

Selection Policy

Guiding Team Principles (Why)

1. First XI: This is the strongest, most competitive team available. Selection for this team will be based on merit, form, ability and team balance. Captains and players should be clear on their role within the team.
2. Second XI: This is the NEXT strongest, most competitive team available. Selection for this team will be based on merit, form, ability and team balance. Additionally, players may be selected with First XI development in mind. Captains and players should be clear on their role within the team.
3. Third XI: This team will be competitive. Selection for this team will be based on merit, form, ability and team balance. The aim is to develop players, especially juniors by not least giving them exposure to league cricket. Additionally, players may be selected with Second XI development in mind. Captains and players should be clear on their role within the team.
4. Women's League - This is the strongest, most competitive team available. Selection for this team will be based on merit, form, ability and team balance. Captains and players should be clear on THEIR role within the team. All players must meet DCCL eligibility requirements.
5. Women's Festivals – Selection for this is based on inclusion for all. All players must meet DCCL eligibility requirements.
6. Development XI – Selection for those not selected. Junior development. Senior Development. Supporting players to enable a competitive game of cricket.

It is important, ALL players understand the guiding principles for all teams.

Selection Process (How)

1. All members to post their eligibility on the play-cricket app by **Monday 5pm** prior to the upcoming weekend fixtures. (Regardless games Saturday or Sunday).
2. Meeting chat begins Monday **post 5pm**
3. All Selection Committee members are to be supportive of the time required other members in the process, and time needed to check teams.
4. First XI Captain posts a *draft* team for discussion. Followed by the Second XI Captain posting a Second XI *draft* team for discussion, and Third XI Captain posts a DRAFT team for discussion. Followed by Ladies Captain posting a *draft* Ladies team (From list of available players).
5. ALL committee members are to take an active role, NO silent partners.
6. When *draft* teams are posted in the selection committee chat, a checklist is followed.
 - a. Are all players eligible?
 - b. Do teams align with stated team principles?
 - c. Should teams be adjusted for immediate priorities? (eg: a Cup Final / strength of opponent)
 - d. Should teams be adjusted for junior player / player development?
 - e. Should teams be adjusted for local relationships? (eg: a parent playing with a child / juniors with juniors)
 - f. Should teams be adjusted for player quotas? (Third XI, 3 Junior players where possible)
 - g. Should teams be adjusted for player eligibility? (or future availability)
 - h. Should teams be adjusted for safeguarding?
7. All decisions unresolved by respectful deliberation and debate are broken by a vote.
8. In the case of a tied vote, this is broken by the Chairperson.
9. Teams are adjusted in line with point 6.
10. ALL selections are signed off by agreement from ALL selection committee members.
11. ALL teams posted by **Tuesday 9pm** prior to the upcoming weekend fixtures. (Regardless games Saturday or Sunday).
12. First, Second and Third XI should be posted synchronously.
13. Women's selection posted by Wednesday 9pm.
14. Development selection posted by Wednesday 9pm.

Selection Committee and RESPONSIBILITIES (Who)+(What)

The 2026 selection committee will consist of:

Chairperson, First XI Captain, Second XI Captain, Third XI Captain, Ladies Captain & Player Development Lead.

A safeguarding lead will be added to the Selection Chat, and as mostly a silent partner, will ensure all matters of safeguarding are met.

As a committee, all members are equally responsible for all selections, in all teams.

All members should engage with the selection of all teams.

All members should have significant and relevant knowledge of all players discussed at selection for all teams.

All members should be able to explain the conclusions for the selection of all players.

Player Eligibility

- The club and not individual teams have the responsibility to ensure cricket for members. The Player Development Lead will coordinate available players who have not been selected for the stated teams.
- Players must use the play-cricket system to register their availability. This is a player responsibility.
- All players must be club members.
- Players may not be selected if prohibited by league or club disciplinary action.
- U18 players must ensure parental consent through club membership.
- Players, with permission, may play for a senior team once having achieved their 12th birthday.
- Under 11 County players would additionally need DCC permission.
- All players should make themselves available for training wherever possible and should expect engagement with training to impact selection.

Junior Players

Age of the player at Midnight 31st August 2025 (Year preceding play)

The Third XI will endeavour to ensure 3 junior players represent this team wherever possible.

Local arrangements will be made to ensure junior players play together and / or play in the same team as family members.

Inclusion

Selections to be made in line with ***Derbyshire Cricket Foundation***

Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Statement <https://dcfcricket.com/dcf-policies/equal-opportunities/>

POLICY TO BE REVIEW BY M+CM CC Executive Committee January in 2027

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All Selection Committee Members are to be supportive of the time required by other members in the process, and time needed to check teams.

Selection chat begins Monday **post 5pm**

First XI Captain posts a DRAFT team for discussion.

Second XI Captain posts a DRAFT team for discussion.

Third XI Captain posts a DRAFT team for discussion.

Ladies Captain posts a DRAFT team for discussion.

When DRAFT teams are posted in the selection committee chat, a checklist is followed

ALL committee members are to take an active role, NO silent partners.

- a. Are all players eligible?
- b. Do teams align with stated team principles?
- c. Should teams be adjusted for immediate priorities? (eg: a Cup Final / strength of opponent)
- d. Should teams be adjusted for junior player / player development?
- e. Should teams be adjusted for local relationships? (eg: a parent playing with a child / junior with juniors)
- f. Should teams be adjusted for player quotas? (eg: Female players / Junior players)
- g. Should teams be adjusted for player eligibility? (or future availability)
- h. Should teams be adjusted for safeguarding?

All decisions unresolved by respectful deliberation and debate are broken by a vote (or chair).

Adjusted teams are rechecked

ALL selections are signed off by agreement from ALL selection committee members.

First, Second and Third XI should be posted in this order, and synchronously wherever possible.

ALL teams posted by **Tuesday 9pm** prior to the upcoming weekend fixtures. (Regardless games Saturday or Sunday).

- Women's selection by Wednesday 9pm.
- Development selection by Wednesday 9pm.