



## U19's Hundred Ball Competition

Dear Clubs

The U19's 'Hundred ball' County Competition is organised and administered by the DCF. The County Competition will be played between the months of May and early August with the Derbyshire Finals in September. The Derbyshire winner will represent the county at a regional finals day in September.

In previous years clubs have been charged £50 entry fee which has contributed to balls and umpires. For 2023, there is no entry fee into the competition but clubs must provide a new pink cricket ball to be used in the bowling innings of each game. Clubs can purchase these individually or from the DCF at £15 per ball. DCF will provide match balls and umpires for the finals day.

Entry into the competition is open to any DCF affiliated club which is based in Derbyshire.

The day fixtures are played on is flexible to suit clubs around exams and potential holidays. Clubs will be placed into small groups who will play a round robin fixture programme. Strict play by dates are set for each round of fixtures to maintain the flow of the competition and the play by date is the last possible date for the fixture.

We do not want to end up with a situation that involves games being conceded so please contact the DCF prior to concessions taking place.

In addition to the attached rules the following statement will be applicable to the County Competition for section 6) Qualification of players. *Player eligibility is defined by the club they are playing junior cricket at in this current season. If a player is playing junior cricket at more than one club then the club must seek permission from the DCF. If a player is no longer playing junior age group cricket, then eligibility is defined by the club they play senior cricket for.* **If a club is unsure of a player's eligibility, then permission must be obtained from the DCF before they are allowed to play in a fixture.**

Clubs with limited numbers of U19 players can merge with, or invite players from, no more than 2 other clubs from England and Wales. **Clubs merging in this way must seek prior approval from DCF**

*All participating clubs are required to comply with the rules of the competition, including section 6 regarding the Spirit of Cricket and the ECB Code of Conduct and section 6.1 and 6.2 relating to player eligibility. Any breach of the Competition rules will result in disqualification from the competition. We require the fixtures in the county competition to be completed in a timely manner, and decisions made by the DCF regarding any breach of rules will therefore be final.*

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