



APPENDIX 6 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 players 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 1st 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.

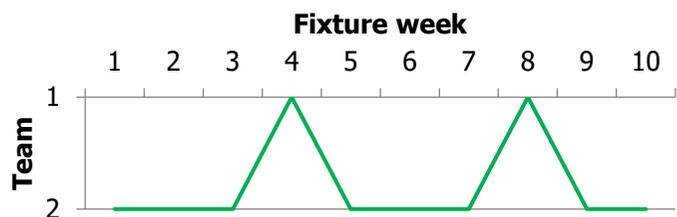
The following pages contain some possible scenarios to assist institutions/Playing Entities with understanding the application of REG 11.1. This guide does not account for every scenario, or the particular circumstances which may surround them. There will be eventualities which cannot be anticipated.

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).

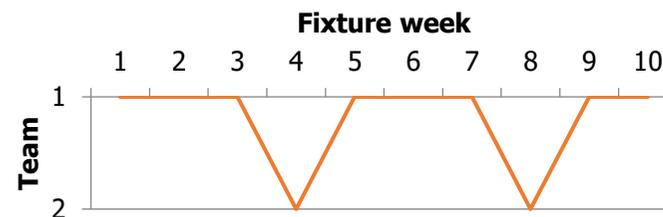
As well as undertaking random spot checks, if BUCS suspects foul play or the manipulation of regulations with regards to player movement, team sheets may be reviewed throughout the season in order to track the movement of players and review that team selection is in accordance with the regulations. Sanctions for contravention of the team selection regulations may be imposed retrospectively.

When...	Can said player compete for...?	
	1 st Team	2 nd Team
<p>An institution/Playing Entity's 1st Team has 10 league fixtures for the season. Player X has been listed on team sheet for the 1st Team in six league fixtures and one Trophy knockout fixture to date. The 1st Team lost their knockout fixture, so they only have four league fixtures remaining.</p> <p>The institution/Playing Entity's 2nd 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 2nd Team may have played less fixtures to date and therefore have as many fixtures remaining as Player X has represented the 1st Team for, Player X has established majority in the 1st Team by representing them in six out of 10 of their league fixtures and therefore cannot play for any lower team. Sanctions would be imposed for any such contravention.</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 1st Team has 18 league fixtures for the season. Player Y has been listed on the team sheet for the 1st Team in eight league fixtures to date. Player Y did not represent the 1st Team for the last two fixtures due to being absent for the first one and 'dropped' to the 2nd Team for the latter one. The 1st Team have eight league fixtures remaining and have not begun the Championship knockout competition yet.</p> <p>The institution/Playing Entity's 2nd 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 2nd 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 1st Team at this stage. Should Player Y represent the 1st Team in two more league fixtures, then they would become ineligible to represent the 2nd 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 1st Team had six league fixtures for the season and has played four of these so far, so have two league fixtures remaining. The 1st Team have also won their first Trophy knockout fixture and so have at least one knockout fixture remaining. The institution/Playing Entity's 2nd Team had 10 league fixtures for the season and has played nine of these so far, so have one league fixture remaining. The 2nd 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 1st Team in three league fixtures (50% of the 1st Team's total for the season) and for the 2nd Team in one league fixture which took place on the same day as the 1st 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 1st Team at this stage. Should Player Y represent the 1st Team in one more league fixture, then they would become ineligible to represent the 2nd Team in their final league fixture.</p> <p>Their previous appearance for the 2nd 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>Please note: Knockout competition fixtures are not counted in establishing majority/normality, but players must comply with REG 11.1 for team selection.</p>		

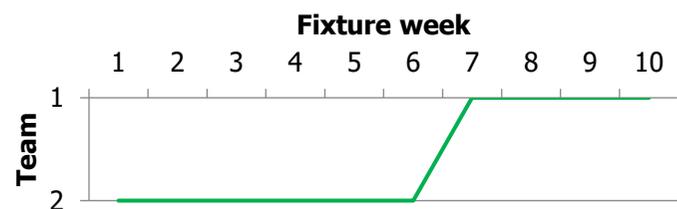
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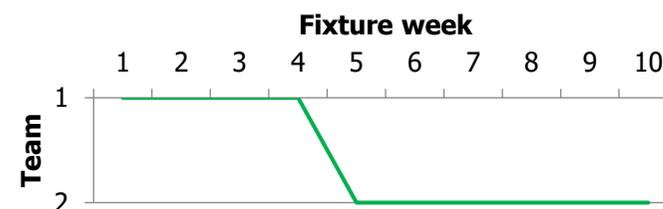
Playing down occasionally = NOT OK



Playing up and staying up = OK



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

If you're unsure about team selection/player movement, a nominated Athletic Union representative should contact the BUCS Executive in advance of the fixture for more specific advice!