Edition 3 Rule Changes for Group Stages of Online Counties Championships

A: Fair Play Controller added and contact details completed.

A.2.2   References more detail on eligibility at C.3.1(c) & (d)

B.6   Deletion of requirement to submit pgn.   Choice of URLs or pgns.

C.1.1   Replacement of January 2020 standard grading list for the ECF Standard rating list for the 2020 competition.

C.1.3   Ungraded players now 48 hours' notice rather than 7 days

D.1.2   Addition of match arbiters reporting to the Fair Play Controller

D.4   Revised to reflect streamlined procedure for players to send results to match arbiter and for Captains to submit either all URLS or all PGNS for the match, with default penalties. Post match requirement to upload player details and match results removed**.   Entering of match results in the LMS is for abriters or Controller only.**

E.1.3   Supplemented with provisions to dispense with teamlists and for team entry on the LMS if directed by the Controller. New requirement added that players with their chess.com usernames must be entered in the playing list for the county shown in the club section of the ECF LMS Competition home page.

E.1.4   Notification of assigned match arbiter added to information captains must give to players in a match together with a reminder to ensure settings allow challenges to be made and received from "any" player.

E.1.6   Safeguarding of juniors updated to include friends and unfriends for matches

E.4.1   Added 10 point rule for board orders based on ECF grades

E.4.4   **New Rule applying 80/10 point rule to team allocation where counties have more that one team in the same Section of the Competition. For the Summer 2020 competition this only affects Middlesex A and B in the Open.** This avoids having to have separate squad lists for each team.

E.6.1   Supplemented to emphasise that the rule is also a Safeguarding requirement.

E.6.2, E.6.3.1(b) and Appendix 1   Corrected to ensure challenges are set to "Any Any" for incoming and outgoing challenges

E.6.3.4 New rule to make the challenge if the expected challenge has not been received by 6:35pm

E.6.5   Amended to notify match arbiter in event of no challenge by 6:35pm.

E.6.6   Clarified as to when the double default penalty is to be applied when neither player on line.

E.6.7.4 New Rule as to notification of substitutions.

E.7.2.1 Amended for time out wins to be reported to the match arbiter

E.7.4   Clarified to refer to player

E.8.3   New rule banning viewing of chess games whilst in play and permitting viewing of LMS live match scores.

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