved shall be determined by the LC.

Where a vacancy arises and Clubs at Step 4 are to be reprieved and all Step 4 Leagues have a full complement of clubs at the end of the Playing Season, the four Clubs finishing second to bottom in the Northern Premier and Southern Leagues and the two Clubs finishing third from bottom in the Isthmian League would be ranked by the average points per game played. In the event of all of the above six Clubs being reprieved where there are further vacancies available the next two places would be allocated to the Clubs finishing second to bottom in the Isthmian League ranked on the average points per game played.

Where a vacancy arises and clubs at Step 4 are to be reprieved but for whatever reason a Step 4 division does not have its full complement of clubs at the end of the Playing Season then clubs to be reprieved will be determined by the Leagues Committee in its sole discretion.

5.3.3 Where a vacancy occurs after the date of a League AGM then a League is not able to replace the Club(s) concerned for the following Playing Season.

5.3.4 In the event that for any reason whatsoever there are more vacancies in a division before the end of a Playing Season than relegation places in that division, the question of relegation and reprieves shall be dealt with at the sole discretion of the LC.

5.4 Only internal changes to the constitution of a League are allowed following the holding of a League's Annual General Meeting.

5.5 Clubs are not allowed to enter into a ground share agreement in order to gain promotion or to retain membership at a particular Step where the Club has failed to attain or maintain the relevant Grade.

5.6 Ground grading requirements will be in accordance with the Rules.

In order to be considered for promotion, the following requirements will apply.

Step 1 - Clubs must comply fully with the requirements of Grade A.

Step 2 - Clubs competing at Step 2 must comply fully with the requirements of Grade B. To be considered for

promotion to Step 1 or to be included in the Play Off Matches, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade B together with any additional requirements by 31st March in the year in which they seek promotion. Clubs must also attain Grade A by 31st March in the year following promotion.

Step 3 - Clubs competing at Step 3 must comply fully with the requirements of Grade C. To be considered for promotion to Step 2 or to be included in the Play Off Matches, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade C and attain Grade B by 31st March in the year following promotion.

Step 4 - Clubs competing at Step 4 must comply fully with the requirements of Grade D. To be considered for promotion to Step 3 or to be included in the Play Off Matches, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade D and attain Grade C by 31st March in the year following promotion.

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Step 5 - Clubs competing at Step 5 must comply fully with the requirements of Grade F. To be considered for promotion to Step 4, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade E by 31st March in the year in which they seek promotion, and attain Grade D by 31st March in the year following promotion.

Step 6 - Clubs competing at Step 6 must comply fully with the requirements of Grade G. To be considered for promotion to Step 5, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade G and attain Grade F by 31st March in the year following promotion.

Step 7 - Clubs competing at Step 7 must comply fully with the minimum requirements in force. To be considered for promotion to Step 6, Clubs must meet the requirements of Grade H and attain Grade G by 31st March in the year following promotion. Clubs can be promoted from Step 7 to 6 without floodlights provided that all other requirements of Grade H are met by 31st March in the Playing Season in which the Club wishes to gain promotion and that the Club has the following in place:-

Planning permission for floodlights

Funding applications submitted if required

Quotations/estimates for the work to be carried out

A development/business plan

That by 30th September following promotion the floodlights are installed and in working order.

Failure to install floodlights in working order by 30th September following promotion will result in a sanction being imposed at the discretion of the League of which the Club is a member. If by 31st March in the year following promotion the floodlights are still not installed then the Club will be a relegated Club and be dealt with accordingly.

5.7 If a Club is relegated for not achieving the required Grade for the Step at which it is playing it will not be eligible for promotion again until it has attained the required Grade for the Step to which it wishes to be promoted. The Club must have that Grade at 31st March in the year in which it seeks promotion.

5.8 (a) Where a Club resigns from a League that Club will not be eligible for promotion for at least one Playing Season following the Season in which it resigned.

(b) Where a Club qualifies for promotion and elects not to be promoted then that Club will not be eligible for promotion for at least one Playing Season following the Season in which it elected not to be promoted.6. The Movement of Clubs within the National League System other than by Promotion or Relegation

6.1 Movement of a Club from participation in one League to another is not permitted other than by promotion and relegation or otherwise as set out in League Rules save with the approval of the LC.

It may be necessary from time to time to move Clubs laterally at the same Step. Each year the LC will consider whether any lateral movements may be necessary at each Step; if so the Clubs likely to be affected shall be notified and given the opportunity to present a case if that Club does not wish to be moved laterally. The final decision shall rest with a sub-committee of the LC. This sub-committee may include members of Step 5 or Step 6 Leagues if appropriate. Any appeal shall be to the LC using members who have not been involved in the original decision. The decision of that appeal shall be final and binding subject only to Arbitration under FA Rule K.

In coming to its decision the LC will have regard to any representations made by any party, the distance to be travelled by any Club to be moved compared to the distance travelled in the Playing Season prior to movement; the financial impact on the Club to be moved, the frequency with which the Club has been moved in the past; the number of Clubs both in the division to which the Club is to be moved and in the division from which the Club is moved, and any other matter that it considers to be relevant.

6.2 Any Club proposing to move from one League to another must make application in writing to The Association on or before 31st March in each year to be effective for the following Playing Season. In the event of such application being successful the League from which the Club is moving shall not levy a financial penalty on that Club.

6.3 (i) If a Club (whether a Members' Club or a Company) is wound up, liquidated, or is removed from its League or withdraws from football competition ('the Former Club'), and a new Club ('the New Club') is established which wishes to be placed within the NLS it will be allowed to make an application only to join a League/division at Step 5 of the NLS unless the Former Club was in either Step 4 or Step 5 when the event which caused it to cease its membership occurred in which case it must re-join the NLS at a minimum of two Steps below the level at which it was at the time the event occurred, or withdrew from football competition, whichever is lower. Where the Former Club was a member of The FA Premier League or Football League then the LC shall at its absolute discretion determine in which League the New Club shall be placed for the following Playing Season and will set out at its complete discretion the requirements to be met by the New Club.

In order for consideration to be given to the placement in the NLS of the New Club in the following Playing Season, an initial application must be received by the LC by 1st March or within twenty-one days of the Former Club being wound up, liquidated, resigning or being removed from its League or withdrawing from football competition, if such date is later than 1st March.

The full application accompanied by all necessary documents including evidence of security of tenure having been granted to the New Club and affiliation to a County Football Association must be received by 31st March or within twenty-one days of the Former Club being wound up, liquidated, resigning or being removed from its League or withdrawing from football competition, if such date is later than 1st March. The application shall be copied to the League of which membership is being requested. The application will be determined by the LC. 127

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In the event of more than one application being received within twenty-one days of the Former Club being wound up, liquidated, resigning or being removed from its League or withdrawing from football competition, the LC will consider at its discretion which application will be considered in accordance with this Regulation.

(ii) If a Club is removed from its League and wishes to remain in the NLS it shall apply to the LC within five working days of it receiving written notification of its removal from its League. The LC will consider such application and will place the Club in what it considers at its sole discretion to be the most appropriate League/division for the following Playing Season.

6.4 If a Club (whether a Members' Club or a Company) ceases to be a member of its league and that Club (that is not a New Club as defined at 6.3 above) wishes to be placed within the NLS for the immediately following Playing Season, then unless otherwise determined by the LC, it may be allowed to make an application to join a League/division below the most recent League/division of which the Club was a member.

In order for consideration to be given to the placement in the NLS by the Club in the immediately following Playing Season, an initial application must be received by the LC in accordance with the procedures set out at 6.3 above. The application shall be copied to the League of which membership is being requested. The application will be determined by the LC at its absolute discretion.

In considering any application, the LC will set out at its sole discretion the requirements to be met by the Club in determining whether to approve the application.

6.5 If two or more Clubs ("the Merging Clubs") are proposing a transaction or series of transactions that result in the merging or consolidation ("the Proposed Merger") of those Clubs into one Club ("the Merged Club") then a formal application to do so must be received by the LC and the league(s) of which the Merging Clubs are members by 31st December to be valid for the following Playing Season.

A Deed of Agreement, which shall be legally binding on all parties must be submitted to The Association by 31st March in the year immediately following receipt of the application. The LC shall determine at its absolute discretion where the Merged Club is to be included in the NLS for the following Playing Season subject to the provisions of item 6.5.5 below.

In arriving at its decision the LC may apply the following minimum criteria:

6.5.1 The requirements of Standardised Rule 2.9 for the current Playing Season must be met by each of the Merging Clubs. If one or more of the Merging Clubs is subject to an insolvency event then Standardised Rule 2.9.2 shall be applied to such club(s), otherwise Standardised Rule 2.9.1 shall be applied;

6.5.2 The proposed playing name of the Merged Club must be acceptable to the LC; and

6.5.3 The Merged Club must have security of tenure to a ground that meets the relevant ground grading requirements;

6.5.4 Any other criteria that the LC may from time to time deem to be appropriate;

6.5.5 The Merged Club will ordinarily be placed at the lower of the Steps at which the Merging Clubs ended the Playing Season in which the application is made. For the purposes of this Regulation, if one of the Merging Clubs has finished that Playing Season in a relegation place, then they will be deemed to have ended the Playing Season at the Step to which they would have been relegated without the Proposed Merger proceeding.

Any decision regarding whether a proposed transaction or series of transactions falls to be considered under this Regulation shall be determined by the LC at its absolute discretion.

7. Placement of a Club into a League

7.1 Usually a club can only enter the NLS at Step 7. However, a League may seek approval from the LC to receive a club not currently in membership of a League within the NLS provided that there is: (a) exceptional circumstances, (b) a vacancy within its constitution (c) the club meets the entry criteria and (d) promotion and relegation issues have been satisfied. Such request must be received from the league by no later than 1st February. Any decision shall only be capable of Appeal to The FA by the affected League.

7.2 Reserve teams, including a team from a club or Club which is not considered by the LC to be sufficiently separate from another club or Club, will not be permitted to compete above Step 6 in the NLS. There must be a minimum of two Steps between a first and reserve team. This does not apply at Steps 6 & 7. No two teams from the same Club can play at the same Step. Reserve teams currently at Step 5 can remain unless relegated, once relegated they will not be permitted to be promoted back to Step 5.

7.3 Teams from Higher Education or Further Education establishments are not permitted to compete above Step 5. This does not prevent any such establishment forming a Club which complies with all entry criteria and which is separate from the establishment itself.

7.4 Where a Club moves from one League to another, for whatever reason, the League from which it is being moved must provide the League to which the Club is being moved with a certificate confirming that the Club being moved does not owe any money or other property of any nature to the League from which it is being moved. The Club being moved cannot compete in its new League until such certification has been provided and the onus will be on the Club being moved to ensure that it has cleared all indebtedness to its previous League.

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8. Procedures for the Determination of any Matter, Dispute or Difference by the Leagues Committee
- 8.1 The LC may adopt such procedures for the determination of any matter, dispute or difference as it considers appropriate and expedient, having regard to the aims and objectives set out at Regulation 1. The LC may require the attendance at a meeting or the written observations of any League or Club, as it considers appropriate to assist its determination.
- 8.2 (a) Any dispute or difference between a League and a Club relating to promotion and relegation issues, lateral movement and/or other eligibility criteria must be referred for determination to the LC; such determination shall be final and binding subject only to Arbitration in accordance with Rule K.
- (b) Any decision of the LC shall be subject to a right of appeal to an Appeal Board. The decision of that Appeal Board shall be final and binding on all parties.
- All referrals of appeals shall be conducted in accordance with the Regulations for Football Association Appeals save for appeals in relation to Ground Grading decisions where the procedures are outlined in 8.2(c) below.
- (c) Procedures for Ground Grading Appeals
- (i) The ratification of the Ground Grading decision must be sent in writing within 14 days of the final decision date, currently 31st March.
- (ii) Appeals in relation to Ground Grading Appeals must be submitted to The FA Judicial Services Department within seven days from the date of the written decision outlining the Grounds of Appeal, with a copy to The FA Leagues & Clubs Department.
- (iii) The Ground Grading Technical Panel will appear before an Appeal Board with the Appellant to respond to the application and there is no requirement to make a formal response in writing.
- (iv) In all cases the Ground Grading Technical Panel will submit any documentation including the Ground Grading report that was considered by the Ground Grading Technical Panel in relation to the Ground Grading decision, (which the appellant would already have received).
- (v) Dates would be set annually in advance by the Judicial Services Department for the hearing of Ground Grading appeals and details of the dates would be notified to all Clubs in the correspondence from the Ground Grading Technical Panel notifying the decision of the Ground Grading assessment.
- 8.3 The LC may, at its discretion, delegate the resolution of any matter, dispute or difference arising under these Regulations to any body it considers to be appropriate (including a sub-committee or commission which may include members of council not on the LC or a body constituted by a County Football Association).
9. Arbitration
- The fact of participation in the NLS and signifying agreement to be bound by the Regulations shall constitute an agreement between each League and Club to refer to Arbitration any challenge in law arising out of, or in relation to, the Regulations in accordance with the provisions of FA Rule K.
10. Precedence
- In the case of conflict between the Regulations for the Operation of the National League System and the Rules, the Regulations take precedence.

LEAGUES/DIVISIONS AT STEPS 5, 6 & 7 OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM (Season 2015/2016) CHART

LEAGUES/DIVISIONS AT STEPS 5, 6, & 7 OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM

Step 5	Step 6	Step 7
Combined Counties League Premier Div	Combined Counties League Div 1	Anglian Combination Premier Div
Eastern Counties League Premier Div	East Midlands Counties League	Cambridgeshire County League Premier Div
Essex Senior League	Eastern Counties League Div 1	Central Midlands League Div North
Hellenic League Premier Div	Hellenic League Div 1 East	Central Midlands League Div South
Midland League Premier Div	Hellenic League Div 1 West	Cheshire League Premier Div
North West Counties League Premier Div	Midland League Div 1	Dorset Premier League
Northern Counties East League Premier Div	North West Counties League Div 1	Essex Olympian League Premier Div
Northern League Div 1	Northern Counties East Div 1	Essex & Suffolk Border League Premier Div
Southern Counties East League	Northern League Div 2	Gloucestershire County League Premier Div
Spartan South Midlands League Premier Div	South West Peninsula League Premier Div	Hampshire Premier League Senior Div
Southern Combination Football League Premier Div	Spartan South Midlands League Div 1	Herts Senior County League Premier Div
United Counties League Premier Div	Southern Combination Football League Div 1	Humber Premier League Premier Div
Wessex League Premier Div	Southern Counties East	Kent County League Premier Div
Western League Premier Div	United Counties League Div 1	Leicestershire Senior League Premier Div
	Wessex League Div 1	Liverpool County Premier League Premier Div
	West Midlands (Regional) League Premier Div	Manchester Football League Premier Div
	Western League Div 1	Middlesex County League Premier Div
		Northamptonshire Combination Premier Div
		Northern Football Alliance Premier Div
		Nottinghamshire Senior League Senior Div
		Peterborough & District League Premier Div
		South West Peninsula League Div 1 East
		South West Peninsula League Div 1 West
		Somerset County League Premier Div
		Staffordshire County Senior League Premier Div
		Suffolk & Ipswich League Senior Div
		Wearside League
		West Cheshire League Div 1
		West Lancashire League Premier Div
		West Riding County Amateur League Premier Div
		West Yorkshire League Premier Div
		Wiltshire Football League Premier Div

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MEDICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS - ASSESSMENT OF YOUR ENVIROMENT

Questions/Responses (Please tick box)	Yes	No	Don't Know	Sometimes
Is there a Medical Emergency Action Plan in place at your training and match grounds?				
Is there an MEAP when you are at unfamiliar venues - away grounds / sports/community centres etc.?				
Do you always know the address of the venue you are at?				
Is a phone always immediately available for contacting the Emergency Medical Services?				
Is there an appropriately trained/competent first-aider at				
Is there anyone to help the first-aider?				
Is an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) immediately accessible?				
Is there an appropriately stocked first aid kit which is accessible at all times?				
Do any of your players have a pre-existing medical condition?				
Do your players complete a Medical Declaration Form?				
Have the players always got immediate access to their medication?				
Do you know where the nearest hospital is with an Emergency Department /Neurology/Chest Unit?				
Is there vehicle access to your playing areas?				
Is there a list of contact details for the players' parents/guardians/NOK?				
Do your players complete a Medical Consent Form?				

FA MEDICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FORM

Club name:
Club address:
Name(s) and telephone numbers of First Aider(s):
1.
2.
3
Names and telephone numbers of Facility Manager / Safety Officer:
Location of Club first aid room:
Location of defibrillator:
Location of first aid kit:
Location of stretcher:
Access routes:
For ambulance into Club:
From pitch to ambulance:
From Club's first aid room to ambulance:
Nearest Hospital Emergency Department:
Directions:
Distance / Journey time:
Nearest Hospital Neurological Unit (for head Injuries):
Directions:
Distance / Journey time:
Nearest Minor Injuries Unit / Walk In Centre:
Directions:
Distance / Journey time: