



SEASON 2013/14 LEAGUE FORMAT

All League matches shall be played in accordance with the GHLBG League & Cup Competition Rules as adopted by the League & Cup Competitions Committee.

MEN'S DIVISION 1 LEAGUE

1. The League, denoted **ML1** in the Fixtures Schedule, shall run throughout the Playing Season. It shall be made up of six (6) teams as listed below (with their team colours):

Team Name:

Team Colours:
Shirt / Shorts / Socks:

Investec Colombians 1

yellow / navy / red

ABN AMRO (Independents) 1

orange & green / green /
orange & green

Healthspan Unwantables 1

light blue & navy / navy /
light blue & navy

Yobbos 1

pink & blue / pink & blue /
pink & blue

Doyle Motors Honda Elizabeth College

1st XI

navy or red / white / red

Willis Casuals 1

black & yellow / black / yellow,
white & black

2. Teams shall play each other three (3) times.
3. The Team that has accumulated the greatest number of points on completion of the League matches shall be declared the winner and the League Champion and will represent Guernsey in the men's Upton Trophy.
4. If there are two or more Teams are on equal points in first position, the winner shall be decided in accordance with section 5.8 of the GHLBG League & Cup Competition Rules:
 - if two teams there shall be a play-off match to determine the League Champion



- if three or more teams then the two highest placed teams will be first determined by goal difference, then goals scored and then the results between the teams. These two highest placed teams will then play a play-off match to determine the League Champion.

MEN'S DIVISION 2 (1st tranche matches) LEAGUE

1. The League, denoted **ML2** in the Fixtures Schedule, shall run from the start of the Playing Season until Christmas. It shall be made up of seven (7) teams as listed below (with their team colours):

Team Name:

Team Colours:
Shirt / Shorts / Socks:

Generals	white with red trim/ white / red
Independents 2	orange & green / green / orange & green
Moore Stephens Masters	green with white trim / white / green & white
Healthspan Unwantables 2	light blue / navy / light blue
Yobbos 2	maroon / white / maroon
Willis Casuals 2	black / black / yellow, white & black
Investec Colombians HC 2	yellow / navy / red

2. Teams shall play each other once (1).
3. The Team that has accumulated the greatest number of points on completion of the League matches shall be declared the winner and the 1st tranche matches League Champion.
4. If there are two or more Teams are on equal points in first position, the winner shall be decided in accordance with section 5.8 of the GHLBG League & Cup Competition Rules:



- if two teams there shall be a play-off match to determine the 1st tranche matches League Champion
- if three or more teams then the two highest placed teams will be first determined by goal difference, then goals scored and then the results between the teams. These two highest placed teams will then play a play-off match to determine the 1st tranche matches League Champion.

MEN'S DIVISION 2a LEAGUE

1. The League, denoted **ML2a** in the Fixtures Schedule, shall run from after the 1st round tranche matches have ended until the end of the Playing Season. It shall be made up of the seven (7) teams from the Men's Division 2 (1st tranche matches) League (ML2) as listed above as well as the additional two (2) teams:

Elizabeth College 2nd XI navy / white / red

GWHA green / black / green or
purple / black / purple

2. Teams shall play each other once (1).
3. The Team that has accumulated the greatest number of points on completion of the League matches shall be declared the winner and the ML2a Champion. No points shall be carried forward from Men's Division 2 (1st tranche matches) League.
4. If there are two or more Teams are on equal points in first position, the winner shall be decided in accordance with section 5.8 of the GHLBG League & Cup Competition Rules:
 - if two teams there shall be a play-off match to determine the ML2a League Champion
 - if three or more teams then the two highest placed teams will be first determined by goal difference, then goals scored and then the results between the teams. These two highest placed teams will then play a play-off match to determine the ML2a League Champion.
6. Elizabeth College 2nd XI are to be treated as a separate team from which any team from any Hockey Club in the Men's Division 1 League can utilise players, subject to the usual 3 consecutive playing up rules (see Rule 2.7).



LADIES LEAGUE

1. The League, denoted **LL** in the Fixtures Schedule, shall run throughout the Playing Season. It shall be made up of six (6) teams as listed below (with their team colours):

<u>Team Name:</u>	<u>Team Colours:</u> <u>Shirts/ Skirts or Shorts / Socks</u>
Oracle UHC Panthers	black with pink trim / black / black
Clubhouse Cubs	Purple with yellow trim / black / Purple/yellow/white
Ravenscroft Amazons	Red & black / black / red & black
PWC Puffins	Yellow, orange, red & white / black / yellow, red & white
ABN Amro Independent HC	orange & green / green / orange & green
PwC Hockey Academy Boys U15	Green/white/green

2. Teams shall play each other three (3) times.
3. The Team (other than PwC Hockey Academy Boys U15) that has accumulated the greatest number of points on completion of the League matches shall be declared the winner and the League Champion and will represent Guernsey in the women's Upton Trophy.
4. If there are two or more Teams (other than PwC Hockey Academy Boys U15) on equal points in first position, the winner shall be decided in accordance with section 5.8 of the GHLBG League & Cup Competition Rules:
 - if two teams there shall be a play-off match in accordance with the Rules below to determine the League Champion
 - if three or more teams then the two highest placed teams will be first determined by goal difference, then goals scored and then the results between the teams. These two highest placed teams



will then play a play-off match in accordance with the Rules below to determine the League Champion.

LEAGUE CHAMPION PLAY-OFF MATCH

1. If necessary the League Champion shall be determined by a play-off match between the two teams on equal points at the end of the Playing Season.
2. If the match is a draw at the end of regulation time, a period of extra-time shall be played to determine the winner. After a rest period of five minutes, the Umpires shall toss a coin with the captains of each Team and the winner will have the choice of ends or possession of the ball to re-start the match. Extra-time shall consist of two halves of 7 ½ minutes each in between which Teams shall change ends, without a rest period.
3. If the match is still a draw at the end of the extra-time, a penalty stroke competition shall be played to establish the winner.
4. Five (5) players from each of the two Teams, chosen from the players listed on the team sheets, except as excluded hereunder, shall take a penalty stroke alternately against one and the same defending goalkeeper of the other Team unless the latter has been incapacitated and replaced, making a total of ten (10) penalty strokes, five (5) for each Team. The players must take the penalty strokes in the same sequence as the list of five players nominated prior to the start of the penalty stroke competition.
5. No player who has been permanently suspended (i.e. red card) by the Umpires during the match shall take part in the penalty stroke competition.
6. If during the penalty stroke competition a player (either a stroke taker or a defending goalkeeper) is suspended, then that player shall take no further part in that penalty stroke competition and, unless a defending goalkeeper, cannot be replaced. If a stroke taker, any stroke the player should have been entitled to take will be counted as no goal. If a defending goalkeeper, the replacement may only be from one of the nominated stroke takers. The player replacing the defending goalkeeper may continue to take penalty strokes but, when required to defend penalty strokes, must wear protective headgear. This player may also wear other approved protective equipment.



7. The Umpires shall choose the goal to be used and shall toss a coin with the Team captains, the winner having the choice to take or defend the first penalty stroke. The Team having scored or been awarded the highest number of goals shall be the winner and the competition will cease once an outright winner has been established.
8. In the event of an equal number of goals having been scored or awarded, a second series of penalty strokes shall be started with the same players, subject to incapacitated defending goalkeeper(s) being replaced, and shall cease after a Team shall have scored or been awarded one more goal than the opposing team after an equal number of strokes (no minimum, no maximum) have been taken by each Team. That Team shall be the winner of the second series.
9. The sequence of stroke takers for the second series penalty strokes does not need to be the same as in the previous series and the Team has the choice at the time of each stroke as to which of the nominated players shall take the stroke. In this second (unlimited) series, all five nominated players shall take a stroke before any of them are eligible to take a further stroke.
10. The Team whose player has taken the first penalty stroke of the first series (see section 1 above) must defend the first penalty stroke of the second (unlimited) series.
11. Only the defending goalkeepers and nominated stroke takers may enter the field of play during a penalty stroke competition. These persons will remain outside the 23 meters area unless a player is authorised by an Umpire to take or defend a penalty stroke.

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