



# Sports Academy 18

fixtures & competitions

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# Team Sheets

- ▶ You can collect team sheets from the Students Union office before your fixture.
- ▶ Please complete and return these
- ▶ May move online for 2019/20

# Scores

Results of all home and away matches must be text immediately after the fixture to:

**07954 647013**

Any issues with results up on the BUCS website should be reported to Aileen in the first instance. We'll get in touch with your opposition to fix any problems!

# Fixtures

- ▶ All fixture dates will be set by September.
- ▶ Aileen administers all the home fixtures for times, venues and manages any re-arrangements.
- ▶ All BUCS results to be sent to Sports Union as soon as possible!
- ▶ Booking of facilities for matches is done at Fixtures Meetings

All clubs can visit the BUCS Website to check fixtures, competition standings and results. **Keep an eye out and report any issues to the Union straight away!**



The screenshot shows the BUCS Sport Search interface. At the top, there is a red navigation bar with the BUCS logo and the text "BRITISH UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES SPORT". Below this, a white search bar contains the text "sea". The main content area is titled "BUCS SPORT SEARCH" and features a search filter section. The filters are: "BUCS Leagues" (dropdown), "University of Stirling" (dropdown), "Netball" (dropdown), and "Female" (dropdown). A "FIND" button is located below the filters. To the right of the filters, there are radio buttons for "Search Teams" and "Search Competitions". A dropdown menu is open, showing a list of netball competitions: "Netball", "Scottish Conference Cup - Women's", "Scottish Conference Plate - Women's", "Scottish 2A - Women's", "Scottish 5A - Women's", "Scottish 6A - Women's", and "Scottish 7A - Women's".

# Home Matches

- ▶ **Fixtures Meetings take place once a week, on a Thursday at 11:00am**
- ▶ All teams should ensure a representative is there to confirm fixture details and be aware of other changes to bookings.
- ▶ If you don't attend you may find out that your training time has been moved to accommodate a fixture.
  
- ▶ Make sure to complete a team sheet for each match and return a copy to the Union office!
- ▶ If you are paying for an official, you will need to complete a Match Official Payment form. The referee's signature must be on the form for you to claim the payment back.

# Fixtures

- ▶ All future fixture dates must be checked in September.
- ▶ Any issues with any of the dates must be reported to Aileen as soon as possible.
- ▶ In most cases, all BUCS Premier League and Tier 1 matches need to be played by mid March.
- ▶ Matches in Tier 2 and below, in most cases, are to be played by the end of March.
- ▶ All fixtures are your responsibility to keep track of.

# BUCS Regs

- ▶ It's important to be clear on what can or can't be done!
- ▶ BUCS (British Universities & College Sport) have a number of guidelines for everything from conditions of play to match officials.
- ▶ You may hear things like "BUCS Reg 15.6.2.2" but let's clear up what they actually mean!

## REG 15 - Postponed & Abandoned Matches

**REG 15.1 Definition:** Abandoned matches are matches called off, for whatever reason, by the match official(s) once play has begun. Postponed matches are matches called off up to and including the day of the match, due to bad weather, ground conditions, bad light or other extenuating circumstances (force majeure). It is intended that postponed matches will always be replayed.

### REG 15.2 Postponed Matches

**REG 15.2.1** Should a league match have to be postponed, this match shall be replayed at the venue of the home team no later than the relevant date stated in REG 12.8, but preferably within two weeks of the date of the original match.

**REG 15.2.2** A postponed knockout round match must be completed no later than the Monday before the following round. The home team is required to give reasonable notice to the visiting team if there is any likelihood of the playing area being pronounced unfit for play.

### REG 15.3 Late Postponed Matches

**REG 15.3.1** In cases of 'late postponed matches' (within 48 hours of scheduled start) REG 15.5.2 and REG 15.6 below apply.

**REG 15.3.2** Where the away team has started their journey, only for the fixture to be postponed by either the match official(s) (upon evidence required), the fixture shall be replayed at the venue of the AWAY team.

## REG 7 Team Sheets

For Additional guidance on Team Sheets: [click here](#)

For the Generic Team Sheet Template please refer to Appendix 8.

Please note that alleged team sheet contraventions require adherence to Playing Under Protest and standard appeal requirements, as outlined in REG 16.2

The aim of Team Sheets is twofold; to manage and allow player movement between teams within the same sport in accordance with BUCS regulations (as per REG 6.7), and to ensure that those taking part in BUCS competitions are eligible in accordance with institutional and BUCS requirements (as per REG 6).

**REG 7.1** All teams participating within the BUCS regular leagues format and the knockout competitions directly relating to those leagues are required to complete, have the opposition verify, and retain team sheets for each fixture.

**REG 7.1.1** Individual events in which athletes are registered as individuals via the BUCScore entry system do not require team sheets, unless required specifically in the sport specific regulations, or in the event entry information.

**REG 7.2 Individual identification:** to enable verification that the participants are those listed, individuals are required to provide identification upon request. Such identification must be photographic, and ideally will take the form of a passport photograph.



# Player Eligibility (Reg 6)

- ▶ Students must be 17+ (Scottish Universities)
- ▶ At least 60 credits per year
- ▶ Paid Sports Union membership
- ▶ 6.3 Transgender Athletes
  - ▶ Follow NGB guidance
- ▶ If you suspect an athlete isn't eligible the Union can request to check student IDs prior to a fixture starting (BUCS 7.5.2)

# Walkovers (Reg 10)

- ▶ If a team arrives late, a fixture should be played to 75%
- ▶ 10.2.3 – If you don't turn up, the other team get the walkover
- ▶ 10.3 – Double headers should be avoided
- ▶ 10.5 – All fixtures should be set in stone 48 hours before start time

	1 Walkover	2 Walkovers	3+ Walkovers
National/Premier	Loss of 3 league points and ½ all BUCS points.	Automatic relegation	£250 fine
Tier 1	As above	Ineligible for promotion	£100 fine
Tier 2	As above		£50 fine

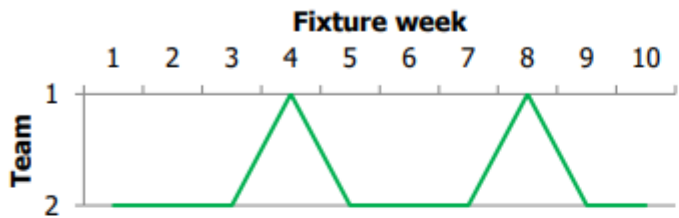
# Rearranging Dates (Reg 12)

- ▶ If a match is called off due to weather, light or conditions the aim is to get it replayed.
- ▶ Home team must offer at least 2 dates in writing, within 48 hours of the original fixture date.
  - ▶ 1 on a weekday
  - ▶ 1 on a weekend
- ▶ If none agreed, then the away team with offer another 2 options.
- ▶ If a game is called off, check the website and send over your options as soon as possible!

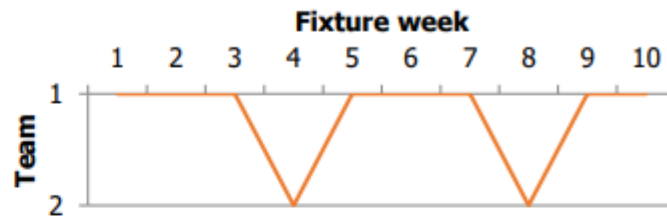


# Player Movement (Appendix 6)

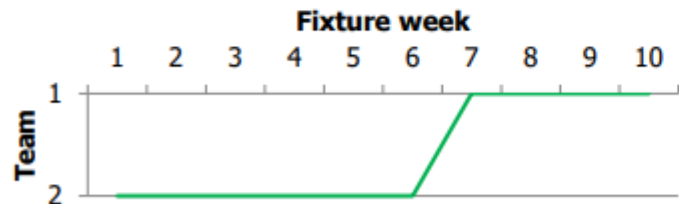
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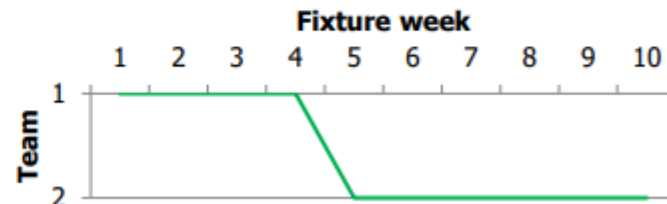
**Playing down occasionally = NOT OK**



**Playing up and staying up = OK**



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

# Playing Under Protest (Appendix 8)

- ▶ For when a team feels the conditions are not fair or as expected by BUCS.
- ▶ Needs to be completed before conclusion of a fixture
- ▶ Needs to be official document, signed by both teams
- ▶ Needs to be clear on what regulation has been breached
- ▶ Send it ASAP to Union

**BUCS PLAYING UNDER PROTEST PRO FORMA**  
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*This document should be read and completed in conjunction with BUCS REG 10.13 ('Playing Under Protest').*

<b>Name of Institution Playing Under Protest</b>			
<b>Sport</b> (E.g. Men's Rugby Union)		<b>League/Knockout Name</b> (E.g. South Eastern 2A)	
<b>Date and Time of Fixture</b> (Scheduled start time)		<b>Venue</b>	
<b>Home Team</b> (E.g. Bath Men's 1st)		<b>Away Team</b> (E.g. Bristol Men's 2nd)	
<b>We are agreeing to play the above match under protest for the following reasons:</b> (List and justify all alleged regulation breaches)			
<b>Regulation(s) Contravened</b>	<b>Brief Explanation</b> (This MUST relate to the regulation(s) contravened)	<b>Captains' Initials</b>	
		<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>
<b>Opposition Statement:</b> (Response to any allegations)			
<b>Home Captain's Name</b>		<b>Away Captain's Name</b>	
<b>Home Captain's Signature</b>		<b>Away Captain's Signature</b>	
<b>Time of Signing</b>		<b>Time of Signing</b>	

**PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF FOR PERTINENT REGULATIONS AND KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER**

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# Entries

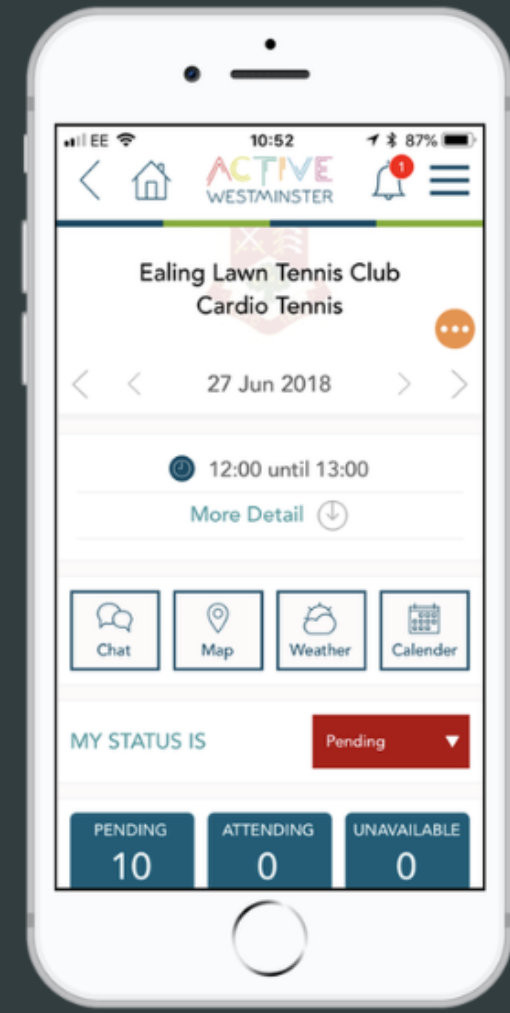
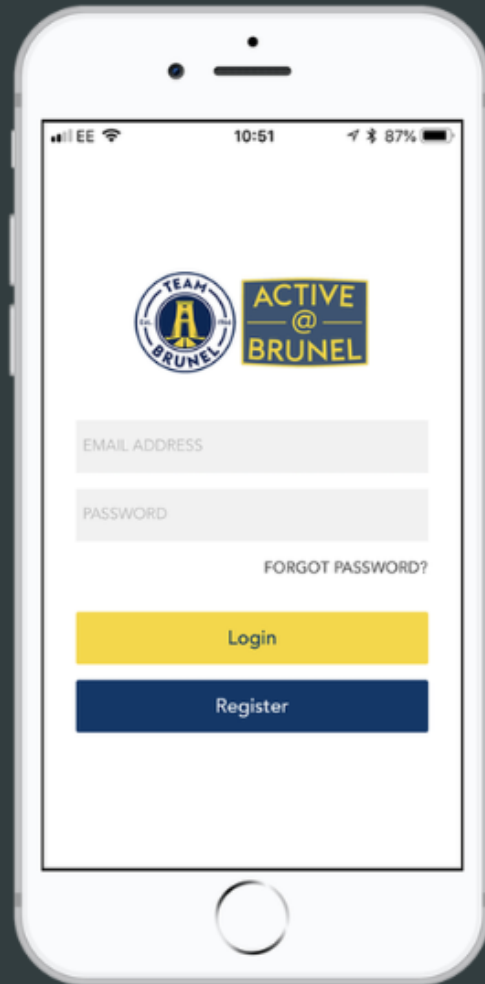
- ▶ Please send in confirmed details as early as possible, so we don't miss the deadline!
- ▶ Please include all details (including emergency contact) for individuals
- ▶ Some clubs choose a deposit scheme, in case anyone drops out. We are happy to hold this money in the safe.
- ▶ For BUCS entries the Union would cover 80% and 20% would come from either the individuals or from the club fees.

# Introducing... *playwaze*

- ▶ **Playwaze** is a new platform for competition management to be used across all BUCS competitions and events
- ▶ Launching in September 2019, alongside a new BUCS website.
- ▶ Moves BUCS into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and will have increased accessibility on all devices.



# Have your own university sports app





Questions ....

