



CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTER AND FOREST OF DEAN CRICKET LEAGUE



2017 SEASON

Affiliation

C1 All clubs with teams in the CGF League must be affiliated to one or other of WGCF or CGCA, clubs to the west of the river in the former, to the east in the latter (with exceptions as agreed and accepted by both WGCF and CGCA). Clubs will also affiliate to the CGF League. The League will determine its own affiliation fee, if required, to meet its expenses (there is no fee for 2017).

League Committee 2017

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Financing Arrangements

C2 The League will not have its own finances. Sponsorship money will go to WGCF and CGCA. League costs will be shared in proportion to numbers of teams in WGCF and CGCA, and borne by those. The League will prepare a schedule of its costs so that WGCF and CGCA will be aware of and approve of their respective liabilities.

AGM

C3 There will be an Annual General Meeting at the end of each season. This meeting will consider and vote on rule changes, elect the committee for the following season and set the affiliation fee.

Affiliations, CWOs, open membership and Safe Hands

C4 Clubs with teams in the CGF must be affiliated to the ECB, the GCB and either the CGCA or the WGCF. The clubs must have a Club Welfare Officer registered with the GCB. The club's constitution must contain the words "membership of the Club shall be open to any person, irrespective of age, disability, race, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status and sexual orientation" and the club must have adopted and implemented the ECB Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children, and any future versions of the policy.

Balls

C5 The League will supply balls, teams being charged at cost for them, for all League games. GCCL balls left over from the 2016 season may be used in the 2017 season.

Play-cricket

C6 Results, tables, and information will be on play-cricket. The League's website is <http://cgfleague.play-cricket.com/>

Promotion, Relegation and League Structure

C7 There will be a single Premier Division of 10 teams (for 2017 it will be 9 teams). The top team will be expected to apply for promotion to GCCL. If it fails to apply, or if GCCL refuses admission to the top team because of poor facilities, the Premier Division runner-up will be expected to apply for promotion to GCCL.

C8 Teams in the Cheltenham, Gloucester and Forest area relegated from GCCL will take their place in the Premier Division. New teams applying to join the League will join at the lowest level.

C9 Under the current geographic split, the top team of Division 1 East and Division 1 West will be promoted to the Premier Division. The top two teams of Divisions 2 East and 2 West will be promoted to level 1

C10 No club may have more than one team in the Premier Division or at Level 1. This is only permitted at Level 2. Promotions will be denied or relegations enforced to ensure this is the case.

C11 After putting in place the rules above, sufficient relegations will be made from the Premier Division to leave exactly 10 teams. If that means that fewer than 2 teams are relegated, the committee will consider increased promotions from level 1 and extra relegations.

C12 After putting in place the rules above, sufficient relegations will be made from level 1 to leave exactly 20 teams (ideally). If that means that fewer than 3 teams are relegated, the committee will consider increased promotions from level 2 and extra relegations. If an even number of relegations is required, half will be from each geographic division. If the number of relegations is odd, then the "extra" team to be relegated will be the one with fewer points (or fewer average points per game if the divisions were not of the same size) between the two candidates for relegation.

C13 Once the list of teams at each level is determined by the rules above, the committee will propose how the geographic split will be made. The teams concerned will be consulted and the committee will try to reach agreement with the teams on which geographic division each is in. If all negotiations fail, the committee will make the decision, and that decision will be final.

Facilities

C14 Clubs are expected to meet the facilities of the GCCL. Where this is not the case, clubs must look to making improvements as soon as they can. Away team captains will mark the facilities, and The League will ask for more urgent changes should the away team reports show a serious failing.