



**TO ALL MEMBER CLUBS**

Circular no. 2018-05

May 16th, 2018

**THE 2018 - 2019 PREMIER LEAGUE COMPETITION**

Dear All,

We are pleased to inform you of the following information pertaining to the 2018/2019 Premier League Season.

**Start Date**

The competition for the Premier League will commence on **Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at the BFA Wildey facility and conclude in May 2019. Any changes in the rules or the structure of the competition will be communicated in future correspondence prior to the commencement of the competition.

**Club Licensing and Team Registration**

Club licensing for Premier League teams will commence on **September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018** and will conclude on **September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

During this period the following is required to successfully complete the Club Licensing Process:-

1. Each Premier League Club must have an active youth component
2. Each club is required to have a certified first aid person on the management team
3. Each club must have a minimum D Licensed Coach on the first Management Team
4. Appoint a General Manager
5. Appoint a Media Officer
6. Appoint a Finance Officer
7. Appoint a Marketing Officer (Posts outlined in 4, 5, 6 & 7 must now be filled by at least three persons.)
8. Submit Budget for upcoming season
9. Submit Legal Declaration by authorized signatory
10. Submit club Confidentiality Agreement
11. Submit club ownership structure and control mechanism
12. Submit club statutes or equivalent legal document
13. Permission from owner for use of training grounds
14. Team Registration (Annual Subs) before September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

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## Player Registration & Insurance

A new ID card will be issued for registered officials and players participating in the 2018-2019 competition. Information should be submitted as soon as possible after September 28<sup>th</sup> to avoid any delays in receiving ID cards.

Forms are available for download on the BFA website [www.barbadosfa.com](http://www.barbadosfa.com). The registration fees per player which includes the mandatory player insurance is \$60.00. A minimum of five officials must also be registered per team at a rate of \$60.00 each. This fee also includes the mandatory insurance for officials.

Players and officials who were insured in 2017 are not required to resubmit insurance forms for 2018. Insurance application forms only applies to players and officials registering for the first time.

Premier League teams are reminded that they must register a team in the Premier Reserve League.

## Transfer Window

A transfer window for Premier League only will open on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 and close on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

All applications for international transfers must be communicated in writing to the BFA within the transfer period. Players who have legal status from the Barbados Immigration office are not considered as overseas players and as such do not require International Transfer Certificates. They can be registered as normal.

As indicated in Circular No. 2018-02 pertaining to the amount of foreign players, six players will be attached to the first team for the entire season. All others will play in the reserve league. These six players must be identified prior to them playing any games.

Thank you for taking note and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the BFA Secretariat at telephone number 538-BALL (2255) or via email at [office@barbadosfa.com](mailto:office@barbadosfa.com).

Yours faithfully

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