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## **IMPORTANT NOTES**

'Football is a contact sport, and accidents do happen. All players must ensure that they have adequate cover before playing, especially if they have commitments or are

not employed in a job where they would continue to be paid if they were injured'. All Clubs must obtain player insurance equivalent to that provided by the County FA to be affiliated for the coming season, but this only pays out in the event of death or loss of limb and does **NOT** cover for loss of earnings. This is the minimum policy available for affiliation, but the County FA recommends a policy at increased premiums that pays out weekly while injured.

The League does not carry player insurance and you should check with your club what insurance is carried.

**Ensure that if you and your fellow team-mates need cover, they are covered BEFORE they play.**

# LANCASHIRE AMATEUR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Established 1899

**Season 2023/2024**

**Honorary Life Presidents:** C. Ackers, A Shuttleworth

**President:** A. Neacy

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### Past Presidents of the League:

1899 D. B. Woolfall	1975 H. B. Ryder	1999 R. Cooper Jnr.	
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1968 F. Jones	1992 A. J. Mackereth	2016 M. Smith	
1969 W. D. Murdoch	1993 K. Lee	2017 S. Nicolson	
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## **COMMITTEES 2022/2023**

### **Executive Committee:**

Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Referees' Secretary,  
Chairmen of Fixtures, Discipline, Player's Discipline, Grounds and Facilities

### **Sub Committees:**

#### **Discipline (Clubs and Players):**

Peter Jackson (chair), Gary Caldwell, Ron Bowker, Phil Liggins,  
John Lee, Aamar Ahmed.

#### **Equality, Diversity & Inclusion and Safeguarding & Welfare:**

Jon Twist (chair), Peter Johnson, Susan Wilson, Aamar Ahmed.

#### **Finance:**

John Lee (chair), Peter Duffy & Chairs of each  
Sub Committee/Action Group.

#### **Grounds and Facilities:**

Simon Lord (chair), Rob Dorrington, Martyn Roscoe.  
LMC Members as allocated.

#### **LFA Relations:**

Simon Lord, Peter Jackson, Peter Duffy, Mike Willmore, Jon Twist.

#### **Marketing & PR:**

Jon Twist (chair), Peter Hames.

## **Referees & Fixtures:**

Mike Willmore (chair), Andrew Perrin, Rod Sharrock, Steve Eccleshare,  
James Garsrud.

### **Council Meetings -**

14th September, 19th October, 16th November, 18th January,  
15th February, 21st March, 18th April, 16th May

**All dates are provisional and will be confirmed in due course**

**LEC Meetings** will be held

on the first Tuesday in the month when required.

**Mid-season meetings of clubs** - late January, early February,

2024

**League Dinner** - T.B.C

**AGM** - Wednesday 19th June (Prov.)

## **IMPORTANT ADDRESSES**

### **The Football Association**

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# GROUNDS AND FACILITIES GRADING REPORT

## Grounds & Facilities Self Assessment

**Club:-**.....

**Assessment By:-** .....

**Date Of Inspection:-**.....

**Pitch Requirements:-** **Comments**

Dimensions - Min. 100 yards x 60 yards .....  
(90m x 55m)?

Is pitch flat, well grassed and drained? .....

What are maintenance arrangements?.....

Are line markings clear?.....

Minimum of 4 flags? .....

Are goalposts firmly held in ground and upright? .....

Are nets intact and securely fastened? .....

If Prem is the Pitch roped or fenced?.....

If 3G/4G pitch is it listed on the FA's Register of  
Football Turf pitches and tested 3 yearly? .....

### Changing Rooms

On site, acceptable distance from pitch? .....

Separate changing room for each team and referee? .....

Rooms must be able to be locked? .....

Building itself must be secure? .....

Changing rooms well lit and heated? .....

Showers in away team and ref's room? .....

Min of 3 showers per team (area must kept clean)? .....

Changing room comfortably seat away team? .....

Referee's room seat 3 comfortably (4 if extra team)? .....

Are changing rooms easily accessible from corridor, not  
through another changing room (same applies to refs)? .....

Adequate toilets i.e. urinal & wc per team? .....

Shower and changing rooms kept clean etc? .....

Please use reverse of sheet for additional comments

## NOTES TO CLUB SECRETARIES

### 1 REFEREES

- a) On receiving appointment sheets confirm fixtures immediately with referees, giving ground directions. Please be sure to observe the time constraints for doing this. Remember that if "own referee" is marked on the referees' list supplied by the Referees' Secretary, you will have to find your own referee unless he contacts you again.
- b) Before k.o. of every game the home club to hand to the referee L.A.L. Form 4, "Referee's Match Report Form" completed by both home and visiting teams, and to include substitutes. It is the home club's responsibility to complete and send the L.A.L. Form 4 to the League Discipline Secretary within 72 hours of the match.
- c) The referee's fee is as per rule 23E.
- d) L.A.L. Form 6: "Referees' Points Award Form" to be completed and sent to the Assistant Referees' Secretary within 5 days of match.
- e) It is expected that all clubs will supply an assistant referee for all matches. Under Rule 23C a club assistant shall be supplied by each club for all first team games.

### 2 MATCH RESULTS

All results to be sent by SMS text to F.A. Full Time as set out in rule 21B.

### 3 FIRST AID.

The First Aid available should contain at least: crepe and elastic (self-adhesive; tearable) bandages (various widths), zinc oxide tape (inelastic; various sizes), disposable nitride gloves, gauze swabs, plasters (non-allergenic; waterproof), sterile non-adherent wound dressings (various sizes), eye pads, spray bottle (for iced water), clean fabric, safety scissors. Clubs should have a certified First Aider in attendance at all games as per F.A. Accreditation.

**4 POSTPONED GAMES** and notification of officials. Read Rule 20E, I.

**5 CLUB DETAILS** Any changes to club details come under rules 3, 10, 19.

**6 TRANSFER OF PLAYERS.** Read rule 18.

### 7 LEAGUE ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

All clubs to be represented. Read rule 6. One vote per club, unless rule 8E is not complied with or financial commitments not met.

**8 ALL MONIES** must be paid to the League Hon. Treasurer, who will send statements of outstanding balances. Cheques must be made payable to the "Lancashire Amateur League".

**9 CHANGE OF SECRETARY.** As per rule 3, 10.

**10 PLAYERS' REGISTRATIONS** Each new playing member to be registered through the Whole Game System playing as detailed in rule 8B.



## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **On or before 31st. March:**

Last day for resigning from the League.

### **On 31st. March:**

Last day for the registering of new playing members.

### **On or before 31st May:**

Last day for applications from existing clubs to enter additional teams in the league.

### **On or before 8th May:**

- a) Submit any alteration to Rules.
- b) Last day for written nominations for League Officers and representatives from Clubs.

### **By 1st. June:**

- a) L.A.L. Form 1- Club Details - to be submitted to League Secretary.

### **Before 1st. August:**

All pre-season League Balances to be paid to League Treasurer.

## **REFEREE MARKS GUIDE TO MARKING.**

### **OVERALL DECISION MAKING: MARK OUT OF 40**

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#### **DID THE REFEREE**

Recognise patterns of play and not invade player/game space

Correctly recognise and award throw-ins, goal kicks and corners

Demonstrate consistent and credible recognition, detection and interpretation of foul tackles, holding, aerial challenges, handball, etc

Play advantage appropriately and consistently

Manage the game effectively before resorting to formal disciplinary action: i.e. the STEP process

Recognise time wasting and take appropriate action: both preventative and reactive

Demonstrate high levels of fitness and work rate throughout the entire game

### **JUDGEMENT OF MAJOR DECISIONS: MARK OUT OF 30**

(Cautions/Non Cautions, Send Offs/Non Send Offs, Penalties/Non Penalties, Goal Awarded/Disallowed and any other game changing decisions)

#### **DID THE REFEREE**

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Demonstrate identification of "significant game impact" incidents and offences with appropriate action applied

Demonstrate the ability to recognise the importance of potential key match decisions and effectively move towards/gain an optimum viewing angle to credibly judge those decisions

### **OVERALL CONTROL AND PLAYER MANAGEMENT: MARK OUT OF 30**

#### **DID THE REFEREE**

Act in a positive manner in their pre match communication/off field behaviour  
Work with their Assistant Referees to ensure there were no contradictory decisions

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Manage game situations in an emphatic manner

Recognise when and how to raise his/her profile to aide their match control whilst remaining composed and in self control

Recognise when appropriate the need to engage in dialogue with his/her assistant referees

Effectively manage, when appropriate, two way interaction with players and coaching staff

Demonstrate a natural authority/confidence and not be influenced by players, spectators or team officials.

ANY MARK OUT OF 60 OR LESS WILL REQUIRE EXPLANATION ON FORM LAL6 FOR THAT GAME

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**DISCIPLINE**

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**RESPECT LEAGUE**

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**A GUIDE FOR  
PLAYERS, COACHES, TEAM MANAGERS AND CLUB OFFICIALS**

The League Management Committee and all Clubs playing within the LAL Competition having adopted **The FA's RESPECT** programme need to ensure that the behaviour of everyone connected with the LAL Competition is maintained at the highest standard.

**Responsibility for the behaviour of players, coaches, team managers and Club Officials lies primarily with Clubs.** However the League Disciplinary Committee will continue to monitor the performance of Clubs by conducting regular checks on discipline offences and will report any Club falling below an acceptable standard to the League Executive Committee who in turn may deem it appropriate to interview the Officials of the Club reported. The League Management Committee is empowered to apply to the County FA for refusal or cancellation of the Registration of any player charged and found guilty of undesirable conduct as per Rule 18(G)(iii). **However it is incumbent on Clubs to monitor their own discipline performance on a regular basis and to take action in those cases where the behaviour of players, coaches, team managers or Club Officials is seen to be unacceptable.** The actions which can be taken by Clubs can vary from counselling/mentoring to refusal of selection to play and, in the more extreme cases, disbarment from the Club. Clubs are encouraged to contact the League Secretary if any help or advice is required.

The following extracts from the RESPECT Codes of Conduct highlights the areas where Clubs' and the League's monitoring focus should be directed:

**PLAYERS**

- Display and promote high standards of behaviour
- Adhere to the Laws of the Game
- Promote fair play and behave within the spirit of the Laws of the Game
- Always respect the Match Officials decisions

- Never engage in public criticism of the Match Officials
- Never engage in offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

## **COACHES, TEAM MANAGERS AND CLUB OFFICIALS**

- Show respect to others involved in the game including Match Officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators
- Adhere to the Laws of the Game
- Display and promote high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the Match Officials' decisions
- Never enter the field of play without the Referee's permission
- Never engage in public criticism of the Match Officials
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

## **PLAYER DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE CODE OF CONDUCT**

IN THE LIGHT OF BOTH THE LEAGUE'S AND THE CLUBS'

ADOPTION OF THE FA'S RESPECT PROGRAMME, THE LEAGUE

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (LMC) HAS CHARGED THE PLAYER DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE (PDC) WITH THE ROLE OF MONITORING THE BEHAVIOUR OF PLAYERS, CLUB OFFICIALS, SPECTATORS AND CLUBS. THE PDC HAS NO POWERS TO ISSUE SANCTIONS FOR DISCIPLINARY ISSUES TO PLAYERS OR CLUBS; THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE BY THE PARENT COUNTY FA. WHILE IT IS THE COUNTY FA THAT ISSUES SANCTIONS AGAINST PLAYERS AND CLUBS, THE LEAGUE IS KEEN TO TAKE ACTION WHEN A CLUB'S BEHAVIOUR IS THREATENING THE REPUTATION OF THE LEAGUE.

### **FUNCTIONS**

1. TO MONITOR INDIVIDUAL PLAYER DISCIPLINE RECORDS.
2. TO MONITOR THE DISCIPLINE RECORDS OF ALL CLUBS IN THE LEAGUE.
3. USING THE DISCIPLINE REPORTS FROM THE PARENT COUNTY FA'S CREATE A RECORDING STRUCTURE THAT ENSURES EQUALITY OF TREATMENT FOR ALL PLAYERS AND CLUBS IN THE LEAGUE.
4. TO REPORT TO THE LMC ANY CONCERNS IN REGARD TO THE DISCIPLINE RECORDS OF PLAYERS AND CLUBS IN THE LEAGUE.

### **PLAYER DISCIPLINE**

THE PARENT COUNTY FA'S USE A RANGE OF SANCTIONS BASED ON THE SEVERITY OF THE OFFENCE.

1. MATCH BANS. THESE CAN BE FOR SATURDAY FOOTBALL OR ALL FOOTBALL.
2. FINES.
3. SUSPENSIONS FOR A NUMBER OF DAYS UP TO SINE DIE. THE

LATTER ARE FOR SERIOUS OFFENCES SUCH AS AN ASSAULT ON A MATCH OFFICIAL OR ANOTHER PLAYER

THE PDC WILL KEEP A RECORD OF ALL CAUTIONS AND MATCH SUSPENSIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS AND ANY PLAYER EXCEEDING 10 MATCH SUSPENSIONS WITHIN A 2 YEAR CYCLE WILL BE REPORTED TO THE LMC AND *THE LEAGUE WILL SEEK PERMISSION FROM THE PARENT COUNTY FA FOR WITHDRAWAL OF THE PLAYER'S REGISTRATION AS PER LEAGUE RULE 18G(iii)*

IN THE CASE OF A SERIOUS OFFENCE, SUCH AS AN ASSAULT ON A MATCH OFFICIAL, THIS WILL BE DEALT WITH BY THE PARENT COUNTY FA. IT WILL, OF COURSE, BE RECORDED UNDER THE PDC'S MONITORING PROCESS.

CAUTIONS AND SUSPENSIONS TO BE RECORDED FOR ALL MATCHES BY A LAL PLAYER.

THE PDC WILL USE THE FOLLOWING POINTS SYSTEM TO COMPILE A RECORD OF CLUB DISCIPLINE FOR ALL CLUBS IN THE LEAGUE AND BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE LMC ANY CLUB WHOSE DISCIPLINE RECORD IT FEELS IS A CAUSE FOR CONCERN

2 POINTS FOR MINOR SUSPENSIONS.

4 POINTS FOR FOUL AND ABUSIVE AND/OR IMPROPER CONDUCT

4 POINTS FOR SERIOUS FOUL PLAY AND VIOLENT CONDUCT.

6 POINTS FOR SPITTING AT A MATCH OFFICIAL OR ANOTHER PLAYER.

6 POINTS FOR RACIAL ABUSE TO MATCH OFFICIALS, OPPONENTS OR SPECTATORS

CLUBS WILL BE AWARDED THE FOLLOWING POINTS FOR CAUTIONS RECEIVED:

1-10 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 5 POINTS

11-20 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 10 POINTS

21-30 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 15 POINTS

31-40 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 20 POINTS

41-50 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 25 POINTS

51-60 CAUTIONS ACCRUED - 30 POINTS

HIGHER TOTALS OF CAUTIONS RECEIVED WILL ATTRACT POINTS ON THE SAME BASIS.

ON REACHING A TOTAL OF 7 OR MORE MATCH SUSPENSIONS REACHED IN THE 2 YEAR CYCLE - WARNING LETTER TO CLUB.

11 MATCH SUSPENSIONS (OR 112 DAYS) REACHED IN THE 2 YEAR CYCLE - REPORT TO LMC



A WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT IS REQUIRED FROM THE CLUB IN RESPONSE TO PDC LETTERS IN THE 7 POINT CATEGORY. A WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND A SPECIFIC OUTLINE AS TO THE CLUB'S ACTION AGAINST THEIR PLAYER FOR THE 11 MATCH SUSPENSION LETTER IS MANDATORY. THESE REPLIES TO BE RECEIVED WITHIN 14 DAYS.

## **WITHDRAWAL OF REGISTRATION PROCEDURE**

- (i) WHEN A PLAYER EXCEEDS 10 MATCH SUSPENSIONS WITHIN A TWO YEAR CYCLE THE PDC WILL INFORM THE LEAGUE EXECUTIVE (LEC) WITH THE RELEVANT DETAILS OF THE OFFENCES.
- (ii) THE MANAGEMENT/LEC WILL SUBMIT THESE DETAILS TO THE COUNTY FA TO COMMENCE THE WITHDRAWAL OF REGISTRATION PROCEDURE.
- (iii) IF THE COUNTY FA CONFIRMS THE DETAILS SUBMITTED ARE CORRECT THEN THE LEC/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WILL WITHDRAW THE REGISTRATION OF THE PLAYER HAVING ESTABLISHED THAT THE PLAYER HAS BROUGHT THE COMPETITION INTO DISREPUTE.
- (iv) THE MANAGEMENT/LEC WILL INFORM THE CLUB OF THE DECISION TO WITHDRAW REGISTRATION AND OF THE COUNTY FA DECISION.
- (v) THE CLUB/PLAYER HAS THE RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE FA. SEE RULE 18(G) (NOTE) ON PAGE 33 OF THE LEAGUE HANDBOOK

## **CLUB ADMINISTRATION, CLUB OFFICIALS AND SPECTATORS**

ANY CLUB , CLUB OFFICIAL, MANAGER, COACH OR SPECTATOR FOUND GUILTY BY THE PARENT COUNTY FA OF OFFENCES UNDER FA RULES E3 (IMPROPER CONDUCT) AND/OR E20 (FAILURE TO CONTROL CLUB OFFICIALS, PLAYERS, SPECTATORS etc) SHALL BE REPORTED TO THE LMC. IN THE EVENT OF REPEAT OFFENCES THE CLUB WILL BE CALLED TO A MEETING WITH THE LEC or LMC TO DISCUSS THEIR BEHAVIOUR AND THE LEC or LMC MAY SEEK TO HAVE THE CLUB EXPELLED FROM THE COMPETITION AS PER RULE 12(B).

PDC MONITORING PROCESS IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES:

1 POINT FOR £25 FINE AWARDED BY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

2 POINTS FOR £50 FINE AWARDED BY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

3 POINTS FOR £75 FINE AWARDED BY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

4 POINTS FOR £100 FINE AWARDED BY COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
REPEAT OFFENCES WILL ATTRACT DOUBLE POINTS  
DEPENDENT UPON THE VALUE OF THE SECOND AND  
SUBSEQUENT FINE.

## League Forms

1 CLUB DETAILS

2 OUTSTANDING DUES AND FEES

3 PLAYERS' REGISTRATION

4 REFEREE'S MATCH REPORT

6 REFEREES' POINTS AWARD

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15 NOMINATION FOR LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

16 APPLICATION TO JOIN THE LEAGUE

17 COVID

18 DISCIPLINE OFFENCE APPEAL NOTIFICATION

19 GROUNDS AND FACILITIES CLUB REPORT

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## REFEREES' INSTRUCTIONS

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Please read these instructions carefully, as they may

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differ from those of other competitions. **ALL instructions must be fully complied with by each referee.**

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1. All appointments must be confirmed to the Referees' Hon. Secretary once received. Otherwise without any further notice they may be sent to another official. Once having accepted an appointment with this League, **You must not accept** another appointment from any other competition without first having applied for and received your release from the Referees' Hon. Secretary. In making such an application for release, full details of the subsequent appointment must be given. Officials engaged by senior leagues please note that no appointments of this League are notified to all senior competitions to prevent overlapping of engagements, and **it is essential that all appointments with this League are returned or confirmed by return of post or other means.**
2. In accordance with Rule 23, home clubs must notify in writing or by telephone the appointed referee of location of ground and time of kickoff, at least 48hrs prior to the date of the match. The referee appointed **MUST acknowledge this within 24 hours**, in writing, email or by telephone.
3. Referees who find themselves available for matches at short notice or to take other game after receiving their list of matches are asked to contact the Referees' Hon. Secretary, who will be glad of their services, and who will make every effort to fill open dates given.
4. Should you find you are unable, through illness (or other cause), to fulfil your engagement, please **inform the Secretary of the HOME CLUB and** the Referees' Hon. Secretary **IMMEDIATELY**. Remember he has to find a substitute to take your place, and this takes time. You can save much

work if you give consideration to the heavy duties undertaken in making appointments.

5. Travelling expenses (as per Rule 23(E)) must be kept to a reasonable amount. **All referees will show the travelling expenses only charged by the home club** on LAL/4 (Referee's match report form). These will then be collated and totalled for all first and second team games within the league, and averaged in an Equalisation of Expenses exercise.
  
6. (a)Referees' fees as per rule 23(E). Should by reason of a pitch being unplayable, and you travel to that match, then a half fee, plus expenses, is payable. If the game is not played for any other reason, then the appointed match officials are entitled to full fee and expenses Rule 23F.

7. Matches must commence at the stated time according to this handbook, and repeated as item 12 of these instructions. Referees are instructed to be themselves ready **on the field of play** at such stated time, and must report in writing all late starts and short teams to the League Hon. Discipline Secretary, stating the defaulting club or clubs. If either team has not arrived 15 minutes after the appointed kick-off time (Saturday matches only) then the referee at his discretion may call the match off. **The onus, however, is on the referee to wait that length of time.**
8. All matches shall be played under the Laws of the Football Association, and the provision of goal nets, corner flags and a First Aid kit (within two yard of the touch line and at the centre line) and an adequately marked out pitch is **compulsory** under League rules and is the responsibility of the home club. Any inadequacies should be reported on the match report form. In addition, a separate changing room is to be provided for referees, **which it is expected all referees will use.** This shall have direct access to showering/ bathing and toilet facilities.
9. Please note that the Lancashire Football Association **has requested all referees** to examine the studs of players' boots prior to each match. If teams arrive in colours which are similar, play should not commence until one changes to a distinctly alternative strip.
10. Make sure you receive from the home team, **before the match**, the report form (LAL 4) complete with players' names thereon, and please fill in all other relevant details of completion of the game, using the back of the form for any comments you feel relevant. In order to assist in the selection of possible League side players, it would be of assistance if referees would note the names and positions of all outstanding players.
11. At a club's discretion, **five substitute** players are allowed at any time in a

League or Cup match, except to replace a player who has been dismissed from the game by a referee. The five substitutes must be named, and their names given to the referee prior to the commencement of the game. A player who has been replaced by a substitute player, himself becomes a substitute, and may be allowed back onto the field of play. See Rule 20F.

12. Kick-off times

A) For League games - August to October and February to May inclusive:

2.30 p.m. November to March inclusive: 2.00 p.m. Ko times may vary in exceptional circumstances due to ground availability.

B) For Cup competitions - see relevant competition rules.

13. **ALL cases of misconduct** must be reported by the referee within two days

(Sundays not included) to the Secretary of the relevant County Football Association.



14. Referees are marked by clubs out of 100 as directed by the Football Association.
15. No application for retention on Referees' List is necessary, as this League is operating fully the Football Association Points Award scheme.
16. Should you require any guidance or information, do not hesitate to write to the Referees' Hon. Secretary. All letters requiring a reply must be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope. Should you feel the quality of hospitality shown by a club, to either yourself or a visiting team, is worthy of note or comment (in either a good or derogatory sense), then please let the League have your comments, as feed-back is always useful.

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## DEFINITIONS

### 1.(A) In these Rules:

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

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

“Club” means a Club for the time being in membership of the Competition  
“Competition” means the Lancashire Amateur League.

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

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

“Fees Tariff” means a list of fees approved by the Clubs at a general meeting to be levied by the Management Committee 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 Management Committee for any breach of the Rules.

“Full time” means the FA Full time portal

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

“Management Committee” means in the case of a Competition which is an unincorporated association the management committee 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.

“Participant” shall have the same meaning as set out in the rules of The FA from time to time

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

“Player Registration System” means the FA system to register players as determined by The FA from time to time.

“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 Lancashire County Football Association Limited.

“Scholarship” means a Scholarship as defined in The FA rules.

“Season” means the period of time between one AGM and the next AGM.

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

“SGM” means special general meeting held in accordance with the constitution of the Competition.

“Team” means a team affiliated to a Club, including where a Club provides more than one Team in the Competition in accordance with the Rules.

“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.

“Virtual Meetings” means meetings held electronically.

“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.

- (B) Unless stated otherwise, terms referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term in the singular applies to plural and also the other way round.

## **GOVERNANCE RULES**

### **COMPETITION NAME, CONSTITUTION**

- 2.(A) The competition will be known as the Lancashire Amateur League. The clubs participating in the Competition must be members of the Competition. A club that ceases to exist or which ceases to be entitled to play in the Competition for any reason whatsoever shall automatically cease to be a member of the Competition.
- (B) The Competition shall consist of no more than 56 clubs approved by the Sanctioning Authority.
- (C) The geographical area covered by the Competition shall be Lancashire, Greater Manchester and Cheshire.
- (D) The administration of the Competition under these rules shall be carried out by the the Management Committee in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of the FA.
- (E) All clubs should adhere to the rules. Every club shall be deemed, as member of the Competition to have accepted the rules and to have agreed to abide by the decisions of the Management Committee in relation to them, subject to the provisions of Rule 7.
- (F) The rules are taken from the Standard Code of Rules (the “Standard Code”) determined by the FA from time to time. In the event of any omission from the Standard Code then the requirements of the Standard Code shall be deemed to apply to the Competition.

- (G) (1) All Clubs must be affiliated to an Affiliated Association and their names and particulars shall be returned annually by the appointed date in a manner prescribed by the Sanctioning Authority and must have a constitution approved by the Sanctioning Authority. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines tariff.
- (2) This Competition shall apply annually for sanction to Sanctioning Authority and the constituent teams of Clubs may be grouped in divisions, (each not exceeding 14 in number).
- (H) Inclusivity and Non-discrimination
- (1) The Competition and each Club must be committed to promoting inclusivity and to eliminating all forms of discrimination and should abide and adhere to the FA Equality Policy and any legislative requirements (including those contained in the Equality Act 2010).

- (2) This Competition and each club must make every effort to promote 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, irrespective of age, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, marital status, race, nationality, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, ability or disability or otherwise.
- (3) Any alleged breach of the Equality Act 2010 legislation must be referred to the appropriate Sanctioning Authority for investigation.
- (I) Clubs must comply with the provision of any initiatives of the FA which are adopted  
by the Competition including, but not limited to, England Football Accredited and RESPECT programmes. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.
- (J) All participants shall abide by The Football Association Regulations for Safeguarding Children and Regulations for Safeguarding Adults at Risk as determined by the FA from time to time.
- (K) Clubs shall not enter any of their teams playing in the Competition in any other  
competition (with the exception of FA or County FA competitions) except with the written consent of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.
- (L) 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 22.
- (M) Only one team from a club shall be permitted to participate in a single division  
unless there is no viable alternative because of logistical issues and /or reasons linked  
to participation and geographical boundaries in which case the Competition will obtain the prior approval of the Sanctioning Authority. 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 players other than by transfers of registration in accordance with these Rules.

## **CLUB NAME**

3. Any club wishing to change its name must obtain permission from the Sanctioning

Authority. In the event that permission is granted, the Club must advise the Competition Secretary. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## **ENTRY FEE, SUBSCRIPTION, DEPOSIT**

- 4.(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 by June 1st and must be accompanied by an Entry Fee for each team as set out in the Fees

Tariff

which shall be returned in the event of non-election.

Applications, of which due notice has been given, will be received at the AGM or an SGM if confirmed by a majority of the accredited voting members present.

When Rule 22(B) is applied or a team seeks a transfer or, is compulsorily transferred to another division, no Entry Fee shall be payable.

- (B) The Annual Subscription shall be payable in accordance with the Fees tariff for each (Club/team) payable at a date agreed at the AGM or set out by the Competition.



Clubs with 4 or more teams shall pay a maximum of £200.00 in Annual Subscription.

- (C) In the event of any issue concerning the membership of any Club with the Competition the Management Committee may require a Deposit to be paid (in accordance with the Fees Tariff) by or on behalf of the Club on such terms and for such period as it may in its entire discretion think fit. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (D) A Club shall not participate in this Competition until the Entry Fee, Annual Subscription and Deposit (if required) have been paid.
- (E) Clubs must advise the Secretary annually in writing by 1st August of its Sanctioning Authority affiliation number for the forthcoming Season. Clubs must advise the Secretary in writing, or on the prescribed form, of details of its Headquarters, Officers and any other information required by the Competition. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## **MANAGEMENT, NOMINATION, ELECTION**

- 5.(A) The Management Committee shall comprise the Officers of the Competition and at least 7 ordinary members who shall all be elected at the AGM.
- (B) Retiring Officers shall be eligible to become candidates for re-election without nomination provided that the officer notifies the secretary in writing not later than 1st June in each year. All other candidates for election as Officers or Members of the Management Committee shall be nominated to the Secretary in writing, signed by the Secretaries of two Member Clubs, not later than 1st June in each year. Names of the candidates for election shall be circulated with the notice of the AGM. In the event of there being no nomination for any office by the date stated in the earlier part of this rule, nominations may be received at the AGM.
- (C) The Management Committee shall meet a minimum of twice a season or as and when required.  
  
On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds of the members of the Management Committee 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 and sent to the secretary. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## **POWERS OF MANAGEMENT**

6.(A) The Management Committee 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 Management Committee for ratification. The Management Committee 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 Management Committee may order a match or matches to be played each season, the proceeds to be devoted to the funds of the Competition and, if necessary, may call on each Club to contribute equally such sums as may be necessary to meet any deficiency at the end of the season.

- (C) Each Member of the Management Committee shall have the right to attend and vote at all Management Committee Meetings and have one vote at all such meetings, but no Member shall be allowed to vote on any matters directly relating to that Member or to the Club so represented or where there may be a conflict of interest. (This shall apply to the procedure of any sub-committee.)
- (D) In the event of the voting being equal on any matter, the Chair shall have a second or casting vote.
- (E) The Management Committee 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 6(J), 8(H) and 9, for all alleged breaches of a rule the Management Committee shall issue a formal written charge to the Club concerned. The Club charged shall be given seven days from the date of notification of the charge to reply. In such reply a club may:

- (1) Accept the charge and/or submit in writing a case of mitigation for consideration by the Management Committee; or
- (2) Accept the charge and notify the Competition ( ) that it wishes to put its case of mitigation at a hearing before the Management Committee
- (3) Deny the charge and submit in writing supporting evidence for consideration by the Management Committee; or
- (4) Deny the charge and notify the Competition ( ) that it wishes to have a hearing before the Management Committee.

Where the club charged has failed to respond within 7 days, the Management Committee shall determine the charge in such manner and upon such evidence as it considers appropriate.

Having considered the reply of the club (whether in writing or at a hearing), the Management Committee shall make its decision and, in the event that the charge is accepted or proven, decide on the appropriate penalty (with reference to the fines tariff where applicable).

Where required, hearings shall take place as soon as reasonably practicable following receipt of the reply of the club as more fully set out above.

With the exception of teams playing at Regional NLS Feeder League of the National

League System, the maximum fine permitted for any breach of the rule is £250 and,

when setting any fine, the Management Committee must ensure the penalty is proportional to the offence, taking into account any mitigating circumstances.

The maximum fine permitted for a breach of a Rule by a Team playing at Regional NLS Feeder League is £500.

No participant under the age 18 can be fined.

All breaches of the Laws of the Game or the Rules and Regulations of the FA shall be dealt with in accordance with FA rules by the appropriate sanctioning Association.

- (F) All decisions of the Management Committee shall be binding subject to the right of appeal in accordance with Rule 7.

Decisions of the Management Committee must be notified in writing to those concerned within 7 days.

- (G) A minimum of 40% of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Management Committee or any of its sub-committee.
- (H) The Management Committee, as it may deem necessary, shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.
- (I) A Club must comply with an order or instruction of the Management Committee and must attend to the business and/or the correspondence of the Competition to

the satisfaction of the Management Committee. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (J) Subject to a club's right of appeal in accordance with rule 7 below, all fines and charges must be paid within 14 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.

- (K) A member of the Management Committee appointed by the Competition to attend a meeting or match may have any reasonable expenses incurred refunded by the Competition.

- (L) The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy that may occur

in the membership of the Competition between the Annual General or Special General Meeting called to decide the constitution and the commencement of the playing season, subject to the provisions of the National League System

Regulations

or Women's Football Pyramid Regulations (which shall take precedence if applicable)

- (M) The business of the Competition as determined by the Management Committee may be transacted by electronic mail or facsimile.

## **PROTESTS, CLAIMS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS**

- 7.(A) (1) All questions of eligibility, qualifications of players or interpretations of the Rules shall be referred to the Management Committee.

(2) Objections relevant to the dimensions of the pitch, goals, flag posts or other facilities will not be entertained by the Management Committee unless a protest is lodged with the Referee prior to commencement of the Match.

- (B) Except in cases where the Management Committee 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 5 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 Management Committee. A Member of the Management Committee 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 Management Committee

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.

(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 before the protest or complaint being heard.

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

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

(E) The Management Committee shall also have the power to compel any party to the protest to pay such expenses as the Management Committee shall direct.

(F) Any appeal against a decision of the Management Committee 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 (as set out in the Fees Tariff) 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. The procedure for the appeal shall be determined by the Sanctioning Authority, and the Sanctioning Authority may (but is not obliged to):

- (1) invite submission by the parties involved.
  - (2) convene a hearing to hear the appeal.
  - (3) Permit new evidence, or
  - (4) Impose appropriate deadlines.
- (G) No appeal can be lodged against a decision taken at an Annual General meeting unless this is on the grounds of unconstitutional conduct.
- (H) All protests, claims or complaints relating to these Rules and appeals arising from a Player's contract shall be heard and determined by the Management Committee, or
- a sub-committee duly appointed by the Management Committee. The Clubs or Players protesting, appealing, claiming or complaining must send a copy of such protest, appeal, claim or complaint and deposit a fee (as set out in the Fees Tariff) which shall be forfeited in the event of the protest, appeal, claim or complaint not being upheld, and in these circumstances may, in addition, be ordered to pay the costs at the direction of the Management Committee.

All such protests, claims, complaints and appeals must be received in writing by the Secretary within 14 days of the event or decision causing any of these to be submitted.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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

- (1) Confirm the Minutes of the last AGM.
- (2) Adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts from the previous season or accounting period.
- (3) Election of Clubs to fill vacancies.
- (4) Constitution of the Competition for ensuing season.
- (5) Election of Competition Officers and Management Committee members.
- (6) Appointment of Auditors/Verifiers.
- (7) Alteration of Rules, if any. (see Rule 14)
- (8) Agree the date for the beginning of the Playing Season and kick off times applicable to the Competition.

(9) Agree the date for the end of the Playing season (save for the Regional NLS Feeder League which shall be determined by The FA).

(10) Other business of which due notice shall have been given and accepted by the Chair as being relevant to an AGM.

- (B) A copy of the duly audited/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 duly audited/verified Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts shall be sent to Sanctioning Authority within fourteen days of its adoption by the AGM.
- (D) Each Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to an AGM. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only. Fourteen days' 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 12.

- (F) All voting shall be conducted by a show of hands, or count of email or virtual responses (for virtual meetings), unless a ballot be demanded by at least 50% of the delegates qualified to vote or the Chair so decides.
- (G) No individual shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one Club.
- (H) Any continuing Club must be represented at the AGM  
Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.
- (I) Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at an AGM, but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a club (See Rule 8.G)
- (J) Where a competition is an incorporated entity, the officers of the competition should ensure that the articles of association of the competition are consistent with the requirements of these rules.

## **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING**

- 9.(A) On receiving a requisition signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Clubs in membership the Secretary shall call an SGM.
- (B) The Management Committee may call an SGM at any time.
- (C) 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.
- (D) Each Member Club shall be empowered to send two delegates to all SGM. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote only.
- (E) Any club failing to be represented at a SGM shall be fined in accordance with the fines tariff.
- (F) Officers of the Competition and Management Committee members shall be entitled to attend and vote at all SGMs, but cannot also cast a vote on behalf of a club (See rule 9.D)

## **AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED**

- 10. Each club shall complete and sign the following agreement which shall be deposited with the competition together with the application for membership for the coming season, The following agreement shall be signed on behalf of the winners of the Cup or Trophy:-

"We (A) (name) ..... of (address) , the

Chair/director and (B) name ( ..... ) of (address)

.....Secretary/director of Football club  
(Limited),

have been presented with a copy of the rules and regulations of the LAL competition and do hereby agree for and on behalf of the said club, if elected or accepted into membership to conform to these rules and regulations and to accept, abide by and implement the decisions of the Management Committee of the competition, subject to the right of appeal in accordance with rule 7."

The agreement shall be signed:

(1) Where a club is an unincorporated association, by the Club Chair and Secretary;  
or

(2) Where a club is an incorporated entity, by two directors of the Club.

Any change of Chair, Secretary or Directors of the Club as named on the above agreement must be notified to the County Football Association to which the club is sanctioned and to the Secretary of this Competition.

Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fines tariff.

## **CONTINUATION OF MEMBERSHIP, WITHDRAWAL OF A CLUB**

11.(A) Any 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 of such intention by 31st

March

each Season. This does not apply to a club moving in accordance with rule 22(B). Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.

(B) The Management Committee shall have the discretion to deal with a team being unable to start or complete its fixtures for a Playing Season, including, but not limited to, issuing a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.

(C) Notwithstanding the powers of the management committee pursuant to rule 6(1), in the event a Club failing to discharge all its financial obligations to the Competition in excess of £50, the Management Committee are empowered to refer the debt under The FA Football Debt Recovery provisions.

## **EXCLUSION OF CLUBS, TEAMS. MISCONDUCT OF CLUBS, OFFICERS, PLAYERS, MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

12.(A) At the AGM or SGM called for the purpose in accordance with the provisions of rule 9, notice of motion having been duly circulated on the Agenda by direction of the Management Committee, the accredited delegates present shall have the power

to: (i) remove a member of the Management Committee from office; (ii) exclude any Club or Team from membership both of 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 AGM, or at an SGM called for the purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 9, 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, provided this is 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.

(C) Any Officer or member of a Club found 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 such penalty as a General Meeting or Management Committee may decide, and their Club shall also be liable to expulsion in accordance with the provisions of 12.A and/or 12.B of this Rule.

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

“We (A) ..... and (B) ....., the Chair and Secretary of .....FC (Limited), members of and representing the Club, having been declared winners of Cup or Trophy, and the cup or trophy 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 meeting of the clubs in Jan/Feb. 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."

Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff

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

## **ALTERATION TO RULES**

14.(A) Alterations, for which consent has been given by the Sanctioning Authority, shall be

made to these Rules only at the AGM or at an SGM specially convened for the purpose called in accordance with Rule 9. Any alteration made during the Playing Season to these Rules shall not take effect until the following Playing Season,

except

in exceptional circumstances and approved by Sanctioning Authority or The FA.

- (B) Notices of proposed alterations to be considered at the AGM shall be submitted to the secretary by 1st May each year. The proposals, together with any from the Management Committee, shall be circulated to the clubs by 25th May and any amendments to these proposals shall be submitted to the secretary by 30th May.

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proposals and proposed amendments to these proposals shall be circulated to the Clubs with the notice of the AGM. A proposal to change a Rule shall be carried if a majority of those present and entitled to vote and voting are in favour.

- (C) A copy of the proposed alterations to Rules to be considered at the AGM or Special General Meeting shall be submitted to the sanctioning authority at least 28 days prior to the date of the meeting.

## **FINANCE**

15.(A) The Management Committee shall determine with which bank or other financial institution the funds of the Competition will be lodged.

- (B) All expenditure in excess of £ 200 shall be approved by the Management Committee.

Cheques shall be signed by at least two Officers nominated by the Management Committee.

- (C) The financial year of the Competition will end on 30th May.

(D) The accounting records, or a certified balance sheet, of a Competition shall be prepared and shall be audited/verified annually by some suitable person(s) who shall

be appointed at the AGM.

## **INSURANCE**

16.(A) All Clubs must have valid Public Liability insurance cover for a minimum of ten million pounds (£10,000,000) at all times.

(B) All Clubs must have valid personal accident cover for all players registered with them from time to time. The players' personal accident cover must be in place prior to the club taking part in any competition match and shall be at least equal to the minimum recommended cover determined from time to time by the sanctioning association. In instances where The FA is the sanctioning association, the minimum recommended cover will be the cover required by the Affiliated Association to which the club affiliated.

(C) Failure to comply with rule 16(A) and 16(B) will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.

## **DISSOLUTION**

- 17.(A) Dissolution of the Competition shall be by resolution approved at an SGM by a majority of three quarters (3/4) of the members present and shall take effect from the date of the relevant SGM.
- (B) In the event of the dissolution of the Competition, the members of the Management Committee are responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the Competition.
- (C) The Management Committee shall deal with any surplus assets as follows:
- (1) 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.
  - (2) 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 Authority may decide.

## **MATCH RELATED RULES**

### **QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS**

18(A) A Player is one who, being in all other respects eligible, has:

- (1) registered through the Player Registration System and received approval from the competition. For any players registered on the day of a match (18.A.2), a Club Officer must email the Competition with details of the registration 2 hours prior to the scheduled kick off time in order for the player to be eligible to play in that match. The player shall not play again in any subsequent match in the Competition until the Club has registered the player through The FA Player Registration System and is in possession of the approval from the Competition.

A minimum of (2) players may be registered in this manner.

OR

- (2) signed a fully and correctly completed Competition registration form in ink on a match day prior to playing, countersigned by an Officer of the Club and witnessed by an Officer of the opposing Club, and submitted to the Competition within two days of the match. The Player shall not play again in a subsequent match in the Competition until the Club has registered the player through The FA Player Registration System and is in possession of the approval from the Committee. A maximum of 2 player may be registered in this manner Any registration that is not fully and correctly completed will be returned to the club unprocessed and the player classed as unregistered. If a club attempts to register

a

player via the Player Registration System but does not fully and correctly complete the necessary information via the Player Registration System, the registration will not be processed.

For Clubs registering players under Rule 18.A.2 registration forms will be provided in a format to be determined by the Competition. For Clubs registering players via the Player Registration System, Clubs must access the Player Registration System in order to complete the registration process.

Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.



- (B) (1) 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, or Tiers 1-4 of the Women's Pyramid System.
- (2) It is the responsibility of each Club to ensure that any Player registered to the 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.
- (3) Each team must have at least 16 Players registered 7 days before the start of each Playing Season.
- Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.
- (4) In the event of a Non Contract Player changing his status to that of a Contract Player with the same Club, or with a Club in another Competition, their registration as a Non Contract Player will automatically be cancelled and declared Void unless the Club conforms to the exception detailed in Rule 18.B.1
- (C) A player that owes a Football Debt (as defined under Football Debt Recovery Regulations) shall be permitted to register for a Club but will be suspended from football activities if the Player does not comply with the terms of the Football Debt Recovery Regulations in respect of that Football Debt.
- (D) A fee as set out in the Fees Tariff shall be paid by each Club/team for each player registered.
- (E) The Management Committee 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 Secretary shall notify the Club last applying to register the player of the fact of the previous registration.
- (F) It shall be a breach of Rule for a player to:-
- (1) Play for more than one Club in the Competition in the same season without first being transferred.
- (2) Having registered for one Club in the Competition, registers for another Club in the Competition in that season except for the purpose of a transfer or the Competition adopts Rule 18.P.
- (3) Submit a signed registration form as per Rule 18 A.2 or submit a registration through the Player Registration System that the player had wilfully neglected to accurately or fully complete.

Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (G) (1) The Management Committee shall have the power to accept the registration of any player subject to the provisions of rules 18(G) (2) and (3) below.
- (2) The Management Committee 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 7).
- (3) The Management Committee 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 7) subject to the right of appeal to the Sanctioning Authority. Application should be made to the parent County of the Club the player is registered or intending to be registered with.

Undesirable conduct shall mean an incident of repeated proven misconduct, which may deter a participant from being involved in this Competition.

(4) A player who has previously had a registration removed in accordance with rule

18.G.3 but has a registration accepted at 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 may consider a further charge of bringing the Competition into disrepute.

(Note: Action under rule 18 G.3 shall not be taken against a player for misconduct until the matter has been dealt with by the Sanctioning Authority, 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 Sanctioning Authority or FA. 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 any competition (and is not restricted to the competition) in a period of two years or less from the date of the first offence.)

(H) Subject to compliance with FA Rule C when a Club wishes to register a Player who

is already registered with another Club it shall submit a transfer notification to the Competition via the Player Registration System will be required.

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 Secretary may, on behalf of the Management

Committee, transfer the Player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club from such date after receipt of such transfer.

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

(I) 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 Management Committee.

(J) Registrations are valid for one Playing Season only.

(K) A player shall not be eligible to play for a team in any special championship,

promotion or relegation deciding Competition Match (as specified in Rule 22.A) unless the Player has played 3 Competition Matches for that Team in this Competition in the current Playing Season.

(L) A Team shall not include more than (3) Players who have taken part in 3 or more

senior Competition Matches during the current Playing Season unless a period of 21 days has elapsed since they last played.

For the purpose of this Rule a senior competition(s) is a higher division.

Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

- (M) (1) Subject to rule 18.M.2 any Club found to have played an ineligible Player in a Competition Match or Matches where points are awarded shall have any points gained from that competitive match deducted from its record, up to a maximum of 12 points, and have levied upon it a fine (in accordance with the fine tariff).
- (2) The Management Committee may vary the sanction as relates to deduction in points set out at rule 18.M.1 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.

- (3) Where a club has been found to have played an ineligible player in accordance with rule 18.M.1 above, the Management Committee may also, at its discretion:
- (a) Award the points available in the competition match in question to the opponents, subject to the competition match not being ordered to be replayed.
  - (b) Levy penalty points against the club in default; or
  - (c) Order that such competition match be replayed (on such terms as are decided by the Management Committee).
- (N) The following clause applies to competitions involving players in full-time secondary education:-
- (1) Priority must be given at all times to activities of schools and school organisations. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
  - (2) The availability of children and young people must be cleared with the Head Teachers or Principals (except for Sunday Leagues competitions).
  - (3) To play open age football the player must have achieved the age of 16.
- (O) A Player who has played for a Team in the ( ) division ( ) times or more shall not in that Playing Season be eligible to play in a lower division except by permission of the Management Committee.
- (P) If a Club wishes to cancel a Player's registration within the Competition it must make a request via The FA's electronic Player Registration system giving the reasons for the request. The Competition may either approve or decline the request. If a Player's Registration is cancelled he/she will not be eligible to re-register in the Competition for a period of 21 days from the date of cancellation.

## **CLUB COLOURS**

- 19 (A) Every Team must register the colour of its shirts and shorts with the secretary by 1st August and the Competition Secretary shall decide as to their suitability.
- (B) Any Team changing its colours must notify the Competition Secretary immediately.
  - (C) Goalkeepers must wear colours which distinguish them from all other players and the match officials.
  - (D) No player, including the goalkeeper, shall be permitted to wear black or very dark shirts.
  - (E) Any team not being able to play in its normal colours as registered with the Competition shall notify its opponents of colours in which they will play (including the colour of the goalkeeper's jersey) at least 1 day before the match.

(F) If, in the opinion of the referee, two Teams have the same or similar colours, the home team shall make the change. Should a team delay the scheduled time of kick

off for a competition match by not having a change of colours they shall be fined in accordance with the fine schedule.

(G) Shirts must be numbered, failing which a fine will be levied in accordance with the fine tariff.

## **PLAYING SEASON, CONDITIONS OF PLAY, TIMES OF KICK-OFFS, POSTPONEMENTS, SUBSTITUTES**

20.(A) All competition matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as determined by the International Football Association.

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

Management Committee. If through any fault of the home team a match has to be replayed, the Management Committee shall have power to order the venue to be changed.

The Management Committee shall have power to decide 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.

Artificial 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. All Football Turf Pitches 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 20(C).

Within Regional NLS Feeder Leagues, all Competition Matches shall have duration

of 90 minutes. All other Competition Matches shall have a duration of 90 minutes unless a shorter time (not less than sixty (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 agreed at the AGM and can only be altered by the mutual consent of the two competing Clubs and the Competition. 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, corner flags and at least two footballs fit for

play and the referee shall make a report to the Competition if not provided. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

Regional NLS Feeder Leagues: overhead wires used to support pitch divider netting

are removed for all affiliated matches at Regional NLS Feeder League level.

For those leagues which are not Regional NLS Feeder League: overhead wires used

to support pitch divider netting are ideally removed for affiliated matches, but if they

cannot be removed then discretion is given to the match official to restart the match in accordance with the laws of the game.

- (B) Except by permission of the Management Committee all Competition Matches must

be played on the dates originally agreed but priority shall be given to The FA and parent County Association Cup Competitions. All other matches must be considered secondary. Clubs may mutually agree to bring forward a Competition

Match with the consent of the Competition. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff.

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).

- (C) An officer of the 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 an officer of the opposing Club at least 2 clear days prior to the playing of the match. If not so provided, the away club shall seek such details and report the circumstances to the competition. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the fine tariff. In cases where the condition of the ground has deteriorated prior to the game being played, and an alternative ground (acceptable to the management committee) is provided, the opposition, so informed, must fulfil the fixture.
- (D) In accordance with the Laws of the Game, the minimum number of Players which will constitute a team for a competition match is 7.



(E) (1) Home and away matches shall be played. In the event of a Club failing to keep

its engagement the Management Committee shall have power to impose a fine (in accordance with the Fines Tariff), deduct points from the defaulting Club, award the points from the Competition Match in question to the opponents, order the defaulting Club to pay any reasonable expenses incurred by the opponents or otherwise deal with them except by the award of goals. Notwithstanding the foregoing home and away provision, the Management Committee shall have power to order a Competition Match to be played on a neutral ground or on the opponent's Ground if they are satisfied that such action is warranted by the circumstances.

With effect from the first Saturday in February, all re-arranged games must be played on the re-arranged dates. If your ground is unavailable or unfit then the game must be switched to the opponents ground if available. Failure to play the game on the re-scheduled date will result in the defaulting club failing to keep its engagement as per Rule 20.E.

- (2) 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.
- (3) Any Club unable to fulfil a fixture or where a Competition Match has been postponed for any reason must, without delay, give notice to the Competition Secretary, of the opposing Club and the Match Officials. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- (4) In the event of a match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Competition. Failing such agreement and notification to the Competition within 2 days the Competition shall have power to order the Match to be played on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the competition, the Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. The home Club shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second Competition Match. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance to Fines Tariff.
- (5) The Management Committee shall review all competition 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 Management Committee shall order the score at the time of the abandonment to stand. In all cases where the Management Committee are satisfied that a Match was abandoned owing to the conduct of one Team or its Club member(s) they shall award the points for the Match to the opponent. In cases where a Match has been abandoned owing to the conduct of both Teams or their Club member(s), the Management Committee shall rule that neither Team will be awarded any points for that Match and it shall not be replayed. No fine(s) can be applied by the Management Committee for an abandoned Match.

The Management Committee 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 18(M) above. Where both teams were under suspension the game must be declared null and void.

- (F) A Club may at its discretion and in accordance with the Laws of the Game use substitute players in any competition match. A Club may name 5 substitute players of whom 5 may be used.

A Player who has been substituted 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.

Where a Competition does allow return substitutes, a Team may use up to 5 from 5 substitutes Players in a Competition Match

The referee and a representative of the opposing club shall be informed of the names of the Players taking part in the Match (including the substitutes) not later than 5 minutes before the start of the Competition Match and a Player not so named may not take part in that match.

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 18 of this Competition.

- (G) The half time interval shall be of 5 minutes' duration, but it shall not exceed fifteen minutes. The half time interval may only be altered with the consent of the referee.
- (H) The Teams taking part in a Competition Match shall identify a Team captain who may/shall wear an armband and shall have responsibility to offer support in the management of the on-field discipline of their team mates. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

## **REPORTING RESULTS**

- 21.(A)The Competition must receive within 7 days of the date played, the result of each Competition Match in the prescribed manner. This must include the forename(s) and surname of the team players (in block letters) and also the referee markings required by Rule 23, or any other information required by the Competition. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with Fines Tariff.
- (B) Both Clubs shall use SMS text FA Full Time as directed by the Competition to notify the result of each Competition Match within 1 hr of completion of the game. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with Fines Tariff.
- (C) The LAL4 Referees Match Report Form, correctly completed, shall be signed by an Officer of Both Teams, or as prescribed by the Competition. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine in accordance with Fines Tariff.

## **DETERMINING CHAMPIONSHIP**

- 22.(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 shall be adjudged the winners. Matches must not be played for double points. In the event of two or more teams are equal on points team at the end of the

playing

season, 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 team which has scored the most goals during the

playing

season shall be placed highest.

In the event of two or more teams still being equal the team that has won most matches during the playing season shall be placed the highest

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 shall be placed highest.

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 Management Committee.

- (B) Automatic promotion shall be applied for the first two teams and automatic relegation shall be applied to the last two teams in each Division except as provided for below, subject to the provisions of Rule 2.L.
- (1) Should one or more Teams withdraw from any one division after the Playing Season has commenced an equal number of Teams to those withdrawing in that division shall not be automatically relegated.
  - (2) Vacancies occurring after the conclusion of the Playing Season may be filled in any of the following ways:
    - (a) retention of otherwise relegated Team(s); or
    - (b) additional promotion of the next ranked Team(s) from the division below:  
or
    - (c) election.
  - (3) The last 2 Teams in the lowest division shall retire, but be eligible for re-election except as below; and be subject to the conditions of Rule 22.B.1 above.
  - (4) When a senior Team is relegated to a lower division 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.
  - (5) 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.
- (C) Not applicable.
- (D) In the event of a team withdrawing from the Competition before completing 75% of its fixtures for the Playing Season all points obtained by or recorded against such defaulting teams shall be expunged from the Competition table. For the purposes of this rule 22.D a completed fixture shall include any Competition Match(es) which has been awarded by the Management Committee.
- (E) (i) Promotion and relegation in the premier division and divisions 1 and 2 shall be

2 up and 2 down, with the exception that any club winning promotion to the premier division and division 1 whose ground and facilities are not considered adequate by the Management Committee, and any club who has not been awarded England Football Accreditation shall not be promoted to the Premier Division.

- (ii) No more than two clubs may be relegated. When two-up two-down has been completed and either the Premier or Division One contains fewer than 14 teams, then the highest placed team (s), in Division One and Two respectively eligible for promotion will be promoted.
- (iii) Promotion and relegation in the remaining divisions shall also be two up and two down, except that
  - (a) no 2nd. XI may be promoted higher than division 1;
  - (b) no 2nd. XI may play in the same division as its own 1st. XI, or 3rd. XI in the same division as the club's 2nd. XI;
  - (c) therefore, if any conflict between the promotion of a 2nd. or 3rd. XI and the relegation of a 1st. or 2nd. XI, the latter to have primacy;

(d) new clubs in principle would come into division 2, even if some 1st. XIs had

previously been relegated from it. However, introduction of new clubs shall

not result in relegation of an existing 1st XI from any division.

(e) If clubs drop out of the Competition, divisional composition to be adjusted according to Football Association guidelines, unless Rule 22 D applies.

## **MATCH OFFICIALS**

23.(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 Management Committee and by the Sanctioning Authority.

(B) (1) 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.

(2) In cases where there are no officially appointed Match Officials, 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

Competition Match.

(C) Where Assistant Referees are not appointed each Team shall provide a Club

Assistant Referee. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(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 the determination of the Local Authority or the owners of a ground, which must be accepted.

(E) Subject to any limits/provisions laid down by the Sanctioning Authority, Match

Officials appointed under this Rule shall be paid a match fee in accordance with the

fines tariff £40 and travel expenses of 25p per mile. League appointed Assistant Referees shall be paid £20 and travel expenses at 25p per mile.

Match officials will be paid their fees and expenses by the Home Club immediately after the match. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.

(F) In the event of a Competition Match not being played because of circumstances over

which the Clubs have no control, the Match Officials, if present, shall be entitled to half fee plus expenses. Where a Competition Match is not played owing to one Club

being in default, that Club shall be ordered to pay the Match Officials, if they attend the ground, their full fee and expenses. Failure to comply will result in a fine in accordance with the fines tariff.

- (G) A Referee not keeping their engagement, and failing to give a satisfactory explanation as to their non-appearance, may be reported to the Affiliated 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 to the Competition on the prescribed Form provided. Clubs failing to comply with this Rule shall be liable to be fined ( in accordance with the fines tariff) or dealt with as the Management Committee shall determine.
- (I) The Competition shall keep a record of the markings and, on the Form provided by the prescribed date each season, shall submit a summary to The Sanctioning Authority.



- (J) Referees shall complete the relevant section of the LAL4 Match Report Form and return to the Home club in return for their match fee.
- (K) Match Officials shall be supplied, each Season, with a copy of the Competition Rules free of charge.
- (L) Match Officials shall comply with the provisions of any initiatives of The FA and/or Sanctioning Authority adopted by the Competition.

<b>FEES TARIFF</b>		
RULE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FEE
4(A)	ENTRY FEE	£50.00
4(B)	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	£100.00
	To be paid by 1st August	Additional teams
		£50.00 to a maximum
		of £200.00
4(C)	BOND	£50.00
18(D)	REGISTRATION FEE	£1.50
18(H)	TRANSFER	£5.00

23(E) REFEREE FEES £40.00

23(E)	ASSISTANT REFEREE FEES	£20.00
7(C), 7(A), 7(E)	PROTEST/APPEAL FEES	MAX £50.00
7(F), 7 (G)		

**FINES TARIFF**

RULE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FEE
6(D)	BREACH OF ANY RULE	Max £250.00
6(H)	FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN INSTRUCTION OF	Fined or penalised as Management decides

THE MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE

6(H)

SPECIFIC FINES

SEE APPENDIX 3

6(I)	FAILURE TO PAY A FINE WITHIN 14 DAYS OF NOTICE	Max £50.00
6(H)	FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT AGM	£30.00
8(B), (E)	FAILURE TO CORRECTLY REGISTER PLAYERS AND REGISTRATION FEES	SEE APPENDIX 3

10(B)	PITCH REQUIREMENTS	SEE APPENDIX 3
10(B)	LATE KICK-OFF	MAX £20.00
		SEE APPENDIX 3
9(A), 10(B)	DELAYING KICK OFF/NO NETS/ NO CORNER FLAGS	£30.00
10(D)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE	£30.00
10(F) (i) & (iii)	FAILURE TO PLAY FIXTURE	SEE APPENDIX 3
10(F) ii	GAMES NOT PLAYED IN	MAX £50.00
	ORDER OF SENIORITY	SEE APPENDIX 3
11(A)	FAILURE TO SUPPLY	£20.00
	REFEREES MARKS	SEE APPENDIX 3
11(A) & 11(C)	FAILURE TO SUPPLY TEAM SHEET	£10.00 SEE APPENDIX 3
11(B)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT	SEE APPENDIX 3
13(C)	FAILURE TO PROVIDE CLUB ASSISTANT REFEREE	£15.00
14(A)	WITHDRAWAL FROM LEAGUE	MAX £100.00
	AFTER 31ST MARCH	
14(B)	WITHDRAWAL OF TEAM	MAX £50.00
	AFTER START OF SEASON	
14(B)	FAILURE TO START/ COMPLETE FIXTURES	MAX £250.00
18(A)	FAILURE TO RETURN TROPHY(S) BY DUE DATE	£30.00
19	FAILURE TO ATTEND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING	£30.00
9 (A)	TEAM SHEET INCORRECTLY FILLED IN	£5.00 EACH OFFENCE

## **APPENDIX I**

### **CHALLENGE CUPS COMPETITION RULES**

1. To be competed for by all teams in the League, with the proviso that the League Management Committee shall have the authority to cancel any such competition at any stage, should problems in completing fixtures or any other serious problem so indicate.
2. Competitions shall be on a knockout basis. In some cases the knockout stage may be preceded by a "League" stage should the Management Committee so decide.
3. All team members to be registered as per League rules.
4. The draw for all competitions to be determined and notified to clubs by the Fixtures Secretary. First drawn of each pair to be the home club.
5. All games to be played on scheduled date. If ground unavailable or unfit, game must be switched to opponent's ground or neutral ground, if available. Failure to play game on scheduled date will result in forfeit of game, unless decided otherwise by the Fixtures Committee. The decision of the Fixtures Committee in such matters shall be final.
6. Colour clashes - home team to change, except for semi-finals and final wherein teams agree or both teams to change.
7. All matches of 90 minutes duration (result to stand if abandoned after 60 minutes). In the event of a draw in the knockout games the match will be decided by the taking of penalties (5 taken alternatively by different players from each side then, if still level, further players to take penalties until one side ahead after equal attempts).
8. Finals to be played on neutral grounds if available.
9. Kick-off times for all games - Saturday 2.30pm (2.00pm Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb), midweek 6.30pm except final.
10. Referees for each game to be allocated (and assistants for semi-final and final) are communicated to clubs by Referee's Secretary: if no referee appointed the usual League Rules apply. All cup fixtures to be confirmed with opponents and referee. Home club to ensure that the referee's report form to be filled in and given to him, and that his match fee and expenses be paid.
11. Results to be SMS texted to Full Time by both teams (as per rule for League games).
12. No player may play in a cup competition for a side below the level of 1st eleven who has played in 3 or more of the club's previous 6 games at any higher level than that of the competing team. Any club in breach of this rule will be disqualified from the current competition.
13. The entrance fee for the competition shall be £20 per team, payable to the League Treasurer before the commencement of the season.
14. Referees' and assistants' fees to be paid by the home club. If played on neutral ground expenses to be shared by both clubs. For the final, expenses to be met by the League. Referee's assistants shall be entitled to £20 plus expenses.

15. Both teams for the semi-final and final shall provide a match ball, from which the referee will make a choice. In the final both teams to supply appropriate first aid equipment.

16. The League Management Committee shall have the right to exclude from the current or any future competition any side deemed to have acted against the rules or the spirit of the League's cup competitions.

## **APPENDIX II**

1. The League Aggregate Trophy shall be awarded to the club whose 1st and 2nd teams obtained the highest match/points ratio in League games. Should clubs have an equal ratio, then the award shall be made on goal difference.

2. The Norman Archer Trophy will be awarded to the club with 3 or more teams with the highest match/points ratio for all teams.

3. The John Mackereth Trophy for sportsmanship will be awarded to the club which the management committee will decide on administration, discipline and sportsmanship criteria deserves the award.

4. The Harold Heap Trophy is awarded for secretarial services.

5. Clubs must only seek entry into the Lancashire Football Association Amateur Cup and NOT the Shield. Clubs whose first or sole membership is to another County Association must seek only to enter its Association Amateur Cup and no other competition within that Association.

### **APPENDIX III**

#### **SUMMARY OF FINES AND PENALTIES**

(The code number in the first column corresponds to the "Offence number" on fine notices)

**1. Club not represented at Meeting**

Each offence £30.

**2. Late submission of player's registration**

Registering players not cleared for transfer (Rule 18(M)):

Each offence £20 and referral to LMC (under code 17) to consider further sanction.

**3. Late Payment of League Invoice**

Any Club failing to pay within 14 days will be fined a maximum of £50.

**4. Failure to reply to League correspondence within the time specified**

Each offence £20.

**5. Late Kick Off**

Up to 15 minutes: £10. More than 15 minutes: £20

**6. LAL/4 Late submission/not sent**

£10 then Code 16 applies.

**7. Referees marks award form not completed or late**

First offence £20. Subsequent offences £25. Persistent offenders will be dealt with under Code 16.

**8. Referees match report form not supplied or completed incorrectly (including not using FULL NAMES in CAPITAL LETTERS, not signing the teamsheet, not recording team colours and not using the official current LAL4)**

Each offence £5 then Code 16 applies.

**9. Referee not advised of match or advised late**

Each offence £30.

**10. Results not “texted-in” (INCLUDING MATCH POSTPONEMENTS) or “texted-in” late**

*NB Clubs must text in results of their LFA Amateur Cup games WHETHER PLAYED AWAY OR HOME*

First offence £20. Subsequent offences £25. Persistent offenders will be dealt with under Code 16.

**11. Match not played - penalties & fines to be imposed on defaulting Clubs**

Match not played - (BOTH CLUBS INVOLVED IN A MATCH NOT PLAYED FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN AN UNFIT PITCH MUST Email THE DISCIPLINE SECRETARY a fully completed LAL7 MNP report form WITHIN 3 DAYS, excluding Sunday, OF THE POSTPONEMENT). Specific penalties and fines to be imposed on defaulting clubs; 1st team - Premier Division £50 other Division £30, 2nd team £25, other teams £20. In the event of the defaulting club not advising their opponents of their inability to keep the engagement then the fine will be increased by 50%. All postponed games will be reviewed, and where games are awarded the defaulting club shall be deducted 1 point

**12. Match not played in order of seniority**

Each offence £20 plus 1 point deducted for offending team.

**13. Team Colours**

Team Colours not in accordance with Rule 19B (Colours to be recorded on LAL/4 Team sheet).

Each offence £15.

**14. Matchday equipment not in order**

To include Ground markings, nets, match balls, corner flags, rope off Premier Division pitch,

Each offence £15.

**15. Club Assistant Referees not provided**

Each offence £15.

**16. Repeat Offence**

£20.

**17. Other fines & penalties**

The Management Committee will levy additional fines or penalties on persistent offenders.



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## **Last Season's Honours List**

### PREMIER DIVISION

Champions: ..... Chaddertonians

Runners-up: ..... Old Blackburnians

### DIVISION ONE

Champions: ..... Mill Hill

Runners-up: ..... Roach Dynamos

### DIVISION TWO

Champions: ..... Radcliffe Boys

Runners-up: ..... Wardle

### DIVISION THREE

Champions: ..... Oldham Hulmeians

Runners-up: ..... Halshaw Moor

### DIVISION FOUR

Champions: ..... Crompton Academy Reserves

Runners-up: ..... Howe Bridge Mills Reserves

### DIVISION FIVE

Champions: ..... Old Rivingtonians Reserves

Runners-up: ..... Oldham Hulmeians Reserves

1st. XI Challenge Cup: ..... Burnley Belvedere

Runners-up: ..... Old Blackburnians  
2nd. XI Challenge Cup: ..... Bury GSOB Reserves  
Runners-up: ..... Howe Bridge Mills Reserves  
3rd XI Challenge Cup ..... Old Mancunians 'A'  
Runners-up: ..... Old Boltonians 'A'  
Aggregate Trophy: ..... Oldham Hulmeians  
Norman Archer Trophy: ..... Chaddertonians  
John Mackereth Trophy (Sportsmanship): ..... Wardle  
Ralph Cooper Trophy (Referee of the year): ..... Darren Crompton  
Harold Heap Memorial Trophy (Secretary of the year): ..... Stuart Burke

## HAROLD HEAP MEMORIAL TROPHY

1981.....	B. Powell (Old Mostonians)
1984.....	B. Carr (Thornleigh)
1985.....	R. Sharrock (Hesketh Casuals)
1986.....	R. Cooper (Newman College)
1987.....	M. Colman (Bury Amateurs)
1988.....	P. Jagger (Southport Amateurs)
1989.....	K. Tann (Burnley Belvedere)
1990.....	J. S. Holt (Rossendale Amateurs)
1991.....	A. Clarke (Bolton Wyresdale)
1992.....	I. Rawstron (Burnley GSOB)
1993.....	M. Partington (Little Lever SC)
1994.....	M. Stanney (Chaddertonians)
1995.....	M. Baldwin (Accrington Amateurs)
1996.....	P. Rothwell (Old Sladians)
1997.....	C. Metcalf (Radcliffe Amateurs)
1998.....	J. Taylor (Tarleton Corinthians)
1999.....	A. Jones (Gregonans)
2000.....	S. Taylor (Thornleigh)
2001.....	R. Masters (O. Blackburnians)
2002.....	G. Caldwell (Lymm HSA)
2003.....	P. Johnson (Spotland Meths)
2004.....	K. Hanley (Chaddertonians)
2005.....	T. Lafferty (Broughton Amateurs)
2006.....	J. Twist (Old Boltonians)
2007.....	S. Wilson (Thornleigh)

2008.....	P. Hardman (Little Lever SC)
2009.....	P. Woodford (Old Blackburnians)
2010.....	A. Ahmed (Bolton Wyresdale)
2011.....	S. Spensley (Broughton Amateurs)
2012.....	C. Burnett (Oldham Hulmeians)
2013.....	M. Tillson (Radcliffe Town)
2014.....	W. Kennedy (Failsworth Dynamos)
2015.....	P. Liggins (Accrington Amateurs)
2016.....	J. Haslam (Prestwich)
2017.....	D. Oss (Radcliffe Boys)
2018.....	S. Bingham (Little Lever SC)
2019.....	D. Alford (Ainsworth)
2022.....	M. Smith (Ashtonians)
2023.....	Stuart Burke (Old Rivingtonians)

## FINAL LEAGUE

## TABLESPREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Chaddertonians First	22	16	1	5	24	49
Old Blackburnians AFC	22	15	1	6	22	46
FirstBurnley Belvedere First	22	11	3	8	11	36
Ashtonians First	22	10	2	10	6	32
Radcliffe Town AFC 1st	22	10	3	9	19	30
Failsworth Dynamos First	22	9	2	11	0	29
Old Boltonians AFC First	22	8	3	11	-3	27
Old Mancunians First	22	8	1	13	-14	25
Whitworth Valley First	22	7	2	13	-12	23
Little Lever Sports Club (Seniors)	22	5	2	15	-48	17
FirstBolton Wyresdale 1st Team	22	3	3	16	-47	12
Rochdale St. Clements First						
* Adjustment made						

## DIVISION ONE

Mill Hill (Blackburn) First						
LALRoach Dynamos Open Age						
Old Mancunians Reserves						
Blackburn Eagles JFC Firsts	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Crompton FC Academy Open	21	17	0	5	31	51
ageBury G.S.O.B. First	22	15	1	6	25	46
Howe Bridge Mills	22	13	2	7	16	40
FirstAccrington Amateurs	22	12	4	6	29	39
FirstAFC Wigan First	22	11	2	9	25	35
Rosendale Rossendale fc 3rd	22	10	1	11	3	30
LALittle Lever Sports Club (Seniors)	22	9	4	8	6	30
ReserRochdale St. Clements Reserves	22	10	1	11	3	30
* Adjustment made						

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## DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Radcliffe Boys First	22	18	3	1	67	57
Wardle First	22	17	2	3	38	53
Chaddertonians Second	22	12	4	6	7	40
Ashtonians Reserves	22	12	3	7	10	39
Old Blackburnians AFC Reserves	22	11	4	7	19	37
Old Rivingtonians Sports Club Open Age	22	9	3	10	-4	30
Radcliffe Town AFC Reserves	22	7	5	10	-9	26
Whitworth Valley Reserves	22	8	2	12	-18	26
Bury G.S.O.B. Reserves	22	7	3	12	-5	24
Old Boltonians AFC Reserves	22	5	6	1	-10	21
Hesketh Casuals First	22	5	2	15	-31	12
Prestwich First	22	2	1	19	-64	6 *

\* Adjustment made

## DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Oldham Hulmeians AFC First	16	13	3	0	74	42
Halshaw Moor A	16	11	2	3	51	35
Lymm AFC	16	8	2	6	24	26
F.C. Bolton Open Age	16	7	4	5	13	25
Thornleigh Football Club	16	7	3	6	-8	24
Wardle Second	16	6	0	10	-27	18
Rossendale Athletic FC First	16	3	4	9	-29	13
Old Boltonians AFC A Team	16	4	1	11	-49	13



## DIVISION FOUR

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Crompton FC Academy Reserves	14	9	2	3	28	29
Howe Bridge Mills Reserves	14	9	2	3	15	29
Old Mancunians A Team	14	8	3	3	33	27
Radcliffe Boys Reserves	14	5	6	3	-4	21
Rossendale Rossendale fc 4th	14	6	1	7	1	17
Chaddertonians A	14	5	1	8	-9	15
Sublime Athletic FC Men	14	3	3	8	-27	12
Wigan Town Football Club First	14	1	2	11	-37	3

\* Adjustment made

## DIVISION FIVE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Old Rivingtonians Sports Club Open Age R	12	9	2	1	19	29
Oldham Hulmeians AFC Reserves	12	8	0	4	26	24
Old Mancunians B Team	12	6	2	4	15	20
Radcliffe Town AFC A Team	12	4	2	6	-8	14
Bury G.S.O.B. A Team	12	3	4	5	-21	13
AFC Wigan Reserves	12	3	3	6	-11	10 *
Lymm AFC Res	12	1	3	8	-20	6

\* Adjustment made

## CLUB DETAILS



### ACCRINGTON AMATEURS AFC

**Number of Teams:** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** Phil Liggins, 9 Warmden Avenue, Baxenden, Accrington,

Lancashire, BB5 2PR Tel: (M) 07790 229078 Email: liggins228@outlook.com

**Other club contacts:-** Craig Heys Tel: (M) 07802 750957

**Ground Details:-** Stanley Sports Hub, Thorneyholme Road, Accrington, Lancashire BB5 6BD

**Dressing Rooms:** On ground

**Route to Ground:-** Leave the M65 at J8 for A56 heading to Bury, Manchester.

Take 1st exit for Accrington and at the roundabout take the right side exit towards Accrington. Straight across the 2nd roundabout, progress down Burnley Road past

the cemetery on the right side and at the lights turn right onto Penny House Lane. As the road swings to the left, turn right onto Thorneyholme Road and progress down the road until you come to Stanley Sports Hub on the right BB5 6BD.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Red/black shirts, black shorts, black socks  
Alt: All blue.

### AFC WIGAN

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** John Eastham, 50 Sandstone Road, Winstanley, Wigan Tel: 07878 131365 Email: secretary@afc-wigan.co.uk

**Other club contacts:-** Jon Lister (Chairman) Tel: 07785 333866  
Email: chairman@afc-wigan.co.uk



**Ground Details:-** Scot Lane Playing Fields, Stadium Way, Wigan WN5 0PN.

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground (to the rear of Ninja Warrior premises).

**Route to Ground:-** From M6 - J24, turn left onto Warrington Road/A49. Continue to follow Warrington Road. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Warrington Road/B5386, continue to follow Warrington Road. Keep left to continue towards Robin Park Retail. Turn left onto Robin Park Road, continue onto Scot Lane. At the roundabout. Take 2nd exit and stay on Scot Lane. Turn right onto Stadium Way at the traffic lights. Car park is the 1st right.

**Colours:-** Home: Blue shirts, shorts and socks.  
Away: Yellow shirts, blue shorts and blue socks

### AINSWORTH FC

**Number of Teams:** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** David Alford, 51 Broomfield Close, Ainsworth, Bolton BL2 5QY  
Tel: 07900 021821 Email:: davidalfords@aol.com

**Other club contacts:-** John Pearson Tel: 07512 719646

**Ground Details:-** 'Bankfield', Ainsworth Hall Road, (off Church Street),  
Ainsworth, Bolton BL2 5RZ

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground

**Route to Ground:-** From Bolton:- Along A58, then left onto Bradley Fold Road, left onto Church Street, left again onto Ainsworth Hall Road, to the top and down dirt track. Ground is on the left.

From Bury:- Along A58, then right onto Bradley Fold Road, then as above.

**Colours:-** Royal blue/yellow trim (Shirts/Shorts/Socks)

Alt: Red & white hoops, red shorts, red socks



## **ASHTONIANS AFC**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Maurice Smith, 39 Edward Drive, Ashton in Makerfield, Wigan. WN4 8QU Email: Maurice.Smith@hotmail.co.uk

**Other club contacts:- ALL FIXTURES, REFEREES AND MATCH**

**CONFIRMATION TO:** Nick Collins, Tel: 07872 686219 or 01942 575259  
Email: Nickcollins75@hotmail.com

Team Managers: 1st XI: Jack Collins, Tel: 07540 804112,  
Reserve team: Anthony Richardson, Tel: 07456 015452

**Ground Details:-** Byrchall High School, Warrington Road, Ashton in Makerfield, Wigan WN4 9PQ (Sports Hall at back of school: home and away changing rooms and w.c. with 10 showers. Separate referee's changing facilities with shower and w.c.). **School playing field: no dogs, no alcohol.**

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground. 2 changing rooms, w.c., 12 showers.

**Route to Ground:-** Byrchall High School. From M6 (J23)/A580\* intersection,

(Haydock Island junction 23) take A49 North towards Ashton, go past Haydock Park

Racecourse on the right. Ground 200yds on left (use 2nd entrance). **SPEED LIMIT**

5mph **PLEASE**. Alternatively from the north, leave M6 at junction 24, turn left on A58 towards Ashton, and after approx. 1 mile at traffic lights turn right into Warrington Road. Ground is approx. 400 yards on the right. From Bolton, follow A58

through Hindley and upon entering Ashton town centre, at second set of traffic lights

(having climbed up hill) turn left into Warrington Road, ground is approx. 400 yards on the right.

\*Owing to the proximity of both grounds to this major intersection please allow additional travelling times when Haydock Park Race meetings are taking place.

**Colours:-** Green shirts, black shorts, black socks. Alt: White

## **BOLTON WYRESDALE AFC**

**Number of Teams:-** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Aamar Ahmed, 31 Knightswood, Beaumont Chase, Bolton BL3 4UU.

Tel: (M) 07976 365317 (H) 01204 658478 Email:

aamarahmed1963@gmail.com **Other club contacts:-** Adam Ahmed Tel: (M) 07528 329066

**Ground Details:-** 1st Team: The Castle Hill Centre, Castleton St, Tonge Moor, Bolton, BL2 2JW. 2nd Team: Inverbeg Drive, BL2 6NA

**Dressing Rooms:-**

**Route to Ground:-**

**Colours (including alternatives):-** 1st team: Green shirts, black shorts & black socks; Reserve team: Green/black shirts, green shorts and green socks;

Alt: Royal blue shirts, black shorts and socks

**BREIGHTMET UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Number of Teams: 1**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Barry Gallagher, 65 Masefield Road, Little Lever,

Tel: 07876 688965 Email: Baziniho@hotmail.com

**Other club contacts:-**

**Ground Details:-** Breightmet United Football Club, Sports Club, Back Bury Road, Bolton BL2 6QU

**Dressing Rooms:-**

**Route to Ground:-** BL2 6QU

**Colours:-**



## **BURNLEY BELVEDERE**

**Number of Teams:- 1**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Jane Duxbury, 24 Marsden Court, Burnley BB10 2SS  
Tel (H) 01282 456076 (M) 07811 325552

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**Other club contacts:-** Phil Ashton (Manager) Tel: 07966 322908  
Jane Duxbury: Tel: 07811 325552

**Ground Details:-** Holden Road, Burnley BB10 2LE

**Dressing Rooms:-** next to ground.

**Route to Ground:-** M65 junction 12 follow main road through Brierfield - pass Pendleside Hospice on right, through traffic lights turn left after the Oaks Hotel. We are situated behind the Oaks Hotel.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Green & white shirts, shorts and socks  
Alt: Purple shirts, shorts and socks

## **BURNLEY UNITED**

**Number of Teams: 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Chris Inckle

**Other club contacts:-** Jackie Inckle (Treasurer)

**Ground Details:-** Barden Sports Ground, off New Hall Street, Burnley, Lancashire BB10 1JH

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground

**Route to Ground:-**

**Colours:-** Red and black striped shirt, black shorts, red socks  
Alt: Blue and black striped shirt, black shorts, blue socks

## **BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL OLD BOYS AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 3**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Mrs Laura Graham, 8 Osborne Close, Bury BL8 2DD

Tel: 07891 609534 Email: [ljgraham318@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ljgraham318@hotmail.co.uk)

**Other club contacts:-** 1st XI: Ste Lorenzini Tel: 07936 658007

Reserves: Mike Egerton Tel: 07506 173145, A Team: Tom Croft Tel: 07709 197367,  
Chris Graham Tel: 07590 891292.

**Ground Details:-** Buckley Wells, Bridge Road, Bury, BL9 0HH

Club House: Bridge Road (off Tenterden Street), Bury, BL9 0HN

**Dressing Rooms:-** at school/clubhouse boys school, Bridge Road.





and leave at Bury turn-off. From M60 follow A56 to Bury Town Hall - keep in l-h lane at town hall traffic lights then first left onto Tenterden Street and after 100 yards turn left into Bridge Road. Down to the end of Bridge Road and onto the dirt road for 400 yards before reaching the changing room building. The changing rooms and parking facilities are on the ground. To change at the school turn right on Bridge Road immediately before the railway bridge (the old Bury-Bolton line).

From M66 follow signs to Town Centre onto Angoulême Way keeping in l-h lane all the

time. Passing the market on your right, straight through the lights with bus interchange

on your right. Town Hall is now on your left. Carry on straight across at traffic lights.

Then first left onto Tenterden street and directions as above. From Bolton at Bury Bridge follow signs to Manchester onto dual carriageway and first right onto Tenterden

Street, then as above.

From Bolton, at Bury Bridge follow signs for Manchester onto dual carriageway. Take first right into Tenterden Street, then as above.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Home: light blue shirts, navy blue shorts and pale blue socks. Away: black and yellow shirts, black shorts, black socks.



## **CHADDERTONIANS AFC**

**Number of Teams:** 3

**Hon. Secretary:-** Craig Stone 22 Hawthorn Road, New Moston, Manchester M40 3RH Tel: (H) 0161 681 5869 (M) 07969 448516 Email:

craig.stone@greatplaces.org.uk

**Other club contacts:-** John Arrowsmith Tel: (H) 0161 440 8919 (M) 07800 756160 Chris Nickerson Tel: 07986 493783,

1st team Chris Duerden Tel: 07793 063745, 2nd team Jordan Clarke Tel: 07889 449264 A Team Gareth Phillips Tel: 07851 246071.

**Ground Details:-** All teams: Hopwood Hall College, Rochdale Road,

Middleton M24 6XH (Use M24 2QW for Sat Nav). **All home kick offs are**

**2.00pm**

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** All teams: From North and West join M60 travelling clockwise. At M60 J18 continue straight on to M62 (Leeds/Huddersfield/Rochdale). Exit M62 at J20 and at roundabout take 3rd exit onto A627(M) towards Oldham. Keep left and exit at first junction (Middleton) then take 2nd exit off roundabout onto Slattocks Link Road. At next roundabout take 3rd exit onto A644 towards Middleton. At first set of traffic lights turn right into Hopwood Hall College. Changing rooms at bottom of hill on right after 200 metres.

From South join M60 travelling anti-clockwise. Exit M60 at J21 toward A663/Rochdale/  
A627(M)/Chadderton. At Broadway/A663 turn right and follow signs for Leeds/A627(M)/ Rochdale. Continue on Broadway for 2.1 miles, passing through several sets of traffic lights before joining A627(M). Take the first exit sign-posted Middleton/ Castleton then take 1st exit off roundabout onto Slattocks Link Road. At next roundabout take 3rd exit onto A644 towards Middleton. At first set of traffic lights turn right into Hopwood Hall College. Changing rooms at bottom of hill on right after 200 metres.



**Colours (including alternatives):-** all teams: sky/navy blue quartered shirts, blue shorts and socks. Alt. yellow shirts and blue shorts and socks.

## **CROMPTON FC**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Furqaan Patel, 161 Armadale Road, Bolton BL3 4TP Tel: 07934 671570 Email: furqy0707@gmail.com

**Other club contacts:-** Ahmed Ayub Tel: 07731 565642

**Ground Details:-** ESSA Academy, 3G Pitch, 1 Morris Green Lane, Lever Edge Lane Bolton BL3 3HH

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** Junction 4 of the M61 and take Watergate Lane up to Plodder Lane. Turn Right onto Plodder Lane and drive about two hundred yards up and turn left onto Slack Fold Lane. The academy pitch is at the end of the lane on the right. Or: Take A58 to Bradley Fold, Radcliffe. Take Tong Road to Hill Top/B6209 in Little Lever. Take A6053 and Green Land to Lever Edge Lane in Bolton. The academy pitch is at the end of the lane on the left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Black & white striped shirts, black shorts and socks Alt: Red and black striped shirts, black shorts and socks.

## **HALSHAW MOOR FC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Gary Molyneux, 13 Daisy Avenue, Farnworth BL4 0EJ  
Tel: 07940 708538 Email: gary.hmfcsec@outlook.com

**Other club contacts:-** 1st team: Anthony Hubert Tel: 07957 394387  
2nd team: Anthony Morris Tel: 07548 668540

**Ground Details:-** 1st team: Kearsley Academy, Springfield Road, Bolton BL4 8HY  
2nd team: Little Leaver Sports Centre, 251 Church Street BL3 1BT

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** From Kearsley interchange roundabout take the A666



Kearsley. Turn right onto Pilkington Road. Turn right onto Springfield Road. Turn right, destination will be on the left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Yellow & Black Alt: Purple & Black.

## **HESKETH CASUALS AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 1**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Rodney Sharrock, 2, Ilkley Avenue, Crossens, Southport, PR9 8JR

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**Other club contacts:-** Peter Hames Tel: (H) 01704 534581,



John Woodhouse Tel: 01704 229856 Clubroom Tel: 01704 530838

**Ground Details:-** Preston New Road Recreation Ground (PR9 8NP)

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground. (Larkfield Lane entrance)

**Route to Ground:-** By road from Preston (A565): Straight on at roundabout at

end of dual carriageway. At the Plough roundabout, take second exit onto Preston New Road. After approx 1/2 mile at roundabout take third exit into Fairhaven Road, then first left into Larkfield Lane. Ground 100 yards on left. For alternative routes, contact secretary.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Red shirts, black shorts Alt: Yellow shirts.

## **HOWE BRIDGE MILLS FC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Pamela Brady, 13, Allenby Street, Atherton, M46 0BJ  
Tel: (B) 01942 873761, (M) 07764 609170

Email: brady.pamela@btinternet.com

**Other club contacts:-** Malcolm Anderton Tel: 07760 276163,

Vinny Monks Tel: 07717 811912, Lee Gregory Tel: 07949 239092, John Barker Tel: 07790 031320.

**Ground Details:-** Howe Bridge Leisure Centre (4G pitch), Eckersley Fold Lane, Howe Bridge, Atherton, M46 0PJ, 01942 870403

**Dressing Rooms:-** Rear Sports Centre (Portacabins), parking also rear of Centre. **Route to Ground:-** From Bolton into Atherton town centre along A579. From Atherton centre take B5215 (Leigh Road) towards Leigh. Leisure Centre about 1 mile on left after lights at bottom of Lovers Lane.

**All HOME games will kick off at 2pm**

**Colours (including alternatives):-** 1st XI blue and black stripe shirt, black shorts, blue socks 2nd XI: Yellow shirt, black shorts, black socks, Alt: TBC.



## **LYMM AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Mr Caldwell, 81 Whitbarrow Road, Lymm WA13 9AY  
Tel: 07534 404999, Email: [lymmafc@outlook.com](mailto:lymmafc@outlook.com)

**Other club contacts:-** Sandy Frew Tel: 07810  
506450, Peter Jackson Tel: 07795 332373

**Ground Details:-** 1st & 2nd teams: Sandy Lane, Lymm. WA13 9HR.  
2nd team: Sow Brook WA13 9DZ.

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-**

**Sandy Lane, Lymm WA13 9HP: (PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE CONED AREA ON SANDY LANE. Please use Birchfield Road or other adjoining side roads.)**

(a) From M60 J11 (Eccles) take A57 for approx. 6 miles then turn left and go over toll bridge (12p one way). Continue to T-junction with A6144 (from Carrington) and turn right towards Lymm. Approx 100m after 2nd mini-roundabout turn left into Sandy Lane. Ground is on right.

(b) From M6 J20 / M56 J9 take B5158 Cherry Lane to Lymm. Turn right at T-junction on A56 towards Altrincham. After Shell petrol station take 4th left into Oughtrington Lane which turns into Sandy Lane after crossing canal. Ground is on left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Green shirts, red shorts, green socks. Alt.: yellow or red/white shirts.

## **MILLTOWN FC**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Mike Shepherd Tel: 07531 025844 Email: info@milltownfc.co.uk  
**Other club contacts:-**

**Ground Details:-** 1st Team: Hopwood Hall College, Rochdale Road, Middleton M24 6XH (Use M24 2QW for Sat Nav).

2nd Team: Failsworth Soccer Centre 4G pitch, Brierley Avenue, Failsworth, Manchester, M35 9HA

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground (to the rear of Ninja Warrior premises).

**Route to Ground:- 1st Team:** From North and West join M60 travelling clockwise. At M60 J18 continue straight on to M62 (Leeds/Huddersfield/Rochdale). Exit M62 at J20 and at roundabout take 3rd exit onto A627(M) towards Oldham. Keep left and exit at first junction (Middleton) then take 2nd exit off roundabout onto Slattocks Link Road. At next roundabout take 3rd exit onto A644 towards Middleton. At first set of traffic lights turn right into Hopwood Hall College. Changing rooms at bottom of hill on right after 200 metres.

From South join M60 travelling anti-clockwise. Exit M60 at J21 toward A663/Rochdale/A627(M)/Chadderton. At Broadway/A663 turn right and follow signs for Leeds/A627(M)/ Rochdale. Continue on Broadway for 2.1 miles, passing through several sets of traffic lights before joining A627(M). Take the first exit sign-posted Middleton/ Castleton then take 1st exit off roundabout onto Slattocks Link Road. At next roundabout take 3rd exit onto A644 towards Middleton. At first set of traffic lights turn right into Hopwood Hall College. Changing rooms at bottom of hill on right after 200 metres.

**2nd Team:** Exit M60 at Junction 22 and follow A62 Oldham Road to Manchester. At 3rd set of traffic lights turn left into Mersey Road North. Continue to end (approx 1mile) and at mini-roundabout turn right onto Ashton Road East. Continue for about 1/4 mile and turn left into Brierley Avenue. Take the first left into the school, sign posted visitors car park, to enter the pitch area. Take the Soccer Centre entrance on the right at the grass pitches to enter the changing rooms.

**Colours:-** 1st Team: Sky blue & midnight blue striped shirts, black shorts, royal blue striped socks. Alt: White shirt & royal blue trim, royal blue shorts, royal blue striped socks.

2nd Team: White shirt & royal blue trim, royal blue shorts, royal blue striped

socks. Alt: Sky blue & midnight blue striped shirts, black shorts, royal blue striped socks.

## **MOSES GATE**

**Number of Teams:-** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** Salman Aslam

**Other club contacts:-** Aamir Mahmood (Chairman), Suhayl Undre (Treasurer)  
**Ground Details:-** Little Lever Sports Centre, 251 Church Street  
BL3 1BT

**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground

**Route to Ground:-**

**Colours (including alternatives):-**





## **OLD BLACKBURNIANS AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Philip Woodford, 58 Peel Mount, Knuzden, Blackburn. BB1 2DU  
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**Other club contacts:-** Alan Upton. Tel: (M) 07714 959355

**Ground Details:-** Harrison Playing Fields (QEGS), Lammack Road, Blackburn BB1 8LA

**Dressing Rooms:-** within pavilion overlooking the pitches (Harrison playing fields).

**Route to Ground:-** from Preston: turn left at Ring Road (A6119) then turn 2nd

right into Lammack Road. From Bolton after Darwen follow A666 to Ewood, then after one way system fork left at traffic lights at cinema. Follow this road across traffic lights at A674 onto Buncer Lane, as far as Preston New Road (A677), turn left then at traffic lights turn right into Revidge Road, then left at next traffic lights into Lammack Road. Ground next to Hare and Hounds public house. For parking turn right into QEGS car park immediately before the Hare and Hounds pub (gravel car park)

For teams using M65. Travelling from east or west, leave the motorway at junction

6 (Blackburn north and central). Follow signs for the A6119 Blackburn ring road at the roundabout and continue on this road for approx. 2 miles until you reach a set of traffic lights at the Knowles Arms public house. At the next set of lights turn left onto Lammack Road and the grounds are 300 yards on the left next to the Hare and Hounds public house. For parking turn left into QEGS car park immediately after the Hare and Hounds pub (gravel car park)

**Colours (including alternatives):-** All teams: red & blue shirts, blue shorts, blue socks. Alt. Yellow shirts, yellow shorts and yellow socks.

## **OLD BOLTONIANS AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Nick Holt, 29 Lee Lane, Horwich, Bolton, BL6 7AE  
Tel: 07876 655607 Email: n.j.holt90@gmail.com

**Other club contacts:-** Steve Eccleshare Tel: 07971 165234

**Ground Details:-** Tower Street, off High Street, Chapelton, Turton, BL7 0EU.

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground. **To respect our local residents, please do not park**

**on Tower Street.** We have parking behind the goals, turn right immediately before the ground. Additional parking is available behind the Chetham Arms.

**Route to Ground:-** (Directions can be found on our website [www.oldbolts.co.uk](http://www.oldbolts.co.uk)) A676 (Tonge Moor Road), signposted Burnley from Bolton Town Centre; as far as Royal Oak Hotel, Bradshaw traffic lights; turn/bear left along Turton Road; turn right immediately after going under railway bridge into B6391 (Chapelton Road); keep going past Turton Tower and the King William pub. After approx. 3 miles at Four Lane Ends, as main road turns sharp right, continue straight on up High

Street past St Anne's Church on right; turn right into Tower Street opposite Chetham Arms. From west or east approach from A56 ring road; join A676 at traffic lights by Castle Hotel / Tonge C.C., then as above.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Black & white striped shirts, black shorts and black socks with white band at top

Alt: Maroon shirts, white shorts, maroon socks



## **OLD MANCUNIANS ASSOCIATION FC**

**Number of Teams:- 4**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Phil Butler, 17 Mersey Road, Stockport, SK4 3DE, Tel: (M) 07958 137191 Email: oldmancs@hotmail.co.uk

**Other club contacts:-** Dean Walker Tel: 07964 495537,  
Dave Richards (treasurer) Tel: 07500 083325

**Ground Details:-** All teams: Manchester University Sports Ground, Armitage

Centre, Mosley Road, Fallowfield M14 6ZT (0161 306-9988), Post code for SatNav M14 6TZ this brings you to Balmoral Road. The Armitage Centre is on Chancellors Way which is opposite Balmoral Road.

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground. (changing rooms and separate referees changing).

**Route to Ground:- 1st, Reserve and A teams: From M60 (clockwise) take junction**

5 onto Princess Parkway A5103 Follow road for 2 miles approx. At traffic lights, Whalley Range School on left, turn right into Wilbraham Road (A6010). Follow for 1 mile into Fallowfield. At junction with Wilmslow Road go straight across into Moseley Road, Armitage Centre 1/2 mile on left.

**From M60, (anticlockwise),** stay in left hand lane and take first slip road. At traffic

lights turn right and right again at next lights. Re-join Princess Parkway A5103 heading north towards Manchester. Follow directions for M60 clockwise above. From Manchester, take A5103 for approx 1.5 miles. At traffic lights with Whalley Range School on far right, turn left into Wilbraham Road, (A6010). Follow for 1 mile to Fallowfield. At junction with Wilmslow Road go straight across into Mossley Road, Armitage Centre 0.5 miles on left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** 1st & reserve teams: light blue shirts, navy shorts and socks A team: light blue & white striped shirts, navy shorts and socks B team: dark blue shirts, navy shorts & blue socks

Alt: black and white striped shirts, black shorts and socks.

## **OLD RIVINGTONIANS SPORTS CLUB**

**Number of Teams: 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Stewart Burke 55 Mary Street East, Horwich BL6 7JS, Tel: (H) 01204 695414 (M) 07523 434001, Email stewart2003b@aol.com

**Other club contacts:-** Jeff Berry Tel: 07974 993547

**Ground Details:-** Green Lane Playing Fields, Horwich, BL6 7NH (post code for the car park)

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** M61 at junction six exit onto A6027 towards Chorley. At the

roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto A6/Chorley Road. Follow A6 for 1.6 miles. Turn right at Rivington Pub onto B5238/Station Road. Continue to Follow B5238 for 1.1

miles. At junction turn left the immediate right onto B6226/Lee Lane. At Bowling Green Pub turn left, car park 100 yards on the right

**Colours (including alternatives):**- All teams Red and black striped shirt, black shorts and black socks with red top.



## **OLDHAM HULMEIANS AFC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** (Temporary) Chris Lee, 36 Pendragon Place, Failsworth, M35 9GL Email: clee83@googlemail.com

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**Ground Details:-** Blocksages Playing Fields (next to Itrain Gym), Birch Lane, Dukinfield SK16 5AW

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** From J18 M60 head south east on M60. At J24 take A57/M67 exit to Hyde. At Denton Island take 3rd exit onto M67N heading to Hyde. Keep right to stay on M67 At J3 exit towards Dukinfield/Stalybridge. Turn left onto Clark Way A627. Turn right onto Nowton Street. Turn left onto Dukinfield Road and continue onto A627. At roundabout take 2nd exit onto King Street. At the roundabout take 2nd exit onto Dewsnap Lane. Ground and changing rooms on left

**Colours (including alternatives):-** All teams: maroon shirts, shorts and socks.

## **PRESTWICH FC**

**Number of Teams:- 1**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Damon Montgomery, 19 Sedgefield Road, Radcliffe,

Manchester M26 1YE Tel: 07711 173225 Email: damon\_montgomery@sky.com

**Other club contacts:-** Stuart Adams Tel: 07736 393851 Email: stuasa@aol.com  
Cricket club house: Tel: 0161 773 2524

**Ground Details:-** Kearsley Academy, Springfield Road, Kearsley, Bolton BL4 IHY  
**(NB all Saturday KOs 2.00pm)**

**Dressing Rooms:-** Situated in the main school building.

**Route to Ground:-** From Kearsley interchange roundabout take the A666

Kearsley. Turn right onto Pilkington Road, Turn right onto Springfield Road. Turn right, destination will be on the left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Burgundy and Blue Striped Shirts, Blue Shorts,  
Blue Socks Alt: Red and Black Striped shirts, Black Shorts, Blue or Black or Red  
Socks, 2nd Alt: White shirts, blue or black shorts, blue or black or red socks  
3rd Alt: All dark navy blue



## **RADCLIFFE BOYS**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** David Oss, 25 Meadowcroft, Radcliffe, Manchester M26 4JP.  
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Dave McGreavey (Second team manager) Tel: 07919 174147,

**Ground Details:-** Hollinhurst Playing Fields, Beech Street, Radcliffe M26 1GH  
**Would teams please avoid parking on the left, outside residents houses.**  
**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground.

**Route to Ground:-** From M60 leave at junction 17 and follow A56 towards

Whitefield Turn left onto A665 Higher Lane, then left onto A667, right onto Stand Lane at mini-roundabout. Beech Street is after Bar One pub on the right.

From Farnworth take the A667 toward Whitefield. Turn left onto Stand Lane at mini-roundabout. Beech Street is after Bar One pub on the right.

From Radcliffe on A665 turn right into Stand Lane at lights and go up the hill. Beech Street is on left before Bar One pub.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** 1st team home: Dark blue shirts, black shorts and light blue socks. Away: red shirts, black shorts, red socks.

2nd team home: Dark blue shirts, yellow shorts and blue socks; Away: Red shirts, black shorts and red socks.

## **RADCLIFFE TOWN FC**

**Number of Teams:-** 3

**Hon. Secretary:-** Malcolm Tillson, 10, Hardman Close, Radcliffe, M26 4HY  
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**Other club contacts:-** David Wilkinson Tel: (M) 07779 144886.  
John Frost Tel: 07565 729652

**Ground Details:-** King George V Playing Fields, Outwood Road, Radcliffe. M26 1AG  
**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground

**Route to Ground:-** teams leaving M60 at junction 17 turn left to Whitefield. Take left

lane at 3-way set of traffic lights and 50 yards on filter left with sign for Kearsley. Through next set of traffic lights, carry on to filter left, again, at next set of lights which

then brings you onto Ringley Road. Approx. one mile along turn right down by the side

of the Hare & Hounds pub into Outwood Road and King George Playing Fields is half

way down on left.

Teams coming from North of Radcliffe pass the Town Hall and go on to by-pass. Turn

right at second set of traffic lights with sign for Farnworth. Carry on up the hill

(Outwood Road) and the ground is half way up on your right. Entrance next to Hotspot Takeaway

**Colours (including alternatives):**- All teams: navy blue & red striped shirts, navy blue shorts & socks. Alt: Yellow shirts or red shirts.



## **ROACH DYNAMOS JFC**

**Number of Teams:** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** Debbie Wright, 54 Mount Street, Heywood OL10 1DA  
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**Other club contacts:-** Paul Wright Tel: 07734 081847

**Ground Details:-** Roach Dynamos Sports Pavilion, Sutherland Road, Darnhill, Heywood, Lancs OL10 3PY



**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground

**Route to Ground:-**

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Orange & black

## **ROCHDALE ST. CLEMENTS AFC**

**Number of Teams:-** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Mike Willmore, 91 Ginnell Farm Avenue, Rochdale OL16 4GF  
Tel: (M) 07398 102032 Email: mikewillmore@me.com

**Other club contacts:-** Simon Lord Tel: (H) 01706 355536. (M) 07759 162542

**Ground Details:-** All teams: Burton Park, Claremont Road, off Bury Road, Rochdale. OL11 5EX

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground

**Route to Ground:-** All teams: From Rochdale town centre: leaving Rochdale along The Esplanade at the traffic lights follow the signs for Blackburn (A6060) along Dane Street. At the next traffic lights follow Bury signs (B6222) turning left into Bury Road; after approx. 1/2 mile turn right into Claremont Road. The ground is situated on the right hand side approx. 150 yards along Claremont Road.



From the M62 - Leave M62 at junction 20, and follow the signs for Rochdale along the A627(M). At the traffic lights follow Rochdale signs onto Edinburgh Way (A664) and at the large set of traffic lights follow signs for Blackburn (B6452) along Roch Valley Way. At the traffic lights facing the Cemetery Public House turn right into Bury Road. Take first left into Claremont Road and the ground is situated on the right hand side approx. 150 yards along Claremont Road.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** All teams: white shirts, black shorts and socks.

Alt: 1st XI: Orange shirts, white shorts and orange socks. 2nd & 3rd XI: Gold shirts, black shorts and gold socks

## **ROSSENDALE FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Stephen Skillings, 560 Newchurch Road, Rawtenstall BB4 7TN  
Tel: 07816 952559 Email: ste.skillings@hilti.com

**Other club contacts:-** James Gregson Tel: 07970 796644



**Ground Details:-** Marl Pits Sports Complex, Newchurch Road, Rawtenstall, Rossendale BB4 7SN

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** M66 Merging onto the A56 to Rawtenstall, continue along St.

Mary's Way until the crossroad junction with Newchurch Road. Turn right at the traffic lights onto Newchurch Road and the ground is on the left (sign posted) around half a mile up the hill.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Red/white shirts, black shorts and socks. Yellow shirts, blue shorts and yellow socks.



## **ROSSENDALE ATHLETIC FC**

**Number of Teams:** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Jacob Pye, 120 Kingsway, Church, Accrington BB5 5EL  
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**Other club contacts:-** Mackenzie Ritson Tel: 07406 186202

**Ground Details:-** Stacksteads Recreation Ground, Bacup OL13 0LX

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground.

**Route to Ground:-** Head north on M66, continue onto A56. Take the A682 exit

towards Rawtenstall, at the roundabout take the 1st exit, turn right to stay on A682. Turn right towards Bury Road. Turn left onto Bocholt Way. At the roundabout, take 2nd exit on to Bacup Road A681. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on the Bacup Road A681. There are two options for parking - One is across from the Rose n Bowl Pub which is slightly before the next mini roundabout, to access the pitch from here it's a short walk down the side of the Rose n Bowl Pub where you will see the pitch, Two is 2nd exit at the mini roundabout. Right onto Farholme

Lane and then right onto Wardle Street which has direct access to the pitch and changing rooms.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Home: Blue and white. Away: Red and Black

## **THORNLEIGH AFC**

**Number of Teams:-** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** Steve Glover-11 Cranborne Close, Lostock, Bolton, BL6 4JG  
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**Other club contacts:-** Chris Conniffe Tel: 07801 398433

**Please note all home games will KO at 2.00pm throughout the season.**

**Ground Details:-** The Castle Hill Centre, Castleton St, Tongue Moor, Bolton, BL2 2JW.

**Dressing Rooms:-** on ground. **Please use main car park and not park on back streets.**

**Route to Ground:-** From the south of Bolton: take the A666 to Bolton and follow it past the Bolton South turnoff. Into the outside lane and at the next set of lights turn right (Bristol St Motors on left and Retail Park on right) following the signs for Ramsbottom for 500 yds. At the t-junction turn left onto the A676 (Tongue Moor Road). Follow this road for about a mile until you see signs for the Castle Hill Centre on your left hand side. Turn left into Castleton Street and left into the Castle Hill Youth Club.

From the north of Bolton: down the M61 to the Reebok turnoff - A6027. Follow signs for Bolton- A673. Follow this down to the A58 turn left. This is the ring road around Bolton. Follow across to A676 (Tongue Moor Road) and turn right. Follow down to sign for the Castle Hill Centre - turn right into Castle Hill Youth Centre.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** All teams: Yellow and Black Shirts with Black Shorts. Alt: Red Shirts and Black Shorts.

## TYLDESLEY FC

**Number of Teams:-** 1

**Hon. Secretary:-** Callum Fairhurst, 15 Prospect Avenue, Cadishead, Manchester M44 5ZP Tel: 07765 540142 Email: tyldesleyfc@gmail.com

**Other club contacts:-** David Jackson Tel: 07849 521768

**Ground Details:-** Tyldesley Rugby Union Football Club, Astley Street, Tyldesley, Manchester M29 8HG



**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground.

**Route to Ground:-** M29 8HG

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Home: Black/white shirts, black shorts, black socks. Away: Red shirts, black shorts, black socks

## WARDLE FC

**Number of Teams:-** 2

**Hon. Secretary:-** Robert Dorrington, Humber Farm, Blackstone Edge Old Road,

Littleborough, OL15 0JN Tel: 07971 029936 Email: drdoz1@aol.com

**Other club contacts:-** Richard Fielding (chairman) Tel: 07759 127135  
Email: vikkirik@icloud.com

**Ground details:-** Rutherford Park, Wardle, OL12 9ER

**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground

**Route to Ground:-** From Rochdale town centre follow A58 towards Littleborough for approximately 1.5 miles. Turn left at miniroundabout between Bulls Head and Spring Mill Tavern pubs. Follow Wardle Road for approx. half a mile. The ground is on the right hand side, there is a welcome sign at the top of the access road. From M62 exit at junction 21 and follow signs towards Milnrow A640. Take the left hand junction at the roundabout and follow A640 towards Rochdale until you reach a crossroads by the retail park, turn right onto the A664. Follow the road until you reach a roundabout and turn right towards Littleborough (A640). At the next miniroundabout turn left and follow the Wardle Road for approx half a mile, as above.



**Colours (including alternatives):-** All teams: black and white striped shirts, black shorts and socks. Alt: Red shirts, shorts and socks

## WINSTANLEY ST. AIDANS

**Number of Teams:-** 1

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Mark Ratcliffe (Assistant Manager) Tel: 07795 620310

**Ground Details:-** Laithwaite Park, Scot Lane, Wigan WN5 0TU

**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground

**Route to Ground:-** From M6 - J25, exit towards Warrington Road/A49. Continue to follow Warrington Road. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Warrington Road/B5386, continue to follow Warrington Road. Keep left to continue towards Robin Park Retail. Turn sharp left onto Ormskirk Road/A577. Turn onto Scot Lane. The ground, parking and facilities are located approximately 400 yards on the left.

**Colours (including alternatives):-**



## **WHITWORTH VALLEY FC**

**Number of Teams:- 2**

**Hon. Secretary:-** Lisa McDowell, 12 The Stables, Whitworth OL12 8BL

Tel: 07739 324901 Email: whitworthvalleysecretary@gmail.com

**Other club contacts:-** Craig Dixon Tel: 07590 207484

**Ground details:-** Whitworth Valley F.C., Rawstron Street, Whitworth, OL12 8BA.

Car park is behind Whitworth Valley Football and Cricket Club

**Dressing Rooms:-** On ground

**Route to Ground:-** From M62 exit at junction 20 and follow signs towards

Rochdale A627(M). At end keep left onto Edinburgh Way. At lights turn right onto Manchester Road (A58). Travel along A58 passing Rochdale College, at second lights after college turn left onto A671 signposted Burnley. Travel along A671 for approx 4 miles, turn left into Tong Lane and first left into Rawstron Street.

**Colours (including alternatives):-** Green shirts with white band on front, green shorts and socks. Alt: blue and white hooped shirts, blue shorts and socks

## Lancashire Amateur League Season 2023-24 Table Compilation

### PREMIER DIVISION

Chaddertonians 1st

Old Blackburnians AFC 1st

Burnley Belvedere 1st

Ashtonians 1st

Radcliffe Town AFC 1st

Old Boltonians AFC 1st

Old Mancunians 1st

Whitworth Valley 1st

Bolton Wyresdale 1st

Rochdale St. Clements 1st

Roach Dynamos Open Age

Winstanley St Aidens

### DIVISION ONE

Old Mancunians Res.

Crompton FC Acad. 1st

Bury G.S.O.B. 1st

Howe Bridge Mills 1st

Accrington Amateurs 1st

AFC Wigan 1st

Burnley United

Milltown

Radcliffe Boys 1st

Wardle 1st

Chaddertonians 2nd

Ashtonians Res.

### DIVISION TWO

Old Blackburnians AFC Res.

Rossendale FC 1st

Rochdale St. Clements Res.

Old Rivingtonians SC

Radcliffe Town AFC Res.

Whitworth Valley Res.

Bury G.S.O.B. Res.

Old Boltonians AFC Res.

Thornleigh Football Club

Prestwich 1st

Oldham Hulmeians AFC 1st

Halshaw Moor A

Rossendale Athletic FC 1st

### DIVISION THREE

Lymm AFC

Hesketh Casuals 1st

Wardle 2nd

Chaddertonians A

Bolton Wyresdale Res.

Crompton FC Acad. Res.

### DIVISION FOUR

Halshaw Moor Res.

Milltown Res.

Rossendale FC 2nd

Oldham Hulmeians AFC

Res.

Old Mancunians B

Howe Bridge Mills Res.	Radcliffe Town AFC A
Old Mancunians A	Bury G.S.O.B. A
Radcliffe Boys Res.	AFC Wigan Res.
Old Rivingtonians SC Res.	Lymm AFC Res.
Ainsworth	Rossendale Athletic FC Res.
Brightmet	Moses Gate
Tyldesley FC	



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