



## APPENDIX 6a TEAM SELECTION GUIDE

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*This document is A GUIDE ONLY and should be read in conjunction with BUCS REG 11 ('TEAM SELECTION AND TEAM SHEETS') and the relevant BUCS Sport Specific Regulations.*

*This aim of this guide is to aid in the interpretation of REG 11.1. Through the team selection regulations, player movement is restricted in order to safeguard against institutions/Playing Entities moving individuals down from a higher team in order to gain an unfair advantage when playing lower ranked teams.*

*The key consideration for establishing an individual's normality and identifying for which team(s) they might be eligible is: Have they featured for more than 50% of the higher ranked team's league fixtures? E.g. If they have featured on the team sheet for 6 out of 10 league fixtures for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team, then they are not eligible to play for any lower ranked team for the remainder of the season, regardless of how many fixtures a lower ranked team may have remaining. Please note: Exceptions may be possible in cases of 'Medical exemption' (REG 11.1.6) or where the relevant BUCS Sport Specific Regulations allow any variation.*

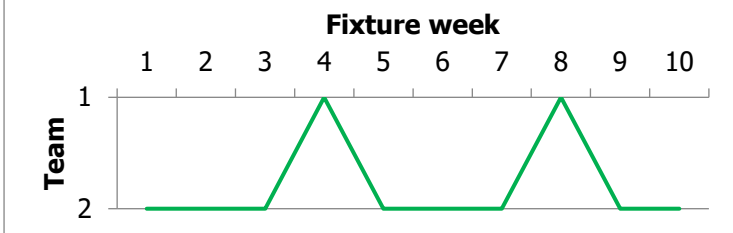
*The following pages contain some possible scenarios to assist institutions/Playing Entities with understanding the application of REG 11.1. This guide does not account for every scenario, or the particular circumstances which may surround them. There will be eventualities which cannot be anticipated.*

*Institutions/Playing Entities are reminded that teams must always be picked as if all teams were playing on the same day (REG 11.1.3).*

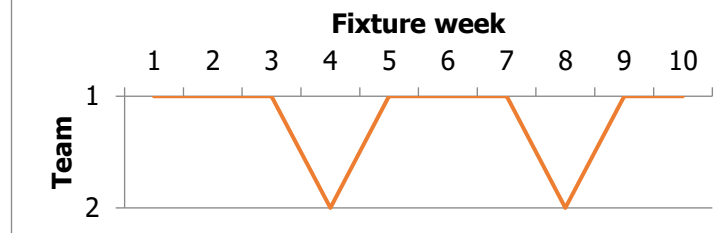
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When...	Can said player compete for...?	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team
<p>An institution/Playing Entity's 1<sup>st</sup> Team has 10 league fixtures for the season. Player X has been listed on team sheet for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team in six league fixtures and one Trophy knockout fixture to date. The 1<sup>st</sup> Team lost their knockout fixture, so they only have four league fixtures remaining.</p> <p>The institution/Playing Entity's 2<sup>nd</sup> Team also had 10 league fixtures for the season and has played four of these so far, so have six league fixtures remaining. They have also won their first two Conference Cup knockout fixtures and so have at least one more knockout fixture remaining.</p>	<p>Yes, as they have established majority in this team.</p>	<p>No. Whilst the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team may have played less fixtures to date and therefore have as many fixtures remaining as Player X has represented the 1<sup>st</sup> Team for, Player X has established majority in the 1<sup>st</sup> Team by representing them in six out of 10 of their league fixtures and therefore cannot play for any lower team.</p> <p><i>Please note: Exceptions may be possible in cases of 'Medical exemption' (REG 11.1.6) or where the relevant BUCS Sport Specific Regulations allow any variation.</i></p>
<p>An institution/Playing Entity's 1<sup>st</sup> Team has 18 league fixtures for the season. Player Y has been listed on the team sheet for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team in eight league fixtures to date. Player Y did not represent the 1<sup>st</sup> Team for the last two fixtures due to being absent for the first one and 'dropped' to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team for the latter one. The 1<sup>st</sup> Team have eight league fixtures remaining and have not begun the Championship knockout competition yet.</p> <p>The institution/Playing Entity's 2<sup>nd</sup> Team had 14 league fixtures for the season and has played eight of these so far, so have six league fixtures remaining. Player Y featured on the team sheet for the last one of these fixtures. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team have also won their first Trophy knockout fixture and so have at least one more knockout fixture remaining.</p>	<p>Yes, as they have not yet established a majority and also 'playing up' is always allowed.</p>	<p>Yes, as they have not yet established majority for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team at this stage. Should Player Y represent the 1<sup>st</sup> Team in two more league fixtures, then they would become ineligible to represent the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team.</p> <p><i>Please note: Exceptions may be possible in cases of 'Medical exemption' (REG 11.1.6) or where the relevant BUCS Sport Specific Regulations allow any variation.</i></p>
<p>An institution/Playing Entity's 1<sup>st</sup> Team had six league fixtures for the season and has played four of these so far, so have two league fixtures remaining. The 1<sup>st</sup> Team have also won their first Trophy knockout fixture and so have at least one knockout fixture remaining. The institution/Playing Entity's 2<sup>nd</sup> Team had 10 league fixtures for the season and has played nine of these so far, so have one league fixture remaining. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team have also won their first Conference Cup knockout fixture and so have at least one knockout fixture remaining.</p> <p>Player Z has, to date, been listed on the team sheet for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team in three league fixtures (50% of the 1<sup>st</sup> Team's total for the season) and for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team in one league fixture which took place on the same day as the 1<sup>st</sup> Team's second league match which they did not play in. Player Z has not represented either team in a knockout fixture yet.</p>	<p>Yes, as they have not yet established a majority and also 'playing up' is always allowed.</p>	<p>Yes, as they have not yet established majority for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team at this stage. Should Player Y represent the 1<sup>st</sup> Team in one more league fixture, then they would become ineligible to represent the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team in their final league fixture.</p> <p>Their previous appearance for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team was also within the regulations as they as an individual had not yet established majority whilst the institution/Playing Entity worked out which team they, and Player A who replaced them that week, should settle with.</p> <p><i>Please note: Exceptions may be possible in cases of 'Medical exemption' (REG 11.1.6) or where the relevant BUCS Sport Specific Regulations allow any variation.</i></p>
<p><b>Please note:</b> Knockout competition fixtures are not counted in establishing majority/normality, but players must comply with REG 11.1 for team selection.</p>		

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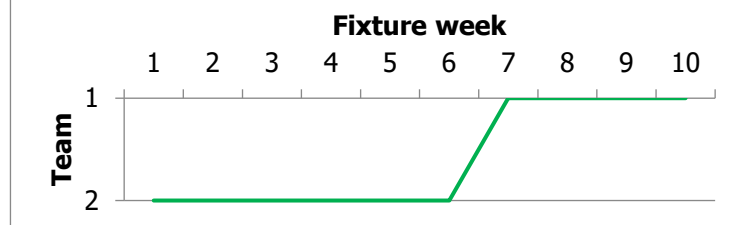


### Playing down occasionally = NOT OK\*

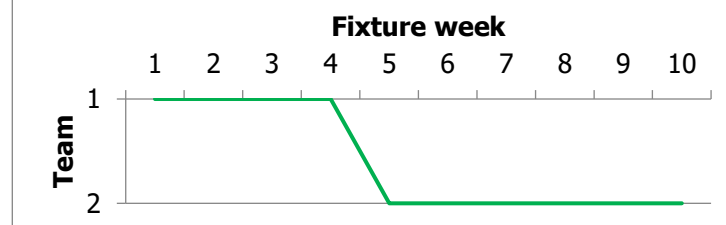


\*In week 8 the individual should not have been selected for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team as by this point the individual had achieved majority for the 1<sup>st</sup> Team. At the time, in week 4 the individual had not established majority for the higher ranked team. They may, for example, in the previous weeks have been 'playing up' to cover for an absent player or have been 'dropped' based on their form but then later are needed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Team again due to another player going out injured.

### Playing up and staying up = OK



### Playing down and staying down = OK\*



\*As long as the individual has not established majority for the higher ranked team.

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