

WOMEN'S TWENTY20 PLAYING CONDITIONS

The Standard Playing Conditions for Twenty20 Cricket apply to Women's Twenty20 International Matches with the following amendments:

Note: In addition, the ICC Match Referee may or may not be present at the match.

- Clause 2.1.3 – delete the note - reference to team training bibs.

Law 3 - The Umpires

- **Law 3.1 – Appointment and Attendance**

Delete Law 3.1 (except for Clause 3.1.1 which is retained but replaces the reference to two hours with 90 minutes) and replace with the following clauses, 3.1.2 and 3.1.3:

- **Clause 3.1.2 - Appointment and Attendance**

Depending on the nature of the tournament, the Home Board shall appoint ICC approved umpires for on-field and third umpire duties. For televised matches the responsibility of the third umpire will be to act as an emergency umpire and officiate in regard to TV replays. For non-televised matches, the responsibility of the third umpire will be to act as an emergency umpire and carry out the tasks as outlined in the Standard Twenty20 Playing Conditions prescribed for the third and fourth umpire (note: a fourth umpire is not required for international women's matches)

- **Clause 3.1.3** - Neither team will have a right of objection to an umpires appointment

- **Clause 3.2 - Third Umpire/TV Replays**

The following shall apply in addition to Clause 3.1:

3.2.1 General

- a) The Home Board shall endeavour to broadcast all Twenty20 matches played in its country.
- b) Where matches are broadcast the camera specifications set out in Appendix 7 shall be mandatory as a minimum requirement.
- c) Where matches are not broadcast, countries are encouraged to implement the camera specifications, as set out in Appendix 8
- d) For televised matches, the Home Board will ensure a separate room is provided for the third umpire and that he has access to a television monitor and direct sound link with the television control unit director to facilitate as many replays as is necessary to assist him in making a decision.
- e) For televised matches and in the circumstances detailed in

Clauses 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4 and 3.2.5 below, the on-field umpire has the discretion whether or not to refer the appeal to the third umpire for a decision and should take a common sense approach. Players may not appeal to the umpire to use the replay system - breach of this provision would constitute dissent and the player could be liable for discipline under the ICC Code of Conduct.

- f) For televised matches, the third umpire shall call for as many replays from any camera angle as is necessary to reach a decision. As a guide, a decision should be made within 30 seconds whenever possible, but the third umpire shall have discretion to take more time in order to finalise a decision.

3.2.2 Run Out, Stumping and Hit Wicket Decisions

- a) For televised matches, the on-field umpire shall be entitled to refer an appeal for a run-out, stumping or hit-wicket to the third umpire.
- b) For televised matches, an on-field umpire wishing to refer a decision to the third umpire shall signal to the third umpire by making the shape of a TV screen with his hands.
- c) For televised matches, if the third umpire decides the batter is out a red light is displayed; a green light means not-out. Should the third umpire be temporarily unable to respond, a white light (where available) will remain illuminated throughout the period of interruption to signify to the on-field umpires that the TV replay system is temporarily unavailable, in which case the decision will be taken by the on-field umpire. (Where available and as an alternative to the red/green light system, the big replay screen may be used for the purpose of conveying the third umpire's decision).
- d) For televised matches, when reviewing the TV replay(s), if the third umpire finds the batter has been bowled rather than hit wicket or stumped, he shall indicate that the batter was dismissed.

3.2.3 Caught Decisions

For televised matches, the on-field umpire shall be entitled to refer an appeal for a caught decision to the third umpire in the following circumstances:

3.2.3.1 Clean catches

- a) Should the bowler's end umpire be unable to decide whether or not a catch was taken cleanly, he shall first consult with the square leg umpire.

- b) Should both umpires be unable to make a decision, they may consult by two-way radio with the 3rd umpire. Following such consultation, the final decision will be made and given by the bowler's end umpire, who will take into account the on-field umpires' initial views and any other advice received from the 3rd umpire.
- c) The third umpire has to determine whether the batter has been caught. However, when reviewing the television replay(s), if it is clear to the third umpire that the batter did not hit the ball, he shall indicate that the batter is not out.

3.2.3.2 Bump Ball

- a) Should the bowler's end umpire be unable to decide whether a catch was taken from a bump ball or not, he shall first consult with the square leg umpire.
- b) Should both on-field umpires be unable to make a decision, the bowler's end umpire shall be entitled to refer the decision to the third umpire to review a TV replay(s) of the batter's stroke as in Clause 3.2.2 (b).
- c) The third umpire has to determine whether the ball was a bump ball or not. However, when reviewing the television replays(s), if it is clear to the third umpire that the batter did not hit the ball he shall indicate that the batter is not out.
- d) The third umpire shall communicate his decision by the system as in Clause 3.2.2 (c).

3.2.4 Boundary Decisions

- a) For televised matches, the on-field umpire shall be entitled to refer to the third umpire for a decision about whether the fielder had any part of her person in contact with the ball when she touched the boundary or when she had any part of her person grounded beyond the boundary or whether a four or six had been scored. A decision is to be made immediately and cannot be changed thereafter.
- b) For televised matches, an on-field umpire wishing the assistance of the third umpire in these circumstances shall communicate with the third umpire by use of a two-way radio and the third umpire will convey his decision to the on-field umpire by this method.
- c) For televised matches, the third umpire may initiate contact with the on-field umpire by two-way radio if TV coverage shows a boundary line infringement or incident that appears not to have been acted upon by the on-field umpires.

3.2.5 Batters Running to the Same End

- a) For televised matches, in the event of both batters running to the same end and the umpires are uncertain over which batters made her ground first, the on-field umpire may refer the decision to the third umpire.
- b) The procedure in Clause 3.2.4 (b) shall apply.

- **Clause 3.7 – Light Meters**

Replace Clause 3.7.1 with the following: it is the responsibility of each Home Board to supply light meters to all umpires standing in international matches in accordance herewith.

- **Law 5.2 – Approval and control of balls**

Replace fourth umpire with third umpire

Law 7 - The Pitch

- **Clause 7.1.2 – Selection and Preparation**

Replace fourth umpire with third umpire

- **Law 12.4.2 – Delayed or Interrupted Matches**

- **Clause 12.4.2 a – Delay or Interruption to the Innings of the Team Batting First**

Replace the rate of overs per hour from 15 in the men's game to 16 in the women's game as outlined in clauses (i) and (iii)

- **Clause 12.4.2 b – Delay or Interruption to the Innings of the Team Batting Second**

Replace the rate of overs per hour from 15 in the men's game to 16 in the women's game as outlined in clauses (i) and (v).

- **Law 15.1 – interval between innings – replace match referee with umpires if no match referee is present.**

- **Law 16.1 – Start of Play; Cessation of Play**

Delete Clause 16.1 and replace it with: To be determined by the Home Board subject to there being 2 sessions of 1 hours and 15 minutes each, separated by a 15 minute interval between innings

- **Law 19.1 – Boundaries**

- **Clause 19.1 – The Boundaries of the Field of Play**

Delete Clause 19.1.1 and replace it with the following:

The boundary shall be a minimum of 5 yards (50.29 metres) and a maximum of 70 yards (64 metres). Distances shall be measured from the centre of the pitch.

- **Clause 41.2 Restrictions on the placement of fielders**

Replace clause 41.2 with the following:

- 41.2.1 At the instant of delivery, there may not be more than 5 fielders on the leg side.
- 41.2.2 In addition to the restriction contained in clause 41.2.1 above, further fielding restrictions shall apply to certain overs in each innings. The nature of such fielding restrictions and the overs during which they shall apply are set out in the following paragraphs.
- Subject to 41.2.3 below these additional fielding restrictions shall apply to the first 6 overs of each innings (Fielding Restriction Overs)
 - Two semi-circles shall be drawn on the field of play. The semi-circles shall have as their centre the middle stump at either end of the pitch. The radius of each of the semi-circles shall be 25.15 yards (23 metres). The semi-circles shall be linked by two parallel straight lines drawn on the field. (Refer attached appendix 5). The fielding restriction areas should be marked by continuous painted white lines or 'dots' at 5 yard (4.57 metres) intervals, each 'dot' to be covered by a white plastic or rubber (but not metal) disc measuring 7 inches (18 cm) in diameter.
 - During Fielding Restriction Overs (as set out below) only two fielders shall be permitted outside this fielding restriction area at the instant of delivery.
 - During the non Fielding restriction Overs, no more than 5 fielders shall be permitted outside the fielding restriction area referred to in clause 41.1.1 b above.
- 41.2.3 In circumstances where the number of overs of the batting team is reduced, the number of Fielding Restriction Overs shall be reduced in accordance with the table below. For the sake of clarity, it should be noted that the table shall apply to both the 1st and 2nd innings of the match.

IN INNINGS	IN CLAUSES 41.2.2 & 41.2.2 C ABOVE WILL APPLY
5-8	2
9-11	3
12-14	4
15-18	5
19-20	6

- 41.2.4 If an innings is interrupted during an over and if on the resumption of play, due to the reduced number of overs of the batting team, the required number of Fielding Restriction Overs have already been bowled, the remaining deliveries in the over to be completed shall not be subject to the fielding restrictions.
- 41.2.5 In the event of an infringement of any of the above fielding restrictions, the square leg umpire shall call and signal 'No Ball'.

APPENDIX 2

Calculation Sheet for Use When Delays or Interruptions Occur in First Innings of Twenty20 Internationals

Time

Net playing time available at start of the match	150 minutes	(A)
Time innings in progress	_____	(B)
Playing time lost	_____	(C)
Extra time available	_____	(D)
Time made up from reduced interval	_____	(E)
Effective playing time lost $[C - (D + E)]$	_____	(F)
Remaining playing time available $(A - F)$	_____	(G)
G divided by 3.8 (to 2 decimal places)	_____	(H)
Max overs per team $[H/2]$ (rounded up if not a whole number)	_____	(I)
Max overs per bowler $[I/5]$	_____	
Fielding restrictions [Refer to 41.2.3]	_____	overs

Rescheduled Playing Hours

First session to commence or recommence	_____	(J)
Length of innings $[I \times 3.8]$	_____	(K)
Rescheduled cessation time $J + [K - B]$	_____	
Length of interval	_____	
Second session commencement time	_____	(L)
Rescheduled cessation time = $(L + K)$	_____	

APPENDIX 3

Calculation Sheet for Use When Delays or Interruptions Occur in Second Innings of Twenty20 Internationals

Time

Original cessation time of innings	_____	(A)
Time at start of interruption	_____	(B)
Restart time	_____	(C)
Length of interruption [C – B]	_____	(D)
Extra time available	_____	(E)
Total playing time lost [D – E]	_____	(F)
Amended cessation time of innings [A + E]	_____	(G)

Overs

Maximum overs at start of innings	_____	(H)
Overs lost [F/3.8] ignore fractions	_____	(I)
Adjusted maximum length of innings [H – I]	_____	(J)

Overs per bowler and Fielding Restrictions

Max. overs per bowler [J/5]	_____	overs
Fielding restrictions [Refer to 4.1.2.3]	_____	overs

APPENDIX 5

Restriction of the placement of fielders

