

1. Coloured clothing for Division 1. MSC recommendation is that this may be an idea for 2022 and we would appreciate views but it could be too soon for 2021. Purchase of kit would involve clubs in considerable expense of course.

DIVISION 1 THOUGHTS PLEASE. (BUT AS ANY DIVISION 2 CLUB COULD BE PROMOTED NEXT YEAR YOUR THOUGHTS CAN ALSO BE INCLUDED)

2. A pink or orange ball for Division 1. (In conjunction with 1. above) MSC recommendation is that this may be an idea for 2022 and we would appreciate views but it will be too soon for 2021 given the number of balls purchased but not used in 2020.

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3. 12.00 start for Division 1 throughout the season. MSC recommendation is that we ask 1st Division clubs for their views on this before any decision is made. The main drawback of course is that this could penalise players/officials who have to work on Saturday mornings.

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4. More regionalisation – Division 6 & 7 as well as 8 & 9. This was suggested by the MSC and rejected by clubs last year. The difficulty is more pronounced the higher up the pyramid you get and it can hold back a club progressing up the divisions as with regionalised divisions there tends to be just one team promoted per division. There is little evidence that regionalisation decreases travelling but we welcome your thoughts

THOUGHTS OF DIV 6 AND DOWN PLEASE

5. Division 6 and down 80 overs. MSC recommended reducing overs in the lower divisions last year but this did not get clubs' approval. We would ask Division 6 and below to give this some thought so we can determine if the desire for this has now changed.

THOUGHTS OF DIV 6 AND DOWN PLEASE.

6. No teas provided between innings. 10 (or 15 minute) interval between innings.

There is no Championship rule regarding the provision of teas but the MSC would recommend that clubs do consider this on a match by match basis for the season 2021 by mutual arrangement between opposing teams. There is considerable interest in this proposal and we would appreciate your thoughts.

THOUGHTS OF ALL DIVISIONS PLEASE

7. Fielding circle for all Divisions. This could pose difficulties as it could create problems with player/umpires in the lower divisions (although it seems to work in Div 4 and Div 5 without Panel Umpires) but the MSC would like to find out what clubs feel.

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8. Division 9 to be a friendly division. 35 over innings per team with no automatic promotion. The MSC consider this unworkable if there is no promotion from the lowest division as it would rely on there being enough clubs who do not want to gain promotion.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

9. A better ball for Division 1. MSC has already decided that we need assessment before any action and this will involve the trialling of several different balls during 1st Division matches for the season 2021. It is worth stating however that the Duke ball currently used in the EAPL is thought of highly in that competition over several years and retails at around £30 as compared with around £12 for the current ball and there have been very few balls returned to the MSC as being defective.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

10. 12.30 start for all matches, all divisions, all season. MSC have considered this and are reluctant to recommend a blanket change as clubs have the ability already to agree altered start times with their opponents within the rules of the Championship.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

11. No player registration for Division 6 & below (or the Ladies Competition or the Sunday league). The MSC consider this difficult to work. The main problem area is players registered for one club playing for another in the Sunday League or Ladies Competition so MSC does not understand where the suggestion comes from. However, where a junior, a dad, or a “pub” player are drafted in at the last moment, all it takes is a brief call to let Steve Isaac or Alan Rogers know the situation and start registration process immediately after the game.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

12. All Divisions from 1 to 8 to be maximum 80 overs with max 10 overs per bowler (9 per bowler for Division 9). The MSC would not recommend such a course of action across all Divisions.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

13. Division 6 and down 80 overs. MSC recommended reducing overs in the “lower” divisions last year but this did not get clubs approval. This would not be recommended by the MSC
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

14. One new match ball per match all divisions. This would not be recommended by the MSC
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS

15. Remove 1st August “registration deadline”. There is no deadline. All that is required is to let Steve Isaac or Alan Rogers know before the match. The MSC considers that the current rule is in existence to stop clubs bringing in players from other leagues at the business end of the season.
NO ACTION NEEDED BY CLUBS