

How can I win the Yorkshire Crown?

At the end of Season 2, the top teams from each Division will qualify for a special tournament. This will be a day-long event hosted by one of our Divisions. The team that emerges victorious from the tournament will be awarded the huge Yorkshire Crown trophy and crowned champions of Yorkshire!



Qualifying will be decided when the season ends on 31 October 2009:

- For Divisions with fewer than 8 teams, the top *two* eligible teams will qualify.
- For Divisions with 8 or more teams, the top *three* eligible teams will qualify.

Can I run more than one team?

Generally, no. There are exceptions: if you really want to run more than one team, they must be in separate Divisions and you must have the permission of both the Divisions' Commissioners. And if both your teams happen to come top of their Divisions, only one of them will be allowed to qualify for the Yorkshire Crown tournament!

Of course, if your Commissioner is running other mini-leagues in parallel to his main TYBBL Division, there's nothing to stop you taking a second team in those. Your second team won't qualify for the Yorkshire Crown tournament, but it will still be a lot of fun. And if your Division has agreements with other local Divisions, you may get to use those second teams in local mini-tournaments. When you're part of a huge Yorkshire-wide Blood Bowl league, the possibilities are endless!

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Season 2 rules

Welcome to the Season 2 of the Yorkshire Blood Bowl League!

During Season 2, teams all over Yorkshire play for gold, glory and a place in the county-wide tournament, the Yorkshire Crown 2009!

This leaflet outlines the rules for the season. These rules have been agreed jointly by all the Divisions, so they apply to everyone in the League.

How long is Season 2?

Ten months. It starts on 1 December 2008 and runs until 31 October 2009. Most Divisions will start on time, but you can always join in late if you need to – though you'll have some catching up to do!

How do I register?

Just let your group's Commissioner know that you want to take part. He'll add your team to the League website (www.tybbl.org.uk) so you can track its progress. Then start playing matches!

How many rated matches will I play?

You need to play about ten rated matches over the course of the ten-month season. This is the target number. In fact you can play a minimum of eight and a maximum of twelve. But if you play *fewer than eight* rated matches during the season, you won't qualify for the Yorkshire Crown tournament at the end of the season, even if you come top of your Division.

Ten matches in ten months - is that all?

Yes! In Season 1 you had just 15 weeks to play 10 matches, but Season 2 is much longer. So you can



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play one match per month if you like, or you can leave it for a while and then cram them all in next summer. Whatever suits you best.

What if I want to play more matches?

That's absolutely fine – who are we to tell you not to play Blood Bowl? Extra matches in your Division count as friendlies and there's no limit on how many you can play. Friendlies include:

- matches beyond your 12-match limit;
- your third or subsequent match against the same opponent;
- informal matches against teams in other Divisions;
- informal matches against non-League teams;
- if your Commissioner allows it, any other match where you and your opponent agree beforehand that it's a friendly rather than a rated match.

Friendlies aren't recorded on the TYBBL website, so they don't move your team up the rankings, but you *can* use them for developing your team. The following rules apply:

- You use your current team roster as if it was a rated match.
- You *can* develop your team. You can earn Star Player Points, get new skills and increase your team value during friendlies.
- You *can* sustain injuries. Permanent and 'miss next match' injuries suffered during friendlies *do* apply and all injuries last until your next *rated* match (so you can't use friendlies to clear these injuries).
- You *can't* earn winnings. You don't get any treasury cash for playing a friendly, but you still have to pay spiralling expenses if they apply.



Are there any restrictions on who to play?

That depends on how your Commissioner has set up the Division.

There might be a fixtures system to determine who plays whom, or you might be free to arrange your own matches.

The only League-wide rule is that you can't play more than two rated matches against any single opponent. Any further matches against the same team will count as friendlies.



How are teams ranked?

You record your match results and pass them to your Commissioner, who enters them onto the TYBBL website (www.tybbl.org.uk).

All the teams in your Division are ranked against each other. You get 4 points for a win, 2 for a draw and 1 for a loss. You also record your touchdowns and casualties, which are used as tiebreakers.

On the website, you'll also be able to see how your team is doing against teams in other parts of Yorkshire.

Do I have to use a team from season 1?

There are no League rules about this. You can bring a developed Blood Bowl team from season 1 and continue to develop it in season 2 if you like. Or you can choose to create a new one from scratch.

But your Commissioner will advise on the exact arrangements. For instance, he may prefer that everyone starts from scratch in season 2. Or he may be running a separate mini-league, not part of TYBBL, so you can try several different teams in parallel.

If my team gets crippled early on, can I start a new one?

Like most things, this is up to your Commissioner. We don't recommend it – the rules for Journeymen and inducements will help you if you suffer some early defeats. And if you do restart, you'll have some catching up to do!