**D Division Rules**

**Intention**

-To give inexperienced players more competitive games.

-To give more people a chance to sample and enjoy the fun of team chess.

-To encourage clubs to persuade an extra player or 2 to have a go at league chess.

**Player Eligibility**

Ratings/age etc for September 1st will be used. Eligibility does not change after this so that squads can remain fixed for the season. Players eligible for D division:

-Any player rated under 1500.

**Additional Rules**

-Like in other divisions, all players in the league must be ECF members.

-Like in other divisions, 1 player can only play for 1 team in the division during the season.

-An eligible player from a club that is not entering a team may play “on loan” for 1 other club as long as it is only in the D division.

-2 clubs could potentially enter a joint team if they wished.

(Changed by C Swales on 16th September 2024 to remove age based and P rating based eligibility criteria)