

RIGHT RESULT – MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2008

- How the Premier League table should look -

Welcome to the monthly report for October from all the team at the Right Result.

Our mission is simple, to show you how the Premier League would look if the match officials got all their key decisions right.

Our table is based on results that don't include dodgy off-sides, iffy penalties or blatant incidents of the ball crossing the line.

Each week the **Right Result panel** analyses the latest doubtful goal incidents, applies the strict rules of the game to them and passes an impartial judgement on whether or not questionable decisions should stand.

The panel is a neutral and independent body, comprised of members from the Association of Football Statisticians (www.11v11.com).

Although it still early days in the 2008-09 campaign, already 16 of the 20 teams find themselves in different positions when comparing the Premier League table to the Right Result table.

There does remain one certainty though in the midst of football's madness. That is the ability of the men in the middle to make decisions that both frustrate and anger all sides!

Enjoy

Please find below the Right Result League Table up to and including 30 September 2008.

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Right Result	EPL	Team	Played	w	D	Ľ	F	A	GD	RR Points	EPL
1	2	Liverpool	6	4	2	0	7	2	5	14	14
2	3	Aston Villa	6	4	1	1	12	8	4	13	13
3	1	Chelsea	6	3	3	0	13	4	9	12	14
4	4	Arsenal	6	4	0	2	11	4	7	12	12
5	5	West Ham United	6	4	0	2	13	12	1	12	12
6	6	Hull City	6	3	2	1	9	11	-2	11	11
7	8	Manchester City	6	3	1	2	18	10	8	10	9
8	11	Manchester United	5	2	2	1	5	4	1	8	8
9	14	Everton	6	2	2	2	10	12	-2	8	7
10	10	Wigan Athletic	6	1	4	1	10	6	4	7	8
11	16	Middlesbrough	6	2	1	3	8	9	-1	7	6
12	13	Sunderland	6	2	1	3	6	8	-2	7	7
13	19	Newcastle United	6	2	1	3	6	10	-4	7	4
14	9	Portsmouth	6	2	1	3	7	14	-7	7	9
15	17	Bolton Wanderers	6	2	0	4	6	7	-1	6	4
16	15	Fulham	5	2	0	3	5	6	-1	6	6
17	12	WBA	6	2	0	4	6	8	-2	6	7
18	7	Blackburn Rovers	6	1	2	3	7	13	-6	S	10
19	18	Stoke City	6	1	1	4	7	13	-6	4	4
20	2.0	Tottenham Hotspur	6	0	2	4	5	10	-5	2	2

HIGHLIGHTS

Contained within the monthly report is a feast of stats and analysis of the games officials and how their decisions have a direct impact upon both teams and players.

Here are just some of the highlights:

- The top three match the Premier League but with Chelsea dropping down below Liverpool and Aston Villa.
- Blackburn Rovers plummet and incredible 11 positions and fall into the relegation zone.
- Chris Foy earns Right Result respect with no scoreline changing errors from his first four games.
- Only five teams still await their first Right Result judgement of the new season.
- So far this season there have been 15 games (or 25.42%) that have had their scoreline changed.
- Newcastle United are the big winners with three points added to their Premier League tally.
- New boys Hull City, Stoke City and West Bromwich Albion have only three Right Result decisions between them.

Our team have provided a full break down of stats and facts relating to the Right Result including:

- Winners & losers table
- referee performance table
- full list and description of scoreline changing errors
- team breakdown
- type of errors made
- player breakdown

ALL DETAILS ARE CORRECT UP TO AND INCLUDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

ABOUT US

The origins of The Right Result can be found in long-held adage that "luck evens itself out over a season".

Set up by Khaled Abdullah at the start of the 2006-07 Premiership season the website (www.rightresult.net) aimed to find out whether or not those words held true, and during the course of that first season discovered that resoundingly they did not.

A number of teams either variously benefited or were penalised by errors made by officialdom over the course of the season, with the resultant implications ranging from the cost of European places to the far greater cost of relegation from the Premier League.

The national coverage that the website received and the interest level generated as a result of it has lead to a broader and more analytical approach to this season's findings, which can be viewed in our weekly preview email and monthly statistics package.

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Winners & Losers Right Result Table

Pos		Incidents For	Points Added	Incidents Against	Points Deducted	Total Incidents	Net Points + / -
1	Newcastle United	2	3	0	0	2	3
2	Bolton Wanderers	3	2	0	0	3	2
3	Manchester City	2	1	1	0	3	1
4	Everton	2	1	0	0	2	1
5	Middlesbrough	2	1	0	0	2	1
6	Tottenham Hotspur	1	0	1	0	2	0
7	West Ham United	0	0	2	0	2	0
8	Arsenal	0	0	1	0	1	0
9	Manchester United	0	0	1	0	1	0
10	Stoke City	0	0	1	0	1	0
11	Aston Villa	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Fulham	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Hull City	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Liverpool	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Sunderland	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Wigan Athletic	1	1	1	2	2	-1
17	West Bromwich Albion	0	0	1	1	1	-1
18	Chelsea	1	0	1	2	2	-2
19	Portsmouth	0	0	2	2	2	-2
20	Blackburn Rovers	1	0	3	5	4	-5

Referee Performance Table

Our Referee Performance Table also shows you which official has made the most game changing errors. (In our weekly reports, we look forward to the coming weekend's action and there are profiles of the games. In them, you will see which official is taking charge of each game and view a breakdown of their incorrect decisions so far this season.)

Forename	Surname	Number of matches	Scoreline changing errors	Average number of scoreline changing errors per match
Keith	Stroud	1	1	1.00
Steve	Tanner	3	2	0.67
Stuart	Attwell	2	1	0.50
Steve	Bennett	5	2	0.40
Alan	Wiley	5	2	0.40
Mark	Halsey	3	1	0.33
Martin	Atkinson	4	1	0.25
Andre	Marriner	4	1	0.25
Rob	Styles	4	1	0.25
Mike	Riley	5	1	0.20
Howard	Webb	5	1	0.20
Mike	Dean	6	1	0.17
Michael	Jones	1	0	0.00
Lee	Mason	1	0	0.00
Phil	Dowd	2	0	0.00
Lee	Probert	2	0	0.00
Peter	Walton	2	0	0.00
Chris	Foy	4	0	0.00

Here are the details of the incidents during the 2008-09 Premier League season that the Right Result panel have decided are scoreline changing errors.

Scoreline Changing Errors

		DATE			ACTUAL		•	RIGHT		^	DECODIDITION
		DATE	HOME	AWAY	RESULT	Н	Α	RESULT	Н	A	DESCRIPTION
											Manchester City should have been
			Manchester	West Ham		_		/		_	awarded a penalty for handball by
Howard	Webb	24/08/2008	City	United	HW	3	0	HW	4	0	Lucas Neill.
											Bolton Wanderers should have
		/ /	Bolton	West Bromwich	_	_	_			_	been awarded a penalty for a foul
Keith	Stroud	30/08/2008	Wanderers	Albion	D	0	0	HW	1	0	by Leon Barnett on Kevin Nolan.
											Blackburn Rovers' goal which was
											ruled out for offside should have
			West Ham	Blackburn							stood as Matt Derbyshire was in an
Mike	Riley	30/08/2008	United	Rovers	HW	4	1	HW	4	2	onside position.
											Chelsea should have been
			Manchester								awarded a penalty for a foul by
Mark	Halsey	13/09/2008	City	Chelsea	AW	1	3	AW	1	4	Micah Richards on Nicolas Anelka.
											Middlesbrough should have been
											awarded a penalty for a foul by
Stuart	Attwell	13/09/2008	Portsmouth	Middlesbrough	HW	2	1	D	2	2	Nadir Belhadj on Stewart Downing.
											Everton should have been awarded
											a penalty for handball by Leon
Alan	Wiley	13/09/2008	Stoke City	Everton	AW	2	3	AW	2	4	Cort.
											Arsenal's first goal should have
			Bolton								been disallowed as Emmanuel
Steve	Bennett	20/09/2008	Wanderers	Arsenal	AW	1	3	AW	1	2	Eboue was in an offside position.
											Manchester United should not have
			Manchester	Bolton							had a penalty for Jlloyd Samuel's
Rob	Styles	27/09/2008	United	Wanderers	HW	2	0	HW	1	0	alleged foul on Cristiano Ronaldo.
											Blackburn Rovers's first goal
											should have been disallowed as
			Newcastle	Blackburn							Christopher Samba was in an
Steve	Tanner	27/09/2008	United	Rovers	AW	1	2	HW	2	1	offside position.

Scoreline Changing Errors [Continued]

					ACTUAL			RIGHT			
		DATE	HOME	AWAY	RESULT	Н	А	RESULT	Н	А	DESCRIPTION
			Newcastle	Blackburn							Newcastle United should have been awarded a penalty for handball by
Steve	Tanner	27/09/2008	United	Rovers	AW	1	2	HW	2	1	Martin Olsson.
				Tottenham							Tottenham Hotspur should have been awarded a penalty for handball by
Mike	Dean	28/09/2008	Portsmouth	Hotspur	HW	2	0	HW	2	1	Lassana Diarra.
			Wigan	Manchester							Manchester City should have been awarded a penalty for a foul by Emile
Steve	Bennett	28/09/2008	Athletic	City	HW	2	1	D	2	2	Heskey on Richard Dunne.

Scorelines changed by Right Result Panel

DATE			HOME TEAM	AWAY TEAM	Actual Result	Home	Away	Right Result	Home	Away
16/08/2008	Andre	Marriner	Everton	Blackburn Rovers	AW	2	3	D	2	2
16/08/2008	Martin	Atkinson	Middlesbrough	Tottenham Hotspur	HW	2	1	HW	3	1
24/08/2008	Howard	Webb	Manchester City	West Ham United	HW	3	0	HW	4	0
24/08/2008	Alan	Wiley	Wigan Athletic	Chelsea	AW	0	1	D	1	1
30/08/2008	Keith	Stroud	Bolton Wanderers	West Bromwich Albion	D	0	0	HW	1	0
30/08/2008	Mike	Riley	West Ham United	Blackburn Rovers	HW	4	1	HW	4	2
13/09/2008	Mark	Halsey	Manchester City	Chelsea	AW	1	3	AW	1	4
13/09/2008	Stuart	Attwell	Portsmouth	Middlesbrough	HW	2	1	D	2	2
14/09/2008	Alan	Wiley	Stoke City	Everton	AW	2	3	AW	2	4
20/09/2008	Steve	Bennett	Bolton Wanderers	Arsenal	AW	1	3	AW	1	2
27/09/2008	Rob	Styles	Manchester United	Bolton Wanderers	HW	2	0	HW	1	0
27/09/2008	Steve	Tanner	Newcastle United	Blackburn Rovers	AW	1	2	HW	2	1
28/09/2008	Mike	Dean	Portsmouth	Tottenham Hotspur	HW	2	0	HW	2	1
28/09/2008	Steve	Bennett	Wigan Athletic	Manchester City	HW	2	1	D	2	2

This tables shows how many times each team has been involved in a scoreline changing decision.

Decisions by team

Pos		Games Played	Home Team	Away team	Total
1	Blackburn Rovers	6	0	3	3
2	Bolton Wanderers	6	2	1	3
3	Manchester City	6	2	1	3
4	Chelsea	6	0	2	2
5	Everton	6	1	1	2
6	Middlesbrough	6	1	1	2
7	Portsmouth	6	2	0	2
8	Tottenham Hotspur	6	0	2	2
9	West Ham United	6	1	1	2
10	Wigan Athletic	6	2	0	2
11	Manchester United	5	1	0	1
12	Arsenal	6	0	1	1
13	Newcastle United	6	1	0	1
14	Stoke City	6	1	0	1
15	West Bromwich Albion	6	0	1	1
16	Fulham	5	0	0	0
17	Aston Villa	6	0	0	0
18	Hull City	6	0	0	0
19	Liverpool	6	0	0	0
20	Sunderland	6	0	0	0

This tables shows the different types of decisions that have been involved in scoreline changing decisions.

Decisions by type

PENALTY GIVEN	FOUL	5
PENALTY GIVEN	HANDBALL	4
PENALTY NOT GIVEN	FOUL	1
PENALTY NOT GIVEN	HANDBALL	0
DISALLOWED	OFFSIDE	3
ALLOWED	ONSIDE	1
DISALLOWED	FOUL	0
ALLOWED	NO FOUL	1
DISALLOWED	NO FOUL	0
ALLOWED	FOUL	0
ALLOWED	BALL CROSSED GOAL-LINE	0
RETAKE	PENALTY	0
DISALLOWED	GOAL KICK	0
DISALLOWED	PENALTY ENCROACHMENT	0
DISALLOWED	HANDBALL	0

Summary of players favoured by Right Result decisions

Matt Derbyshire	Blackburn Rovers	1
Kevin Nolan	Bolton Wanderers	1
Jloyd Samuel	Bolton Wanderers	1
Nicolas Anelka	Chelsea	1
Richard Dunne	Manchester City	1
Stewart Downing	Middlesbrough	1
David Wheater	Middlesbrough	1
Emmerson Boyce	Wigan Athletic	1

Summary of players penalised by Right Result decisions

Emmanuel Eboue	Arsenal	1
Ryan Nelsen	Blackburn Rovers	1
Martin Olsson	Blackburn Rovers	1
Christopher Samba	Blackburn Rovers	1
Petr Cech	Chelsea	1
Micah Richards	Manchester City	1
Cristiano Ronaldo	Manchester United	1
Nadir Belhadj	Portsmouth	1
Lassana Diarra	Portsmouth	1
Leon Cort	Stoke City	1
Leon Barnett	West Bromwich Albion	1
Lucas Neill	West Ham United	1
Emile Heskey	Wigan Athletic	1