

# Oxford University Blues Committee

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# 1. Full Blue

## Amateur Boxing

### Men's

Full Blues awarded up to 9 boxers in the Varsity Match at the discretion of the captain.

### Women's

3 Awards maximum, awarded at the captain's and coaches' discretion to athletes who compete in Varsity and have at least three full terms of boxing experience.

## Association Football

Full Blues awarded to starting 11 in the Varsity Match, as well as up to 5 substitutes who get played in the Varsity Match.

## Athletics

Full Blues and Half Blues are awarded to anyone who competes for the Blues Team at the Varsity Match, including in relays, and achieves the required Full or Half Blue standard at any point during that academic year.

Full Blues and Half Blues for the marathon are awarded to the top 4 eligible Oxford University Athletic Club finishers (who make up the Marathon Blues Team) at the London Marathon who also achieve the Full or Half Blue standards in the marathon in the same academic year.

Para-athletes who achieve the set standards and compete at BUCS outdoors will also be awarded Full and Half Blues.

Those not achieving the set standards may be awarded Discretionary Full/Half Blues by their captain provided the Blues Committee President feels it is appropriate.

The Full Blues and Half Blues Standards are equivalent to those that will be advertised on the club website. Both indoor and outdoor marks are eligible. Wind-assisted performances will be converted, using established formulae, to non-wind-aided performances that can be compared directly to the Blues standards. Official 5K road times are eligible for achieving the 5000m track standards. For the avoidance of doubt, competing in the Marathon Blues Team does not confer eligibility to achieve an OUAC Full or Half Blue in a different athletics event.

# Basketball

## Men's

Up to 12 Full Blues awarded to players who compete in the Blues Varsity Match, at the captain's discretion. The team must win the Varsity Match and/or attain/maintain position in BUCS league Tier 1 or higher.

Maximum 12 Half Blues (again at the captain's discretion) for Blues players in the Varsity Match if the above conditions are not met.

## Women's

Up to 12 Full Blues awarded to players who compete in the Blues Varsity Match, and at least 50% of BUCS matches, at the captain's discretion. The team must win the Varsity Match and/or attain/maintain position in BUCS league Tier 1 or higher.

Maximum 12 Half Blues (again at the captain's discretion) for Blues players in the Varsity Match if the above conditions are not met.

# Boat

## Men's

9 Full Blues max, awarded to those in blue boat against Cambridge. Up to 9 Half Blues, awarded to those who compete in Isis against Goldie (Cambridge) at the discretion of the President and Coaches.

## Women's

9 Full Blues max, awarded to those in blue boat against Cambridge. Up to 9 Half Blues, awarded to those who compete in Osiris against Blondie (Cambridge) at the discretion of the President and Coaches.

# Cricket

## Men's

Full Blues awarded to the 11 in the 4-day Varsity Match team. Half Blues awarded to those playing in the Twenty20 and One day games but not in the 4-day game each year. 12th Man is not awarded a Blue.

## Women's

Up to 11 Full Blues to players who are part of the One Day Varsity Match team, provided that the team wins Varsity Match and/or remains in (or is promoted to) the Midlands 1A or Premier BUCS league. Individuals must be selected to play in at least 75% BUCS matches. 12th player is not awarded a Blue.

Half Blues awarded to those who play in the Twenty20 game but not in the One Day game in a given year, who also play in at least 75% BUCS matches. 12th player is not awarded a blue.

## Cross Country

### Men's

Up to 8 Full Blues to be awarded to members of the Varsity Match team. Scoring runners who finish ahead of Cambridge scorers at Varsity should be awarded Full Blues. Awarding of further Full Blues can be considered, at the Gentlemen's Captain's discretion, for those who run to the requisite standard on the day. Half Blues to be awarded to the rest of the team.

### Women's

Up to 8 Full Blues to be awarded to members of the Varsity Match team. Scoring runners who finish ahead of Cambridge scorers at Varsity should be awarded Full Blues. Awarding of further Full Blues can be considered, at the Ladies Captain's discretion, for those who run to the requisite standard on the day. Half Blues to be awarded to the rest of the team.

## DanceSport (Mixed)

### Full Blue

1. Compete in Varsity Match.
2. Reach top 3 in your dance of team match in national competition (IVDC).
3. Reach the final of an external Pre-Champ level competition.

### Half Blue

1. Compete in Varsity Match.
2. Reach quarter finals of team match in national competition (IVDC).

Blues are awarded at the captain's discretion to those who have achieved the criteria. The captain will liaise with the Head Coach to make this decision.

# Dinghy Sailing

## Mixed

9 Full Blues maximum are awarded, at the captain's discretion, to the members of the mixed Varsity Match team who have competed on a team that reaches the quarterfinals of BUCS/BUSA team racing championships. If no BUCS/BUSA championships can be held due to adverse weather conditions, members of the varsity team can be awarded full blues if they win Varsity.

9 Half Blues maximum awarded to members of the Varsity March team at the captain's discretion.

## Women's

9 Full Blues maximum are awarded, at the captain's discretion, to members of the women's Varsity Match team who have competed on a team that reaches the semi-finals of the women's BUSA team racing nationals. If BUSA is cancelled due to poor weather, Full Blues to women who win the Varsity Match.

9 Half Blues maximum awarded to members of the Varsity Match team at the captain's discretion.

# Equestrian

4 Half Blues maximum awarded, at the captain's discretion, to individuals who:

1. Compete in 66% of BUCS matches for the blues team.
2. Compete at the blues varsity match.

4 Full Blues maximum awarded, at the captain's discretion, to individuals who:

1. Compete in 66% of BUCS matches for the blues team.
2. Compete at the blues varsity match.
3. Finish in the top 2 teams at Regionals OR finish 1st-6th individually at Regionals OR be selected for Team GB and compete on a Nations Cup team that year.

# Fencing

Full Blues are awarded to all members of the first team who:

- Fence in 50% of BUCS Matches and in the Blues Varsity Match AND
- Reach the semi-final match of the Premier League BUCS National Championships.

Full Blues are also awarded to any member of the Blues teams who either:

- Is in the top 20% of their country's national rankings (determined at the end of the fencing season) OR
- Places in the top 20% at BUCS individuals for fencing (rounding down so, e.g., if it's top 7.6 it counts as top 7) OR
- Has competed internationally for their country at a senior or junior level in a Grand Prix, A Grade, World, or Zonal Championship at any point during the year OR
- Has a cumulative indicator of +10 in their main weapon after all preliminary BUCS matches (i.e., after both quintes) in the Premier League AND has fenced 80% of the matches.

There is a maximum of 12 Blues awarded to each team.

## Golf

### Men's

Full Blues awarded to all 10 in the Varsity Match team.

### Women's

6 awards maximum. Full Blues for handicap 5 or below; Half Blues for handicap 9 or below; 1st team colours for other members of the team.

## Gymnastics (Women's)

### Full Blues awarded to women who:

- Score a total of more than 49 across 4 apparatus or more than 37 across 3 apparatus at Varsity
- Contribute at least 3 out of 4 scores to team total
- Compete at BUCS Level 1 or Level 2

### Half Blues awarded to women who:

- Score a total more than 45 across 4 apparatus or more than 35 across 3 apparatus at Varsity
- Contribute at least 2 scores to team total
- Compete at BUCS Level 1 or Level 2

## Hockey

Full Blues awarded to the starting 11 in the Varsity Match, as well as up to 5 substitutes in the Varsity Match at the discretion of the captain.

Half Blues to up to 5 of the substitutes.

## Karate (Women's)

5 Full Blues maximum to those with brown belt or higher who either i) take part in both Kata and Kumite at Varsity or, ii) win an individual medal at any national karate competition (e.g., BUCS, JKA nationals) and compete at Varsity Match in the same discipline.

5 Half Blues maximum to women with brown belts or higher who take part in either Kata or Kumite at Varsity.

## Lacrosse (Women's)

Up to 16 Full Blues. Players must play for at least 5 minutes in the Varsity Match and have played in at least 50% of BUCS matches. Only awarded if the team is placed in the top 8 of BUCS or wins the Varsity Match.

If neither condition is met but the team retains their position in the BUCS Southern Premiership, then 16 Half Blues will be awarded.

## Lawn Tennis

Full Blues awarded to all 8 team members, provided they play a live rubber.

## Modern Pentathlon (Women's)

Half Blues awarded to all those scoring 3,260 points or more in the Varsity Match, or equivalent standard competition.

Full Blues awarded to all those scoring 4,400 points or more at the Varsity Match, or equivalent standard competition. Competitors must compete in all disciplines to be eligible for a Blues award.

## Netball (Women's)

Up to 12 Full Blues awarded to players who compete in the Blues Varsity match, at the captain's discretion. The team must win the Varsity Match and/or attain/maintain position in BUCS league 1A or higher.

Maximum 12 Half Blues (again at the captain's discretion) for Blues players in the Varsity Match if the above conditions are not met.

## Rugby Union

### Men's

Up to 23 Full Blues awarded at the captain's discretion to any athlete who plays in the Varsity Match with no time limit for the amount required to play. Blood substitutions are eligible, as are those who are travelling reserves named in the 23 after an injury.

### Women's

Up to 23 Full Blues awarded at the captain's discretion to any athlete who plays in the Varsity Match with no time limit for the amount required to play. Blood substitutions are eligible, as are those who are travelling reserves named in the 23 after an injury.

## Squash

### Men's

Full Blues awarded to all 5 in the Varsity Match team.

### Women's

5 Full Blues max if the team maintains a position in, or is promoted to, the premiership BUCS division or Midlands division 1A. Players must have participated in at least 1/3 of BUCS/Oxfordshire league fixtures in that season or attained top 8 ranking in annual BUCS individual tournament.

## Swimming

### Full Blues

- Awarded to members of Oxford University Swimming Club who swim in the Blue's Varsity Match AND swim a Blues Time at Varsity

- Further Full Blues can be awarded at the Captains' and President's discretion to those who compete in the Blue's Varsity Match AND swim a Blues Time when representing Oxford University at another point in the season up to the 31st August.

A Blues Time is set at 585 Points for all events, using the FINA Points System (where 1000 points equals the current World Record). A Blues time can be swum on the first leg of a relay, but not as a relay split, or split during an event (i.e. a 200m split during a 400m cannot be used)

### Half Blues

- May be awarded to members of the club who swim in the Blues Varsity Match but do not achieve a Blues Time
- All members of the Open Water Channel Relay Team

All Half Blues are awarded at the Captains' and President's discretion

### Para Blues and Half Blues

- Full Blues are awarded to Para Athletes who achieve the required Full Blue Standard Time at any point during the season (including Varsity)
- Half Blues are awarded to Para Athletes who achieve the required Half Blue Standard Time at any point during the season (including Varsity)
- In order to gain a Full or Half Blue Status, a Para Swimmer must compete in the Para Varsity Race (or a BUCS Competition if the Para Varsity Race is not held – as this relies on a Para Swimmer from Cambridge).
- The qualification must be achieved while representing the University at a competition

## 2. Discretionary Full Blue

### American Football (Mixed)

A maximum of 20 players may be awarded a Half Blue if they play in the Varsity Match against Cambridge, displaying athletic excellence and commitment to the team.

Up to 5 awards may be upgraded to Discretionary Full Blue for team members who reach the Half Blue criteria and at least one of the following:

1. Be accepted onto high-level UK American football programmes such as the GB Lions (at any age level), the BUCS University All-Stars team, or the NFL Academy;
2. Have extensive international experience at an elevated level (i.e., NCAA Division I, II, III or equivalent; NAIA Division I, II or equivalent; NJCAA Division I, II, III or equivalent).

### Archery

#### Men's

Half Blues awarded to up to 3 of the Varsity Match team, provided they achieve a score with handicap 44 or better on the completed round.

Discretionary Full Blues can be awarded to archers who both:

1. Achieve a score with handicap of 37 or better in either the Varsity Match or BUCS Outdoors Competition, and either,
2. Achieve a top 10 placing in the scoring round at either BUCS Indoors or BUCS Outdoors in the Experienced Men's/Womens Recurve category or;
3. Achieve a Master Bowman classification in the current season.

#### Women's

Half Blues awarded to up to 3 of the Varsity Match team, provided they achieve a score with handicap 49 or better on the completed round.

Discretionary Full Blues can be awarded to archers who both:

1. Achieve a score with handicap of 42 or better in either the Varsity Match or BUCS Outdoors Competition, and either,
2. Achieve a top 10 placing in the scoring round at either BUC Indoors or BUCS Outdoors in the Experienced Women' Recurve category or;
3. Achieve a Master Bowman classification in the current season.

## Badminton

Up to 6 Half Blues awarded to players in each first team available for at least half of the BUCS matches for the first team and competing in the first team for the Varsity match against Cambridge.

Discretionary Full Blues must also reach the last 32 stage of the annual BUCS individuals' tournament.

Additionally, 6 Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded in each first team (women's and men's) should the first team finish 1st or 2nd in the Southern Premier League in that season or should the first team get promoted into Southern Premier League in that season.

## Canoe and Kayak

### Men's

Up to 6 Half Blues awarded at the discretion of the captain of OUCKC. Recommended guideline of 2 Discretionary Full Blues. **Criteria needed.**

### Women's

Half Blue awarded at captain's discretion to a member of the team who competes in at least three of the four disciplines of the Varsity competition. The team is defined as the top three paddlers in marathon or freestyle, top women's team of 3 for white water or the team of 8 for polo. This allows for up to 4 Half Blues, with 2 or 3 being the norm. A member of the club who has competed at national level in one of the disciplines.

Discretionary Full Blue can be awarded at captain's discretion to a member of the club who gains above excellent results in 1 or more disciplines e.g., in 2011 for two members who were the first university team in a K2 in the Devizes-Westminster race.

## Cycling

### OUCS Road Squad

Half Blues are awarded to the six fastest riders (3 men, 3 women) who compete in the Varsity 25-mile ITT.

A discretionary full blue may be awarded to anyone who participates in the Varsity Match and additionally meets at least one of the following criteria:

1. Place in the top 10 riders in any of the BUCS 10-mile ITT, BUCS 25-mile ITT, BUCS Road Race or BUCS Hill Climb.
2. Obtain a medal in the BUCS Team Time Trial.

3. Win either an individual medal, or a team medal, at the BUCS Track Championships.

For the purposes of awarding University Team Colours (at the captain's discretion), we consider our first team to be the nine riders who start the Varsity 25-mile ITT (in each of the men's and women's categories).

## **OUCC MTB Squad**

To obtain a Half Blue a rider must:

1. Be one of the 6 fastest riders (3 men, 3 women) in the Varsity Match team, and;
2. Qualify 5th or higher in a Gorick series (sport category or higher) or score points in any national: XC, Downhill, 4X or Enduro.

A Discretionary Full Blue may be awarded to anyone who participates in the Varsity Match and additionally meets at least one of the following criteria:

1. Podium (5 riders) at any national: XC, Downhill, 4X or Enduro or;
2. Be in the top 10% at the BUCS downhill race.

## **DanceSport (Mixed)**

For an Oxford University man to be considered for the award of a Discretionary Full Blue for DanceSport he must achieve the following (maximum of two awarded):

1. He must compete for the OUUC Varsity A-Team against Cambridge
2. He must reach the quarter finals of the team match at the IVDA Nationals competition ("IVDC");
3. He must reach the top 3 in his team dance in the IVDC team match;
4. He must compete in an external 'Pre-champ' competition and reach the final;
5. He must show true team commitment - he must train consistently hard and have a positive attitude toward his own and others training.

Half Blues are awarded to those who fulfil (1) and (2).

It is important to note that these are minimum requirements for a man/woman to be considered for a Discretionary Full Blue. Other factors will be considered including:

1. Opens results, including "Advanced-Four-Dance" competitions, as this shows individuals abilities across the full range of dances and not just the one team dance.
2. Comparison between individuals.

## **Gymnastics (Men's)**

Discretionary Full Blues are awarded for either:

A minimum score of 69.6 at the varsity match

or

A top 3 rank in a BUCS level 1 individual event

or

Gold in a BUCS level 2 individual event

Half Blues are awarded for either:

A score of 46.4 on a maximum of 4 pieces (their 4 best scores) at the varsity match

or

A podium finish in a BUCS level 2 individual event, beating at least 5 people.

## Handball

A maximum of 2 Discretionary Full Blues per team (so up to 4 in total), offered to the most impactful players;

1. Winning the Varsity match and;
2. Finishing Top 3 in BUCS

A maximum of 7 men and 7 women can be awarded Half Blues at the discretion of the club's president after consultation with the coach and team captains, to those players;

1. Who are in the starting line-up for the Varsity Game, and;
2. Who represent the club in at least 50% of games at the Handball University Championships

## Ice Hockey

### Men's

Up to twenty Half Blues are awarded to players in the Blues Varsity Match at the Captain's discretion.

Up to six Discretionary Full Blues awarded by the OUIHC Men's Blues Captain if one of the following is met:

1. The team finishes in the top 3 of the Division 1 university leagues (BUIHA Cup Competition) or;
2. The team finishes in the top 4 (i.e., a semi-final position) in the National Championship tournament

The recipient must have played the OUIHC Blues Varsity Match in that season and be a registered member of only OUIHC in that hockey season.

## Women's

Up to twenty Half Blues are awarded to players at the Captain's discretion who:

1. Compete in the Varsity Match; and
2. Play at least 50% of season's league matches.

In addition, up to two Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded to players, at the Captain's discretion, who meet the Half Blues criteria, if the team finishes in the top three of their division of the British Universities Ice Hockey Association (BUIHA).

## Judo

Up to 4 Half Blues to those with blue belts or higher who have medalled at BUCS or another major competition and won their Varsity Match fight. Discretionary Full Blues to those who have met the same criteria but usually with a black belt.

## Karate (Men's)

Half Blues awarded to all the Varsity Match team.

Recommended guideline of 3 Discretionary Full Blues. Criteria:

1. A medal at any national karate competition e.g., KUGB, SESSA, Student Nationals, BUSA championships, KUGB Nationals, and;
2. Participation in an A-team event at the Varsity Match. OR;
3. A black belt who competes in all 3 events (kumite, individual kata, and team kata) at the Varsity Match, at least 2 of which are A-team events, and;
4. Displays outstanding ability.

## Korfbal (Mixed)

Half-Blue may be awarded to any player in the 1st team Varsity match (starting player or substitute) who has played at least 50% of the match. Up to 12 Half-Blues may be awarded per year, by agreed decision of the 1st team captain, Club President, and 1st team coach.

Up to 4 Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded per year, by agreed decision of the President and 1st team captain. To be awarded a Discretionary Full Blue, players must meet the Half-Blue criteria and at least one of the following

1. Be on or have recently been on a national-level korfbal programme such as the British Student Korfbal Squad, or the BUCS National Korfbal Squad;
2. Be on or have recently been on the national team for their country.

## Lacrosse (Men's)

Half Blues awarded to up to 13 in the Varsity Match at the discretion of the Captain of OULC.

Maximum of 4 Discretionary Full Blues. Criteria - English Universities or equivalent level.

## Lightweight Rowing

### Men's

Up to 9 Half Blues awarded to those who race in the Men's Lightweight Crew against Cambridge in the Lightweight Boat Race.

The 8 Rowers of this crew may, with the approval of the President & Coaches, have their award exchanged for a Discretionary Full Blue if they achieve a time which is at most 2 GMT% away from the time achieved by the Openweight Blue Boat of the same year at a dedicated internal Time Trial, performed on a date agreed by the Coaches and Presidents of the Club.

The Coxswain of the crew is eligible for up to a Half Blue only.

### Women's

Up to 9 Half Blues awarded to those who race in the Women's Lightweight Crew against Cambridge in the Lightweight Boat Race.

The 8 Rowers of this crew may, with the approval of the President & Coaches, have their award exchanged for a Discretionary Full Blue if they achieve a time which is at most 2 GMT% away from the time achieved by the Openweight Blue Boat of the same year at a dedicated internal Time Trial, performed on a date agreed by the Coaches and Presidents of the Club.

The Coxswain of the crew is eligible for up to a Half Blue only.

## Modern Pentathlon (Men's)

Half Blues awarded to all those scoring 3,800 points or more in the Varsity Match, or equivalent standard competition.

Discretionary Full Blues awarded to all those scoring 4,800 points or more at the Varsity Match, or equivalent standard competition. Competitors must compete in all disciplines to be eligible for a Blues award.

## Motor Drivers

Half Blues may be awarded to up to a maximum of 4 of the Varsity match team, for achieving one of the following conditions:

- If the Varsity match is won, awarded to the four highest scoring club drivers (out of 12);
- Or, if the Varsity match is lost, awarded to any driver who finishes in the top 6 of 24;
- If a driver reaches the final of the British Indoor Karting Championships (BUKC);
- If any driver finishes in the top 6 in two races in the Intermediate BUKC.

Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded to the 4 highest scoring Oxford team members (across the Championship) if they qualify for Premier BUKC.

## Pistol

### Men's

A maximum of one full blue can be awarded per year if the shooter was in the first men's team for both Varsity matches and either scored over 560 out of 600 in the small-bore Varsity or over 390/400 in the full-bore varsity. Half-blues are awarded to all the members of the first men's team in both Varsity matches.

### Women's

A maximum of one full blue can be awarded per year if the shooter was in the first team for both Varsity matches and either scored over 560/600 in the small-bore Varsity or over 380/400 in the full-bore varsity. Half-blues are awarded to all women who were members of the first men's team and to all women who scored over 560/600 in the Women's Varsity match.

# Polo

## Men's

Half Blues awarded to players in the Varsity Team who play in the Varsity Match, with a maximum of 4 to be awarded each year.

A maximum of 1 Discretionary Full Blue awarded each year to a player in the Varsity A/First Team – this would be awarded if the Varsity game is won, to a player with a handicap of zero or above, at the Chairman's discretion.

## Women's

Maximum of 4 Half Blues awarded to players who play in the mixed Varsity 'A' team match, awarded at the captain's discretion.

One Discretionary Full Blue may be awarded to a member of the Varsity 'A' team at the Chairman's discretion, providing that the Varsity match is won, and they have a handicap of 0 or above.

# Powerlifting

OUPLC, at the captains' discretion, shall award Half Blues to those who have met all the following criteria:

1. Compete in the Varsity match;
2. If eligible and selected, compete at the British University Championships in April of the same academic year;
3. Or, if not selected, compete at another GBPF sanctioned meet before the start of the next academic year;
4. Achieve an IPF GL score of at least 67.5 for women or 75 for men.

A Half Blue may be upgraded to a discretionary Full Blue if a lifter has met all the above criteria and meets the additional criteria:

1. Achieve an IPF GL score of at least 75 for women or 82.5 for men.

# Real Tennis

## Men's

Half Blues awarded to up to 4 in the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain of OUTC.

A Discretionary Full Blue may be awarded if a player achieves a handicap of 15 or lower in the season of the Varsity Match.

## Women's

Half Blues awarded to up to 4 in the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain of OUTC.

A Discretionary Full Blue may be awarded if a player achieves a handicap of 35 or lower in the season of the Varsity Match.

## Rifle

### Men's

A member can gain a Half Blue by achieving any one of the following:

1. Scoring above 190 in the Heslop;
2. Scoring above 140 in the Chancellors;
3. Scoring above 190 in the Benata;
4. For individual performance when shooting in the Humphrey match at the captain's discretion, and (if necessary) with the advice of any external coaches.

A member can gain a Discretionary Full Blue by completing two out of the following four criteria in the same academic year:

1. A score of 195 or above in the Heslop;
2. A score of 145 or above in the Chancellors;
3. A score of 218 or above in the Humphrey;
4. Shooting for Great Britain at national or junior international (U25) level.

### Women's

Up to 8 Half Blues awarded to women scoring over 190/200 points in the Women's Varsity Match, or who fire on the OURC 1st Team in the Varsity Match.

A member may be awarded a Discretionary Full Blue if any two of the following criteria are filled

1. A score of 195/200 or above in the Heslop;
2. 2 points below the GB Kolapore average score or better in the Chancellors, excluding each shooter's V-bull score and the overall score of any shooter who scores at least one zero-scoring shot. The average should be rounded as normal;
3. The average score of the top 3 teams in the Elcho, or better, in the Humphry.

## Rugby League (Men's)

Discretionary Full Blues awarded to up to 13 members of the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain.

Up to 4 Half Blues can be awarded to others in the Blues Varsity Team.

## Ski & Snowboard

### Men's

Half Blues awarded to the top 4 Blues racers at Varsity with a further 2 awarded at the captain's discretion.

Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded if a Varsity racer meets one of the following criteria:

1. Under 150 FIS points;
2. Has been in the top 10 in the BUSC slalom or giant slalom;
3. Wins overall at Varsity;
4. Both top 3 overall at Varsity and also has been in the top 15 in the BUSC slalom or giant slalom.

A maximum of 2 can be awarded per year at the captain's discretion.

### Women's

6 Half Blues awards maximum awarded, at the captain's discretion, to women who compete for the Blues team at the Varsity match.

A Discretionary Full Blue may be awarded to a racer on the blues team who:

1. Wins the Slalom or Giant Slalom at Varsity, or;
2. Comes top 3 overall at Varsity, or;
3. Has a top 10 BUSC performance in Slalom or Giant Slalom.

A maximum of 2 Discretionary Full Blue awards may be given each year.

## Table Tennis

### Men's

Discretionary Full Blues are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain and committee, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Men's 1st team with 50+% singles win rate;
- 60+% win rate in BUCS league and/or cup in at least 4 matches;
- Reaching the last 32 in BUCS individuals; (previously the requirement was last 16, revised to 32 to make it equal between men's and women's)
- Consistent participation in the Blues Performance Scheme; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training.

Half Blues are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Men's 1st team without Discretionary Full Blue;
- Consistent participation in the Blues Performance Scheme; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training.

Team Colours are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Men's 1st team without Half Blue; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training;

OR

- Varsity Men's 2nd team; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training.

## Women's

Discretionary Full Blues are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain and committee, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Women's 1st team with 50+% singles win rate;
- 60+% win rate in BUCS league and/or cup in at least 4 matches;
- Reaching the last 32 in BUCS individuals;
- Consistent participation in the Blues Performance Scheme; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training.

Half Blues are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Women's 1st team without Discretionary Full Blue;
- Consistent participation in the Blues Performance Scheme; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training.

Team Colours are awarded at the discretion of the OUTTC captain, subject to the minimum requirements:

- Varsity Women's 1st team without Half Blue; and
- Consistent showing at Squad Training

# Tae Kwon Do

## Men's

Max. 15 awarded. Players may receive a Half Blue if they are a member of the Varsity Team and win their fight in the Varsity Match.

Discretionary Full Blues awarded to members who:

1. Are a member of Varsity A team;
2. Win their Varsity Match fight, and;
3. Have a grade of blue belt (4th cup) or higher.

## Women's

5 Half Blues maximum, awarded to 1st team Varsity Match members.

A Discretionary Full Blue may be made for any team member that is at least a blue belt AND wins their individual fight at the Varsity Match.

# Trampolining

## Men's

Half Blues awarded to those who:

1. Compete in Varsity, and;
2. Gain at least 50 points, or an equivalent standard on the new code of points, (excluding ToF points) in BUCS 3, 2 or 1 OR SUTL 3 or above.

Discretionary Full Blues awarded to those who:

1. Compete in and score in the top 6 at the Varsity Match, and;
2. Gain at least 53 points, or an equivalent standard on the new code of points, (excluding ToF points) in BUCS 2 or above OR SUTL 2 or above.

## Women's

Half Blues awarded to those who:

1. Compete in and score in the top 8 at the Varsity Match, and;
2. Gain at least 50 points, or an equivalent standard on the new code of points, (excluding ToF points) in BUCS 3, 2 or 1 OR SUTL 3 or above.

Discretionary Full Blues awarded to those who:

1. Compete in and score in the top 6 at the Varsity Match, and;
2. Gain at least 53 points, or an equivalent standard on the new code of points, (excluding ToF points) in BUCS 2 or above OR SUTL 2 or above.

## Triathlon

### Men's

Half Blues may be awarded to those who finish in the top 6 Oxford men at the Varsity Sprint Triathlon.

Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded to those who fulfil the Half Blue criteria by coming in the top 3 positions at Varsity Sprint Triathlon and also achieve one of the following during the same academic year:

1. Finish in the top 20 positions at the BUCS Sprint or BUCS Standard Distance Triathlon.
2. Finish in the top 10 in an international triathlon race, such as an AG World/European Champs, ETU/ITU/WTS race, or Ironman/Ironman 70.3 distance World Championship race.

### Women's

Half Blues may be awarded to those who finish in the top 6 Oxford women at the Varsity Sprint Triathlon.

Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded to those who fulfil the Half Blue criteria by coming in the top 3 positions at Varsity Sprint Triathlon and also achieve one of the following during the same academic year:

3. Finish in the top 20 positions at the BUCS Sprint or BUCS Standard Distance Triathlon.
4. Finish in the top 10 in an international triathlon race, such as an AG World/European Champs, ETU/ITU/WTS race, or Ironman/Ironman 70.3 distance World Championship race.

## Volleyball (Women's)

13 Awards Maximum: Awarded to women who play in the Varsity Match, compete in 50% of BUCS league matches, attend at least 70% of training sessions, and fulfil any one of the following criteria:

1. Win the Varsity Match;
2. Top 6 in EVA Student Cup;
3. Top 6 ranking in BUCS Finals;
4. Remain in, or be promoted into, BUCs Premier League South

# Water Polo

## Men's

1. Half Blues awarded to the first 7 in the water. Additional Half Blues available to up to 6 others at the discretion of the captain of OUWPC.
2. Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded if the team places within the top three in BUCS 'Premier South'. If this criteria is met, Full Blues may be awarded to the starting 7 with up to 6 Half Blues being available to be awarded by the Men's Captain.
3. Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded if the team places within the top two in BUCS 'Premier South' or reaches the semi-final of BUCS. If either of these criteria are met, Full Blues may be awarded to the starting 7 with up to 6 more being available to be awarded by the Men's Captain.

## Women's

1. Half Blues awarded to the first 7 in the water. Additional Half Blues available to up to 6 others at the discretion of the captain of OUWPC.
2. Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded if the team places within the top three in BUCS 'Premier South'. If this criteria is met, Full Blues may be awarded to the starting 7 with up to 6 Half Blues being available to be awarded by the Women's Captain.
3. Discretionary Full Blues may be awarded if the team places within the top two in BUCS 'Premier South' or reaches the semi-final of BUCS. If either of these criteria are met, Full Blues may be awarded to the starting 7 with up to 6 more being available to be awarded by the Women's Captain.

## **3. Half Blue**

### **Aussie Rules Football**

#### **Men's**

Up to 6 Half Blues at the Captain's Discretion (and that of the Executive Committee).

#### **Women's**

Up to 6 Half Blue Awards are given to participants in the Varsity Match at the discretion of the Women's Captain and the Executive Committee.

### **Baseball**

Up to ten Half Blues awarded at the captain's discretion to players appearing in the Varsity Match (across both Men and Women).

### **Cheerleading (Mixed)**

A maximum of 50% of 1st team athletes, but no greater than 10, will be awarded Half Blues, at the president and coaches' discretion, if the team places in the division's top 3 at Future Cheer University Nationals and wins the 1st team Varsity.

### **Clay Pigeon Shooting**

To be awarded a Half-Blue an individual must compete at Varsity and BUCS competitions. Additionally, an individual must score in the top 4 Oxford shots in their category (Men's or Ladies) at the Varsity match regardless of squadding.

A maximum of 8 Half-Blues could be awarded (4 men and 4 ladies) each year at the captain's discretion.

### **Competition Dance**

Up to 7 Half Blues to be given at the President's discretion, prioritising the 7 people in the routine which achieves the highest Varsity or inter-university competition score. Beyond that, remaining awards will be

given based on outstanding contribution to dance pieces, either through choreography or particularly high-level skills.

## Croquet

Half Blues awarded to up to 6 in the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain of OUCC, provided they are of a set standard, with a handicap of 8 or less.

## Eton Fives

### Men's

Half Blues awarded to all 6 in the Varsity Match team.

### Women's

Half Blues to those who play in the first 3 pairs in the Varsity Match. Must also win a Varsity Match game or reach quarter finals in Ladies National Competition

## Gliding (Mixed)

Half Blues are awarded to up to 5 participants in the Varsity Match, at the discretion of the captain. As gliding is such a weather-dependent sport, we are unable to determine a set number of points for rewarding Half Blues. Score informs one part of our decision making, and this is combined with knowledge of how difficult the conditions were in order to make our decision for a Half Blue.

## Kendo (Mixed)

Up to 5 Half Blues may be awarded, at the captain's discretion, to those in the mixed 1st team in the Varsity Match.

## Kickboxing

Half Blues will be awarded to individuals who:

1. Show good commitment to training throughout the year according to the coach's discretion;
2. Regular participation in sparring sessions in regular classes;
3. Obligatory participation in competition training sessions run for fighting squad only;
4. Participation in at least one additional competition, such as Cuppers and Town vs. Gown;
5. Participation in Varsity;
6. Have graded at least a yellow belt.

## Lacrosse (Mixed)

Half Blues may be awarded to up to 4 men and 12 women, who must play minimum 8 minutes in the Varsity Match and play in at least 50% league matches, dependent on a Varsity Match win or a top 3 position in the league by the end of the season.

## Mountaineering

A Half Blue is awarded to an athlete fulfilling the following criteria in the same season:

- Competes in Varsity qualifiers, AND
- Finishes in the top 16% in BUCS or Competes in Varsity finals.

Up to a maximum of 6 awards.

## Orienteering

### Men's

Half Blues may be awarded to those in the Varsity Blues Team finishing the Varsity Match within 150% (Silver Standard time) of the time of the course winner. Those who do not meet the requirements may be awarded Half Blues at the captain's discretion provided they meet the following criteria:

- 1) The runner has started the Varsity Match as part of the preselected Varsity Blues Team.
- 2) The runner has achieved a Championship Standard time (within 125% of the winning time, subject to other requirements listed in BOF Competition Rule N Issue 2.3)) at two of the listed races in the twelve months preceding the Varsity Match, while running their elite age category course (i.e. M20E, M21E):
  - a) BUCS individual (course A)
  - b) British Long Distance or Middle Distance or Sprint Distance Championships
  - c) JK combined Long and Middle Distance race
  - d) JK Sprint Distance race

### Women's

Half Blues may be awarded to those in the Varsity Blues Team finishing the Varsity Match within 150% (Silver Standard time) of the time of the course winner. Those who do not meet the requirements may be awarded Half Blues at the captain's discretion provided they meet the following criteria:

- 1) The runner has started the Varsity Match as part of the preselected Varsity Blues Team.

- 2) The runner has achieved a Championship Standard time (within 125% of the winning time, subject to other requirements listed in BOF Competition Rule N Issue 2.3) at two of the listed races in the twelve months preceding the Varsity Match, while running their elite age category course (i.e. W20E, W21E):
- a) BUCS individual (course A)
  - b) British Long Distance or Middle Distance or Sprint Distance Championships
  - c) JK combined Long and Middle Distance race
  - d) JK Sprint Distance race

## Rugby Fives

### Men's

Half Blues awarded to up to 4 in the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain of OURFvC.

### Women's

Half Blues awarded to up to 3 in the Varsity Match team at the discretion of the captain of OURFvC.

## Touch Rugby

Up to 8 Half Blues at Presidents discretion for those who compete in Mixed Varsity Match and when the team compete in the national rounds of BUCS.

## Ultimate Frisbee

Half Blues to be awarded to 7 players in the Mixed Firsts Varsity Match, with a maximum of 3 more at the captain's discretion in particularly strong years.

## Volleyball (Men's)

Half Blues awarded to all who play in the Varsity Match team up to a maximum of 13.

## Yacht

The Racing Captain can award at their discretion up to 8 Half Blues to the team members who compete at Varsity and BUSA, as long as the team places at least 12th in the overall University rankings at BUSA.