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## Bassetlaw and District Umpires' Association

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# NEWSLETTER

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### **ECB Fast Bowling Directives Change**

The ECB Fast Bowling Directives have changed following a two year consultation process. The outcome is that bowlers up to under-15 level are now able to bowl longer spells and more over's in a day. Under the new guidelines bowlers at under-16 and under-17 level are now permitted to bowl an extra over per spell but those in the under-18 and under-19 category have had the total number of over's they can deliver per day reduced from 21 to 18. These guidelines will come into effect for the start of the 2010 season. The fast bowling guidelines are designed to raise awareness of the need to nurture and protect young fast bowlers through their formative years. Research has shown that fast bowlers are by far the most likely cricketers to be missing playing and training time due to injury.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR MATCHES:**

<b>AGE:</b>	<b>PREVIOUS MAX OVERS PER SPELL</b>	<b>PREVIOUS MAX OVERS PER DAY</b>	<b>UPDATED MAX OVERS PER SPELL</b>	<b>UPDATED MAX OVERS PER DAY</b>
Up to 13	4	8	5	10
U14, U15	5	10	6	12
U16, U17	6	18	7	18
U18, U19	7	21	7	18

*\*For the purpose of these guidelines a fast bowler should be defined as a bowler to whom a wicket keeper in the same age group would **in normal circumstances** stand back to take the ball. Kevin Shine, ECB Lead Fast Bowling Coach, said: "The Elite Fast Bowling Group has been researching injury prevention, performance enhancement and workloads for the past four years. "The new recommendations mean youngsters under the age of 15 can now bowl an additional over in a spell and two over's more in a day. These figures are over and above the original directives. "It is clear that our young bowlers need to bowl more so that they can develop match winning abilities and habits and I look forward to the revised directives giving individual fast bowlers and teams more of a chance to play match winning cricket." The results included input from Clubs, County Boards, ECB Elite Performance Group, which includes, ESCA, ECB Performance, ECB Development, England Elite Player Development, ECB Operations, and HMC Schools.*

**Umpires & Captains Post Match Debrief  
Please note  
It has been agreed that these meetings  
no longer need take place.**

### MIKE SMEDLEY

It is with great pride and pleasure that we can announce the appointment of our President, Mike Smedley as President of Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club 2010. Mike has been a stalwart of Notts Cricket both at First Class and recreational level for many years and this honour is greatly deserved.

### E-MAIL ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBERS

In the last Newsletter I asked if any Umpires had an e-mail address and if they did would they kindly let me know what it was. The easiest way to do this is to email [bassetlawumpires@aol.com](mailto:bassetlawumpires@aol.com) and I would automatically pick up their e-mail address. No one has done that. Having your e-mail address allows me as Secretary to keep you informed of any developments that may affect you as an umpire. Also telephone numbers both landline and/or mobile again please inform me. Hon Secretary. Many thanks.

### TOM MUNRO

Due to increased work commitments Tom has found it difficult to carry out his duties as a member of the BDUA Management Committee and has therefore reluctantly stood down. He will continue to deliver Umpire Training and is actively seeking to become a fully qualified Level 2 Tutor. May I thank Tom for all his efforts in the past and wish him well with his training.

### KEITH SCHOLES

A vacancy has therefore arisen on the BDUA Management Committee and it was unanimously agreed to co-opt Keith Scholes. Keith has accepted and will be part of your committee until the next AGM.

### CRB RENEWALS

#### IS YOUR CRB DUE FOR RENEWAL?

It is vitally important that CRB's are renewed promptly so that you are available to umpire throughout the season. It is also important that you inform Peter McKenzie in writing of your new CRB number and the issue date of your certificate, you should have received a 'pink slip' for this purpose. We all know why we need to be CRB checked, failure to do so will mean that you cannot Umpire and we can't afford to lose anyone. Everyone whose CRB is due for renewal will have been informed, let Peter or me know if you have any problems and we will sort it. **Don't leave it!**

## LEAGUE HANDBOOK 2010

**You should have received your 2010 handbook. There are additions and amendments to the league rules. As experienced umpires I know you will read these but I would be remiss if I did not remind you.**

### ECB Guidelines for junior players in open age cricket

The new ECB guidelines cover the selection and participation of young players in open age cricket. They apply to boys and girls equally. Age groups are based on the age of the player at midnight on 31st August in the preceding the current season.

The guidelines will allow junior players in Year 8 at school (under 13) to play in open age cricket providing '**Explicit Written Consent**' to play in open age cricket has been obtained and made available to the umpires prior to play. This should be in the form of a letter from the parent/carer to the club. This requirement recognizes the need for parents or carers to be aware of the significance of allowing their young children to participate in open age cricket rather than purely junior cricket. Any player in Year 7 (under 12) or below cannot play in open age cricket **with or without** explicit written consent.

**It is the responsibility of the club to ensure that all players are eligible to play. The Umpire must have in his/her possession a signed ECB team sheet giving the ages of all under 18's before the toss is made. Umpires should not allow the game to begin without this signed team sheet. In the event of any doubt then unfortunately the young player(s) should not be allowed to play.**