

Cherwell League Cup Competitions 2021

Competition Rules (all cups)

Entry

Clubs will be entered into the cup that corresponds to their Tier ranking in the Cherwell League for 2021. A club may apply to enter a team into a cup of a higher tier than their highest place team in the League if they so wish. The final decision on placement lies entirely at the management committee's discretion. See also player eligibility below.

| Competition | Open to teams from |
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| Airey Cup | Tiers 3 & 4 |
| Telegraph Cup | Tier 5 |
| Steve Dixon Memorial Cup | Tier 6 |
| Osberton Radiators Cup | Tier 7 |
| Keith Crump Memorial Cup | Tier 8 |

Playing Format

All cup competitions will be 40 overs per side as per the rules published on the CCL website. Please note the following;

The default start time will be 1.00 pm but if both clubs have agreed in writing (email is sufficient), this can be amended to suit. Games should not start any later than 2.00pm.

The minimum number of overs in the second innings in order to constitute a match is 10.

Disruptions for weather will be managed using the Android DLS app (available on the CCL website).

If the second innings finishes with the scores level (or on the DLS par score), the match will be decided by a 'super over' (details in the rules document). If scores are still level, the match will be decided by a bowl off (details in the rules document).

Match dates

Matches should be played on the dates as specified in the table below, however if both teams are in agreement (in writing), matches can be pushed back by one week. If teams cannot agree, the team that was unable to fulfil the fixture on the designated date will concede the tie. Teams will be required to give good reason why the tie cannot be played on the original or the reserve date and any disputes will be adjudicated by the Cups Committee at their sole discretion. With the agreement of the opposition, teams can cede home advantage and swap the venue.

In cases where the tie cannot be played for good reason on either date, the tie will be decided by the toss of a coin.

| Cup | Rd of 16 | Rd of 8 | SF | Final |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Airey | May 16 th | July 4 th | Aug 1 st | Aug 29 th |
| Telegraph | May 16 th | June 27 th | Aug 1 st | Aug 29 th |
| Steve Dixon | May 16 th | June 20 th | July 25 th | Aug 22 nd |
| Osberton | May 16 th | June 13 th | July 18 th | Aug 15 th |
| Keith Crump | May 16 th | June 6 th | July 11 th | Aug 8 th |

Umpires

Each team should provide a suitably qualified club umpire for all rounds up to and including the semi-finals. If unable to do so, clubs should contact the umpires' coordinator who will appoint an umpire for which the normal umpires' fee of £45 will be payable.

Balls

The team originally drawn at home will provide both balls for the match and the same type of ball must be used in both innings. The ball type should be the Tiflex Buckingham or Hampton however any ball suitable for 40 over cricket is acceptable. If additional balls are required prior to matches, contact the League Secretary. *Delete as appropriate. The team originally drawn away will pay to the opposition £10 in cash on the day as a contribution to ball costs. or The League will credit the home team with £12/£24 per cup match by way of compensation for ball costs.*

Teas

The home team will provide a tea (if allowed subject to Covid restrictions) and the away team will compensate them in the amount of £40. If clubs would prefer not to provide teas and have players bring their own refreshments, this should be made clear to the visitors at the earliest opportunity and no later than the Wednesday before the match. The option lies solely with the home team.

Player Eligibility

Clubs are encouraged and required to select players appropriate to the Tier of the competition they are playing in. In cases where a player is selected who in the opinion of the Cups Committee was clearly inappropriate, even if technically eligible, the committee reserves the right to take action up to and including reversing the result.

Notwithstanding the above, the following rules will apply:

1. All players must be bona fide members of the club they are representing.
2. All players must be registered with the registrations' secretary. A player can be registered for cup games only, but not if they are already registered for another club in the League for league (or cup) games. There will be no charge for such registrations. Clubs are strongly discouraged from 'importing' players from e.g. TVCL for cup games and in such a case, the Cups Committee reserve the right to act as detailed above.
3. Once a player has played in one competition, they are 'cup tied' and ineligible to play in a lower tiered competition. There is no restriction on them playing in a higher tiered competition, but if they do so, they cannot go back to their original competition.
4. In season eligibility
 - (i) For ties scheduled for May 16th

A player who has played both the preceding League matches (May 8th and May 15th) in a higher Tier of the league than the level attributed to the cup competition will be ineligible.

(ii) For all subsequent ties

A player who has played 3 or more League matches in a higher tier than the competition in question (2 or more if they have played in the HCPCL), will be ineligible.

(iii) The Finals

Teams reaching the final of a competition will be required to submit a squad list of up to 25 players to the registration secretary no later than the Wednesday preceding the final. The team that plays must come entirely from this squad list. A player can be listed in more than one final squad providing they are eligible for all of the competitions they are listed for.

In the event of any dispute or complaint, the details should be sent in the first instance to the League Secretary, who will refer the matter to the Cups Committee. The decision of the Cups Committee will be binding and final.