

**THE EMIRATES FA CUP  
SEASON 2020-2021  
LIST OF EXEMPTIONS**

**44 CLUBS EXEMPT TO THIRD ROUND PROPER**

AFC Bournemouth	Everton FC	Queens Park Rangers FC
Arsenal FC	Fulham FC	Reading FC
Aston Villa FC	Huddersfield Town FC	Rotherham United FC
Barnsley FC	Leeds United AFC	Sheffield United FC
Birmingham City FC	Leicester City FC	Sheffield Wednesday FC
Blackburn Rovers FC	Liverpool FC	Southampton FC
Brentford FC	Luton Town FC	Stoke City FC
Brighton & Hove Albion FC	Manchester City FC	Swansea City FC
Bristol City FC	Manchester United FC	Tottenham Hotspur FC
Burnley FC	Middlesbrough FC	Watford FC
Cardiff City FC	Millwall FC	West Bromwich Albion FC
Chelsea FC	Newcastle United FC	West Ham United FC
Coventry City FC	Norwich City FC	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC
Crystal Palace FC	Nottingham Forest FC	Wycombe Wanderers FC
Derby County FC	Preston North End FC	

**48 CLUBS EXEMPT TO FIRST ROUND PROPER**

Accrington Stanley FC	Exeter City FC	Oxford United FC
AFC Wimbledon	Fleetwood Town FC	Peterborough United FC
Barrow AFC	Forest Green Rovers FC	Plymouth Argyle FC
Blackpool FC	Gillingham FC	Port Vale FC
Bolton Wanderers FC	Grimsby Town FC	Portsmouth FC
Bradford City FC	Harrogate Town FC	Rochdale AFC
Bristol Rovers FC	Hull City	Salford City FC
Burton Albion FC	Ipswich Town FC	Scunthorpe United FC
Cambridge United FC	Leyton Orient FC	Shrewsbury Town FC
Carlisle United AFC	Lincoln City FC	Southend United FC
Charlton Athletic FC	Mansfield Town FC	Stevenage FC
Cheltenham Town FC	Milton Keynes Dons FC	Sunderland AFC
Colchester United FC	Morecambe FC	Swindon Town FC
Crawley Town FC	Newport County AFC	Tranmere Rovers FC
Crewe Alexandra FC	Northampton Town FC	Walsall FC
Doncaster Rovers FC	Oldham Athletic AFC	Wigan Athletic FC

**24 CLUBS EXEMPT TO FOURTH ROUND QUALIFYING**

Aldershot Town FC	Eastleigh FC	Stockport County FC
Altrincham FC	FC Halifax Town	Sutton United FC
Barnet FC	Hartlepool United FC	Torquay United FC
Boreham Wood FC	King's Lynn Town FC	Wealdstone FC
Bromley FC	Macclesfield Town FC	Weymouth FC
Chesterfield FC	Maidenhead United FC	Woking FC
Dagenham & Redbridge FC	Notts County FC	Wrexham AFC
Dover Athletic FC	Solihull Moors FC	Yeovil Town FC

**43 CLUBS EXEMPT TO SECOND ROUND QUALIFYING**

AFC Fylde	Blyth Spartans AFC	Chelmsford City FC
AFC Telford United	Boston United FC	Chester FC
Alfreton Town FC	Brackley Town FC	Chippenham Town FC
Bath City FC	Bradford (Park Avenue) CFC	Chorley FC
Billericay Town FC	Braintree Town FC	Concord Rangers FC

Curzon Ashton FC  
Darlington FC  
Dartford FC  
Dorking Wanderers FC  
Dulwich Hamlet FC  
Eastbourne Borough FC  
Ebbsfleet United FC  
Farsley Celtic FC  
Gateshead FC  
Gloucester City FC

Guiseley AFC  
Hampton & Richmond Borough  
Havant & Waterlooville FC  
Hemel Hempstead Town FC  
Hereford FC  
Hungerford Town FC  
Kettering Town FC  
Kidderminster Harriers FC  
Leamington FC  
Maidstone United FC

Oxford City FC  
Slough Town FC  
Southport FC  
Spennymoor Town FC  
St Albans City FC  
Tonbridge Angels FC  
Welling United FC  
York City FC

#### **\*74 CLUBS EXEMPT TO FIRST ROUND QUALIFYING**

AFC Rushden & Diamonds  
Alvechurch FC  
Atherton Collieries FC  
Bamber Bridge FC  
Banbury United FC  
Barwell FC  
Basford United FC  
Beaconsfield Town FC  
Biggleswade Town FC  
Bishop's Stortford FC  
Bognor Regis Town FC  
Brightlingsea Regent FC  
Bromsgrove Sporting FC  
Buxton FC  
Chesham United FC  
Cheshunt FC  
Corinthian Casuals FC  
Cray Wanderers FC  
Dorchester Town FC  
East Thurrock United FC  
Enfield Town FC  
FC United of Manchester  
Folkestone Invicta FC  
Gainsborough Trinity FC  
Gosport Borough FC

Grantham Town FC  
Haringey Borough FC  
Hayes & Yeading United FC  
Hednesford Town FC  
Hendon FC  
Hitchin Town FC  
Hornchurch FC  
Horsham FC  
Hyde United FC  
Kings Langley FC  
Lancaster City FC  
Leatherhead FC  
Lewes FC  
Lowestoft Town FC  
Margate FC  
Merstham FC  
Merthyr Town FC  
Metropolitan Police FC  
Mickleover Sports FC  
Morpeth Town FC  
Nantwich Town FC  
Needham Market FC  
Nuneaton Borough FC  
Peterborough Sports FC  
Poole Town FC

Potters Bar Town FC  
Radcliffe FC  
Redditch United FC  
Rushall Olympic FC  
Salisbury FC  
Scarborough Athletic FC  
South Shields FC  
St Ives Town FC  
Stafford Rangers FC  
Stourbridge FC  
Stratford Town FC  
Swindon Supermarine FC  
Tamworth FC  
Taunton Town FC  
Tiverton Town FC  
Truro City FC  
Walton Casuals FC  
Warrington Town FC  
Weston Super Mare FC  
Whitby Town FC  
Wingate & Finchley FC  
Witton Albion FC  
Worthing FC  
Yate Town FC

*\*There will be 13 Step 3 Clubs (in bold below) that are not exempt to the First Round Qualifying and will instead enter the Competition in the Preliminary Round.*

#### **\*136 CLUBS EXEMPT TO PRELIMINARY ROUND**

AFC Totton  
Ashford Town (Middx) FC  
Ashford United FC  
**Ashton United FC**  
Aveley FC  
Aylesbury United FC  
Barking FC  
Barnstaple Town FC  
Barton Rovers FC  
Basildon United FC  
Bedfont Sports Club FC  
Bedford Town FC  
Bedworth United FC  
Belper Town FC

Berkhamsted FC  
Bideford AFC  
Biggleswade FC  
**Bowers & Pitsea FC**  
Bracknell Town FC  
Brentwood Town FC  
Brighouse Town FC  
Bristol Manor Farm FC  
Burgess Hill Town FC  
Bury Town FC  
Cambridge City FC  
Canvey Island FC  
**Carshalton Athletic FC**  
Chalfont St Peter AFC

Chasetown FC  
Chertsey Town FC  
Chichester City FC  
Chipstead FC  
Cinderford Town FC  
Cirencester Town FC  
City Of Liverpool FC  
Cleethorpes Town FC  
Clitheroe FC  
**Coalville Town FC**  
Coggeshall Town FC  
Coleshill Town FC  
Corby Town FC  
Cray Valley (PM) FC

Daventry Town FC  
Dereham Town FC  
Didcot Town FC  
Droylsden FC  
Dunston FC  
East Grinstead Town FC  
Evesham United FC  
**Farnborough FC**  
Faversham Town FC  
FC Romania  
Felixstowe & Walton United FC  
Frickley Athletic FC  
Frome Town FC  
Glossop North End FC  
Grays Athletic FC  
Great Wakering Rovers FC  
Halesowen Town FC  
Hanwell Town FC  
**Harrow Borough FC**  
**Hartley Wintney FC**  
Hastings United FC  
Haywards Heath Town FC  
Herne Bay FC  
Hertford Town FC  
Heybridge Swifts FC  
Highworth Town FC  
Histon FC  
Hythe Town FC  
Ilkeston Town FC  
Kempston Rovers FC  
Kendal Town FC  
Kidlington FC

Kidsgrove Athletic FC  
**Kingstonian FC**  
Larkhall Athletic FC  
Leek Town FC  
**Leiston FC**  
Lincoln United FC  
Loughborough Dynamo FC  
Maldon & Tiptree FC  
Mangotsfield United FC  
Marine FC  
Market Drayton Town FC  
Marlow FC  
**Matlock Town FC**  
Melksham Town FC  
Moneyfields FC  
Mossley AFC  
Newcastle Town FC  
North Leigh FC  
Northwood FC  
Ossett United FC  
Paulton Rovers FC  
Pontefract Collieries FC  
Prescot Cables FC  
Ramsbottom United FC  
Ramsgate FC  
**Royston Town FC**  
Runcorn Linnets FC  
Sevenoaks Town FC  
Sheffield FC  
Sholing FC  
Sittingbourne FC  
Slimbridge AFC

Soham Town Rangers FC  
South Park FC  
Staines Town FC  
**Stalybridge Celtic FC**  
Stamford AFC  
Stocksbridge Park Steels FC  
Sutton Coldfield Town FC  
Tadcaster Albion FC  
Thame United FC  
Thatcham Town FC  
Three Bridges FC  
Tilbury FC  
Tooting & Mitcham United FC  
Trafford FC  
Uxbridge FC  
VCD Athletic FC  
Waltham Abbey FC  
Wantage Town FC  
Welwyn Garden City FC  
Westfield FC  
Whitehawk FC  
Whitstable Town FC  
Widnes FC  
**Wimborne Town FC**  
Winchester City FC  
Wisbech Town FC  
Witham Town FC  
Workington AFC  
Worksop Town FC  
Yaxley FC

*There will be 16 Step 4 Clubs (listed below) that are not exempt to the Preliminary Round and will instead enter the Competition in the Extra Preliminary Round.*

**(16) Step 4 Clubs**

AFC Dunstable  
AFC Sudbury  
Basingstoke Town FC  
Carlton Town FC  
Colne FC  
Harlow Town FC  
Hullbridge Sports FC  
Marske United FC  
Phoenix Sports FC  
Pickering Town FC  
Romford FC  
Spalding United FC  
St Neots Town FC  
Ware FC  
Whyteleafe FC  
Willand Rovers FC