

Promotion and Relegation:

The promotion and relegation of teams will depend on the number of teams playing T20 next year. The general guiding principle is to keep the number of teams equal in both divisions. When that is not possible the 2nd division will have the one extra team.

To keep the tournament competitive till the end, up to a maximum of two teams from division one may be relegated to division two. Promotions from division two to division one will depend on the number of teams starting the tournament that year.

Based on proposal 10-B passed in 2019 AGM meeting Regular season winner(Div 2) or the most bottom team (Div 1) is automatically promoted or relegated, second team(Div 2)to be promoted or relegated (Div 1) to be decided with Playoffs

For teams promoted from Div 2 to Div 1:

- Regular season winner is automatically promoted (based on league standings)
- Second team to be promoted will be the Playoff champion. If the Playoff champion is the same as the regular season winner, the Playoff runner-up will be promoted (based on playoff standings).

For teams relegated from Div 1 to Div 2:

- The last team in the "regular" season standings is automatically relegated but can participate in the Playoffs as we want every team to play as many games as possible. Even if the last ranked team wins every game in the playoffs, they will still be relegated (Based on league standings)
- The second team to be relegated will be the last one in the playoffs (Other than team ranked last during the league stage who are automatically relegated) (Based on playoff standings)

Please note that rankings of the regular season will take effect first, then the rankings in the playoff take effect for deciding the promotion and relegation to Divisions.

Here are a few common scenarios to address the promotions/relegations

Scenario 1:

The same teams from this year play T20 next year.

Result: Two teams will be promoted from Division 2 to Division 1 and two teams will be relegated from Division 1 to Division 2 based on the above defined rule.

Scenario 2:

One new team joins the T20 next year.

Result: With a total of 20 teams, each division will have 10 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule.

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Two new teams join the T20 next year.

Result: With a total of 21 teams, division 1 will have 10 teams and division 2 will have 11 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule

Scenario 4:

Three new teams join the T20 next year.

Result: With a total of 22 teams, each division will have 11 teams. So two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule but No team from Div 1 will be relegated

Scenario 5:

One team from Division two drops out next year.

Result: With a total of 18 teams, each division will have 9 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and one team from division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule. If the regular season winner of division 2 is the team that dropped out then the playoff winner of division 2 will be promoted to division 1 and if they both are the same team then the playoff runner up of division 2 will be promoted to division 1.

Scenario 6:

One team from Division one drops out next year.

Result: With a total of 18 teams, each division will have 9 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule. If the last ranking team of the regular season is the team that dropped out then no other team from division 1 will get demoted and only the top team of regular season rankings of division 2 will get promoted to division 1.

Scenario 7:

Two teams (One from each Division) drop out next year.

Result: With a total of 17 teams, division one will have 8 teams and division two will have 9 teams. Two teams from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule. If one of the relegated teams from div 1 is the team that dropped out then just one team from division 1 will get demoted and only one team from division 2 will get promoted based on the same promotion and relegation rule defined above. If the regular season winner of division 2 is the team that dropped out from division 2, then the winner of the playoff of division 2 will be promoted to division 1. If the regular season winner and playoff winner is the same team then the runner up team will be promoted to the Division 1 based on the above defined rule.

Scenario 8:

Two teams from Division two drop out next year.

Result: With a total of 17 teams, division one will have 8 teams and division two will have 9 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 based on the above defined rule but no team from division 2 will get promoted to division 1.

Scenario 9:

Two teams from Division one drop out next year.

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Result: With a total of 17 teams, division one will have 8 teams and division two will have 9 teams. So one team from Division 1 will be relegated to division 2 and two teams in division 2 will be promoted to division 1 based on the above defined rule. If the bottom team based on regular season rankings from div 1 is one of the teams that dropped out then no other team from division 1 will get demoted and only the regular season winner of division 2 will be promoted to division 1.

Finally: If none of the above mentioned scenarios apply, the EC will come up with the promotion/relegation result and it will have to be approved by the LMC.

Revision History:

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- Rajdeep Dhaliwal updated the document in April 2021 based on proposal 10-B passed in 2019 AGM meeting