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Dear Member

This is an attempt to explain the new International Ticket Application system invented by the RFU, and which comes into being at the start of the 2016 -17 season.

Matches have been categorised according to their importance as A++, A+, A, B, & C

For all category A matches, there will now be a range of seven ticket prices, and the allocation to clubs will be made as per the existing club points system.

For category B & C games, there will be a three price structure, and the number of tickets a club may purchase is not restricted. These tickets are not on a sale or return basis.

For Example: England v France (Six Nations) is category A+

England v Fiji (Old Mutual Wealth) is category C

If a club does not want all of its allocation ( highly unlikely in our case !), the surplus tickets may be sold through the Ticket Exchange, and the club will be paid the difference between the Club Entitlement Price and the Standard Price which is what all non-members will have to pay :

Clubs may not be allocated tickets in all price categories	Ticket Entitlement Price	Standard Price	Difference Paid To Club
Premium		£127	
Category 1	£95	£116	£21
Category 2	£86	£105	£19
Category 3	£76	£92	£16
Category 4	£66	£80	£14
Category 5	£59	£70	£11
Category 6	£41	£45	£4

The reality is that there does not appear to be any mechanism for asking for a second allocation of additional tickets at club prices, so any extras will have to be purchased by individuals from the Ticket Exchange at the higher price. It is assumed that Away International tickets will continue to be priced by the relevant host nation, and offered in the same way as previously.

The really bad news for Mistley is that although we are still guaranteed the same number of tickets per match as in previous years (12), the allocation is split into specific numbers per price. You will see on the application form that I have split our allocation of four tickets @ £76 into two pairs, and where we have allocations of three tickets you will be asked to take all three. If you really do not want that many, contact me and I will try to connect you with someone willing to share the allocation. If we are overwhelmed with applications, then there will have to be a Draw.

Please contact me if you need further explanations – I have condensed the above from five pages issued by the RFU, available if you wish to read them.

Kind Regards

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