

Guidelines for County Team Selection 2019

Please Note

All players wishing to be considered for County teams are encouraged to play in the County Championship. This is a very good indicator of ability in matchplay scenarios.

First Team

First team players will be selected according to form, fitness and handicap.

Generally, these players will not be asked to play for the second team, unless they have an express wish to do so - perhaps for reasons of completing their second team colours. At this time, the upper limit for being a first team player is a handicap of around six. However, this figure may not always be adhered to depending upon the pool of players available or performance in the County Championship.

Second Team

The second team will be selected according to handicap, experience, fitness and form. This team will be composed of a mixture of ages, balancing youth with experience. This is intended to give an opportunity for more experienced players to play for their county whilst introducing some Juniors to the rigours of scratch county competitions.

This selection process does not indicate a watering down of the second team. Players will still be picked on merit.

There will, of course, be a group of players who necessarily move between County first and second teams – in both directions.

Whilst these are our guidelines for picking teams, there may be circumstances in which they cannot always be strictly adhered to.