

Promotion and relegation for the 2026 season ahead of placings for the 2027 season in the Premier Division and Division One

- The possibility of the Premier champions earning a place in the BDPCL via the county league play-offs, or remaining in the SCCL.
- The possibility that one or both of Shifnal and Worfield be relegated from the BDPCL.
- Shifnal 2 must win D1 to be eligible for promotion (unless extenuating circumstances apply) but will be definitively ineligible if their 1s are relegated from the BDPCL.
- Worfield 2 are ineligible for promotion to the Premier Division because the club do not have a 3rd XI in the Saturday section.
- Both Quatt 2 and Wellington 2 are ineligible for promotion so long as their 1s remain in the Premier. Eligible if 1s promoted to BDPCL and they win D1 (unless extenuating circumstances apply); relegated if 1s are relegated from Premier.
- No Saturday singletons will now be allowed in the top 2 divisions (unless extenuating circumstances apply). Eligibility depends on a team having another club side playing Saturdays further down the league structure.
- Worfield 2 are an exception to this rule. Their 2s will be allowed to remain in D1 unless/until it forfeits a match, in which case it will be relegated at the end of the season in which they forfeit – as it would also be owing to natural causes. In either case the 2s would then not be eligible to go back up to D1 until the 3s are playing Saturdays during the season in which the 2s finish as promotion contenders.

Extenuating circumstances involve issues that obstructs promotion criteria, and it might then be necessary to waive one of the above rules in order to operate the Premier Division with a full 12 sides. This could involve:

- the Premier champions being promoted to the BDPCL
- no team returning from the BDPCL
- the bottom SCCL Premier team(s) being clearly outclassed and necessitating relegation
- the top team(s) in D1 being ineligible
- a D1 team being considered for promotion whatever its finishing position
- the possibility of a team requesting to remain in D1 owing to a low finishing position