

# Michigan Cricket Association



## **T20 Tournament Rules & Special Regulations -2018**

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## THE PREAMBLE – THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET (MCC Laws-of-Cricket-2017-Code-Final)

Cricket owes much of its appeal and enjoyment to the fact that it should be played not only according to the Laws, but also within the Spirit of Cricket.

The major responsibility for ensuring fair play rests with the captains, but extends to all players, umpires and, especially in junior cricket, teachers, coaches and parents.

### ***Respect is central to the Spirit of Cricket:***

- Respect your captain, team-mates, opponents and the authority of the umpires.
- Play hard and play fair.
- Accept the umpire's decision.
- Create a positive atmosphere by your own conduct, and encourage others to do likewise.
- Show self-discipline, even when things go against you.
- Congratulate the opposition on their successes, and enjoy those of your own team.
- Thank the officials and your opposition at the end of the match, whatever the result.
- Cricket is an exciting game that encourages leadership, friendship and teamwork, which brings together people from different nationalities, cultures and religions, especially when played within the Spirit of Cricket.
- The players, umpires and scorers in a game of cricket may be of any gender, and the Laws apply equally.

## GENERAL

This document presents the twenty overs (T20) Tournament Rules and Special Regulations conducted by Mich-CA during the 2018 season.

1. The following will be the order of precedence (from highest to lowest) applicable to Mich-CA tournaments:
  - 1.1. Mich-CA T20 Tournament Rules and Special Regulations – 2018 (contained solely in this document) Official Copy will be the one posted on the Mich-CA Website
  - 1.2. ICC Men's Twenty20 International Playing Conditions Effective 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017
  - 1.3. MCC Laws-of-Cricket-2017-Code-Final
2. The Mich-CA rules committee will be the sole authority for providing interpretations of and rulings on the rules, for the purposes of T20 tournament conducted by Mich-CA.
3. Wherever the terms "The League" or "Mich-CA" appear in this document, they shall stand for a majority of the members of the Mich-CA Governing Body
4. Teams that have paid the registration dues by the stipulated date shall only be permitted to participate in the tournament.
5. The Mich-CA rules committee reserves the right to interpret and/or change the rules and regulations given in this section subject to final approval by the Mich-CA GB. Such changes shall be notified to the registered teams participating in the tournament as soon as the changes are approved.

### *Sources:*

MCC:

<https://www.lords.org/mcc/laws-of-cricket/introduction/>

ICC:

<https://www.icc-cricket.com/about/cricket/rules-and-regulations/playing-conditions>

## Mich-CA RULES Highlights

Below are rules overview that have either changed or are identified as important to know.

### Team and Game Day Reporting

1. Each team may consist of 12 declared players, out of which any 11 can bat, any 11 can field at a given point of time and any 12 can bowl.
  - 1.1. 12<sup>th</sup> player coming into field cannot bowl immediately.
  - 1.2. The 12<sup>th</sup> player, shall not be permitted to bowl in the match until he has been able to field for the total length of playing time for which he was absent
  - 1.3. The 12<sup>th</sup> player, shall be allowed to bat any time without waiting to serve the time spent outside the field of play as long as the player satisfies the "Ready to Play" condition in the rule book (including the time for late arrival). The MCC law "25.3 Restriction on batsman commencing an innings" **DOES NOT** apply.
2. All players listed on the declaration sheet should be at the ground and ready to play.
  - 2.1. Captains will notify the umpires of any player on declaration sheet (excluding substitute players) who may be arriving late. Failure to do so may result in player's ineligibility for the game.
  - 2.2. Players identified as late arrivals should be at the ground and read to play by the **end of the 7th over of the first innings** of the match or **30 minutes from the original schedule time** whichever is earlier irrespective of the actual start time of the game. All players arriving late must report to the umpire; any player who does not report to the umpire before the end of the eligible over/ will be ineligible to participate in the match.

### No-Ball

3. Short Pitched Delivery
  - 3.1. One short-pitched delivery above the shoulder height of an Upright striker per over allowed.
  - 3.2. Any Subsequent such short-pitched deliveries will be called and signaled a "NOBALL".
4. For non-pitching deliveries, all deliveries, **irrespective of their speed, which would pass above waist height of the upright striker** are to trigger the No ball signal. This will also count as one short pitched delivery for the over.
5. It will be a No ball if the ball bounces more than once before reaching the popping crease, Furthermore, when a ball lands off the pitch or hits the edge of the turf.
6. If a bowler breaks the stumps during his bowling stride.

### Wide or Not

7. Delivery over the head height of an **upright striker** is considered a WIDE delivery and will be called a WIDE **unless the batsman has played the delivery with his bat.** (Changed from No-Ball as of last year)
8. The umpire shall not adjudge a delivery as being a Wide, if the striker, by moving, either causes the ball to pass wide of him/her or brings the ball sufficiently within reach to be able to hit it by means of a normal cricket stroke.

### Non-Striker leaving his/her ground early

9. If the non-striker is out of his/her ground from the moment the ball comes into play, (at the start of the bowlers run-up) to the instant when the bowler would normally have been expected to release the ball, (**just before the release of the ball** during the delivery stride) the bowler is permitted to attempt to run him/her out. Whether the attempt is successful or not, the ball shall not count as one in the over.
10. If the bowler fails in an attempt to run out the non-striker, the umpire shall call and signal dead ball as soon as possible.

### BATSMAN OUT OF HIS GROUND

11. A batsman shall be considered to be out of his ground unless some part of his person or bat is grounded behind the popping crease at that end.
  - 11.1. However, a batsman shall **not be considered to be out** of his ground if, in running or diving towards his ground and beyond, and having grounded some part of his person or bat beyond the popping crease, **there is subsequent loss of contact**
    - 11.2. between the ground and any part of his person or bat, or between the bat and person,
    - 11.3. Provided that the batsman has continued movement in the same direction.

### Runners and Substitute fielders

12. Substitute fielder may now act as a wicket-keeper if the wicketkeeper is seriously injured in the field of play.
13. Runner is allowed only if a **player sustains a serious injury in the field of play that affects his/her ability to run.**
14. 12<sup>th</sup> man and substitutes changes need to be informed to the umpire to help the umpire maintain time for the concerned player. Failure to inform the umpire will attract 5 runs penalty as soon as such player comes in contact with the ball during his fielding.
15. The declared **substitute players** (13, 14 or 15) can come into **replace a fielder only when a second instance of player getting injured** or need to be substituted for other acceptable reasons (example: bathroom emergencies) .
  - 15.1. Be aware to use the 12th player for the first injury scenario or for other acceptable reasons.
  - 15.2. Teams have to field with only 10 players if 12th player is not available at the ground for substitution needs

### Bowling end

16. For T20, with 2 matches/day - Overs to be bowled from both sides of the wicket unless there is a problem with one end where bowling or batting is not possible. Fielding team captain is allowed to pick the side to start their bowling.
17. For T20, with 3 matches/day - Overs to be bowled from only one end of the wicket and the respective fielding side captain is allowed to pick the side to start their bowling during their respective fielding sessions. Unless of course the pitch has a problem with one end where bowling or batting is not possible, then both teams will bowl from the possible end.

### Ball thrown or delivered underarm – action by umpires

18. For a delivery to be fair in respect of the arm the ball must not be thrown.
19. A ball is fairly delivered in respect of the arm if, once the bowler's arm has reached the level of the shoulder in the delivery swing, the elbow joint is not straightened partially or completely from that instant until the ball has left the hand. This definition shall not debar a bowler from flexing or rotating the wrist in the delivery swing.
20. If, in the opinion of the main umpire, the ball has been blatantly thrown, the umpire shall call and signal No ball and, when the ball is dead continue with the below actions.
21. If in the opinion of the main umpire, there is a doubt about the action of any bowler, the umpire shall call and signal DEAD ball.
  - 21.1. The bowler's end umpire shall then warn the bowler, indicating that this is a first and final warning. This warning shall apply to that bowler throughout the innings.
  - 21.2. Inform the captain of the fielding side of the reason for this action.
  - 21.3. Inform the batsmen at the wicket of what has occurred.
  - 21.4. Submit a detailed report to the Mich-CA GB for further review.
22. If the same bowler is found guilty of either of the above two cases once again in the same innings, then the umpire shall call and signal appropriately as per the infringement (**NOBALL for blatant throw and DEAD ball for doubtful action**) and stop the bowler from bowling further in the innings. Another bowler needs to complete the over if the over is left incomplete

### Other General Rules

1. Once the schedule is finalized, there will be no changes in venue/ground permitted.
2. A maximum of 4 Overs per bowler not exceeding 1/5th of the total Overs for an innings.
3. Interrupted matches will follow a tournament specific customized power play table.
4. **Walkover/Forfeiture will incur GB imposed monetary penalty of \$150 per incident and also incur negative 1 point from the team's total points that is giving a walkover. (apart from the 2 points lost from the game forfeited)**
5. Rankings from the current season will be used for next season as well as for any division realignment purposes.
6. Best of the best awards will be decided based on stats up to the finals of the tournament.



## PLAYER REGISTRATION

1. Please submit the initial player's roster by the league stated deadline and instructions.
2. Every team is limited to submit 25 player roster and every additional player will incur additional charges of \$25 per player.
3. For submitting "Initial Rosters", every team needs to use the "2018 Summer Mich-CA Team Roster Template" available in "Docs" section of the [www.mich-ca.org](http://mich-ca.org) (<http://mich-ca.org>)
4. Once the Initial Rosters are submitted, if teams need to register anymore players, use "Player Registration Form" available in "Forms" section of the [www.mich-ca.org](http://www.mich-ca.org/displayPage.htm?pgname=Forms&pg_right_bar=RIGHT_BAR1&) ([http://www.mich-ca.org/displayPage.htm?pgname=Forms&pg\\_right\\_bar=RIGHT\\_BAR1&](http://www.mich-ca.org/displayPage.htm?pgname=Forms&pg_right_bar=RIGHT_BAR1&))
5. New players need to be registered by 11:59 PM a day before the game day. Late registrations will incur penalties as mentioned in the penalty section.
6. A player registered to one division (PLATE, TROPHY or SHIELD) of the T20 league is not allowed to play in another division.
7. Youth Players, 19 years and under (born on or after Sep 1<sup>st</sup>, 1998), can play for 2 teams (not in same division) in the Tournament. The player information with proof of age should be submitted to the stats committee ([micricketstats@gmail.com](mailto:micricketstats@gmail.com)) before midnight on Friday to be eligible to appear in a game that following weekend. Proof of age can be any govt. approved document (examples: Driver's license, birth certificate, passport, school certificate, etc.). Once the stats committee validates it, they will flag the player as "Youth" in the website.
8. The player registration list submitted by a team is only a provisional list. A player on that list becomes officially registered only when the player appears in the playing XI for a tournament game.

## PLAYER TRANSFER

1. Transfers will be permitted within the first 4 (before 5<sup>th</sup> game) preliminary round games out of the total 10 games.
2. If a player seeks to transfer his registration from one team to another, he may email his request to the stats team, ([micricketstats@gmail.com](mailto:micricketstats@gmail.com)) and the transfer may be permitted provided:
  - 2.1. The team to which he transfer to has played the same number of games as the team he sought transfer from.
  - 2.2. The player should obtain a letter of relief (a certificate of no objection) from the secretary of the club of the team to which he is registered before the transfer is approved.
  - 2.3. In the event of a refusal by the team to grant the written release for any reason, the player concerned will make an appeal to the Secretary of Mich-CA for such a release
3. If a player seeks to transfer his registration within the teams affiliated to the same club, the club contact may email the stats team, ([micricketstats@gmail.com](mailto:micricketstats@gmail.com)) and the transfer may be permitted provided:
  - 3.1. The team to which he seeks transfer to has played the same number of games as the team he sought transfer from and within the first 4 (before 4<sup>th</sup> game) preliminary round games out of the total 9 games
4. The player/s who is thus permitted transfer will not be permitted to seek transfer again for the same tournament in the same season.
5. The Mich-CA GB may grant certain players exemption from eligibility/transfer rules under special circumstances, including but not limited to reasons such as serious injury or if player had to appear in Mich-CA or ACF games.

## PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR PLAYOFFS

A player must have played in the playing twelve in at least 3 matches (1/3<sup>rd</sup>) in the 10 match first round for a team in the T20 tournament to qualify for nomination to the next round, quarter-final, semi-final or finals match for the team.

## SCORING, TEAM DECLARATION, SUMMARY SHEETS & UMPIRE REPORTS

1. The league encourages the teams to start using CRICLUBS online scoring website or any new website published by the league and also use the standard scorebook scoring.
  - 1.1. Umpires are not expected to maintain scores. It is highly recommended to have a 12th man from each team to assist the scoring team and maintain the scores.
2. Even though teams do online scoring and submit/Upload the score card online, Team Declaration Sheets and Official Summary score cards provided by league must be filled completely without fail.
3. All summary scorecard fields are mandatory to be completed.
4. Captains are responsible for the completion and accuracy of their teams batting, bowling and fielding statistics on the summary sheet.
5. Once signed, the scorecard cannot be modified.
  - 5.1. Any modifications after the scorecard has been signed should happen in presence of the umpire and initialed by the umpire
6. It is umpire's duty to make sure the score cards are signed by both the captains.
7. Official score card will overwrite the online scoring. Teams should make sure they enter correct data in official score card before signing.
  - 7.1. Any questions on statistics should be directed towards micricketstats@gmail.com ONLY. Communication from micricketstats@gmail.com is the ONLY official communication
8. Umpire will be responsible for sending the completed Mich-CA summary sheets to stats committee at micricketstats@gmail.com by 9:00pm game day
  - 8.1. ONLY umpires should send the official score cards.
  - 8.2. Any score cards sent by teams / individuals are NOT ACCEPTED.
9. Captains will be responsible to provide feedback related to games and umpiring.
10. Weather Conditions
  - 10.1. Rainy Day
    - 10.1.1. Teams are encouraged to have their players at the ground as normal because there is Always a possibility of a shortened game.
    - 10.1.2. If the game is still washed out, the umpire is responsible to send the summary sheet as Well as the team declaration sheets to the stats committee ([micricketstats@gmail.com](mailto:micricketstats@gmail.com)) no later than 9 pm on the game day.
 

In extreme weather conditions (heavy rains or Temperatures below 45 °F) and the game is called off without needing to come to the ground, then it is the responsibility of both the captains to send in the team declaration sheet to the stats committee ([micricketstats@gmail.com](mailto:micricketstats@gmail.com)) with in 1 hour of call off.

## POWER PLAY

1. Mich-CA T20 tournament will follow the below Power Play (PP) structure for an innings of 20 overs. The PP duration will be reduced according to the reduced innings PP table in case of a shortened match
2. If a team is fielding with less than 11 players, the number of fielders outside the 30 yards will still follow fielding restriction mentioned below

### Normal Innings Power Play:

PowerPlay
1st to 6th over
2 fielders outside 30 yards

### Reduced Innings Power Play Table:

Innings	Powerplay
20	6
19	6
18	5
17	5
16	4
15	4
14	4
13	4
12	3
11	3
10	3
9	2
8	2
7	2
6	1
5	1

### Power Play/Field Restrictions

1. PP - only 2 fielders are allowed outside the 30-yard circle.
2. During the remaining non-power play overs, only 5 fielders are allowed outside the 30-yard circle
3. At any point in the game, there shall not be more than 5 fielders on the on-side (leg-side).  
(Note: Bowler is not considered as a fielder)
4. No more than 2 fielders are allowed backward of square on the on-side (leg-side)
5. The umpire shall call a no-ball if any of the above are not met.

## GAME DURATION & TIMINGS

- All matches will consist of one inning per side. Each innings will consist of 20 overs. A bowler will be allowed to bowl no more than 1/5th of the total allotted overs.
- The captains and the umpires are instructed to follow these timings and ensure the game is completed within the stipulated times.

### 3. Timelines for 3 games in a day:

Game	Toss Time	1st Innings Start	1st innings completed	Innings Break	2nd Innings start	2nd innings completed
Morning	8:45 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 PM	10 minutes	10:40 AM	12:10 PM
Noon	12:15 PM	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	10 minutes	2:10 PM	3:40 PM
Evening	3:45 PM	4:00 PM	5:30 PM	10 minutes	5:40 PM	7:10 PM

### 4. Timelines for 2 games in a day:

Game	Toss Time	1 <sup>st</sup> Innings start	1 <sup>st</sup> Innings completed	Innings Break	2nd Innings start	2nd Innings completed
Morning	10:15 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	10 min	12:10 PM	1:40 PM
Afternoon	2:15 PM	2:30 PM	4:00 PM	10 min	4:10 PM	5:40 PM

- These scheduled times may be altered only by the umpire in the case of delayed start or other interruptions (due to rain, injuries, etc). There is no grace time for T20 preliminary round games.
- Mich-CA may publish different timings for playoffs.
- Umpires should always keep 10 minutes buffer time while recalculating reduced overs during interrupted games.
- Umpires, after restarting an interrupted game with reduced overs should ensure that the game is completed and a result is achieved.
- For T20 tournament, each team will be required to bowl the allotted overs in no more than 90 minutes inclusive of one short drinks breaks, to be taken after the 12th over. To ensure that drinks breaks are completed on time, the players may be recommended to bring drinks onto the field.
- The overrate for all Mich-CA tournament is 4.5 mins per over.
  - If a team falls behind the overrate, then the slow overrate penalties defined in penalties section will apply.
- In case of extremely hot weather (or for other reasons solely determined by the umpire) the umpire may relax the game timings and allow more frequent drinks breaks to ensure player safety. In all cases the umpire shall keep the captains continually informed of the game schedule.
- Minimum overs per innings to constitute a match is 5 overs.

## DELAYS & PENALTIES

### Toss

1. The toss shall be conducted 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time as determined by the umpire (including any delay of start).
2. At the time of the toss, if one of the teams is not 'ready to play', then the toss will be awarded to the team that is ready to play.
3. As soon as the toss is completed, the captain of the side winning the toss shall decide whether to bat or to field and shall notify the opposing captain and the umpires of this decision. Once notified, the decision cannot be changed

### Delay of Game

1. After the toss is awarded, if the team is still not 'ready to play' within 20 minutes from the toss for delayed games
  - 1.1. The team not ready to play only shall lose an over for every 4.5-minute delay after the grace period of 5 minutes.
  - 1.2. If both teams are not 'ready to play' at the scheduled start time, the match will be reduced for both teams by 1 over for every 9-minute delay. The time available to the teams to complete their overs will be prorated according to that fraction of 40 overs that was lost. Umpire shall calculate this and inform the captains.
2. If one team is 'ready to play' and the second team is not 'ready to play' after 45 minutes from the scheduled time:
  - 2.1. The match will be awarded to team that is 'ready to play'. The official umpire will make the final decision regarding 'ready to play' and game awarding.
  - 2.2. If both teams are not 'ready to play' after 45 minutes the match will be counted as a loss for both teams, and no points will be awarded to either of the teams.
3. In case of the reduced over games (delayed start or rain affected D/L method) the umpire shall recalculate the total number of overs per team based the overrate of 4.5 minutes with a 10 minutes innings interval.
  - 3.1. If one of the captains does not agree with the umpire, the game will be awarded to the opponent team.
  - 3.2. If both teams disagree the umpire may call the game abandoned and both team will split points.
4. The umpire may take away the drinks break to facilitate completion of the match on time. In the case of a shortened game where each team innings lasted at least 5 overs, the game result will be determined by the DL method.
  - 4.1. Cutoff time for a minimum required 5 overs per innings match with no drinks break is 11 AM, 2:30 PM and 6 PM for the morning, Noon and Evening games respectively for 3 games a day.
  - 4.2. Cutoff time will be 12:30 PM and 4:30 PM respectively for morning and afternoon games for 2 games a day.
5. If either team innings is less than 5, the game will be abandoned and each team awarded 1 point.

### Slow Overtime

1. The penalty for slow overtime is 5 runs per over.
2. Umpires should inform the start time to the fielding captain, the scorers and opponent captain.
3. Umpires should record any incidental delays caused by injuries for players, ball getting lost in the woods, change of ball and any other unforeseen delays and keep the fielding side captain informed if the team is falling behind.
4. Captains are encouraged to check with umpires and be aware of the overtime progress and make adjustments to conduct the game in a timely manner.
5. If the fielding side fails to start their last over of their allotted overs within the scheduled close of time (90 minutes) or any revised time for interrupted games.
  - 5.1. Umpire will inform the fielding side captain and the batsmen on the pitch about the penalty of 5 runs per number of overs that remains to be completed.
  - 5.2. The fielding side have to bowl the remaining number of overs and complete the full allotted quota of overs for the innings.
  - 5.3. Umpire will award the penalty runs for slow overtime at the end of the innings and revise the total number of runs to the batting side.
  - 5.4. The umpire shall shorten the break to a minimum of 5 minutes to make up for lost time
6. If a slow overtime violation occurs during the second innings,
  - 6.1. Umpire will inform the fielding captain and the batsmen on the pitch at the scheduled close of time about the number of overs that the team is behind the overtime and apply the penalty runs to the batting side.
  - 6.2. The fielding side may continue to bowl the allotted remaining number of overs
  - 6.3. if the target is still not achieved by the batting side after taking into consideration the penalty runs awarded by the umpire Or be declared winners at that point including the penalty runs.

### Other Penalties

The monetary penalties below should be paid by the concerned player or team within 5 days and if not done so may incur further action by GB up to not allowing the player or team to play their next game.

Description	Penalty	Reporting Authority
Late registration of players after the previous day midnight deadline	\$50 per instance per player	Umpire/captain/League
Driving cars to the field and violating the rules of the parks.	Every instance \$100	Umpire/captains
Forfeiture of a match (Walkover)	Every instance \$150	
Use of alcoholic beverages during the games	Every instance \$100	Umpire/captains
There may be additional legal issues from the park/city authorities.		
Indecent exposure at the field (including urinating outside the provided bathrooms)	Every instance \$100	Umpire/captains
There may be additional legal issues from the park/city authorities.		

## READY TO PLAY

1. A team shall be considered 'ready to play' if they have seven (7) players present inside the field of play, properly dressed and are accountable for the Umpire.
2. T-20 League is played in color uniforms and white cricket ball.
3. Mich-CA understand that there will be new teams and new players every season and hence do not penalize any player for not wearing team uniforms but strongly recommend to get their own new uniforms in a few weeks of the tournament start date.
4. Mich-CA expects all players to be in their team uniforms for the playoff games.
5. In addition, to be considered 'ready to play'
  - 5.1. A team assigned as the home team is responsible to get the ground ready, including marking the creases (if the league failed to mark creases), setting up the stumps, marking the 30 yard cones and boundary cones.
  - 5.2. The home team is the team that is shown first on the schedule.
6. The teams are recommended to keep a boundary measuring tape in their possession and use the center of the pitch to mark the circular boundary to a minimum of 65 yards wherever possible.
7. Both team captains must submit a duly signed TEAM DECLARATION sheet to the umpire for any scheduled game before the toss is made. No alterations will be allowed once the toss is completed.

## FITNESS OF PLAY

### Suspension of play in dangerous or unreasonable conditions

The safety of all persons within the ground is of paramount importance to Mich-CA. In the event that any threatening circumstance, whether actual or perceived, comes to the attention of any umpire, then players and officials should be immediately asked to leave the field of play in a safe and orderly manner and to relocate to a secure and safe area.

1. The umpire shall be the final judges of the fitness of the ground, weather and light for play.
2. If at any time the umpire decided that the conditions of ground, weather and light are so bad that there is obvious and foreseeable risk to the safety of any player or umpire
  - 2.1. Umpire shall immediately suspend play
  - 2.2. Or not allow play to commence or restart.
3. When there is any suspension of play, it is the responsibility of the umpires to monitor the conditions.
  - 3.1. They shall make inspections as often as appropriate. Immediately the umpires together agree that conditions are suitable for play they shall call upon the players to resume the game.
4. No team or player is permitted to modify the original state of the ground. The umpires should not permit use of any substance like rubber or wooden mulch on the field of play
  - 4.1. In the event of rain the players or team may volunteer to dry the pitch and surrounding areas using cotton rugs.
  - 4.2. Saw dust can be used for stabilizing the bowlers run-up area only.

### Dangerous or unreasonable conditions

1. Following are the criteria's that can warrant as dangerous or unreasonable conditions
  - 1.1. If the bowler is deprived of a reasonable foothold,
  - 1.2. Or fielders the power of free movement,
  - 1.3. or the batsman of the ability to play their strokes or to run between the wickets
2. The umpires shall disregard any shadow on the pitch from the stadium or from any permanent object on the ground.

### Free Hits awarded to all types of no-balls

1. Free hits awarded to all types of no-balls.
  - 1.1. Free Hit will be awarded on the delivery immediately after, on which batsmen can't be ruled out in any dismissal mode other than run out handled the ball and obstructing the field
  - 1.2. Field changes are not permitted for free hit deliveries unless:
    - 1.2.1. There is a change of striker
    - 1.2.2. The No Ball was the result of a fielding restriction breach, in which case the field may be changed to the extent of correcting the breach.
    - 1.2.3. Wicket keeper can change his standing up position to more conventional position regardless of the batsmen changing ends or not.
  - 1.3. If the Free Hit delivery is a Wide or another No Ball (any kind) then the Free Hit carries over to the next delivery as well.



## PROTEST & COMPLAINTS

All protests and complaints regarding game disputes must follow the procedure described below.

### Team Protest Guidelines

1. Protests must be submitted by the team captain or club representative by email to the Mich-CA secretary by no later than Monday 9pm following the weekend of the game in question.
2. The secretary to review the protest and notify the opposing team of the protest and request any relevant information by the next day (Tuesday) 9pm.
3. The opposing team will then need to submit their explanation by Wednesday 9pm following the weekend of the game in question.
4. The secretary will then forward the entire protest/complaint of each team, and the umpires report to the rules/disciplinary committee by Wednesday at 10 pm following the weekend of the game in question.
5. The disciplinary committee head will then take consensus from his team on the final ruling by Thursday at 9 pm following the weekend of the game in question and send it to the MICH-CA governing body. The secretary will then communicate the final ruling via email or phone to the teams, and umpires involved.
6. The Disciplinary Committee's decision will be final.

### Other related incidents:

1. Reports related to player code of conduct or other on field incidents including players, captains or umpires shall be submitted to the secretary of Mich-CA in email within 48 hours of the incident.
2. Disciplinary Committee will review the case and announce the decision within 48 hours of receiving the report.
3. **Any player, captain or team representative can report an incident.**

## PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Players and/or Team Officials shall at all times conduct play within the spirit of the game as well as within the Laws of Cricket and the captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that all their players adhere to the spirit of the game.
2. Players and/or Team Officials shall at no time engage in conduct unbecoming to their status which could bring them or the game of cricket into disrepute.
3. For any player misconduct the umpire can and shall enforce the following based on the level of offense.

### 3.1. Level 1: -

- 3.1.1. The umpire shall call Time.
- 3.1.2. The umpires shall summon and inform the offending player's captain that an offence at this Level has occurred.
- 3.1.3. If the Level 1 offence is the first offence, at any Level, by that team, the umpire shall:
- 3.1.4. Issue a first and final warning which shall apply to all members of the team for the remainder of the match.
- 3.1.5. Warn the offending player's captain that any further Level 1 offence by any member of his/her team shall result in the award of 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.
- 3.1.6. If the Level 1 offence follows an offence, at any Level, by that team, the umpire shall award 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.
- 3.1.7. Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 1 offence
  - 3.1.7.1. willfully mistreating any part of the cricket ground, equipment or implements used in the match
  - 3.1.7.2. showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action
  - 3.1.7.3. using language that, in the circumstances, is obscene, offensive or insulting
  - 3.1.7.4. making an obscene gesture
  - 3.1.7.5. appealing excessively
  - 3.1.7.6. advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
  - 3.1.7.7. any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, Equivalent to a Level 1 offence.
  - 3.1.7.8. Public criticism of, or inappropriate comment on a match related incident or match official

### 3.2. Level 2: -

- 3.2.1. The umpire shall call Time.
- 3.2.2. The umpires shall summon and inform the offending player's captain that an offence at this Level has occurred.
- 3.2.3. The umpire shall award 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.
- 3.2.4. The umpire shall warn the offending player's captain that any future Level 1 offence by any member of his/her team shall result in the award of 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.
- 3.2.5. The umpire shall report the occurrence as soon as possible after the match to any Governing Body responsible for the match, who shall award a ban of 1 game immediately succeeding matches conducted by Mich-CA for the player/s concerned.
- 3.2.6. Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 2 offence:
  - 3.2.6.1. showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action

- 3.2.6.2. making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with another player
- 3.2.6.3. Throwing the ball at a player, umpire or another person in an inappropriate and dangerous manner
- 3.2.6.4. Using language or gesture to another player, umpire, team official or spectator that, in the circumstances, is obscene or of a serious insulting nature
- 3.2.6.5. Or any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, equivalent to a Level 2 offence.

### 3.3. Level 3: -

3.3.1. The umpire shall call Time.

3.3.2. The umpires shall summon and inform the offending player's captain that an offence at this Level has occurred.

**3.3.3.** The umpire shall direct the captain to **remove the offending player immediately from the field of play for a period in accordance with the following:**

3.3.3.1. In a match where the innings are limited to a number of overs, the player shall be suspended for one fifth of the number of overs allocated to the current innings at its commencement. If, in calculating the length of the suspension, a part-over results, it shall be considered as a whole over. Furthermore, any balls remaining in the over in progress at the time of suspension shall not count towards the overs for which the player is suspended.

3.3.3.2. If the offending player is a fielder, no substitute shall be allowed for him/her. The offending player may return to the field of play after serving the period of suspension and may bowl immediately.

3.3.3.3. If a bowler is suspended mid-over, then that over must be completed by a different bowler, who shall not have bowled the previous over nor shall he/she bowl the next over.

3.3.3.4. If the offending player is a batsman, he/she shall be replaced by another member of his/her team. The offending player may return to bat after having served the suspension only at the fall of a wicket. If no batsman is available to bat during a batsman's suspension, the innings is completed. If the offending player does not continue his/her innings for whatever reason, he/she is to be recorded as Retired – not out.

3.3.3.5. Warn the offending player's captain that any **future Level 1 offence shall result in the award of 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.**

3.3.3.6. Any overs remaining to be served from a suspension shall be carried forward to the next and subsequent innings of the match. A part over at the end of the innings shall not count towards the overs for which the player is suspended.

3.3.3.7. As soon as practicable, the umpire shall:

**3.3.3.8. Award 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team**

3.3.3.9. Signal the Level 3 penalty to the scorers

3.3.3.10. Call Play.

3.3.4. The umpire shall report the occurrence as soon as possible after the match to any Governing Body responsible for the match, **who shall award a ban** of 2 game immediately

succeeding matches conducted by Mich-CA for the player/s concerned and if appropriate, the team

3.3.5. Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 3 offence:

- 3.3.5.1. Intimidation of an umpire or Referee whether by language or conduct.
- 3.3.5.2. Threatening to assault a player or any other person except an umpire.
- 3.3.5.3. Using language or gestures that offends insults, humiliates, intimidates, threatens, disparages or vilifies another person on the basis of that person's race, religion, gender, color, descent or national or ethnic origin.

3.4. **Level 4:** -

3.4.1. The umpire shall call Time.

3.4.2. The umpires shall summon and inform the offending player's captain that an offence at this Level has occurred.

3.4.3. The umpire shall instruct the captain to **remove the offending player immediately from the field of play for the remainder of the match** and shall apply the following:

- 3.4.3.1. If the offending player is a fielder, no substitute shall be allowed for him/her. He/she is to be recorded as Retired – out at the commencement of any subsequent innings in which his/her team is the batting side.
- 3.4.3.2. If a bowler is suspended mid-over, then that over must be completed by a different bowler, who shall not have bowled the previous over nor shall be permitted to bowl the next over.
- 3.4.3.3. If the offending player is a batsman he/she is to be recorded as Retired – out in the current innings, If no further batsman is available to bat, the innings is completed.
- 3.4.3.4. Warn the offending player's captain that **any future Level 1 offence shall result in the award of 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team.**

3.4.4. As soon as practicable, the umpire shall:

- 3.4.4.1. **Award 5 Penalty runs to the opposing team**
- 3.4.4.2. Signal the Level 4 penalty to the scorers
- 3.4.4.3. Call Play.

3.4.5. The umpire shall report the occurrence as soon as possible after the match to any Governing Body responsible for the match, **a ban** for all remaining matches of the season or a life time ban for the player/s concerned and if appropriate, the team as is considered appropriate against the captain, any other individuals concerned and, if appropriate, the team.

3.4.6. Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 4 offence:

- 3.4.6.1. Threatening to assault an umpire
- 3.4.6.2. Making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with an umpire
- 3.4.6.3. Physically assaulting a player or any other person
- 3.4.6.4. Committing any other act of violence.
- 3.4.6.5. Using language or gestures that seriously offends insults, humiliates, intimidates, threatens, disparages or vilifies another person on the basis of that person's race, religion, gender, color descent or national or ethnic origin.

**4. Captain refusing to remove a player from the field**

- 4.1. If a captain refuses to carry out an instruction as mentioned under offenses for Level 1 - 4, the umpires shall award a match to the other team.
- 4.2. If both captains refuse to carry out as mentioned under offenses for Level 1 - 4 in respect of the same incident, the umpires shall instruct the players to leave the field. The match is considered not concluded and there shall be no result for the match.

**5. Additional points relating to Level 3 and Level 4 offences**

- 5.1. If a player, while acting as wicket-keeper, commits a Level 3 or Level 4 offence, then only a nominated player from the 12 may keep wicket, even if another fielder becomes injured or ill and is replaced by a substitute.
- 5.2. A nominated player who has a substitute or runner will also suffer the penalty for any Level 3 or Level 4 offence committed by the substitute or runner. However, only the substitute or runner will be reported under the above listed offences from Level 1 - 4.

## APPENDIX A – TEAMS, TOURNAMENT FORMAT and Pools

### T-20 Shield

Rank	Team Name	Comment
1	Bangladesh Tigers CC - BTCC	<b>2017 WINNER – T20 SHIELD</b>
2	Greater Detroit Cricket Club Panthers - GPAN	<b>2017 RUNNER – T20 SHIELD</b>
3	Novi Cricket Club - NVCC	<b>RANK FROM 2017</b>
4	Chargers CC - CHCC	
5	Macomb Cricket Club Titans - MACT	
6	Lions Cricket Club - LNCC	
7	Michigan Premier CC - Lions - MPCL	
8	Metro Detroit Cricket Club - MDCC	
9	Warriros CC - WACC	
10	Detroit Super Kings - DSKW	
11	Royal Knights Cricket Club Terminators- RKTE	
12	Troy Cricket Club - TRCE	
13	United Cricket Club - UNCC	<b>2017 WINNER – T20 TROPHY</b>
14	Mid-Michigan CC - MMSS	<b>2017 RUNNER – T20 TROPHY</b>

### T-20 Trophy

Rank	Team Name	Comment
1	Rochester Hills Cricket Club - RHCC	<b>RELEGATED FROM 2017</b>
2	Troy Cricket Association Champions - TCAC	
3	Killers CC - KLCC	<b>RANK FROM 2017</b>
4	Bengals CC - BECC	
5	Cricket Club at Oakland University CC -OUCC	
6	Detroit Challengers CC - DCCC	
7	Mid-Michigan CC - MMCH	
8	Detroit Royals Cricket Club - DRCC	
9	Detroit Dynos Cricket Club - DDCC (GLCC)	
10	Greater Detroit Cricket Club Greens - GDCC	
11	Lawrence Tech University CC Blue Devils - LTBD	
12	Punjab CC Kings - PCCK	
13	Detroit Engineered Products CC -DEPC	<b>WINNER – T20 PLATE</b>
14	P3 Challengers - P3CC	
15	Odia Cricket Association - Crusaders - ODCC (KWCC)	<b>RUNNER – T20 PLATE</b>
16	Knight Riders Cricket Club - KRCC	<b>#3, #4, #5 RANK FROM T20 PLATE</b>
17	Mavericks Cricket Club - MVCC	
18	Photons Cricket Academy - PHCA	<b>DSKW – SECOND TEAM</b>
19	Detroit Super Kings CC - Bulls - DSKB	
20	Michigan Premier CC - Jaguars - MPCJ	<b>MPCC – SECOND TEAM</b>
21	Motown Cricket Club - MOCC	<b>RETURNING TEAM</b>
22	Single Malt Cricket Club - SMCC	<b>EXISTING MICH-CA PLAYERS</b>

**T-20 Plate**

Rank	Team Name	Comment
1	Karnataka Eagles Cricket Club - KECC	<b>RANK FROM 2017</b>
2	Troy Cricket Association Patriots - TCAP	
3	Bangladesh Tigers Cricket Academy- BTCA	
4	University of Toledo Rockets - UTCC	
5	MI Rangers - MIRC	
6	Troy Cricket Association Stars - TCAS	
7	Brownstown Cricket Club - BSCC	
8	ZF Cricket Club - ZFCC	
9	Macomb Cricket Club Olympians- MACO	
10	Royal Stars Cricket Club - RSCC	
11	Aadukalam CC - ADCC	
12	United Knights Cricket Club - UKCC	
13	Sparks Cricket Club - SPCC	
14	Farmington Cricket Club - Vaayu - FCCV (FCCB)	
15	Royal Knights Cricket Club Transformers- RKTR	
16	Greater Troy Tigers CC - GTTC	
17	Farmington Cricket Club - Hurricanes - FCCH	
18	Farmington Cricket Club - Whackers - FCCW	
19	Hamtramck Cricket Club - HMTCC	
20	Michigan Eagles Cricket Club - MECC	
21	Michigan Vikings Cricket Club - MIVC	
22	Odia Cricket Association - Legends - ODAL	

## T20 Shield

- Maintaining size of the shield division at 14 teams
- Promotions and relegations to be handled based on 2017 standings
- Unbalanced schedule with 10 games per team based on the fixture list of 2017
  - Removed one game (7 vs. 8), added 8 games (yellow squares)
- Top 8 teams will go on to play in playoffs. (Quarter Final, Semi final and Final)

T20 Shield 14 teams 9 games (2017)														
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
10	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
12	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
13	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
14	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

T20 Shield 14 teams 10 games (2018)														
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
5	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
6	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
7	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
10	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
12	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
13	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
14	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

## T20 Trophy and Plate

- 22 teams in each division
- For each division the teams are divided into 2 pools of 11 each based on seeding
  - Odd seeds go to Pool A
  - Even seeds go to pool B
- Each pool plays full round robin (10 games each)
- Top 4 teams from both pools go on to play in the playoffs. (Quarter Final, Semi final and Final)
- A1 vs B4, A2 vs B3, A3 vs B2 and A4 vs B1 will be quarter finals.



Shield		
RANK	TEAM NAME	
1	Bangladesh Tigers CC - BTCC	BTCC
2	Greater Detroit Cricket Club Panthers - GPAN	GPAN
3	Novi Cricket Club - NVCC	NVCC
4	Chargers CC - CHCC	CHCC
5	Macomb Cricket Club Titans - MACT	MACT
6	Lions Cricket Club - LNCC	LNCC
7	Michigan Premier CC - Lions - MPCL	MPCL
8	Metro Detroit Cricket Club - MDCC	MDCC
9	Warriors CC - WACC	WACC
10	Detroit Super Kings - DSKW	DSKW
11	Royal Knights Cricket Club Terminators- RKTE	RKTE
12	Troy Cricket Club - TRCE	TRCE
13	United Cricket Club - UNCC	UNCC
14	Mid-Michigan CC - MMSS	MMSS

Pool A		Trophy	Pool B		
RANK	TEAM NAME		RANK	TEAM NAME	
1	Rochester Hills Cricket Club	RHCC	1	Troy Cricket Association Champions	TCAC
2	Killers CC	KLCC	2	Bengals CC	BECC
3	Cricket Club at Oakland University CC	OUCC	3	Detroit Challengers CC	DCCC
4	Mid-Michigan CC	MMCH	4	Detroit Royals Cricket Club	DRCC
5	Detroit Dynos Cricket Club	DDCC	5	Greater Detroit Cricket Club Greens	GDCC
6	Punjab CC Kings	PCCK	6	Detroit Engineered Products CC	DEPC
7	P3 Challengers	P3CC	7	Odia Cricket Association	ODCC
8	Knight Riders Cricket Club	KRCC	8	Mavericks Cricket Club	MVCC
9	Photons Cricket Academy	PHCA	9	Carribbean Cricket Club	CACC
10	Detroit Super Kings CC	DSKB	10	Michigan Premier CC	MPCT
11	Motown Cricket Club	MOCC	11	Single Malt Cricket Club	SMCC

Pool A		Plate	Pool B		
RANK	TEAM NAME		RANK	TEAM NAME	
1	Karnataka Eagles Cricket Club	KECC	1	Troy Cricket Association Patriots	TCAP
2	Bangladesh Tigers Cricket Academy	BTCA	2	University of Toledo Rockets	UTCC
3	MI Rangers	MIRC	3	Troy Cricket Association Stars	TCAS
4	Brownstown Cricket Club	BSCC	4	ZF Cricket Club	ZFCC
5	Macomb Cricket Club Olympians	MACO	5	Royal Stars Cricket Club	RSCC
6	Aadukalam CC	ADCC	6	United Knights Cricket Club	UKCC
7	Sparks Cricket Club	SPCC	7	Farmington Cricket Club Vaayu	FCCV
8	Royal Knights Cricket Club Transformers	RKTR	8	Greater Troy Tigers CC	GTTC
9	Farmington Cricket Club Hurricanes	FCCH	9	Farmington Cricket Club Whackers	FCCW
10	Hamtramck Cricket Club	HMTC	10	Michigan Eagles Cricket Club	MECC
11	Michigan Vikings Cricket Club	MIVC	11	Odia Cricket Association Legends	ODCL

## APPENDIX B – POINTS SYSTEM

1. Winning teams gets 2 points, Tie or Abandoned Games get 1 point each.
  - 1.1. If scores are equal at the end of a preliminary round matches, the result will be a tie and no account shall be taken of the number of wickets which have fallen.
  - 1.2. In case of a tie in playoffs match, the winner will be determined by a Super Over. Please refer to Appendix C for the details of the Super Over.
2. If teams are tied with points after group stage,
  - 2.1. First tie breaker is NRR to 3 decimal places,
  - 2.2. Then Head to Head in the group stage will be looked at.
  - 2.3. Then a coin toss will determine the higher ranked team.
3. All playoff games may have a reserve day if schedule permits and in the unforeseen event of the reserve day also getting washed out, then the higher seeded team will proceed to the next level.
4. Mich-CA GB may consider any alternate plans if any FINALS event has the potential to get washed out.

## APPENDIX C – Super Over

The following procedure will apply should the provision for a Super Over be adopted in any match.

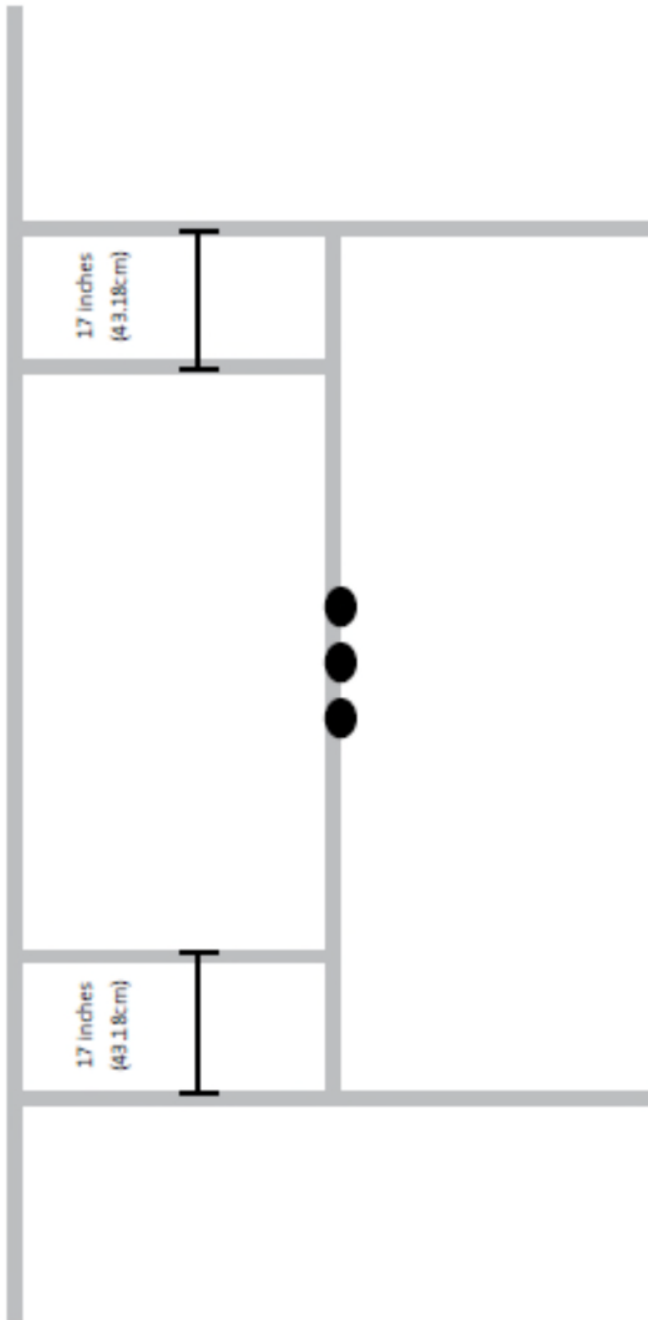
1. Subject to weather conditions, the Super Over will take place on the scheduled day of the match at a time to be determined by the Umpire. In normal circumstances it shall commence within 15 minutes after the conclusion of the match.
2. The Super Over will take place on the pitch allocated for the match (the designated pitch)
3. The two captains/nominees shall nominate the three batsmen and the one bowler participating in the Super Over prior to the start of the Super Over. Only players from the main match may participate in the Super Over.
4. The umpires shall stand at the same end as that in which they finished the match.
5. In both innings of the Super Over, the fielding side shall choose from which end to bowl.
6. Each team's over is played with the same fielding restrictions as apply for the last over in a normal T20 match.
7. The team batting second in the match will bat first in the Super Over.
8. The fielding captain or his nominee shall select the ball with which he wishes to bowl his over in the Super Over from the box of spare balls provided by the umpires. Such box to include the balls used in the main match, but no new balls. The team fielding first in the Super Over shall have first choice of ball. The team fielding second may choose to use the same ball as chosen by the team bowling first.
9. The loss of two wickets in the over ends the team's one over innings.
10. In the event of the teams having the same score after the Super Over has been completed, the winner is determined by the following order:
  - 10.1 The team whose batsmen hit the most number of boundaries (4s and 6s put together) combined from its two innings in both the main match and the Super Over shall be the winner.
  - 10.2 The team whose batsmen scored more boundaries (4s and 6s put together) during its innings in the main match (ignoring the Super Over) shall be the winner.
  - 10.3 If still equal, a count-back from the final ball of the Super Over shall be conducted. The team with the higher scoring delivery shall be the winner. If a team loses two wickets during its over, then any unbowled deliveries will be counted as dot balls. Note that for this purpose, the runs scored from a delivery is defined as the total team runs scored since the completion of the previous legitimate ball, i.e. including any runs resulting from wides, no ball or penalty runs.

Example:

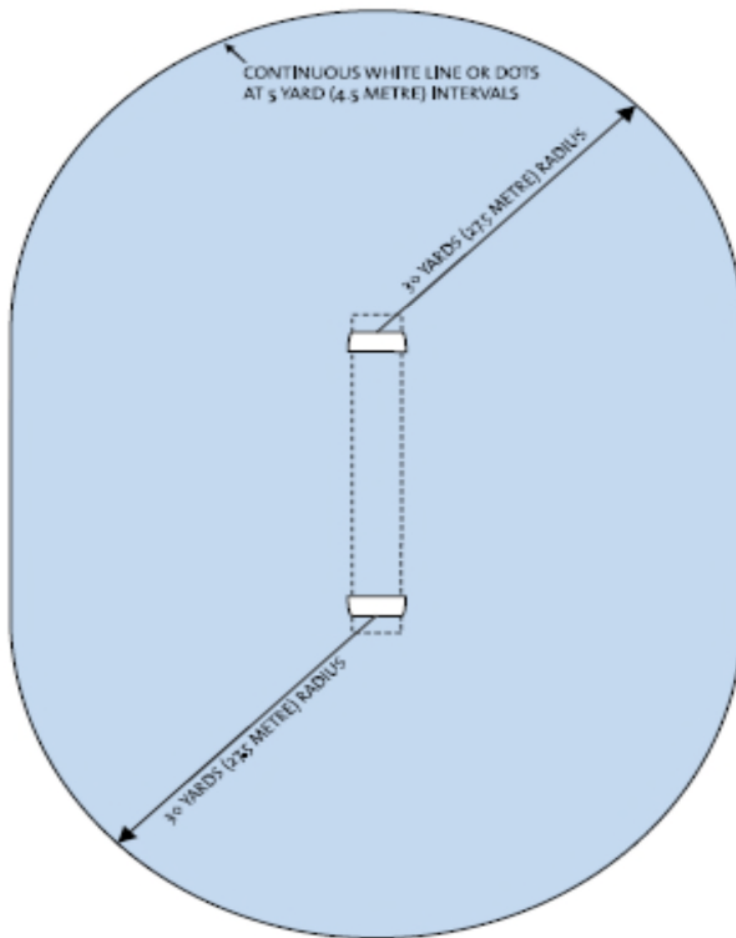
Runs Scored from	Team 1	Team 2
Ball 6	1	1
Ball 5	4	4
Ball 4	2	1
Ball 3	6	2
Ball 2	0	1
Ball 1	2	6

In this example both teams scored an equal number of runs from the 6th and 5th ball of their innings. However team 1 scored 2 runs from its 4th ball while team 2 scored a single so team 1 is the winner.

# APPENDIX D – CREASE MARKINGS



## APPENDIX E – RESTRICTION OF PLACEMENT OF FIELDSMAN



## APPENDIX F – D/L Method

In the version of D/L most commonly in use in international and [first class](#) matches (the 'Professional Edition'), the target for the team batting second ('Team 2') is adjusted up or down from the total the team batting first ('Team 1') scored, in proportion to the two teams' resources (combination of overs and wickets available), i.e.

$$\text{Team 2's par score} = \text{Team 1's score} \times \frac{\text{Team 2's resources}}{\text{Team 1's resources}}.$$

If, as usually occurs, this 'par score' is a non-[integer](#) number of runs, then Team 2's target to win is this number rounded up to the next integer, and the score to [tie](#) (also called the par score), is this number rounded down to the preceding integer. For example, if a rain delay means that Team 2 only has 90% of the resources that were available to Team 1, and Team 1 scored 254, then  $254 \times 90\% = 228.6$ , so Team 2's target is 229, and the score to tie is 228. The actual resource values used in the Professional Edition are not publicly available,<sup>[11]</sup> so a computer must be used which has the software loaded.

If it's a 40-over match and Team 1 completed its innings uninterrupted, then they had 100% resource available to them, so the formula simplifies to:

$$\text{Team 2's par score} = \text{Team 1's score} \times \text{Team 2's resources}.$$

### Summary of impact on Team 2's target<sup>[edit]</sup>

1. If there is a delay before the first innings starts, so that the numbers of overs in the two innings are reduced (but still the same as each other), then D/L will make no change to the target score. This is because both sides will be in the same position of having the same number of overs and 10 wickets available, and they will know this throughout their innings, thus having the same amount of resource available.
2. Team 2's target score is first calculated once Team 1's innings has finished.
3. If there were interruption(s) during Team 1's innings, or Team 1's innings was cut short, so the numbers of overs in the two innings are reduced (but still the same as each other), then (in the Professional Edition) D/L will adjust Team 2's target score as described above.
4. The adjustment to Team 2's target after interruptions in Team 1's innings is often an increase, implying that Team 2 has more resource available than Team 1 had.

Although both teams have 10 wickets and the same (reduced) number of overs available, an increase is fair as, for some of their innings, Team 1 thought they would have more overs available than they actually ended up having.

1. If Team 1 had known that their innings was going to be shorter, they would have batted less conservatively, and scored more runs at the expense of more wickets. They saved some wicket

resource to use up in the overs that ended up being cancelled, which Team 2 doesn't need to do, therefore Team 2 has more resource to use in the same number of overs. Therefore, increasing Team 2's target score compensates Team 1 for the denial of some of the overs they thought they would get to bat.

2. If there are interruption(s) to Team 2's innings, either before it starts, during, or it's cut short, then D/L will reduce Team 2's target score from the initial target set at the end of Team 1's innings, in proportion to the reduction in Team 2's resources. If there are multiple interruptions in the second innings, the target will be adjusted downwards each time.
3. If there are interruptions which both increase and decrease the target score, then the net effect on the target could be either an increase or decrease, depending on which interruptions were bigger.