



Key dates	
12 August 2019	Start of National League.
17 August 2019	Start of Intermediate League.
30 August 2019	Summer transfer window closes – deadline for all player registrations.
2-10 September 2019	<i>International match window.</i>
7-15 October 2019	<i>International match window.</i>
11-19 November 2019	<i>International match window.</i>
22 December 2019	Target date for conclusion of First Round of matches in the National League.
2 January 2020	Winter transfer window opens.
3 January 2020	Start of Championship Group/Challenge Group rounds in the National League.
31 January 2020	Winter transfer window closes – deadline for all player registrations.
23-31 March 2020	<i>International match window.</i>
24 May 2020	Target date for conclusion of National League & Intermediate League.
31 May 2020	Gibtelecom Cup Final.

Regular season (starting on 12th August 2019)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 14 teams in one single division.• Each team plays against all other teams once (Rounds 1-13).• Top 7 teams split into “Championship Group”.• Bottom 7 teams split into “Challenge Group”.• The points gained by all teams during the first 13 rounds are preserved and carried through to the group stages.• Each team then plays against all teams twice (Rounds 14-25).• Each team will therefore play a total of 25 league matches in the season.

The “Championship Group”.

- The winner of the Championship Group is declared the Champion and will participate in the following season’s UEFA Champions League.
- The runner-up of the Championship Group will participate in the following season’s UEFA Europa League.
- Depending on who the winner of the Gibtelecom Cup is, the third-placed team in the Championship Group could also qualify for the following season’s UEFA Europa League.

The “Challenge Group”.

- The winner of the Challenge Group will receive the GFA Challenge Trophy at the end of each season.

Gibtelecom Cup.

Season 2019/20

- A total of fifteen teams will participate in the 2019/20 Gibtelecom Cup, comprised of the fourteen National League teams plus FC Hound Dogs from the Intermediate League.
- The 2018/19 Gibtelecom Cup winners, Europa FC, will be given an automatic bye to the Quarter Finals.
- The following fourteen teams will therefore participate in the draw for the **First Round** of the 2019/20 Gibtelecom Cup:
 - Lincoln Red Imps FC
 - St. Joseph's FC
 - Mons Calpe SC
 - Lynx FC
 - Glacis United FC
 - Lions Gibraltar FC
 - FC Boca Juniors (Gibraltar)
 - FCB Mappies
 - Europa Point FC
 - FC Olympique Gibraltar 13
 - Manchester 62 FC
 - College 1975 FC
 - Leo FC
 - FC Hound Dogs
- The fourteen teams will be drawn into seven First Round matches.
- The following eight teams will then participate in the draw for the **Quarter Finals** of the Gibtelecom Cup:
 - Europa FC
 - *7 x First Round winners*
- The competition would then progress normally to two Semi Finals and a Final.

Season 2020/21

- Provisionally, the 2020/21 Gibtelecom Cup will follow the same format as the 2019/20 Gibtelecom Cup.

Other conditions.

- For Season 2019/20, the HGP quota will be increased to 4 (a minimum of **four** HGPs on the field of play at all times).
- For Season 2020/21, the HGP quota will be increased to 5 (a minimum of **five** HGPs on the field of play at all times).
- The new league structure will be closely monitored with a view to a full reassessment in June 2022.
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- The Intermediate League (a development league for U23 players) is maintained for 2019/20 and will be reassessed in June 2020.
- Global goal difference will be replaced by head-to-head records in cases where two or more teams are level on points.
- Prize monies will continue to be awarded to teams according to their final positions.
- Prize monies will not be awarded to teams who qualify for the UEFA Champions League or UEFA Europa League by virtue of their final league position.

For further discussion.

- During the course of Season 2019/20, GFA and GFLA will jointly discuss the amending of the HGP definition for the purposes of domestic competitions.