



CHESHIRE ACO

Procedure for selection of Premier and Supplementary Panel Umpires

Preamble

Since 2007 ECB Premier Leagues have been mandated to return marks for umpires on the premier panel at the end of each season. CACO will follow the procedure adopted by the CCCLUSA for panel selection.

CACO will not have a panel of umpires dedicated exclusively to Premier league fixtures. All umpires invited to join the panel will be expected to stand across all 1st XI league fixtures within their chosen league(s) in the Cheshire Pyramid. Where surplus umpires are available they may be allocated to stand in 2nd XI League fixtures.

The CACO panels shall consist of;

16 Premier Panel- invited to stand in 4 Premier league matches from 6 appointed fixtures

8 Supplementary Panel- invited to stand in 2 Premier league matches from 6 appointed fixtures

Process

- At the end of the current season the Umpires' Marks co-ordinator(s) will collate marks for each umpire from captains' returns
- A sub-committee (Chairman, Appointments Secretary, Development Officer, and Umpires' Marks co-ordinator(s)) will meet to review and moderate the marks, as necessary. Upon completion each umpire will be provided with his overall mark, and in each league, benchmarked.
- The sub -committee will meet with a minimum of three captains (two Premier league, one from Division I/II) to review umpires marks to determine selection for the forthcoming season. In addition to the current season, marks for prior seasons will be available so that trends can be taken into account. This panel will be responsible for agreeing nominations to the Premier and Supplementary Panels for the forthcoming season. **(Note- On completion of the process marks made available to captains, solely for the purpose of the exercise, will be recovered to maintain confidentiality and wrongful dissemination of information)**
- The Appointments Secretary will maintain the list of Premier and Supplementary Panel Umpires for use in inviting panel umpires to stand in the forthcoming season.
- Membership of the panel shall be by annual invitation.
- Umpires are reminded that selection to the Panel is subject to progression through the Umpire Promotion Pathway/Development Pathway.