



Cricket Southern Bayside

CSB Juniors (ISEC)

**ISEC Rules and Regulations
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1. PREAMBLE

This version of ISEC Rules and Regulations, to guide the 2022/23 season has been compiled from historical documents, input and forums, including:

- 19 August 2022 CSB published bylaws v1.0 final version
- August 2021 CSB Integration version 1.0 edited draft version
- ISEC Rules and regulations draft updated 9 October 2019
- ISEC By Laws
- ISEC Stage 1 Rules 2018 (9 October)
- ISEC Stage 2 Rules 2018 (9 October)
- ISEC Rule adjustments 2021/22
- In PROGRESS ISEC By laws 2019-20
- ISEC Junior Forum July 2021
- ISEC Junior Forum August 2022
- ISEC Rules and Regulation Revision document 4.01

It has been further informed, where appropriate, by (and not limited to):

- [MCC Laws of Cricket](#)
- [Cricket Australia Rules and Regulations](#)
- [Cricket Victoria Child Safety Member Protection](#)
- [Australian Cricket Junior Format stage 1](#) and related stage 2 and 3 documents

The rules and regulations should be read in conjunction with and do complement:

- [CSB Code of Conduct](#)
- [CSB Code of Behaviour](#)
- [CSB Conduct Reporting Process](#)
- CSB Alcohol Policy

Note: Every effort has been made to ensure that these index references and descriptive content are accurate. Please advise if there are references which are incorrect or need to be added or note anomalies for the Secretary to ensure these can be amended in future versions.

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2. STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

The purposes of the Competition are the fostering of Cricket and other kindred sports. Solely for the purpose of furthering the purposes set out above the Competition shall have power:

- (a) To take over the funds and other assets and the liabilities of the present incorporated Association known as The Southern District & Churches Cricket League.
- (b) To indemnify any person for any loss or damage incurred as a result of having on behalf of the unincorporated Competition become liable to pay any amount by way of damages or otherwise.
- (c) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other Association, Competition, club or organisation, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Competition provided that the Competition shall not subscribe to or support with its funds any club, Association, Competition or organisation which does not prohibit the distribution of its income and property among its members to an extent at least as great as that imposed on the Competition under or by virtue of the Rules.
- (d) To buy, sell and deal in all kinds of articles, commodities and provisions, both liquid and solid, for the members of the Competition, or persons frequenting the Competitions premises.
- (e) To purchase, take on lease or exchange, hire and otherwise acquire any lands, buildings, easements or property, real and personal, and any rights or privileges which may be requisite for the purposes of, or capable of being conveniently used in connections with, any of the objects of the Competition: Provided that in case the Competition shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the Competition shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed By Law having regard to such trusts.
- (f) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or Authority that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Competition; to obtain from any such Government or Authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Competition may think it desirable to obtain; and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions.
- (g) To appoint, employ, remove or suspend such managers, clerks, secretaries, servants, workmen and other persons as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Competition.
- (h) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, alter or control any houses, buildings, grounds, works or conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advance the Competitions interests, and to contribute to, subsidise or otherwise assist and take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, alteration or control thereof.

(i) To invest and deal with the money of the Competition not immediately required in such a manner as may from time to time be thought fit.

(j) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures or other securities of any company or body corporate.

(k) To lend and advance money or give credit to any person or body corporate; to guarantee and give guarantees or indemnities for the payment of money or the performance of contracts or obligations by any person or body corporate, and otherwise to assist any person or body corporate.

(l) To borrow or raise money either alone or jointly with any other person or legal entity in such a manner as may be thought proper and whether upon fluctuating advance or overdraft or otherwise to represent or secure any moneys and further advances borrowed or to be borrowed alone or with others as aforesaid by notes secured or unsecured, debentures or debenture stock perpetual or otherwise, or by Mortgage, charge, lien or other security upon the whole or any part of the incorporated associations property or assets present or future and to purchase, redeem or pay-off any such securities.

(m) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

(n) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Competition.

(o) To take or hold Mortgages, liens or charges, to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Competitions property of whatsoever kind sold by the Competition, or any money due to the Competition from the purchasers and others.

(p) To take any gift of property whether subject to any special trust or not, for any one or More of the objects of the Competition but subject always to the proviso in paragraph (e).

(q) To take such steps by personal or written appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Competition, in the shape of donations annual subscriptions or otherwise.

(r) To print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Competition may think desirable for the promotion of its objects.

(s) To amalgamate with any one or more incorporated associations having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Competition and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as that imposed upon the Competition under or by virtue of the Rules.

(t) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any one or More of the incorporated associations with which the Competition is authorised to amalgamate.

(u) To transfer all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of the Competition to any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Competition is authorised to amalgamate.

(v) To make donations for patriotic, charitable or community purposes.

(w) To transact any lawful business in aid of the Commonwealth of Australia in the prosecution of any war in which the Commonwealth of Australia is engaged.

(x) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Competition.

3. RULES

The name of the incorporated competition is [CSB Juniors - Inner South East Cricket](#). (In these Rules called the 'Competition').

INTERPRETATION

1.1 In these Rules, unless the contrary intention appears:

- By Laws means any match By Laws and/or administrative By Laws created by the Competition.
- Club means a cricket club approved for membership by the Junior CMG in accordance with these Rules and The Competition's Umpires Association.
- Delegate means the nominated representative of a member club.
- Junior CMG means the Committee of Management of the Competition or their nominated representatives.
- Secretary means the Secretary of the Competition and/or the Secretaries nominated representative.
- Financial Year means the year ending on 30th April.
- General Meeting means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with these Rules.
- Life Member means a person referred to in Rule 9.
- Member means an approved cricket club represented by a delegate.
- Absolute majority, of the Committee, means a majority of the committee members currently holding office and entitled to vote at the time (as distinct from a majority of committee members present at a committee meeting);
- Chairperson, of a general meeting or committee meeting, means the person chairing the meeting as required under rule 19;

- Committee means the Committee having management of the business of the Association;
- Committee meeting means a meeting of the Committee held in accordance with these Rules;
- Committee member means a member of the Committee elected or appointed under these rules;
- Disciplinary appeal meeting means a meeting of the members of the Association convened under rule 22.3;
- Disciplinary meeting means a meeting of the Committee convened for the purposes of rule 12;
- Disciplinary subcommittee means the subcommittee appointed under rule 12;
- General meeting means a general meeting of the members of the Association convened in accordance with these rules and includes an annual general meeting, a special general meeting and a disciplinary appeal meeting;
- Member entitled to vote means a member who under rule 18.3 is entitled to vote at a general meeting;
- Special resolution means a resolution that requires not less than three-quarters of the members voting at a general meeting to vote in favour of the resolution;
- The Act means the [Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012](#) and includes any regulations made under that Act;
- The Registrar means the Registrar of Incorporated Associations.

1.2 In these Rules, a reference to the Secretary of the Competition is a reference:

- a) where a person holds office under these Rules as Secretary of the Competition – to that person; and
- b) in any other case, to the public officer of the Competition.

1.3 Words or expressions contained in these Rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the [Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012](#) and includes any regulations made under that Act as in force from time to time.

BY LAWS DEFINITION

2. The Competition shall have By Laws and the Junior CMG shall administer them and such By Laws shall have the same force as the Rules, but must not in any way be opposed to or contradict them.

- (a) The intention of the By Laws is to govern the administration of the Competition.
- (b) The Rules are to govern the playing of the game.

SELECTION OF CLUBS

3. All Cricket Clubs desirous of becoming a member of the Competition must sign a written Application authorised by an official meeting of the Club, signed by the Chairman and

Secretary of the Club and approved by the Junior CMG. All applications must be submitted to the Secretary by the date stipulated each year.

4. The Junior CMG shall have the right to reject the Applications from any Club if it believes that such rejection is in the best interests of the Competition.

4. All Clubs must submit one copy of their Annual Report to the Junior CMG. The report covering the previous season must be submitted prior to the commencement of the next season.

6. Any Club approved for admission to the Competition must nominate a member in good standing to be a delegate.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

7.1 A Club who applies for and is approved for membership as provided in these Rules is eligible to be a member of the Competition on payment of the first instalment of the annual subscription payable under these Rules.

7.2 An Application of a Club for membership of the Competition shall be made in writing on the approved form and lodged with the Secretary of the Competition.

7.3 Affiliation Applications received from Clubs not members of the Competition at the end of the previous season shall be referred to the Junior CMG for approval.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

8.1 The annual Subscription for each Club shall be determined by the CSB Board as recommended by the Junior CMG at the commencement of each Financial Year and shall be calculated in accordance with the number of teams entered by the members nominating Club. Subscriptions are to be paid on invoice by CSB within 30 days..

8.2 Clubs failing to fulfil the requirements of this Rule may lose all points they have scored and/or incur any other penalty the Junior CMG may deem fit.

LIFE MEMBERS

9.1 Upon a request in writing from a member not less than one month prior to the Annual General Meeting, and with the endorsement of the Junior CMG, the Competition may at its Annual General Meeting elect life members (not more than three may be appointed in each annual cycle).

9.2 Life members shall only be elected by a three-fourths majority of those present at the Annual General Meeting.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

10. The Secretary shall keep and maintain a register of Clubs.

RESIGNATION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBER

11.1 A Club of the Competition who has paid all moneys due and payable by it to the Competition may resign from the Competition by first giving one month's notice in writing to the Secretary of its intention to resign and upon the expiration of that period of notice, the Club shall cease to be a member of the Competition.

11.2 Upon the expiration of a notice given under sub-clause (1), the Secretary shall make in the register of Clubs an entry recording the date on which the Club by whom the notice was given ceased to be a member.

11.3 Players of disbanded clubs who wish to continue to play in the Competition may be affected by eligibility rules. See By Law 12.

12. Subject to these Rules, the Junior CMG may by resolution form a subcommittee to initiate a disciplinary meeting with powers to:

- (a) expel a Club from the Competition;
- (b) suspend a Club from membership of the Competition for a specified period;
- (c) fine a Club;
- (d) impose such other penalty as it may deem fit; if the Junior CMG is of the opinion that the Club:
 - (i) has refused or neglected to comply with these Rules; or
 - (ii) has been guilty of conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Competition.

13. A Club whose membership rights have been suspended or who has been expelled from the Association under rule 12 may give notice to the effect that they wish to appeal against the suspension or expulsion. The notice must be in writing and given:

- (a) To the disciplinary subcommittee immediately after the vote to suspend or expel the person is taken; or
- (b) To the Secretary not later than 48 hours after the vote.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

14.1 CSB shall in each calendar year convene an Annual General Meeting of its members which shall be held not later than the 30th June each year and it shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.

14.2 The ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- (a) to confirm the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and of any general meeting held since that meeting;

- (b) to receive the Annual Report and Balance Sheet;
- (c) to elect the members of the CSB board; and

(d) to consider any other business that may be brought forward.

14.3 The Annual General Meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these Rules.

14.4 The Annual General Meeting shall be in addition to any other general meetings that may be held in the same year.

DELEGATE AND JUNIOR CMG MEETINGS

15. Delegate and Junior CMG Meetings shall be held on a date and venue as advised to club delegates and the Junior CMG.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

16. The Junior CMG may, whenever it thinks fit, convene a special meeting of the Competition.

17.1 The Junior CMG shall, on the requisition in writing of three members of the Junior CMG or five delegates, convene a special general meeting of the Competition.

17.2 The requisition for a special general meeting shall state the objects of the meeting and shall be signed by the Junior CMG members or delegates making the requisition and be sent to the address of the Secretary and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting.

17.3 If the Junior CMG does not cause a special meeting to be held within one month after the date on which the requisition is sent to the address of the Secretary, the members making the requisition, or any of them, may convene a special meeting to be held not later than 3 months after that date.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

18.1 The Secretary of the Competition shall, at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding a meeting of the Competition, cause to be sent notice of such meeting to each Club.

18.2 A member desiring to bring business before a meeting may give notice of that business in writing to the Secretary, who shall include that business in the Notice calling the next meeting after receipt of the Notice.

PROCEEDINGS AT MEETINGS

19.1 All meetings shall commence at 7.30pm and shall terminate not later than 10pm unless a resolution granting an extension of time be supported by at least two-thirds of those present at such meeting.

19.2 At all Competition Meetings debate shall be conducted in accordance with the following Rules:

- a) All motions shall be formally moved and seconded in the course of which the mover and seconder may speak to the motion.
- b) Except that the mover shall have the right of reply no person shall speak twice to the one motion.
- c) When a motion has been seconded debate may ensue but apart from the mover and seconder, no two persons may speak in succession on the same side of the question. If the mover and seconder have spoken, and no speaker rises to take the opposite view, the question shall be put forthwith. This section of the Rule will also apply to amendments.

19.3 A delegate from each Club must attend every meeting called in accordance with these Rules and is entitled to vote. A fine will be imposed on any Club not represented by a delegate at such a meeting. For the purposes of this Rule, the Inner South East Cricket Umpires Association has the same status, rights, (including voting rights), and responsibilities as a member club.

19.4 No item of business shall be transacted at a meeting unless a quorum of delegates entitled under these Rules to vote is present during the time when the meeting is considering that item.

19.5 Two-thirds of delegates being eligible to vote constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting.

20. The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside as Chairman at each general meeting of the Competition.

21. A question arising at a meeting upon which the Chairman determines shall be decided by a vote shall be determined on a show of hands and unless before or on the declaration of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, and an entry to that effect in the Minute Book of the Competition is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, that resolution.

22.1 Upon any question arising at a meeting of the Competition, a delegate, each life member and each member of the Junior CMG has one vote only. The Chairman shall execute his vote only as a casting vote.

22.2 All votes shall be given personally unless otherwise agreed upon by the Junior CMG.

22.3 A member not physically present at a general meeting may be permitted to participate in the meeting by the use of technology that allows that member and the members present at the meeting to clearly and simultaneously communicate with each other.

JUNIOR CMG

23.1 The affairs of the Competition shall be managed by a Junior CMG constituted as provided in Rule 24.

23.2 The Junior CMG:

- a) Shall control and manage the business and affairs of the Competition;
- b) may, subject to these Rules and the regulations of the Act, exercise all such powers and functions as may be exercised by the Competition other than those powers and functions that are required by these Rules to be exercised by general meetings of the Competition; and
- c) subject to these Rules, the regulations and the Act, has power to perform all such acts and things as appear to the Junior CMG to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Competition and may appoint at any time an investigation officer to investigate any incident, involving players clubs, officials or Umpires whether reported by an official of the Competition, Club or individual at its own discretion according to the Laws of Cricket and the Spirit of Cricket.

24.1 The Junior CMG Members of the Competition shall be:

- (a) A President
- (b) A Vice President
- (c) A Secretary
- (d) A Treasurer
- (e) An Assistant Secretary
- (f) A Junior Convenor
- (g) Up to seven (7) Committee Members

Should insufficient nominations be received to fill the above positions the Junior CMG has the power to call on Clubs to provide a member to fill any vacancies.

24.2 Each officer of the Junior CMG shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next after the date of their election but is eligible for re-election.

24.3 No more than two persons from any one Club shall be members of the Junior CMG. No Club can provide more than one Committee member as referred to in 24.1 (g).

24.4 In the event of a casual vacancy in any office referred to in Rule 24.1, the Junior CMG may appoint a person to the vacant office, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the Annual General Meeting next following the date of their appointment.

24.5 The Junior CMG shall have the power to appoint persons to assist in the administration of the Competition.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND VACANCY

25.1 Nominations of candidates for election shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Competition no later than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and will be distributed to the Clubs no later than 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

25.2 The ballot for the election of Honorary Office Bearers and ordinary members of the Junior CMG shall be conducted at the Annual General Meeting in such usual and proper manner as the Junior CMG may direct.

PROCEEDINGS OF JUNIOR CMG

26.1 The Junior CMG shall meet at least nine times during each season at such place and at such time as the Junior CMG may determine.

26.2 Special meetings of the Junior CMG may be convened by the President or by any four of the members of the Junior CMG.

26.3 Notice shall be given to members of the Junior CMG of any special meeting specifying the general nature of the business to be transacted and no other business shall be transacted at such a meeting.

26.4 Any four members of the Junior CMG constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the Junior CMG.

26.5 No business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present and if within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same place and at the same hour of the same day in the following week unless the meeting was a special meeting in which case it lapses.

26.6 In cases where an immediate decision is necessary, the President, Vice President, relevant office bearer and Secretary shall constitute a committee to deal with the matter. Such action shall be reported to the Junior CMG.

26.7. (i) A Junior CMG member who has a material personal interest in a matter being considered at a committee meeting must disclose the nature and extent of that interest to the Committee.

(ii) The member;

(a) Must not be present while the matter is being considered at the meeting; and

(b) Must not vote on the matter.

Note: Under section 81(3) of the Act, if there are insufficient committee members to form a quorum because a member who has a material personal interest is disqualified from voting on a matter, a general meeting may be called to deal with the matter.

(iii) This rule does not apply to a material personal interest:

- a) That exists only because the member belongs to a class of persons for whose benefit the Association is established; or
- b) That the member has in common with all, or a substantial proportion of, the members of the Association.

SECRETARY

27.1 The Secretary of the Competition (or his nominated representative) shall keep a record of the resolutions and actions each Junior CMG Meeting together with a record of the names of those present at each meeting.

27.2 The Competition's Minute Secretary shall keep minutes of each General Meeting together with a record of the names of each person present.

27.3 The Secretary shall act as agent for the Junior CMG, with full power to order necessary materials authorised by the Junior CMG, arrange Matches, attend to correspondence, and shall call Junior CMG Meetings when necessary. They shall have power to expend as much as three hundred dollars (\$300.00) without first obtaining the sanction of the Junior CMG.

27.4 The Secretary shall be entitled to receive an Honorarium in addition to legitimate expense recovery. The Honorarium is to be set by the members at each Annual General Meeting.

TREASURER

28.1 The Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the Competition and shall deposit them in the Bank under the name of the Inner South East Cricket Inc. They shall pay all accounts when passed by the Junior CMG and shall produce a statement of receipts and payments and a statement detailing the amounts owing by Clubs at all Competition Meetings. The Treasurer shall keep a register showing entrance fees, fines, etc. They shall submit to the Annual General Meeting approved by the Junior CMG, which shall include the proposed entrance fees ensuing season.

28.2 An Auditor shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting to report to members on the fairness of the Financial Statements and such other duties as are determined by the Junior CMG. The Auditor shall possess accounting qualifications.

28.3 All books of account and other documents of the Competition shall be available at all times for inspection by the members.

28.4 The Treasurer shall be entitled to receive an Honorarium in addition to legitimate expense recovery. The Honorarium is to be set by the members at each Annual General Meeting.

REMOVAL OF MEMBER OF COMMITTEE

29.1 The Competition in general meeting may by resolution remove any member of the Junior CMG before the expiration of their term of office and appoint another member in their stead to hold office until the expiration of the term of the first mentioned member.

29.2 Where the member to whom a proposed resolution referring to in sub-clause (1) makes representation in writing to the Secretary or President of the Competition (not exceeding a reasonable length) and requests that they be notified to the members of the Competition, the Secretary or the President may send a copy of the representations to each member of the Competition or, if they are not so sent, the member may require that they be read out at the meeting.

CHEQUES

30. No longer applicable.

SEAL

31.1 The Common Seal of the Competition shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary.

31.2 The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Junior CMG and the affixing of the Common Seal shall be attested by the signatures either of two members of the Junior CMG or of one member of the Junior CMG and of the Public Officer of the Competition.

ALTERATIONS OF RULES AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

32. Subject to the Act no clause in these Rules and Statement of Purposes shall be altered, amended or repealed without the consent of a 75 per cent majority of the delegates present at a meeting specially called of which seven days' notice in writing shall be given to the Clubs and such notice to contain particulars of such alteration.

NOTICES & LODGEMENT OF PAPERWORK WITH THE COMPETITION

33.1 Unless otherwise stated in these Rules, a notice maybe served by or on behalf of the Competition upon any Club either personally on its delegate or by sending it electronically, by

post or facsimile to the Club at its address shown on the Register of Clubs or the nominated fax point for the club as shown on the Club registration forms.

33.2 Where a document is properly addressed, pre-paid and posted to a Club as a letter, the document shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed to have been given to the Club at the time at which the letter would have been delivered in the ordinary course of the post.

33.3 By Laws requiring paperwork (e.g. team sheets, registrations, etc) to be lodged with the Secretary of the Competition within 48 hours of the completion of the match in question, shall be interpreted as meaning paperwork must be received no later than the first mail on the Wednesday following the completion of the match in question - that is, the Secretary must have physically received the paperwork by that time.

The only exceptions to the foregoing are:

- a) if the Competition directs Clubs in advance that paperwork must be in the hands of the Secretary prior to this time;
- b) Clubs lodging protests in accordance with the By Laws;
- c) Umpires reporting players and/or Clubs.

In the case of (b) and/or (c) above, the relevant paperwork must be physically in the hands of the Secretary of the Competition within 48 hours of the completion of the match in question.

WINDING UP OR CANCELLATION

34. In the event of the winding up or the cancellation of the Incorporation of the Competition after payment of all debts and liabilities the assets shall not be distributed to members but shall be distributed to a fund with similar objects in the support of junior community cricket, youth sports or to a fund or funds exclusively for charitable purposes.

CUSTODY OF RECORDS

35. Except as otherwise provided in these Rules the Secretary shall keep in their custody or under their control, all books, documents and securities of the Competition.

FUNDS

36. The funds of the Competition shall be derived from annual subscriptions, donations, and such other sources as the Junior CMG determines.

GENERAL

37. In the event of any question arising not provided for in these Rules or as to the interpretation thereof the opinion of the Junior CMG shall be taken and acted upon.

4. GENERAL BY LAWS

ALTERATIONS

1.1 No By Law of the Competition shall be altered, amended or repealed without the consent of a majority of delegates present at a general meeting of the Competition.

1.2 (a) Clubs proposing new By Laws or amendments to existing By Laws must lodge their proposals in writing with the Secretary of the Junior CMG no later than 14 days prior to any general or special meeting during the season. Proposals thus lodged must be signed by two Committee members of the Club concerned, one of whom must be either the Club Junior Convenor or Club Secretary.

Proposals lodged by members of the Junior CMG shall be in writing and signed by the member concerned.

(b) Such proposals shall be accompanied by a short written explanation of the reasons for the submission of the proposals.

(c) Proposals to introduce new By Laws or amend existing By Laws shall be dealt with at the annual Junior Forum or such other meeting as is required. Unless deemed absolutely critical, no changes to By Laws should occur during the playing season.

(d) Such written submissions proposing changes and/or additions and deletions may be changed by a simple majority.

(e) No further amendments or new By Laws will be dealt with at the appropriate meeting.

(f) Any proposed change shall become effective immediately consent is granted.

(g) The Junior CMG shall have the power to enact additional By Laws that are not inconsistent with the adopted By Laws, and shall have the right to interpret all By Laws. Any changes made by the Junior CMG must be communicated to the Clubs as soon as practicable after changes are agreed.

(h) In the event of any question arising not provided for in these By Laws, or, as to the interpretation thereof, the opinion of the Junior CMG shall be taken and acted upon.

1.3 In the event of any question arising not provided for in these By Laws, or, as to the interpretation thereof, the opinion of the Junior CMG shall be taken and acted upon.

FINES & PENALTIES

2.1 Schedule of Fines

The following breaches of the rules and By Laws shall be penalised by the imposition of a fine according to the category of fines as below:

Walkover conceded prior to 8 00 PM on match day eve	Category C
Walkover conceded after 8 00 PM on Match day eve	Category B
Failure to attend meeting of the Competition	Category A
Incomplete/Incorrect PlayHQ Details	Category C
Late match details	Category C
Late start, Club in default	Category C
Breach of health and Safety By Law	Category B
Subsequent offences	Category B
Failure to set up ground correctly	Category C
Players/officials possessing/consuming alcohol during a match	Category B
Playing an Ineligible player	Category B

Each category financial penalty shall be determined by the Junior CMG and details forwarded to member Clubs at the Junior Forum each year.

2.2 Breaches penalised by loss of points

The following breaches of the rules and By Laws shall be penalised by the loss of points and/or other penalty according to this schedule:

- a) Playing an ineligible player shall at the discretion of the Junior CMG result in the loss of all points gained in all matches in which such player has taken part;
- b) Any serious breach of the Competition's Code of Behaviour or Rules in relation to behaviour of players, officials and parents.

2.3 Dates for payments of Club accounts

- a) Where possible accounts will be rendered to clubs during the season at the following intervals:
 - (i) At the commencement of the season for affiliation fees and initial ball orders.
 - (ii) On a regular basis throughout the year for umpires payments.
 - (iii) As required thereafter.
- b) Failure to pay accounts within 30 days of being invoiced shall result in an automatic fine of \$10.00.
- c) If accounts are not paid within 30 days of being rendered, offending Clubs shall be notified by the Competition that the outstanding amount plus fines must be paid within 7 days. If payment is still not forthcoming, Clubs shall be fined an additional \$10.00 per week for a period not exceeding 21 days until the debt is paid in full. Automatic suspension will result if the debt remains unpaid at the expiration of the additional 21 days.
- d) Invoices for fines will include details of the By Laws infringed, date of

- infringement, Grade of team incurring infringement and the amount of the fine.
- e) Non-receipt of an invoice sent shall not invalidate the effect of this By Law.
 - f) The Junior CMG has the power to render invoices at any other time as they deem appropriate.

2.4 Executive to impose penalty where none is provided

Where no penalty is provided for in any of these By Laws, the Junior CMG has the right to impose any penalty as it may deem fit. Any Club or individual dealt with may not be allowed to play again until the decision of the Junior CMG has been complied with.

2.5 Club or player may appeal against penalty

A Club or player may appeal against any penalty imposed, by notifying the Secretary in writing within 48 hours of the notification of the penalty. The Secretary shall convene a hearing of the Junior CMG at which the appeal shall be heard and shall notify the Club of the hearing date. Any fine on appeal must be paid before the appeal is heard and normal penalties for late payment shall be incurred. The decision of the Junior CMG shall be final in these matters within the Competition.

2.6 Clubs must be financial to participate in Finals

No Club shall participate in any finals series match whilst having any fines or fees outstanding.

TEAM APPLICATIONS

3.1 An application from a Club wishing to compete in the Competition shall include all details required in the Annual Affiliation Forms.

- a) Clubs to include the name, address, Email address and telephone number of the Junior Convenor who shall be the nominated contact point of the Club in relation to receipt of any notices or paperwork sent by the Junior CMG. Refer also to rule 33.1; and;
- b) Include proof that the Club is covered by public liability insurance for at least \$1 million, either by a policy taken out by the Club or through affiliation with another body whose insurance covers the Club.

TEAM WITHDRAWAL

4. A Club withdrawing any team after the season has commenced shall notify the Secretary in writing and shall be liable for payment of full fees for the team.

DELEGATES MEETINGS

5. The Junior CMG may schedule Members' Delegate Meetings which shall be held on such date, and at such place or in such an electronic form as are advised prior to the meeting. The Junior CMG may alter the dates and places of such meetings. Notice of all meetings shall be sent to each Club by the Secretary at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding the meeting unless the meeting is considered sufficiently urgent to require less notice.

OFFICE-BEARERS APPOINTED BY THE JUNIOR CMG

6. The Junior CMG shall have the power to appoint other office-bearers to assist with general administration and which shall specifically include:

- (a) Honorary Legal Adviser;
- (b) Umpires Advisor;
- (c) Delegates to affiliate Associations.

STANDING COMMITTEES

7.1 Junior CMG appoints Standing Committees

The Junior CMG shall have the power to appoint Committees and fix the number to serve each season. The Standing Committees of the Competition shall be administered by the Committee Members.

7.2 By Laws Committee

The By Laws Committee shall be responsible for maintaining the Rules and By Laws of the Competition and considering proposed changes.

7.3 Fundraising and Promotions Committee

The Fundraising and Promotions Committee shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining links with the sponsors and advertisers of the Competition.

7.4 Grounds Committee

The Grounds Committee shall inspect all grounds used by Competition Clubs and recommend any measures for improvement that may be considered necessary. The Committee shall allocate grounds for finals matches.

7.5 Independent Tribunal

- a) The Tribunal (the "Independent Tribunal") shall be an independent Tribunal consisting of at least five persons (any three to form a quorum) and shall deal with reported players, teams or Club officials.
- b) Meetings of the "Independent Tribunal" shall be convened as necessary by the Secretary (or his nominated representative).
- c) The "Independent Tribunal" may co-opt any additional person or persons to make up the panel of three members should this be necessary in any particular case.

7.6 The Umpires Committee shall be responsible for the recruitment, training and appointment of the professional Umpires to the Competition and keep a register of umpire appointments.

7.7. Other temporary and standing committees may be appointed at the discretion of the Junior CMG.

REGISTRATIONS

8.1 All players must be registered on [PlayHQ](#) prior to playing their first match. All players seeking to play in any of the Competition's Under Age competitions shall, upon request, provide proof of age to allow participation in the requested age group (Refer also to Junior By Law 35).

Proof of age can be one of the following:

- (i) Birth Certificate
- (ii) Passport
- (iii) Australian Citizen Certificate
- (iv) Australian diplomatic certificate issued to refugees

8.2 A Club in breach of the provisions of this By Law shall be subject to a penalty.

CLEARANCES

10. Clearances are not generally required in junior cricket. A clearance is only required if:

- a) The player has played in a team with a different Club in the same Grade during the Season.
- b) All clearances must be lodged directly with the Secretary.
- c) The Junior CMG shall have the power to repeal or revoke any Clearance application at any time.
- d) The granting or refusal of an application for endorsement of a clearance shall be at the discretion of the Secretary, whose decision shall be ratified at the next meeting of the Junior CMG.
- e) A player unable to obtain a clearance from a Club within this Competition may appeal in writing to the Junior CMG stating the reason for the clearance application.

ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

11.1 General Eligibility

Players shall be under seventeen (17) years of age for the Under 17 sections, under fifteen (15) years of age for Under 15 sections, under thirteen (13) years of age for Under 13 sections and

under eleven (11) years of age for Under 11 sections as at the 1st of September in the relevant year of season commencement.

A player may play with another Association during the current season.

11.2 Play in no more than one match at the same date and time

- a) No player shall play in more than one match in this Competition or with any other Competition in any round which is fixtured to occur on the same date and time without the consent of the opposition, which must be advised and approved in writing. If a player chooses to play in 2 matches that cross over their team will not be entitled to a substitute player and MUST field and/or bat without that player being replaced.
- b) Players are permitted to play in consecutive matches of different age groups on the same day (e.g. Under 13s in morning and Under 15s in afternoon).

11.4. Girls playing above their age group

In line with [Cricket Australia](#) policy, girls may play over their age group up to a period of two years.

11.5 Provision for late developers

(i) A player having exceeded the age of eligibility of their age group by less than six months may be granted a permit to play for a further season in that age group provided that in any VCMU affiliated association the player has not scored a total of 100 runs or taken 10 wickets during either of the previous two seasons. All such permits must be approved by the Junior Convenor of the club making the request and may be revoked at any time by the Junior CMG. Such players receiving permits will not be allowed to play in A Grade teams unless it is the only team being fielded by the club.

(ii) A player in their first year of cricket who has no history of playing, has exceeded their age group by less than six months, and does not have the skills to play in their actual age group, may be granted through application to the Secretary, permission to play in a lower age group. All such permits must then be approved by the Junior Convenor of the club making the request, and may be revoked at any time by the Junior CMG.

11.6 Ineligible Player

An ineligible player is defined as:

- (i) a player currently serving a term of suspension invoked by this or any other Cricket Competition in Victoria;
- (ii) a player ineligible to play because the necessary Clearance has not been obtained and lodged with the Secretary;
- (iii) a player in breach of the finals qualification conditions;
- (iv) any player who is ineligible to play in the age group without permit due to age;
- (v) a player playing under a false name.

(vi) a player subject to any Competition By Law which declares them ineligible.

11.7 Playing an ineligible player

A Club playing an ineligible player shall forfeit all points gained in the matches where the ineligible player or players participate and, at the Junior CMG's discretion may be fined or otherwise penalised.

The Secretary shall notify the Club Secretary of the offending team as soon as possible after detecting the offence. However, the Junior CMG retains the right to impose any additional penalties it deems appropriate, or to waive the forfeiting of points where it is deemed unreasonable to do so.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

12.1 Trophies – minimum qualifications

Trophies shall be awarded as set out below with the associated minimum qualification (subject to change by the Junior CMG if weather or other matters intervene):

- a) The average of the best batter, who shall have batted in at least five matches and scored at least 150 runs (not being dismissed for an entire season counts as 1 dismissal for the purpose of an 'average');
- b) The average of the best bowler, who shall have bowled in at least five matches and bowled at least 240 balls in Under 17 Grades; Under 15 & Under 13 Grades – 180 balls.
- c) The batter with the highest aggregate of runs;
- d) The bowler with the highest aggregate of wickets;

12.2 Trophies awarded as determined by the Secretary

Trophies shall be awarded to all individuals as determined by the Secretary. The decision of the Secretary in reckoning the individual awards shall be final.

TROPHIES

13.1 Annual Competition Trophies

Trophies shall be awarded each season as directed by the Junior CMG. Amongst these trophies shall be the following:

WL Smith Memorial Trophy	Best Administered Club
Peter Fisher Memorial Trophy	Junior Club Championship
Bill Birch Memorial Trophy	Best Wicket keeping Aggregate
Best Umpire	
Best Junior Umpire	

13.2 Each Grade named after individuals who contributed significantly

Trophies/Shields shall be awarded to all Premiership teams. The Junior CMG shall have the power to recommend shields for Grades to be named after individuals who have contributed significantly to the Competition.

HEALTH AND SAFETY BY LAW

14.1 Heat Rule

The heat rule for under age matches shall be as follows:

- a) No scheduled morning match will commence if the temperature is **30** degrees Celsius or higher at 0800.
- b) No scheduled evening match will commence if the temperature is **35** degrees Celsius or higher at 1600.

14.2. Criteria for temperature measurement

- (i) The temperatures on the [Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology](http://bom.gov.au) website (bom.gov.au) will be taken as the official temperature for the purposes of By Law 14.1 – using the [Latest weather observations for the Melbourne Area](#)
- (ii) Each ground will be allocated to a relevant Bureau of Meteorology weather station for the purposes of By Law 14.1 and Clubs notified prior to the start of the season by the Secretary.

14.3 Thunderstorms and Lightning

- a) Suspension of play due to lightning/thunder:
 - (i) Suspension and resumption of play - play should stop when there is visible lightning. Activity should be suspended and people moved to designated safe shelters.
 - (ii) Play shall cease immediately and remain suspended while a thunderstorm is active in the immediate vicinity.
- b) Resumption of play after lightning/thunder.
 - (i) Play should not resume until 30 minutes after the last lightning strike. If paid ISEC or other umpires are present resumption of play is at their absolute discretion.

WALKOVERS & WITHDRAWALS

15.1 A Club unable to commence or complete matches for any of its teams shall;

- a) Notify the Secretary and Junior Convenor of the opposing Club as soon as possible
- b) Notify the Secretary by 8.00pm on the day the walkover is given
- c) Give a satisfactory explanation of the reasons for the walkover in writing to the Secretary before the following round
- d) be liable for both competing teams shares of the Umpires fees for all scheduled days of the match, unless notification of the walkover is given to the Secretary at least 24 hours prior to the start of the match
- e) Be subject to a penalty for a walkover subject to endorsement by the Junior CMG.
- f) If a club withdraws a team after the season has been commenced that shall be placed on a 'per team bond' as decided by the Competition's Junior CMG for the following season.

15.2 Any team giving three (3) walkovers in grade shall be forthwith withdrawn from the competition.

ENTRIES IN SCOREBOOKS

16.1 During the match, each Club shall enter in its own scorebook the detailed scores and bowling analyses of its own and opposing teams. Live scoring on [PlayHQ](#) is encouraged, and is to be used at the discretion of the home team. At least one hard copy scorebook must be kept. A copy of each declared team must be uploaded into [PlayHQ](#) prior to the match commencing, or be given to an Umpire, if present, prior to the toss for innings in any match. If no umpires are present the two Team Managers shall confirm and exchange team details prior to the toss for innings in the match.

16.2 At the conclusion of each days play and particularly at the conclusion of the match, the umpires shall sign in each others presence the results in the manual scorebook. If no umpires are present the scorers will undertake this task. This practice, along with the exchanging of contact details by scorers or team managers enables swift resolution of any score entry issues for both teams.

PlayHQ ENTRIES

17.1 Both teams shall be responsible for entering the required details on [PlayHQ](#) within the time frame determined by the Competition each season and this extends to the requirement for umpires reports and other official requirements across ISEC representative and other carnivals.

17.2 In the event of

- (a) A walkover, the team receiving the walkover shall enter a full team list on [PlayHQ](#); or
- (b) A bye, a full team list shall entered in [PlayHQ](#).

17.3 On each day of play in every match, the home team shall enter a match summary on [PlayHQ](#).

17.4 A team failing to comply with this By Law shall be subject to a penalty.

PITCH SURFACES

Variations of this By Law may be made by the Junior CMG.

18.2 Roll Synthetic pitches – roll up

- a) The laying of a roll up synthetic surface by the home team shall be completed at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement time for play unless precluded by adverse weather or ground conditions.
- b) The roll up synthetic surface shall, for the duration of the match, be the same or as near as possible to the same.

18.3 Popping creases shall be marked with a white line

All approved surfaces shall have the popping creases marked with a clearly distinguishing line.

GROUNDS

19.1 Approval & Maintenance

- a) All grounds shall be subject to approval by the Junior CMG and shall be placed at the disposal of the Competition for the conduct of matches during the year. The Junior CMG may take action against Clubs which do not satisfactorily maintain their grounds during the season.
- b) Clubs whose grounds are selected to host semi-final and/or final matches shall ensure that the competing teams have access to all facilities including pavilion, water, kitchen facilities if available and toilets. Failure to do this shall render the club liable for Category B fine for each day facilities are not made available.

19.2 Boundaries

In Under 17 and Under 15 matches the length of the boundary shall be at least 50m unless that is unachievable, measured from each batting end. In Under 13 matches, a full boundary shall be at least 40m unless that is unachievable, measured from each batting end.

Unless there are any permanent obstructions, all unfenced grounds shall have a clearly defined boundary marked by at least 25 flags, witches' hats, plastic domes or other visible markers, unless a clearly marked white line between the boundary markers defines the

boundary which shall be in position 15 minutes before the scheduled commencement time. In this case, the boundary shall be the straight line between adjacent flags.

A proper string measure or tape measure shall be used for the marking of the grounds.

Stage 1 (U11) boundaries should take guidance from the Stage 1 format Cricket Australia document.

19.3 Ground characteristics

Prior to the commencement of each day's play, the following decisions shall be made by the Team managers and Umpires (if in attendance):

- a) The ground and pitch surface as being fit for play;
- b) The boundaries as marked are satisfactory and on day 2 are equivalent to day 1;
- c) The conditions applying when the ball strikes any fixed obstruction e.g., trees or kerbing, and whether the batter may be dismissed after the ball has struck such obstruction.

19.4 Home Team Duties

The home team is responsible for the preparation of the ground as follows: pitch surface, flags, run-ups and the provision of sawdust and other aids.

The home team shall be responsible for the provision of water and/or refreshments unless Health and Safety rulings by any authority renders this requirement invalid.

19.5 Ground to be ready for commencement of play

Unless affected by adverse weather, the ground shall be ready for the commencement of play at the appointed time. If the conditions are not met, the home team may be disciplined under By Law 15.1 or By Law 22.

MATCH BALLS

20.1 Match Balls - Junior CMG Approves Annually

The Junior CMG shall, prior to the start of the season, determine which manufacturers and brand names of balls may be used in Competition matches during the season and may make variations on this determination as required. A list of approved balls shall be published and made available to all Clubs and the Umpires Association prior to the commencement of the Season. No other balls shall be used.

20.2 Match Balls – supply & weights

All Junior teams are to supply their own approved match ball in all Grades.

Each **Under 17** and **Under 15** team shall supply a new two-piece 156g new ball of approved make to be used in each first innings. The use of a new ball shall be at the option of the fielding team in the event there is a second innings.

Each **Under 13** team shall supply a new 142g ball prior to the commencement of play.

Where Umpires are provided, they may initial the match balls when not in play and the said balls shall be kept in the custody of the team managers.

Each **Under 11** team shall supply a composite red kookaburra Softaball match ball.

UMPIRES

21.1 Paid Umpires

Paid Umpires shall be appointed in each Grade as approved by the Junior CMG and subject to By Law 19.5, shall be the sole judges of fair and unfair play, the weather, light for play and the ball and, if they disagree, the actual state of things shall continue. All Umpires shall have a copy of The Laws of Cricket as adopted by the Marylebone Cricket Club and a copy of these current By Laws of the Competition in their possession at each match.

21.2 Umpires Fees

The Umpires fee is payable by the Club for each day and shall be borne by the competing teams in equal proportions. In the event of no play, the Umpire, if present, shall be paid **one half** of the normal fee. Payment for umpires will be billed to Clubs by Cricket Southern Bayside on a regular basis.

21.3 Umpires Performance Report

Whenever a professional Umpire is appointed to a match, both teams shall submit in [PlayHQ](#) a report of the Umpires performance in the match. Clubs will take this responsibility on with the same timeliness expected of match results and player statistics. Umpire reports will be submitted by the Wednesday following the close of a match.

21.4 Umpires for Finals - Clubs to submit names

Clubs if requested shall, prior to the start of the last round, submit the name of at least one competent person who shall officiate as an Umpire at an under-age final.

21.5 Umpires Uniform

Umpires will be identified by their uniform which shall consist of an Association/the Competition branded and approved open neck shirt, with long or short sleeve option.

21.6 Single official umpire to officiate at bowlers end continuously

Where only one official umpire has been appointed that umpire shall (unless special circumstances apply and both team managers are in agreement) officiate at the bowler's end of the pitch for the duration of the game.

21.7 Umpire - Replacement of

Should the need arise to replace an official umpire during a match, for illness, injury or in exceptional circumstances, the replacement official umpire will take full responsibility for control of the match. This includes standing at the bowlers end when required.

21.8 Club Umpires

Where no official umpires are appointed, two non-playing representatives, who shall be over 18 years of age, shall be in attendance to act as umpires and supervisors. The umpiring shall be shared by the representatives of the two competing Clubs. As a protocol, the umpire from the batting team will usually take square leg and the bowling team umpire at the non-striker's end.

21.9 Umpiring in Under 17 and 15 Matches

A Club representative, whilst in the process of umpiring, shall at no time act in an advisory capacity to any player, except in the course of normal umpiring duties. A representative doing so may be subject to an official warning and on a second occurrence incur a 5 run penalty. This penalty can only be given by a paid official umpire.

21.10 Umpiring in Under 13 and 11 Matches

In Under 13 and Under 11 matches the adults with the team may assist the players by coaching, guiding or organising the team during the match in any phase of the game during the home and away series provided it does not take up undue time. This should be done within the spirit of the game and is useful when agreement on the intensity of this support is agreed by team coaches and managers prior to the game commencing.

DISPUTES - MATCH RESULTS

Home teams must enter the match result into [PlayHQ](#), then the away team must confirm it. Match results must be entered by **6pm the day following cessation of play** for the away team to confirm. All other player statistics must be completed **for all grades by midday of the first Wednesday following closure of the game.**

22.1 Any dispute, complaint, protest or charge concerning the result of the match may be made as follows:

- (a) A team through its team manager shall give notice to the opposing team manager at the ground, except in regard to ineligible players; and
- (b) The manual scorebook/s shall be signed, adding the words under protest, or a dispute lodged at the time of confirming the match result in [PlayHQ](#).
- (c) in the event of a dispute in the scores, an email will be sent to the Secretary on the evening of the match outlining the issue and providing evidence of the discrepancy.

22.2 The dispute, complaint, protest or charge, if persisted in, shall be submitted, in writing to the Secretary on or before the first Monday following the game.

22.3 The Secretary shall forward one copy to the Secretary of the Club whose team or player is allegedly at fault and retain the other copy. Arrangements shall then be made for the dispute to be heard.

22.4 All disputes, complaints, and protests shall be heard before the Junior CMG whose decision on the matter shall be final and not open to appeal within the Competition.

MISBEHAVIOUR & RELATED CHARGES

23.1 Laying of Charges

Any Club, Umpire or registered member of the Competition may charge a Club, spectator, player or official of the Competition (including umpire) by notification of the team manager, player or Club Official as follows:

- (a) At the ground by the person laying the report who shall inform the reported person and the Team manager or official of the team and ring the Secretary of ISEC on the day of the report. The completed signed report is to be given to the reported person and the Team Manager or official of the team at the end of the match and handed in by 6:00 PM on the Monday following the completion of the match to the Secretary of ISEC.
- (b) to the Secretary on the day of the incident before 8:00PM without notification to the alleged offender. Clubs, Umpires or registered members of the Competition seeking to rely on this method of bringing a charge must demonstrate that this method of reporting was warranted.
- (c) Team managers are to make themselves available to receive copies of the report and failure to wait for the report to be prepared shall constitute an offence and shall be investigated by the "Independent Tribunal".

23.2 Taking of Automatic Penalties

Category "A" charges – (See Table following By Law 23.14). Players charged with any of the offences listed as Category "A" offences may plead guilty and accept an automatic one match penalty plus an automatic one match suspended sentence, valid until the Christmas recess of the following season, without attending an "Independent Tribunal" hearing.

23.2.1. The automatic penalty is not available to any player charged:

- (a) With more than one Category “A” offence.
- (b) On a second or subsequent charges during the current and following seasons.

23.2.2. The reported Player has 48 hours to communicate to the Secretary his or her intention to defend the matter at the “Independent Tribunal” or accept an automatic penalty. Where no intention is stated the Player shall be presumed to have pleaded not guilty and will be expected to attend an “Independent Tribunal” Hearing at a time and date to be fixed by the Secretary.

23.3 Reports - Communication with Secretary

The reported party has 48 hours to communicate to the Secretary their intention to defend the matter at the Tribunal or accept an automatic penalty. Where no intention is stated the reported party shall be presumed to have pleaded not guilty and will be expected to attend the Tribunal hearing at a time and date to be fixed by the Secretary.

23.4 Reports - Role of the Secretary

In the event of an automatic penalty not being available, the Secretary shall forward a copy of the charge to both the party laying the charge and the reported party or Club Secretary (in the case of a Club) by the Monday following the laying of the charge. The notification shall include the date, time and location of the Tribunal plus a list of persons required to attend.

23.5 Attendance at the Independent Tribunal

It is the responsibility of the Club to ensure that the player charged and a parent or guardian (when under the age of 18), together with any other Club members and officials requested to attend by the Secretary, appear before a meeting of the Tribunal.

23.6 Statutory declaration by reported party unable to attend the Tribunal

A charged person who is unable to attend a meeting of the Tribunal convened to hear such charge shall supply a statutory declaration stating:

- (a) the reason for not attending
- (b) the consent for the hearing to proceed
- (c) A plea of guilty or not guilty
- (d) a version of the incident

to the Tribunal Chairman or Secretary prior to the meeting. The Statutory Declaration will be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 24 hours prior to the Tribunal Hearing.

23.7 Non-Attendance by the reported party at the Tribunal

If the charged party does not attend a meeting of the Tribunal convened to hear such charge, the Tribunal may:

- (a) with the written consent of the charged party, proceed forthwith to hear the charge and impose any penalty it thinks fit; or
- (b) remit the charge for hearing at a subsequent meeting of the Tribunal, in which case the Tribunal may suspend the charged party from competing in any matches conducted by the Competition until the charge is heard.

23.8 Use of advocate by parties to the Tribunal

At the Tribunal hearings both the reported party and the party laying the charge will each be allowed one advocate who is not a witness to appear with them. Legally qualified persons may not represent any party to a matter before the Tribunal.

23.9 Charging of other parties

The Tribunal may recommend charging any other party involved in the matter and may summon before a meeting of the Tribunal any other parties as the Secretary may request. The Tribunal may impose any penalty as it deems fit.

23.10 Reporting of Tribunal findings to the Executive

All findings of the Tribunal shall be recorded in the minutes of the next Executive Meeting of the Competition. Where a party has been penalised, the Secretary shall also communicate the findings of the Tribunal in writing to the party concerned and the Club of which they are a member.

23.11 Attendance at Tribunal if a Club is Reported

Where Clubs are reported as a body it is expected that their representatives at the Tribunal shall be the Team Manager and Club President or Secretary and the Tribunal shall have the power to suspend or levy a fine as it sees fit.

23.12 Appeals Against the Decision of The Tribunal

The charged party may appeal to a CSB Sub Committee against:

- (a) The Tribunal verdict
- (b) The sentence received
- (c) The procedural incorrectness

Appeals will only be heard if the evidence not previously available at the time of the Tribunal is available, and;

- a) Appeals must be lodged with the Secretary within 48 hours of the Tribunal Hearing and accompanied by a \$100 Appeal Fee, (\$50 of which may be refundable).
- b) The Secretary will arrange an Appeal Hearing within seven (7) days of the receipt of notice of appeal.
- c) Players or clubs shall be free to play until the Appeal is held.

23.13 Appeals Tribunal

The appeals tribunal shall be appointed by the Executive Council and shall consist of three persons who were not members of the Tribunal which heard the case previously.

23.14 Presenting of Evidence Before The Tribunal

All persons giving evidence at a Tribunal Hearing shall be advised by the Chairman at the commencement of proceedings that they must give truthful evidence. If the Tribunal believes any evidence has been untruthful, misleading or unsatisfactory nature, the Tribunal will refer such matters to the Executive for further action.

CATEGORY ‘A’ OFFENCES

Continued sledging after a warning to stop	“A”
Refusal to leave the crease after being given out	“A”
Verbal or physical abuse of opposition player or official	“A”
Disputing Umpires Decision	“A”
Use of abusive, obscene or insulting language or gestures	“A”
Deliberately and/or unnecessarily disturbing the stumps	“A”

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

24.1 All matches shall be conducted in the true spirit of the game of cricket and Club officials, coaches, team managers, captains and players are asked to adopt this policy.

This code extends to the parents, guardians and supports of the teams playing within the Competition. Clubs bear responsibility that their non playing affiliates and supports uphold and promote the spirit and integrity of the game.

24.2 No player during any match, whether on or off the field of play, shall engage in conduct unbecoming to the game of cricket. Coaches, Team Managers, Captains and players must adopt this policy.

24.3 Players must;

- (a) Respect the Umpire.
- (b) Not verbally or physically abuse any Umpire.
- (c) Not dispute the Umpires decision nor react in a threatening or disapproving

Manner.

- (d) When given out, progress from the ground immediately.
- (e) Generally, assist the Umpire in carrying out his duties.
- (f) Not indulge in sledging opposition players.
- (g) Not verbally, racially or physically abuse opposition players or officials.

The above applies regardless of whether the Umpire is a paid umpire or an umpire supplied by the Club.

24.4 Clubs shall place all teams under the control of a responsible person or persons.

24.5 Coaches, Team Managers and Captains shall:

- a) Instruct players to avoid time-wasting - incoming and outgoing batters should pass inside the boundary line and fieldsmen should move quickly to position.
- b) Brief players on the behaviour requirements and request that players conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner.

24.6 Should any breach of this code occur or any action deemed to be detrimental to the game of cricket take place, the matter shall be reported to the Competition.

24.7

- a) Where an Umpire has occasion to speak to a player about his behaviour but does not consider the player's behaviour to be so serious as to warrant a report to the Competition the Umpire shall caution the player.
- b) An umpire shall note a caution and advise the Umpire's Convenor.
- c) Where an Umpire cautions a player, he shall inform the cautioned player that the caution shall be officially recorded for the attention of the Competition's Secretary and shall notify the cautioned player's Captain and Coach or Team Manager as soon as practicable on the day on which the caution is issued. The cautioned player's Captain shall endorse the Umpire's Match Report at the end of the game.

Should a player have two cautions recorded with the Competition's Secretary during the same season, the Secretary, on behalf of the Competition, may:

- (i) lay a charge against the cautioned player of bringing the game into disrepute
- (ii) notify the reported player's Club of the report
- (iii) Organize with the Tribunal Secretary the date time and venue of any Hearing considered necessary.

(1) The Competition Secretary, in consultation with the Independent Tribunal Chairman, may offer a player cautioned twice a maximum two-week suspension. The Independent Tribunal Chairman and the Secretary have the discretion to refer any caution direct to the Tribunal if it is considered of a sufficiently serious nature.

24.8 All persons giving evidence at an “Independent Tribunal” Hearing shall be advised by the Chairman at the commencement of Proceedings that they must give truthful evidence. If the Tribunal believes any evidence has been untruthful, misleading or unsatisfactory nature, the “Independent Tribunal” will refer such matters to the Executive.

PLAYER UNIFORM

25.1 Clothing

- a) Clothing can be any colour that does not significantly clash with the colour of the approved ball. Each team must be uniformly attired.
- b) The exception is teams in turf grades on Sunday who must play in predominantly white attire unless previous approval has been provided.
- c) If there is any doubt as to the likelihood of a clash as per (a) above, the Junior CMG must authorise uniform designs for the Team or Club concerned. It is the Clubs responsibility to foresee this clash and actively seek authorisation from the Junior CMG.
- d) Boots or shoes with colours other than white are acceptable. Spikes of any kind in the soles of footwear are not permitted except in matches played on turf.

25.2 Clubs to notify Competition of Logos for approval

- a) All Clubs at the commencement of the season must inform the Competition of any Club’s identity badge, sponsor or proposed sponsor Logo on any playing uniforms and submit them to the Junior CMG of the Competition for approval prior to the season only if approval has not been provided to the Club by the Senior Competition in which it plays.
- b) The official Competition Logo may be worn on caps, helmets, hats shirts and pullovers; other insignificant logos or insignia relating to clothing and footwear manufacturers are acceptable. Other significant decoration on clothing, headwear and footwear shall be limited to a maximum of three on any one article.

25.3 Clubs to display Competition Sponsor where indicated

All Clubs, when directed by the Competition, must display the Competition’s sponsor and/or logo where indicated on any part of the player uniform for each participating season.

25.5 Fines for incorrectly attired players

Subject to the foregoing, any player not properly attired the player’s Club may be subject to a Category C fine per player for the first offence and Category B fine for each subsequent offence.

PLAYING CONDITIONS

26.1 The Laws of Cricket are to be observed

The [MCC Laws of Cricket](#), as adopted by the Marylebone Cricket Club shall be observed, except as modified for use in the Competition by these Competition By Laws.

26.2 Match points

MATCH POINTS - Match points shall be awarded as follows:

(a) Outright win after first innings lead	10	points
(b) Outright win after first innings tie	8	points
(c) Outright win after first innings deficit	6	points
(d) First innings win, no further result	6	points
(e) Outright tie, each team	5	points
(f) Outright loss after first innings lead	4	points
(g) Drawn or abandoned match, each team	3	points
(h) First innings tie, no further result, each	3	points
(i) Outright loss after first innings tie	2	points
(j) Bye	6	points
(k) Walkovers	average winning points in that grade in that round	

Note: Maximum match points in an Under 13 match shall be 6 points.

The only exception being in the case of an outright win in 13A non modified on Friday 13A and Sunday 13A competitions.

26.3 Tied Matches

In the event of an equality in the aggregate number of runs in which each team has two innings, one of which is not completed, the match shall be decided by the first innings result, provided that the team which has not completed its second innings was leading on the first innings. If the team which has not completed its second innings was not leading on the first innings, the match shall be deemed a tie.

26.4 Batter absent – percentage calculation

For the purposes of calculation of percentage, a batter unable to bat due to absence or incapacity shall be regarded as a wicket fallen. This covers a declaration due to a batter being absent or retired, or a batter retired hurt who is unable to resume batting prior to the declaration of any innings. Officially the innings would be compulsorily closed with all wickets recorded as fallen.

26.5 Teams withdrawing during the season

Where a team withdraws from a grade during the season, the points awarded for outstanding matches against that team for the remainder of the season shall be the same as for a bye.

26.6 Walkovers and points otherwise gained

Any team gaining a walkover, match won on protest or infringement of By Laws, shall be awarded the average points scored by the winning Clubs in that Grade in that round. A team (awarded the match on protest or infringement of By Laws) which scored more points against the offending team than were scored on average by the winning teams in that Grade in that round, shall be awarded the points so scored in that match. If there are no winning teams in that grade in that round a minimum of six points shall be awarded.

Any team who has lost on first innings and then provides a walkover on week 2 shall be subject to a financial penalty as determined by the Junior CMG. Furthermore, the winning team shall be awarded outright points as though the forfeiting team had lost all 2nd innings wickets without further score.

26.7 Calculation of team percentage

In all grades other than the grades where only one day matches are played should there be equality in premiership points the team higher on the ladder shall be the one with the better team percentage. Team's percentages shall be calculated by:

- (a) Dividing total runs scored by total wickets lost (batting average).
- (b) Dividing total runs scored against by total wickets taken (bowling average).
- (c) Dividing the batting average by the bowling average will give a quotient which calculated as a percentage is the team percentage.

26.8 Determination of Wickets Lost

A wicket shall be recorded as lost or taken when an innings terminates with any batter unable to commence, continue, or resume his innings within the scheduled playing time or compulsory number of overs, but a team declaring an innings closed or having it terminated as a compulsory closure or forfeiting an innings shall be deemed to have lost only those wickets which have actually fallen.

26.9 Calculation of net run rate

In a competition/grades where only one day matches are played should there be equality in premiership points the team higher on the ladder shall be the one with the better net run rate.

- a) For the calculation of net run rate any over commenced shall be counted as a completed over.
- b) Net run rate is the difference between the average runs per over scored by a team and the average runs per over scored against it.

- c) The calculation of net run rate shall exclude details of no result matches and shall
- d) include the full entitlement of overs of a team which has been dismissed in less overs.

26.10 No balls and short pitched balls

A ball pitched off the side of the pitch shall be declared a no ball, and;

- a) Any delivery pitching in the first half of the pitch (i.e. on the first half closest to the bowler) shall be called and signalled "no ball" by either Umpire. On synthetic pitch a ball pitching closer to the non-striker's wicket than that of the striker's wicket shall be called and signalled "no ball" by either Umpire.
- b) Deliveries pitching in the first half of the pitch are not applicable to By Law 26.10 (a) in Under 15 turf grades. However, in Under 15 turf grades any fast short pitched deliveries above shoulder height shall be called and signalled "no ball" by either Umpire.
- c) In Under 17 Grades, one short pitched delivery above the striker's shoulder and below the top of the striker's head, in his normal batting stance, shall be allowed per over.
- d) Any other instance of 26.3 (c) in the over, shall be called and signalled 'no ball' by either umpire. Any short-pitched delivery above the head of the striker in his normal batting stance shall be called and signalled 'no ball'.
- e) Bowling of high-pitched balls – as per Law 42.6 of the Laws of Cricket is a no ball.

If no paid, officially appointed umpire is in attendance ALL balls bowled above waist height on the full shall be called no ball regardless of the speed or width of the delivery. Either umpire may call and signal no ball.

26.11 Free Hits

In any U15 and U17 match with a paid umpire, a front foot no ball when called shall mean a free hit is to be given to the striker off the next delivery. The umpire shall signal the free hit. If the same batter is on strike for the free hit, the field may not be changed. If the non-striker to the no ball is on strike, then the field may be changed for the free hit. There is no circumstance where the square leg umpire will call a no ball that results in a free hit.

26.12 Clubs with one team per Age Group

- a) Clubs that enter a single team in the Competition in the respective regular season shall only be entitled to use a maximum of 15 players in the team squad throughout the regular season.
- b) Relevant Clubs seeking additional players must apply in writing to the Secretary outlining the reasons for additional players. The application must also include these additional players' playing statistics from the previous two seasons.

26.14 Teams - Minimum Players

In non-modified stage 3 Cricket and for any other teams comprised of 11 players on the field any team having less than seven (7) registered players, as named on the team sheet, in attendance in correct cricketing attire shall be deemed unable to proceed. Note this in conjunction with By Laws 26.7 and 25.

26.15 Teams – named players, players taking field and batting limitations

For U17, U15 and U13A (non-modified) a side may name and play up to 13 players in any match. In line with the laws of cricket a maximum of 11 players from the fielding team may take the field at any time. Up to 13 players are permitted to bat, however only 10 wickets can be lost.

For modified U13 cricket a side may name and play up to 11 players in any match. All 11 players are permitted to bat, however only 8 wickets can be lost.

26.16 Team lists and substitution of players

- a) Prior to the commencement of a home and away match, the supervisor of each team must provide to the supervisor of the opposing team a written list of players in the team for that match, unless they have already been entered into [PlayHQ](#).
- b) On the second day of a two-day match in the Under Age competition a maximum of two players who are unavailable on that day may be replaced in the declared team. The replacements shall be permitted to bat and/or bowl.
- c) Any team with fewer than eleven players may request that the opposing team provide substitute fielders. No reasonable request shall be denied.
- d) Any team with fewer than 7 players in attendance and ready to play shall be deemed unable to proceed with the match.

26.17 Fieldsman leaving the field of play

- a) A fieldsman being absent from the field of play for less than 15 minutes shall be permitted to bowl immediately upon return to the field.
- b) A fieldsman absent from the field for longer than 15 minutes shall not be permitted to bowl upon return to the field until at least the time that he was absent has elapsed. This restriction applies only to fieldsmen leaving the field of play after play commences or failing to return after an interval. It does not apply to players late for the start of play on any day of a match.
- c) While the umpire has called play and the game is live, fieldsmen are to remain in the field of play at all times with the exception of Law 19.4 (Ball beyond the boundary).

26.18 Declarations

The innings of the team batting first cannot be declared closed until the expiration of at least one hour of play on the first day.

26.19 The follow-on

The team which bats first and leads by 60 runs shall have the option of requiring the other team to follow on. In all Under 13 modified stage 2 matches there shall be no follow on – this excludes the U13A grades on Friday and Sunday.

26.20 Forfeiture of innings

Under no circumstances are teams permitted to forfeit their teams first innings.

26.21 Awarding of 5 penalty runs

- a) Penalty runs shall not be awarded as per the provisions of the 2015 Code except as allowed for in Law 41.2 (*Fielding the ball illegally*) and 41.3 (*Ball striking helmet placed on the ground*)
- b) Should an official ISEC umpire/s have reason to warn club officials, coaches, players and/or parents about 'overcoaching' in U15 & U17 grades, the Umpires shall award 5 penalty runs against the relevant side for the second and each subsequent offence. 'Overcoaching' includes, but is not limited to offering advice for field changes or instructions to batter at the crease. Assistance with bowling changes and general encouragement of players is permissible. Club umpires (parents and or other people acting in capacity as an umpire) are reminded that they are not to communicate with players from either team other than through the normal course of umpiring.

26.22 Time of tea break adjournment

Except as provided By Law 16 of the Laws of Cricket, a ten (10) minute tea adjournment shall be taken 85 minutes after the scheduled starting time of play. If after the first hour of play but before the scheduled tea break, an innings be completed, or bad light or poor weather conditions disrupt the match, the tea adjournment shall be taken immediately. Upon resumption, play shall continue until the normal time for cessation of play without further adjournment for tea and there shall be no deduction from the SOR (see 27.5) for that innings break. Should bad light or adverse weather conditions prevent play until 45 minutes or more after the scheduled starting time, no tea interval shall be taken.

26.23 Rescheduling of Matches

Under-age matches may be played on an alternative day or during the evening on any day during the operation of day-light saving, provided both sides mutually agree to the rescheduling. This rescheduling must take place within 7 days of the date listed for the normal playing of the fixture. The Secretary shall be notified by the away team of any such rescheduling at least 48 hours prior to the agreed hours of play.

26.24 Final over of a match

The final over of both innings of both two day (where the innings in compulsory closed) and one day matches, must be a complete over of 6 legal deliveries i.e. any no balls and wides must be re-bowled. This condition does not apply to matches played in the [Cricket Australia stage 1](#) format.

STANDARD OVER RATES

27.1 Minimum Over Requirement

With the exception of modified U13 cricket, each day of play for a 2-day match shall consist of 45 overs, (the **Standard Over Requirement - SOR**), except that overs shall be deducted from the SOR for;

- a) Any delay due to adverse weather conditions, in which case one over shall be deducted for every four (4) minutes lost, each period of time lost to be accumulated.
- b) Any unforeseen or abnormal delay, (as determined by the Umpire, or where there is no umpire as agreed by the Team Managers), in which case one over shall be deducted for every four (4) minutes lost, each period of time lost to be accumulated.
- c) For the purpose of determining compliance with the SOR, an incomplete over at the end of the innings shall be counted as an over bowled. The SOR as defined above applies to each day's play separately.

27.2 Completion of S.O.R.

Should a team be dismissed or declare its innings closed on either day, play shall continue until the S.O.R., (as determined by the Calculator), has been achieved or scheduled close of play has occurred.

27.3 Compulsory closure if innings not completed on first day of play

If the team batting first has one or more wickets in hand at the end of the first days play, its innings shall be compulsorily closed and the team batting second, unless dismissed beforehand, shall receive the same number of fair deliveries as it bowled, at which stage its innings shall be terminated. The team scoring the greater number of runs, irrespective of wickets lost, shall win.

27.4 Team batting first completes innings on first day of play

If the team batting first is dismissed or declares its innings closed prior to the end of the first days play (or the first days play is ended by such dismissal or declaration), the team batting second, unless dismissed beforehand, shall receive any remaining overs of the first day's SOR, (calculated in accordance with By Law 27.5), in addition to:

- a) The second day's SOR; or

- b) Any greater number of balls which may be required to allow the team batting second to receive as many balls as it bowled to the first batting team, whichever option allows for the greatest number of balls to be bowled.

The team scoring the greater number of runs, irrespective of wickets lost, shall win. Any incomplete over which is bowled on the first day and is completed on the second day shall count as one over on each day for the purposes of the SOR.

27.5 Adverse Weather Conditions

If play is interrupted or delayed by adverse weather conditions in the following circumstances the revised playing conditions as indicated shall apply:

<p>FIRST DAY Less than 45 minutes of play lost</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reduce SOR by one over for every full four minutes lost. ● Compulsory Closure still applies relative to adjusted SOR.
<p>FIRST DAY More than 45 minutes of play lost</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SOR does not apply. ● Play ceases at scheduled time for stumps. ● The innings of the team batting is compulsory closed after 45 overs. The number of overs remaining shall be calculated using the table provided in the scorebook. The match shall be declared a draw unless one team forces a win.
<p>SECOND DAY Less than 45 minutes of play lost Compulsory Closure on First Day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No adjustment to overs to be bowled. ● Play continues until conditions of By Law 29.1 are satisfied.
<p>SECOND DAY Less than 45 minutes of play lost No Compulsory Closure on First Day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reduce SOR by one over for every full four minutes lost ● Match is declared a draw unless; <p>* One team forces a win OR * Team batting second receives at least the same number of balls as the team batting first, in which case the team with the greater number of runs wins (By Law 29.4)</p>
<p>SECOND DAY More than 45 minutes of play lost Compulsory Closure on First Day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adjusted SOR applies. ● Reduce SOR by one over for every full four minutes lost. ● Match is declared a draw unless one team forces a win.
<p>SECOND DAY More than 45 minutes of play lost No Compulsory Closure on First Day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adjusted applies ● Reduce SOR by one over for every full ● Four minutes lost ● Match is declared a draw unless;

	<p>* One team forces a win OR</p> <p>* Team batting second receives at least the same number of balls as the team batting first, in which case the team with the greater number of runs wins (By Law 29.1)</p>
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27.6 Play not in progress at scheduled time of stumps

If play is not in progress at or after the scheduled time of stumps the day's play shall be terminated.

27.7 Both first innings completed before scheduled end of match

If both teams have completed their first innings before the last ten (10) minutes of the scheduled playing time on the second day, the match is required to continue into the second innings. This is to uphold the spirit of participation and opportunity to play junior cricket.

COMMENCEMENT OF PLAY - ALL MATCHES

28.1 Late start less than 15 minutes

If for reasons other than bad light or poor weather conditions, play does not commence at the appointed time, the Club in default shall be subject to a penalty for each offence. Umpires shall notify the offending team that it shall be reported.

28.2 Late start greater than 15 minutes – loss of match

If for reasons other than bad light or poor weather conditions, play has not commenced within 15 minutes of the scheduled starting time, the match may be held to be lost by the team unable or unwilling to continue. A Club claiming the match under this By Law shall bring the matter to the attention of the Secretary at that time on the day of the match. Should a Club not claim the match under this By Law and play commences, play shall finish at the scheduled time for close of play or any earlier time as ruled by the Umpire. The S.O.R. shall not apply and, unless one team forces a win, the match shall be drawn.

28.3 Team Managers agreement of time

Team managers and Umpires shall see that their watches or mobile phones are in agreement prior to the commencement of play or that a commonly shared time source is agreed upon.

28.4 Rain prevents play commencing

When rain prevents play commencing at the appointed time:

- a) if the Umpire considers play may be possible, the teams may be detained up to 90 minutes, at which time a definite decision shall be made; or
- b) where there is no Umpire, play shall only be abandoned before 90 minutes of the scheduled start of play, if both Team Managers agree that the approaches and the ground could not recover in time to play.

28.5 Rain or bad light interrupts play

When rain or bad light interrupts play during the match:

- a) once play has commenced for the day, the Umpire shall decide if play shall continue; or
- b) once play has commenced for the day and if there is no Umpire refer to By Laws 27.3.

In the event of wet or adverse weather, every effort shall be made by the Team Managers and Umpires to proceed with the match, within the bounds of common sense, accounting for player safety and only as long as no damage is likely to be caused to the pitch or ground.

28.6 Loss of first day play

Should play be entirely prevented by adverse weather conditions on the first day of a two-day match, the match shall become a one-day match.

VARIATION IN PLAYING TIMES

29.1 Variation in playing times

Matches may be played on days and at times different to those set by the Fixture by mutual consent of the competing clubs. The Secretary shall be notified by the away team by 8.00pm on the Thursday of the match of any such rescheduling and of the agreed hours of play.

29.2 Two-day matches – hours of play must be the same

Hours of play must be the same for both days of the two-day match. The provisions of all By Laws shall apply.

29.3 Twilight matches prior to daylight saving

The following conditions will apply to Under 17, 15 and 13 matches if played prior to the commencement of Daylight Saving:

- a) Matches are to be commenced at 4.30 PM – or earlier if both teams are ready to play.
- b) On the first day of the match play will continue until both umpires consider the conditions are unsuitable for further play. If play is stopped with the team batting first still at the crease a compulsory closure will be affected.
- c) The second day's play will consist of the same number of overs as bowled on the first day providing conditions permit.
- d) Batting and bowling limitations will be the same as for one day matches as referred to in By Laws 40.4 and 41.4
- e) If conditions have allowed both teams to complete a first innings of at least equal overs, the match will be decided on that basis. If not, the match shall be declared a draw.
- f) If more than 30 minutes play is lost between the start of play and 6 00pm on the first day, the compulsory close will not apply when play ceases.
- g) Should weather or conditions prevent any play on the first day of a Round the match will be played as a one-day fixture on the second day with the following conditions if daylight saving has not come into effect between playing days:

Overs per team	15
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per bowler	
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Under 17	4
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Under 15	3
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Under 13	2
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(h) It is mandatory for all batters in every grade across the Competition and wicketkeepers up to and including U15 in the Competition to wear helmets. The Competition strongly advises the wearing of helmets for wicketkeepers in U15 and U17. It is a requirement at all times when standing up to the stumps, this measurement is at the discretion of the paid umpire (By Law 31.2).

ONE DAY MATCHES (ALL GRADES)

Preamble

In a regular season the home and away fixtures may consist of 1- and 2-day games. With the exception of stage 1, one day games shall be 24 overs per side. Friday evening fixtures shall be 20 overs per side.

For timeliness of games across the season the bowling across the Competition (with the exception of stage 1 where the entire innings is bowled from one end), should be bowled rotating:

- 20 over innings (4 blocks of 5 overs)
- 24 over innings (4 blocks of 6 overs)

30.1 Hours of play of one day matches in under-age grades

The hours of play for Junior matches are;

Day of Play	Hours of Play
Friday PM	1700 - 2000
Saturday AM	0845 - 1145
Sunday AM	0845 - 1145
Sunday PM	1200 – 1500 or 1400 to 1700

Any variations must be made at a mutually acceptable time and date to both clubs. The innings interval shall be taken at the conclusion of the innings of the team batting first and be a maximum of 10 minutes.

30.2 Compulsory closure

If the team batting first has one or more wickets in hand at either;

- a) the completion of 24 overs (with the exception of Friday evening where an innings is 20 overs), or
- b) the completion of the over in progress when 85 minutes have elapsed after the scheduled starting time of play, whichever is the earlier, its innings shall be

compulsorily closed and the team batting second, unless dismissed beforehand, shall receive the same number of balls as it bowled, at which stage its innings shall be terminated. The team scoring the greater number of runs, irrespective of wickets lost shall win.

There are no outright wins in a one-day game. This is also important to note for the correct entry into [PlayHQ](#) results.

Please note that a one-day game is not a T20 game, so wides are called under the normal rules of cricket. Super overs do not exist. Scores that are level at the end of two closed innings will be deemed a tie.

30.3 Team batting first is dismissed

If the team batting first is dismissed or declares its innings closed prior to the completion of their 20 or 24 allotted overs the team batting second, shall be entitled to bat only for their allotted innings of 20 or 24 overs dependent on the day of play per the preamble. No overs from the first teams batting innings are carried forward.

30.4 Both first innings completed

Once both teams have completed their first innings the match shall conclude. The second teams batting innings shall not be compulsorily closed if a result is reached, instead the innings is played out to the conclusion of the allotted overs or until the innings is closed due to all wickets falling. This is to maximise the participatory element of cricket and offer further opportunities for batting and bowling across the Competition.

30.5 Loss of 15 minutes play

If more than 15 minutes is lost due to bad light or conditions, in the innings of the team batting first, the innings shall be compulsory closed after 20 overs. The number of overs remaining in the day's play shall be calculated using the SOR schedule provided in the scorebook. Play shall cease at the scheduled finishing time and the match shall be declared a draw unless one team forces a win.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

31.1 Batting

All junior players under 18 irrespective of the age group they are playing in must wear protective helmets with a face visor, a set of pads, gloves and protector while batting.

31.2 Wicket keeping

All junior players under 18 irrespective of the age group they are playing in are required to wear a set of pads, gloves and a protector when wicket keeping. The use of mouth guards is also highly recommended. Under 11 and 13 wicketkeepers must wear a helmet at all times. Under 15 & 17 wicketkeepers must wear a helmet when “standing up” at stumps. Standing Up is defined as standing on pitch surface, i.e. synthetic surface or apron or the defined pitch area on turf. If there is any doubt the paid and official umpire will make the final decision which will err on the side of safety.

31.3 Provision of protective equipment

It shall be the responsibility of all clubs to ensure their players all have appropriate protective equipment.

FIELDING RESTRICTIONS: UNDER 15 AND UNDER 13 GRADES

32.1 Fielding restrictions age-group and position

Any player eligible to play in Under 15 and Under 13 competitions, whether playing in these competitions or in matches above their own age group, shall not be positioned in the field closer to the striker’s middle stump than a distance equal to half the length of the pitch. This restriction shall not apply to the wicket keeper nor to players positioned on the off-side behind a line square of the striker’s wicket.

32.2 Entry of restricted zone by fielders before the ball is played

A player shall not enter the restricted zone until after the ball:

- (a) is hit by the striker, or
- (b) strikes the body or equipment of the striker, or
- (c) passes through to the wicket keeper.

32.3 Entry of restricted zone by fielders after the ball is bowled

If a player enters the restricted zone after the bowler releases the ball, the umpire at either end shall call and signal a no ball.

32.4 Entry of restricted zone by fielders before the ball is bowled

If a player enters the restricted zone before the bowler releases the ball, the umpire shall prevent the delivery of the ball and re-position the fieldsman outside the zone.

32.5 Marking of restricted zone

In Under 15 and Under 13 matches, the restricted zone shall be marked either by lines or by suitably placed discs or markers. If the zone is not or cannot be marked, the Umpires shall judge whether the fieldsmen are within the zone or not.

BOWLING RESTRICTIONS

33.1 Balls per over limit in Under 13s

In all under 13 matches (including all U13A non modified games) no bowler may bowl any more than six (6) balls, including wides and no balls, in any over of an innings with the exception of the situation referred to in Rule 26.23 being the last over of each first innings.

33.2 Bowling Limitations

Bowling restrictions apply for all under age regardless of their pace. The maximum match bowling guidelines in matches are as follows:

Age Group	Consecutive Overs	Innings quota (2 day matches)	Innings Quota (1 day matches)	Daily quota (for outright purposes)
Under 17	6	9	5	16
(Under 17 Fri)		9	4	
Under 15	5	9	5	12
(Under 15 Fri)		9	4	
Under 13A	5	8	5	8
(Under 13A Fri)		8	4	

33.4 Consecutive overs limit

- a) The break between spells shall be a minimum of twice the number of overs bowled (e.g. if he/she bowls 3 overs she/he must rest for at least 6 overs). This does not apply if immediately swapping ends and then continuing a spell.
- b) Bowling immediately before and after the Tea Interval, change of innings or at the start of a new day's play is considered as continuing the same spell and relevant breaks between spells apply.
- c) If any break in play or the end of a day's play results in an over not being completed then that part of the over bowled after the break shall constitute one over for the purposes of calculating the bowler's spell and daily limit. If this over is

completed at the start of a new day the over shall be considered the first over of a new spell for that bowler and the first over of the new daily limit.

- d) A bowler who bowls the limit may bowl again after all listed players bowl the limit and only in the order they reached the limit.

It is the responsibility of each Association to enforce the bowling limits to its own requirements of players across their other weekly cricketing commitments.

33.5 Lifting of bowling restrictions

The innings quota for the bowling restrictions in two-day matches shall be lifted when a batter who has reached the designated score returns to the crease under the provisions of By Law 34.2. However, the daily quota shall not be exceeded on any given day and in the event of this occurring the offending team shall lose all points gained in the match.

BATTING RESTRICTIONS

34.1 Compulsory retirement once designated score is reached

There are no specific retirement rules other than a retirement score, and the order in which batsmen are entitled to return to the crease. There are a variety of approaches taken by clubs ranging from batting until players are out and not retiring players early. Others try to give everyone a bat and regularly retire batters. Both are acceptable. It is a philosophy as much as anything else and ISEC are equally as happy with a participation philosophy as we are with those teams who want to teach players to bat for longer.

A batter shall be compulsorily retired after reaching a designated score, provided that, where the final scoring stroke takes the batter's score up to and beyond the designated score, all runs scored by that stroke shall be added to the score. For the purposes of individual averages and wickets taken by the bowling team, a batter so retired shall not be regarded as having been dismissed.

34.2 Return of batter who previously have reached designated score

Any batter retired as in By Law 34.1 above may resume batting only when there are no others left to bat, however another batter shall not be voluntarily retired to allow such resumption.

Note: This By Law does not apply to Under 11 stage 1 and Under 13 stage 2 modified Junior Formats matches).

34.3 Batter retired for less than designated score

Any batter who is retired, other than by reason of illness or injury, for less than the designated score, must return ahead of a player who retired at the designated score.

Batters can be retired at any time up until the compulsory retirement score. They can then come back in in the order that they were retired if the number of wickets have not been lost to close the innings. They must then retire on reaching the compulsory retirement score at which point the standard order of batting returns.

34.4 Scorers notifying umpire batter has reached designated score

It shall be the responsibility of scorers to notify umpires when the designated retirement score has been reached by the batter.

34.5 Designated retirement scores

The designated scores for retirement shall be as below and read in conjunction with retirement rules at 34.1, 34.2, 34.3 and 34.4

Retirement scores

U13A (Friday and Sunday only)

1 day 35 runs, 2 day 50 runs

U15

1 day 50 runs, 2 day 80 runs

U17

1 day 50 runs, 2 day 100 runs

This By law (34.5) is only applicable to non-modified rules games (which includes 13A on a Friday and Sunday). All other modified versions of the game have batting guidelines determined by the number of balls faced (see Cricket Australia stage 2 and stage 1 guidelines) which is calculated by the number of balls in the batting innings divided by the number of players listed in the team.

UNDER 13 RULES

The Competition shall provide playing conditions specific for the under 13 competition. Note that Friday 13A and Sunday 13A are non-modified versions of the game with 11 players. ALL other U13 teams, including 13A on Saturday play the modified version of Stage 2 cricket, with 9 players.

Under 13 play under Stage 2 conditions (a modified version of cricket), with the exception of Friday night A grade and Sunday morning A grade where a non-modified version of cricket is played- all other U13 games within the Competition are subject to Stage 2 modified rules, including A grade on Saturday mornings.

In a season comprising a series of home and away fixtures, U13 stage 2 cricket (modified) play a home and away series consisting of one day games only. 13A Friday evening and 13A Sunday

morning (non-modified) play a home and away series consisting of both two day and one day cricket matches.

35.1 Special Provision for Under 13 Matches

If less than 15 overs are bowled on the first day of a two day match the match will revert to a one day fixture the following week. Any scores from day 1 will be considered void.

35.2. Outright results

Outright results are not applicable in Under 13 matches other than U13A Friday and Sunday unmodified grades.

35.3 Overs allotments from each end in Under 13 Matches

In one day, games of 24 overs will be bowled in 6 over allotments from each end.

35.4 Leg Before Wicket in ALL under 13 Matches

Umpires who adjudge batter Leg Before Wicket shall give the batter out and if it is the first instance for that batter, give one official warning, this warning should be marked in the scorer's book.

On the second instance of LBW, the batter shall be given out LBW and is considered dismissed by the bowler in that second instance. **This By Law is applicable in Finals.**

UNDER 11 RULES

36. Cricket Australia Formats

All Under 11 matches shall be subject to Cricket Australia playing conditions outlined in [Australian Cricket Junior Format stage 1](#)

The exception to this by law is the Boyce Sunday Shield which is played under stage 2 modified conditions to offer the experience of stage 2 cricket to under 11 players.

FINALS MATCHES

37.1 Finals schedule

- a) At the completion of the home and away season, teams shall be ranked in order of the premiership points they have received. In the event of an equality of points teams shall be ranked on percentages as calculated in By Law 26.7 in all grades other than

one day grades which shall have teams ranked on net run rate as calculated in By Law 26.9.

- b) In Grades where the number of teams is between 6 and 12 inclusive two Semi Final matches shall be played. Teams finishing in first and fourth positions shall meet in one Semi Final (1st SF) and teams and teams finishing in second and third positions shall meet in the other Semi Final (2nd SF) with both Semi Finals to be played at the same time. The winners of both Semi Finals are awarded entry into the Grand Final.
- c) In grades where the number of teams exceeds 12 or is less than 6, the Junior CMG shall decide the format for the finals series.

37.2 Playing surface

Where two competing teams play their home matches on a different surface, the team finishing higher on the ladder shall have the choice of surface. Unless otherwise determined by the Junior CMG the team finishing higher on the Premiership ladder shall be nominated the home team.

37.3 Days of play

(a) The Junior CMG shall decide the days, times and venues for the final matches, and advise competing Clubs.

37.4 Hours of play

(a) Unless otherwise fixtured the hours of play for final matches shall be the same as the relevant grades during the home and away season.

(b) All other necessary arrangements shall be made by the Junior CMG.

37.5 Loss of time in Semi-Final and Grand Final matches.

- a) Should play be interrupted by bad light or adverse weather conditions for 45 minutes or more, on the first day of a semi-final or grand final match, the innings of the team batting first shall be compulsorily closed at the scheduled tea break of the second day, provided that it has received at least 45 overs.
- b) If 45 overs have not been received, there shall be no compulsory closure. If the innings of the team batting first is compulsorily closed, as provided in this By Law, then the team batting second shall commence its innings immediately after the scheduled tea break, and be entitled to receive a minimum of 22 overs before the scheduled finishing time of the match.
- c) The minimum over requirement of the second batting team shall be reduced by one over for every four minutes, or part thereof, during which play is interrupted by bad

light or adverse weather conditions. If no result is achieved, the team with the greater number of premierships points shall be declared the winner.

37.6 No first innings result obtained in the allotted time

In any Semi Final or Grand Final, if a first innings decision has not been reached in the allotted match time, the team that finished the home and away season with the higher ladder position shall be declared the winner.

37.7 Conceding of semi-final or Grand Final

Any Semi-Final or Grand Final may be concluded at any time, provided at least a first innings result has been achieved and that the losing Captain agrees to concede the match as lost.

37.8 Finals qualifications

- a) To compete in the finals series, Clubs must be fully financial members of the Competition.
- b) A player, to be eligible to compete in semi-final and/or final matches, shall have played on a minimum of **five playing days** during the season with the team that has qualified for the finals.
- c) A player having played in a semi-final in a particular Grade is eligible to play in the final of that Grade.
- d) A player may count a bye or walkover towards Finals qualifications if that player's name appears on a team list submitted in PlayHQ by the Club for that match at the time the match was to be played. A player may also count matches in which that player is declared to have been ineligible, other than by suspension.
- e) In all Semi Final/Final matches, prior to the toss, thirteen players may be named – all players are eligible to bat (refer to By Law 37.11 (ii)) or bowl).

37.9 Finals qualifications for clubs with more than one team in the same age group

- a) Where a Club has more than one team in the same age group, a player will only be eligible for semi-final or final matches, if he/she has played at least five days for the team concerned.
- b) A player from a lower age group is eligible to play in a higher age group semi-final or Grand Final so long as the player has played on at least 5 playing days for the Club fielding the side in the Semi-final or Grand Final. That player should not be picked however unless the team concerned cannot otherwise field 11 players.
- c) A player having played in a semi-final with a particular team is automatically eligible to play with that team again should they progress to the Grand Final.

37.10 Retirement score in Finals.

Retirement in finals for batters are as per home and away season batting restrictions for balls faced (U17, U15 and 13A non modified) or runs scored in all U13 modified cricket.

37.11 Under 13 and Under 15 Retirements in Finals

Retirement and any batting restrictions in finals for U13 and U15 batters are as per the home and away season retirement and restrictions.

37.12 Ties in Finals

- a) In the event of a tie in a semi-final, the team finishing higher on the ladder in the Home & Away season shall progress to the Grand Final.
- b) In the event of a tie in the Grand Final, both teams shall be awarded the win and be dual Premiers.

37.13 Final result

All finals are played to a single innings result. There is no outright option within a final series match (either semi-final or grand final).

38. T20 Challenge Competition

(a) Front foot no balls are followed by a 'free hit' for the following delivery. Any other format of no ball or wides is not subject to a free hit.

(b) Fielding Restrictions

(i) Inner circle 25 metres, marked by sprayed dots or discs at a max 7 meters apart.

(ii) Overs 1 – 5. Maximum of two fieldsmen outside inner circle.

(iii) Over 6 – 20. Maximum of five fieldsmen outside inner circle.

(iv) No more than five fielders on the leg side at the moment of delivery.

(v) Boundary restricted to 40 metres (U13 & U11) or 50 metres (U15 & U17).

(c) Bowlers restricted to a maximum of 4 overs.

(d) 5 over blocks to be bowled from each end.

(e) No mandatory retirements for batter. A retired batter (who is not retired hurt) is declared out and may not return to the crease.

(f) Incoming batsmen must take guard to the next delivery following a dismissal within 90 seconds of the dismissal.

(g) Maximum 9 balls per over for U13 games except for the last over of the innings.

39. T20 Player eligibility

Players selected to compete in a T20 team must be actively playing (played a minimum of one game) in the applicable age group within the Competition.