

Match Day Procedures and Registration

Wednesday prior to match by 10pm – deadline for registering Overseas & Overseas Resident players (categories 3 & 3E) Download the form from the download section of www.hertsleague.co.uk.

Match Day (Saturday) by 10am – deadline for registering all category 1 (i.e. UK citizen) players in your club's section at www.hertsleague.co.uk - select Registration from the menu to login.

- Players' full First and Surnames must be registered (initials will not be accepted).
- Same full registered name must be used on team sheet and in scorebook.
- Players aged under 19 must be identified on registration site and team sheet

Match Day - before the toss, a minimum of 15 minutes and maximum of 30 minutes before the start time, both captains shall hand a completed team sheet to the umpires or, where no non-playing umpire, to the opposing captain.

A match cannot start until completed team sheets have been exchanged

The Toss. In Divisions 2b and above it is a requirement that the two umpires are present at the toss. Captains and umpires are requested to ensure that this requirement is met. In Division 3a and below it is recommended that the umpires are present at the toss. This is to ensure that all relevant match rules and regulations are discussed and agreed, including but not limited to the various ECB directives.

After the match: Any substitutes used shall be added to the team sheet. All team sheets must be countersigned as valid by one non-playing umpire (where there are umpires) and by the opposition captain.

Posting team sheets: Divisions 2b and above: team sheets to be returned to the League Registrations Officer by the appointed umpires.

Divs 3a and below: team sheets from opposing teams to be retained after the game by each captain whose club should check on the league web site that the opposition's players are all registered. Any discrepancies to be reported to the League within three days. Otherwise team sheets should not be posted to the League and can be destroyed if there are no issues arising.

Penalties

Any player who takes part in a league match and is not registered on the League web site by the stated deadlines, or incorrectly registered, shall be deemed ineligible for that match. In the event of an allegation against an ineligible player being proven (subject to appeal) the team fielding the ineligible player will have 10 points deducted (5 points for Division One and below). On each subsequent occasion that team fields an ineligible player, it will incur a 10 points deduction and an additional penalty of 10 points.

Other Match Day Requirements

Umpires

Cancellation: In the event of cancellation through wet weather, umpires should be notified where possible no later than 2 hours before the scheduled start time, otherwise both umpires' expenses will be payable. In the event of a cancellation, the HOME club is responsible for contacting BOTH umpires.

Panel umpires expenses BEFORE THE MATCH each captain will pay one of the umpires. In the Premier Division and Championship the fee is £50.

In Divisions 1, 2a & 2b the fee is £40. If only one umpire is present he shall receive £80 (£40 from each team).

Umpires positions. If there is only one non-playing umpire he shall stand at the bowler's end throughout the match.

Cricket balls

The home club is required to supply umpires with all match balls and sufficient spare balls (which must be of the make and specification in line with the League rules - see the inside cover for details).

After the Match

Results

Home team to report the results via the smartphone app by 9pm on match day.

Penalty: 5 point fine for failure to report by the deadline.

Note: Any fines for non-provision of an umpire / scorer or where bonus points should be deducted for taking wickets outside the time limits should be reported to the Results Secretary, Michael Wood **via email to results@hertsleague.co.uk**.

Facilities marking

Marks to be entered via form on league website www.hertsleague.co.uk (link on home page) by 11pm Friday evening following the game. Any problems should be reported immediately to admin@hertsleague.co.uk.

Penalty: Failure to submit a report or late submission will incur a fine of £20 on each occasion.

Umpires marking

In the Premier Division and Championship marks are to be entered via the form on the 'Who's The Umpire' system (www.whostheumpire.com) by 11pm Friday. Any problems must be reported immediately to Peter Hinstridge.

Divisions 1-6b, marks to be entered via the App or form on League website www.hertsleague.co.uk (see page 62) by 11pm Friday evening following the game. Any problems should be reported immediately to admin@hertsleague.co.uk

Penalty: In Divisions 2b and above, failure to submit marks or late submission will incur a fine of £20 on each occasion (rising to £40 if not reported by 2nd Friday)

NB Proforma forms are available on website to allow the captain to make notes regarding facilities and umpires for subsequent entry onto the website.