North Essex Cricket League

Proposed Rule Changes 2023

Rule Change 16

Replace the first sentence with the following:

‘At the end of each season the top two teams in Division 2 will have the option of being promoted to Division 1. If they both decide to take up this option, the bottom two teams in Division 1 will be relegated. If only one of them wishes to take up this option, only the bottom team in Division 1 will be relegated. If neither wishes to take up this option, there will be no promotion or relegation.’

Rule Change 31(A)

No player who has scored 300 runs or taken 20 wickets in any of the top 3 tiers of ECB league (EAPL, Essex Premier League, Two Counties Division 1 and 2) in the previous season is eligible to play in the NECL Division Two and below. They are permitted to play in Division One, and the T20 competition. Any club infringing this rule will be penalised by the deduction of any points gained in that match.

Added Essex Premier League to the wording of this rule - oversight that it was not included last year.

New Rule 31(B)

Any Overseas Player that appears in a search on ESPN CricInfo is not permitted to play in any of the NECL competitions.

The committee feel that the growing amount of high class young overseas players playing in the NECL is to the detriment of the competition.

We feel there is enough competitive cricket on Saturday’s and coaching opportunities for them not to be used in the NECL competitions.