

RULE CHANGES & ADDITIONS 2023 to 2024

Rule L4.6.9.1	<i>All clubs should provide a clean, tidy and private space for both scorers which they should use together at all times.</i>
Rule L6.2.2	<i>A team playing an ineligible player shall, be fined £40 and have six points deducted from its league record for each contravention.</i>
Rule L7.3	<i>Premiership; Championship and Conference matches to start at 12 Noon in September.</i>
Rule L8.14.2.2	<i>If the fielding team exceed the actual playing time (drinks breaks, injuries and unavoidable stoppages are not to be included as playing time) then from the start of the next new over a minimum of five fielders (plus the bowler and the wicketkeeper) must be inside the fielding zone for the remainder of the innings.</i>
	<i>Adopted Experimental Rule Changes from 2023:</i>
Rule L7.3	<i>Premiership; Championship and Conference matches to start at 12.30pm from April to August.</i>
Rule L8.11.2	<i>No bowler may bowl more than 12 overs in The Alliance.</i>
Rule L8.12	<i>In Premiership, Championship, Conference and Alliance matches deliveries passing wide of the leg stump, and outside the line of the batsman's body, that do not come into contact with the bat or any part of the batsman's person, shall be called WIDE.</i>
Rule L8.13.3	<i>In Premiership, Championship, Conference and Alliance matches, at the instant of delivery, there shall be <u>no more than 5 fielders on the leg side</u>. In the event of any infringement the umpire at square leg shall call and signal "no ball"</i>
	<i>Unadopted Experimental Rule Change from 2023:</i>
Rule L8.10.3	<i>Alliance 3 & Alliance 4 to play 40 overs instead of 45 overs. All associated experimental changes connected to this experimental rule change to revert back to 2022.</i>
	<i>Experimental Rule Change for 2024:</i>
Rule L11.8	<i>Introduction of a New Rule: Team Points Deduction System. Teams in the Premiership and Championship to be deducted League points based upon penalties awarded to times on the basis of two elements:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. Low Who's The Umpire Fair Play Scores.</i> <i>2. Disciplinary sanctions issued against individual players under ECB GCR Disciplinary Procedures.</i>
	<i>Registration Changes in line with ECB Accreditation Criteria.</i>
Rules L5.1; L5.4 & L6.6.3	<i>Changes to the registration process, categorisation of players and replacement of Category 3 players.</i>
	<i>Promotion & Relegation in line with ECB Accreditation Criteria:</i>
Rule L7.6.8 & L7.6.9	<i>Changes to qualification and decision making for promotion and relegation particularly within the Premiership and Championship, based on the acquisition and maintenance of Clubmark accreditation.</i>