# U18 Professional Development League

## Club Information

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
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First Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Blue and White Stripe
Shorts: Blue
Socks: Blue and White
GK Shirts: Black
GK Shorts: Black
GK Socks: Black

Second Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Yellow
Shorts: Black
Socks: Black and Yellow
GK Shirts: Orange
GK Shorts: Orange
GK Socks: Orange

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First Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Sky Blue
Shorts: Sky Blue
Socks: Sky Blue
GK Shirts: Black
GK Shorts: Black
GK Socks: Black

Second Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Blue and Pink
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Shirts: Yellow
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Second Choice Kit Colours
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Second Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Amber
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GK Shirts: Beetroot Purple
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GK Socks: Beetroot Purple

Second Choice Kit Colours
Shirts: Burgundy
Shorts: Burgundy
Socks: Burgundy
GK Shirts: Sulphur Spring
GK Shorts: Sulphur Spring
GK Socks: Sulphur Spring
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Blue  
Shorts: White  
GK Shirts: Yellow  
GK Shorts: Yellow  
GK Socks: Yellow

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: White  
Shorts: Black  
GK Shirts: Pink  
GK Shorts: Pink  
GK Socks: Pink

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Blue  
Shorts: White  
GK Shirts: Cordovan  
GK Shorts: Cordovan  
GK Socks: Cordovan

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
Shorts: Black  
GK Shirts: Green  
GK Shorts: Green  
GK Socks: Green

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Navy  
Shorts: White  
GK Shirts: Green  
GK Shorts: Green  
GK Socks: Green

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Sky Blue  
Shorts: Sky Blue  
GK Shirts: Orange  
GK Shorts: Orange  
GK Socks: Orange

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Shirts: Blue and White Hoops  
Shorts: White  
GK Shirts: Black  
GK Shorts: Black  
GK Socks: Black

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
Shorts: Black  
GK Shirts: Blue  
GK Shorts: Blue  
GK Socks: Blue
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Shirts: Red and White  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Red  
GK Shirts: Black  
GK Shorts: Black  
GK Socks: Black  

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Black  
GK Shirts: Orange  
GK Shorts: Orange  
GK Socks: Orange  

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Shorts: Black  
Socks: Black  
GK Shirts: Orange  
GK Shorts: Orange  
GK Socks: Orange  

**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Pink  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Pink  
GK Shirts: Navy  
GK Shorts: Navy  
GK Socks: Navy  

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Yellow and Black  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Yellow  
GK Shirts: Purple  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Black  
GK Shirts: Yellow  
GK Shorts: Yellow  
GK Socks: Yellow  

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: White  
Shorts: White  
Socks: White  
GK Shirts: Blue  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Blue and White  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Pink  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Red and White  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
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GK Shirts: Orange  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Pink  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Pink  
GK Shirts: Navy  
GK Shorts: Navy  
GK Socks: Navy  

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Yellow and Black  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Yellow  
GK Shirts: Purple  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Red  
Shorts: Red  
Socks: Red  
GK Shirts: Mint Green  
GK Shorts: Mint Green  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: White  
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GK Shirts: Blue  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Red and White  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Pink  
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GK Shirts: Navy  
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GK Socks: Navy  

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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
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Shirts: Black  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Black  
Shorts: Black  
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GK Shirts: Orange  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Pink  
Shorts: Black  
Socks: Pink  
GK Shirts: Navy  
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**First Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Yellow and Black  
Shorts: Black  
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**Second Choice Kit Colours**  
Shirts: Red  
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Socks: Red  
GK Shirts: Mint Green  
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GK Socks: Mint Green  

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Clubs will play matches within their regional group on home and away basis. Additional matches against each Club within the other region will be staged on either a home or away basis.

The North group are to play each other home and away totalling 14 games. They will then play each team from the South group once meaning they receive a total of 23 league games.

The South group are to play each other home and away totalling 16 games. They will then play each team from the North group once meaning they receive a total of 24 league games.

At the end of the league season, the winner of each regional league shall play the runner up of the other league in the semi-finals, with Clubs which finished first being the home club.

The winners of each semi-final shall compete in the final, the winner of which shall be deemed the winner of the U18 Professional Development League.
### U18 Professional Development League

#### Fixtures

**Friday 13 August 2021**
- Sheffield Wednesday v Ipswich Town 11:00

**Saturday 14 August 2021**
- Barnsley v Swansea City 11:00
- Coventry City v Watford 11:00
- Hull City v Cardiff City 11:00
- Wigan Athletic v Millwall 11:00
- Peterborough United v Charlton Athletic 11:30
- Crewe Alexandra v Bristol City 12:30
- Sheffield United v Colchester United 14:00

**Saturday 21 August 2021**
- Bristol City v Hull City 11:00
- Charlton Athletic v Sheffield United 11:00
- Colchester United v Sheffield Wednesday 11:00
- Ipswich Town v Wigan Athletic 11:00
- Queens Park Rangers v Barnsley 11:00
- Watford v Crewe Alexandra 12:00
- Cardiff City v Peterborough United 13:00
- Swansea City v Coventry City 13:00

**Friday 27 August 2021**
- Barnsley v Bristol City 13:00

**Saturday 28 August 2021**
- Crewe Alexandra v Charlton Athletic 11:00
- Peterborough United v Ipswich Town 11:00
- Sheffield Wednesday v Queens Park Rangers 11:00
- Wigan Athletic v Swansea City 11:00
- Coventry City v Cardiff City 11:30

**Saturday 4 September 2021**
- Millwall v Sheffield Wednesday 10:30
- Bristol City v Coventry City 11:00
- Charlton Athletic v Hull City 11:00
- Colchester United v Peterborough United 11:00
- Ipswich Town v Crewe Alexandra 11:00
- Queens Park Rangers v Wigan Athletic 11:00
- Swansea City v Sheffield United 11:00
- Watford v Barnsley 12:00

**Saturday 11 September 2021**
- Hull City v Queens Park Rangers 11:00
- Peterborough United v Swansea City 11:00
- Sheffield United v Watford 11:00
- Wigan Athletic v Cardiff City 11:00
- Coventry City v Ipswich Town 12:00
- Barnsley v Colchester United 12:30
- Crewe Alexandra v Millwall 13:00
- Sheffield Wednesday v Bristol City 13:30

**Saturday 25 September 2021**
- Millwall v Watford 10:30
- Charlton Athletic v Swansea City 11:00
- Ipswich Town v Queens Park Rangers 11:30
- Colchester United v Cardiff City 15:00

**Friday 1 October 2021**
- Barnsley v Sheffield United 19:00
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5. Premier League Rule B.12 shall apply to any discretion, right or power expressed in these rules to be exercisable by the Board.

6. Subject to rule 7, no alteration shall be made to these rules unless it has first been submitted to and approved by clubs in membership of the Premier League in accordance with the provisions of the Articles.

7. Rule 6 shall not apply to any matter which is stated in these rules to be a matter which shall be determined by Member Clubs.

8. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of these rules and the provisions of the Premier League Rules, the provisions of the Premier League Rules shall prevail.

9. The League shall be governed, managed and organised by the Premier League, acting by and through the Board, subject to the provisions of the Articles, the Premier League Rules, and these rules.

10. Where a Member Club is required to submit a form to the Board or to the Premier League pursuant to these rules, the Board may instead require that the information to be provided in the form is submitted in such manner as it may determine.

Participation in and Structure of the League

11. Membership of the League shall be limited to and (subject to rule 12) mandatory for those Premier League clubs and Football League clubs who hold licences to operate Category 2 Academies.

12. Membership of the League shall cease if:
   12.1. a Member Club is expelled from the Premier League or the Football League (as appropriate) or from the League; or
   12.2. a Member Club ceases to hold a licence to operate a Category 2 Academy.

13. The League shall be called the “U18 Professional Development League” to which name may be added the name of any title sponsor.

14. There shall be no annual subscription.

15. The League shall be split into two regional leagues.

16. Each Member Club shall play:
   16.1. each other Member Club in its regional league twice (once home and once away); and
   16.2. each Member Club in the other regional league once (either home or away as determined by the Board).

17. In respect of any Match in Season 2021/22, whether to be staged at a stadium or at a Club’s training ground, the participating Clubs must comply with such protocol as published by the League from time to time regarding COVID-19.

18. League rules 24 to 29 shall apply to the league tables recording the results of Matches played in each of the regional leagues.
20. Eligibility in the League shall be limited to players in age group Under 18 or younger, save that each Member Club may:
   20.1. nominate one Under 19 goalkeeper on its team sheet for any Match; and/or
   20.2. apply to the Board to nominate an Under 19 player on its team sheet for any Match.

21. Subject to rules 23 to 30 inclusive, the format of the League competition shall be determined annually by the Board after the 1st June and shall be published to Member Clubs as soon as practicable thereafter.

22. The Board shall be empowered at any time to inspect the pitch and the facilities at any venue at which it proposes to play a Match and, if it is considered to be unsuitable for the playing of Matches, to order that it be played elsewhere.

23. Matches shall:
   23.1. be organised on a largely regional basis;
   23.2. take place during the Professional Development Phase Games Programme; and
   23.3. be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

24. Unless otherwise determined by either the Board or a Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Premier League Rules, the winner of a Match shall score three points and each Member Club participating in a Match which is drawn shall score one point.

25. The results of Matches shall be recorded by the Board in a table containing, in respect of each Member Club, the following information:
   25.1. the number of Matches played;
   25.2. the number of Matches won, drawn and lost as a Home Club;
   25.3. the number of Matches won, drawn and lost as a Visiting Club;
   25.4. the number of goals scored in Matches by and against that Member Club; and
   25.5. the number of points scored by each Member Club.

26. The position of Member Clubs in the table shall be determined by the number of points scored, the Member Club having scored the highest number of points being at the top of the table and the Member Club having scored the lowest being at the bottom.

27. If any two or more Member Clubs have scored the same number of points their position in the table shall be determined on goal difference, that is to say, the difference between the total number of goals scored by and against a Member Club in Matches, and the higher or highest placed Member Club shall be the Member Club with the higher or highest goal difference.

28. If any two or more Member Clubs have scored the same number of points and have the same goal difference, the higher or highest placed Member Club shall be the Member Club having scored the most goals.

29. If any two or more Member Clubs have scored the same number of points, have the same goal difference and have scored the same number of goals they shall be deemed to occupy the same position in the table.

30. If at the end of a Season any two or more Member Clubs occupy the same position in a table, the Board shall determine the means, if any, by which they shall be separated.

31. The results of Matches and each table shall be published and distributed to the media by the Board as soon as practicable after each Saturday during the Season upon which Matches are played.

32. In all matters relating to any interruption to or potential curtailment of the League, the provisions of Premier League Rules C.18 to C.30 shall apply, with references to ‘Club’ and the ‘Competition’ in those rules interpreted as reference to Clubs participating in the League, as applicable.

33. The winner of the League shall receive a trophy, which it shall return to the Board in good order and condition not later than three weeks before the final Matches of the following Season, and both the winner of and the runner-up shall receive 25 commemorative medals to be presented to such of their players and Officials as they think fit. Additional medals may be presented with the consent of the Board.

End of Season Competition

34. The winner of each regional league shall play the runner-up of the other league in the semi-finals of the League, with the winner of each regional league being the Home Club for its semi-final.

35. The winners of each of the semi-finals shall compete in the final, the winner of which shall be deemed to be the winner of U18 Professional Development League.

36. Each of the above matches (semi-finals and final) shall be played at the Home Club’s ground registered pursuant to Premier League Rule K.5 or Football League Regulation 13.6, or at a neutral venue to be determined by the Premier League, and which club shall be the Home Club for the final shall be determined by a draw undertaken by the Premier League.

Fixtures

37. The dates and kick-off times on which Matches shall be played shall be fixed and published by the Board as soon as practicable prior to the commencement of each Season and except as otherwise provided in rules 39, 52 and 53, Matches shall be played on the dates thus fixed.

38. All intellectual property and other rights in the League’s fixture list shall belong to the Premier League.

39. The Board shall have the power at any time to change the date upon which a Match is to be played. Before exercising such a power the Board will consult with and take into account any representations made by the Member Clubs participating in the Match in question and any other Member Club which may be affected by the proposed change.
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<td>No later than seven days before the date upon which a Match is to be played in accordance with the fixture list, the Home Club shall send U18PDL Form 1 to the Visiting Club, the appointed Match Officials and the Board. Where the Match Officials have not been appointed by this time, the Home Club shall send U18PDL Form 1 to the Match Officials as soon as it is notified of such appointment.</td>
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<td>A Match shall not be postponed or abandoned except with the written consent of the Board or on the instructions of the appointed referee who shall be empowered to instruct that the Match be postponed or abandoned only if he considers that the pitch is unfit for, or if adverse weather conditions preclude, the playing of the Match.</td>
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<td>Upon a Match being postponed or abandoned in accordance with rule 52, the Home Club shall forthwith give notice thereof to the Board in U18PDL Form 2 and the Board will thereupon exercise its power under rule 39 and fix a date upon which the Match in question shall be played.</td>
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<td>Except in the case of a Match which, without either the Home Club or the Visiting Club being at fault, is postponed or abandoned under the provisions of rule 52, any Member Club which causes the postponement or abandonment of a Match on the date fixed under rule 37 or the date to which it is rearranged under rule 53 will be in breach of these rules.</td>
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<td>Unless otherwise decided by the Board, after consultation with both the Home Club and the Visiting Club, the kick-off time of a Match shall be no earlier than 11.00am and no later than 7.00pm and in any case shall be confirmed on U18PDL Form 1.</td>
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| **58.** | At least 30 minutes before the kick-off time of a Match, each participating Member Club:  
58.1. shall hand to the referee a team sheet in U18PDL Form 3; and  
58.2. shall hand to its opponents a team sheet in U18PDL Form 4;  
each duly completed, which shall also include the names and job titles of up to five of its Officials who will occupy the trainers’ bench during the Match. |
| **59.** | A Match shall not be broadcast without the prior written permission of the Board. |
| **60.** | Unless the Board otherwise determines in any particular case, charges for admission to a Match may be made at the discretion of and retained by the Home Club. |
| **61.** | A Match shall not be broadcast without the prior written permission of the Board. |

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### Artificial Surfaces

No Match shall be played on an Artificial Surface.

### Technical Areas

At each Match, there shall be two technical areas, one for the Home Club and one for the Visiting Club, the boundaries of which in each case shall be clearly marked.

The technical area shall be occupied during a Match only by substitute Players and Officials whose names appear on the team sheet. Only Officials whose names appear on the team sheet and who are situated in the technical area may communicate instructions to Players during a Match.

Any Player who is dismissed from the field of play shall proceed immediately to the dressing room and shall not occupy the technical area.

### Hospitality

Each Home Club shall provide hospitality arrangements for the Directors and other Officials of the Visiting Club.

### Finance and Broadcasting

The cost of staging Matches, including the fees and expenses of Match Officials, shall be met by the Home Club and the Visiting Club shall meet the cost of its attendance thereof.

If any player or substitute player named in the team sheet is injured after the submission of the team sheet but before kick-off, upon the referee being satisfied that the injury is such that the player in question cannot reasonably be expected to play, the name of another player may be added to the team sheet as a player or substitute player.

No player whose name does not appear on the team sheet shall take the field of play in that Match.
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Substitutes
61. Subject to Rule 61A, a Member Club may include in its team sheet up to five substitute players, three of whom may take part in the Match subject to the conditions set out in Law 3 of the Laws of the Game.

61A. In each Match in Season 2021/22 to be played on or after 1 October 2021, in addition to the three substitutions permitted by Rule 61, each Club shall also be permitted to utilise up to two ‘concussion substitutes’ and/or two ‘additional substitutes’ (as appropriate) from those substitutes listed on the team sheet, strictly in accordance with the provisions of the International Football Association Board’s ‘Additional permanent concussion substitutes – Protocol B’ (‘IFAB Protocol’) and any associated guidance issued by the League. Each Club must also provide the League with such information as is necessary to ensure compliance with the IFAB Protocol.

Guidance
In the event that all three substitutes have entered the field of play and the IFAB Protocol is subsequently activated then the remaining two substitutes and, if necessary, two Players already substituted may be utilised as ‘concussion substitutes’ and/or ‘additional substitutes’.

Duration of Matches
62. Subject to the provisions of Law 7 of the Laws of the Game and rule 63, the duration of a Match shall be 90 minutes.

63. The Board may order a Match which for whatever reason lasts for less than 90 minutes to count as a completed Match or to be replayed.

64. The half-time interval shall be 10 minutes.

Notification of Match Results
65. Within 30 minutes of the conclusion of a Match the Home Club shall notify the result to the Premier League’s appointed media data collection and distribution partner.

66. Each Member Club participating in a Match shall complete U18PDL Form 5 in duplicate, retaining one copy for its own records and submitting the other to the Board so that it is received within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Match. Each Member Club shall also submit the information set out in U18PDL Form 5 via the online system provided by the League by 5pm on the first Working Day after the match.

Strip, Match Ball and Other Equipment
67. Each Member Club shall ensure that its Players only wear in Matches Strips which have been registered with the Premier League pursuant to Premier League Rules M.17 to M.20 (save that the provisions of Premier League Rule M.21 shall apply to a Member Club’s last home or away Match), or, in the case of a Member Club which is not a member of the Premier League, in accordance with the relevant regulations of the Football League concerning the registration of Strip.

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68. When playing in a Match the Players of each Member Club shall wear Strip in which the opinion of the referee is of a sufficient contrast that Match Officials, spectators and television viewers will be able to distinguish clearly between the two teams. In selecting the choice of Strip, the following order of precedence shall apply unless authorised by the Board:

68.1. 1st priority – the outfield players of the Home Club, who shall wear their Home Strip;

68.2. 2nd priority – the outfield players of the Visiting Club;

68.3. 3rd priority – the Home Club goalkeeper, and

68.4. 4th priority – the Visiting Club goalkeeper.

69. When playing in Matches each Player shall wear a shirt on the back of which shall be prominently displayed his shirt number.

Guidance
The shirt number need not be his squad number as the provisions of Premier League Rules M.1 to M.4 do not apply in the League.

70. The colour and design of the shirt and socks worn by the goalkeeper when playing in Matches shall be such as to distinguish him from the other Players and from Match Officials.

71. The captain of each team appearing in a Match shall wear an armband indicating his status as such.

72. The Board shall have power to specify the equipment and facilities to be provided by Member Clubs for the playing of Matches.

73. In all Matches, the Home Club shall provide, and the participating Member Clubs shall only use the official ball approved from time to time by the league (either the Premier League or the Football League) in which the Home Club’s first team competes.

Match Officials
74. The Football Association shall arrange the appointment of Match Officials to officiate at each Match and shall determine the terms and conditions of their appointment.

75. The acceptance by a Match Official of his appointment under rule 74 shall constitute an agreement with the Premier League by such Match Official to be bound by and to comply with:

75.1. the Laws of the Game;

75.2. the Football Association Rules, and

75.3. these rules.

76. The Match Officials shall wear black Match uniform, save that where that uniform clashes with the Strip worn by either the Home Club or the Visiting Club, the Member Club with the clashing Strip shall provide the Match Officials with an alternative colour Strip (in good, clean and presentable condition and in the correct size) to wear during the Match.
League Observers

83. The Premier League may appoint individuals to attend a Match as an observer as well as a representative of its official data partner. If it does so, the Home Club shall ensure that each such individual is allocated a prime seat (where applicable) and (in the case of the Premier League’s appointed observer) allowed access to all areas of the ground.

Medical

84. At each Match:

84.1. the Home Club shall procure the attendance of the following individuals, in accordance with Youth Development Rule 216.1:

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| Category 2       | • a doctor who holds a current Advanced Trauma Medical Management in Football (“ATMMiF”) or an equivalent or higher qualification approved by the Board or a paramedic and (for Premier League Clubs) an ambulance; and  
|                  | • a physiotherapist (or Sports Therapist) who holds a current ATMMiF or an equivalent or higher qualification approved by the Board |

84.2. the doctor (who shall be a registered medical practitioner) or the fully qualified and equipped paramedic shall be available throughout and for a reasonable time after the Match (including during the teams’ warming-up) and shall only leave the venue after both teams have returned to the dressing rooms and the senior member of the medical staff of each Participating Member Club present at the Match venue has confirmed that their attendance is no longer required.

84.3. Both participating Member Clubs shall procure the attendance of a physiotherapist (or sports therapist) whose minimum qualification shall be as set out in Youth Development Rule 216.1;

84.4. no person other than those mentioned in rule 84 shall be permitted to treat players or Match Officials on the field of play, save that the Visiting Club shall be entitled to bring a doctor (qualified as set out in Youth Development Rule 216.1) with it, if it so chooses, who may also treat its players on the field of play; and

84.5. each doctor, physiotherapist and therapist shall, when present at a Match, carry the pocket concussion tool which is set out at Appendix 4A of the Premier League Rules.

84.6. a defibrillator must be maintained at the venue at which the Match is taking place.

85. The Home Club shall before each Match make available to the Visiting Club an emergency care/medical information sheet in the manner prescribed by the Board from time to time.
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Players’ Eligibility

86. A player shall not be named on the team sheet of a Member Club and/or play in a Match unless:

86.1. the Member Club holds his registration under the provisions of the Premier League Rules (in the case of a Member Club which is in membership of the Premier League) or the Regulations of the Football League (in the case of a Member Club which is in membership of the Football League); or

86.2. he is a Trialist provided that if another club holds his registration, that club has given written permission (to be copied to the Board) for the player to play for the Member Club in Matches; or

86.3. he is playing a trial match under the provisions of Rule C1.9.1(e) of the Football Association Rules; or

86.4. he is an Academy Player playing under the provisions of Rule C3.1.5 of the Football Association Rules; or

86.5. he is an amateur player, or a non-contract player, provided that in both cases his participation has been permitted in writing by the Premier League in advance.

86.6. he is an Academy Player whom the Club have entered into a Pre-Registration Agreement with in accordance with Youth Development Rule 247.

Codes of Conduct

87. Each manager of a Member Club shall conduct himself in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Managers found at Appendix 5 to the Premier League Rules and any failure to do so will constitute a breach of these rules.

88. Each Member Club shall conduct itself in relation to managers in accordance with the Code of Conduct for Clubs found at Appendix 6 to the Premier League Rules and any failure to do so will constitute a breach of these rules.

Disciplinary Procedures

89. The provisions of Section W of the Premier League Rules shall apply to any Member Club in breach of a League rule and Forms 21 to 25 inclusive shall be appropriately adapted for that purpose.

U18 Professional Development League
Confirmation of Date of Match (Rule 41)

To: (1) [Visiting Club] ..........................................................................................................................

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(2) [Referee] ..........................................................................................................................

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We, [Home Club] ..........................................................................................................................

hereby confirm that our Match against the above Visiting Club will be played at [address
of ground] ..........................................................................................................................

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Kick-off will be at ..........................................................................................................................

The colours of our Strip will be:

Shirts .................................................. Shorts .................................................. Socks ..................................................

The colours of our goalkeeper’s Strip will be:

Shirts .................................................. Shorts .................................................. Socks ..................................................

The colours the Visiting Club’s Strip will be:

Shirts .................................................. Shorts .................................................. Socks ..................................................

The colours the Visiting Club’s goalkeeper’s Strip will be:

Shirts .................................................. Shorts .................................................. Socks ..................................................

Home Club Match day contact number

Signed

Position

Date
To:  
The Board  
The Premier League  

Copy to:  
(1) [Names and addresses of Match Officials]  

We, [Home Club] ……………………………………… Football Club hereby give notice that our Match against the above Visiting Club which was to have been played at [address of ground]  
on [date] ...................................... was postponed/abandoned* for the following reason(s) ..............................................................................................................................................................  

We request the Board to determine the date and time at which the Match shall be played.  

Signed  .............................................  

Position  .............................................  

Date  .............................................  

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### U18 Professional Development League

#### Team Sheet (Rule 66)

**U18PDL Form 5**

**Season 2020-2021**

**Team Sheet of ________________________________ Football Club**

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### U18 Professional Development League

#### Team Sheet (Rule 58.2)

**U18PDL Form 4**

**Season 2020-2021**

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