

TCA Junior League 2008-09

Grade 4-5

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

NORMAL RULES OF CRICKET APPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS

The primary goals of the TCA Junior League are participation, enjoyment and the development of all players. Coaches have a vital role in ensuring player and parent conduct is fitting with our goals.

All players must be in Grade 4 during 2008 (going into Grade 5 in 2009)

General

- ✓ Grade 4-5 matches commence at **5.30pm on Tuesday nights**.
- ✓ A team shall consist of 8 players.
- ✓ All players are to bat and bowl and be rotated around the field.
- ✓ Fielding coaches are responsible for a good over-rate.
- ✓ Association supplied balls and scoresheets are to be used.
- ✓ Batsmen and wicketkeepers are required to use full protective equipment; helmets, protectors, pads etc (thigh pads are optional).
- ✓ Sunscreen and hats should be worn on the field.
- ✓ If conditions are inclement, coaches are to use their discretion to achieve a satisfactory match.

Match

- ✓ Each innings shall be a maximum of 20 six-ball overs.
- ✓ The break between innings should be no more than 5 minutes.
- ✓ Overs shall not exceed 8 balls, including no balls and wides.
- ✓ The wicket shall be 16 metres in length (move the stumps up).
- ✓ The maximum length of the boundary shall be approximately 40-45 metres.

Batting

- ✓ Players to bat in pairs for 5 overs regardless of the number of dismissals.
- ✓ If a batsman is dismissed they change ends with the non-striker.

Bowling

- ✓ A bowler's spell will be a maximum of 1 over, with a maximum of 3 overs for the match.
- ✓ Bowler's run up will not exceed 8 metres.
- ✓ All overs are bowled from the one end.
- ✓ If a bowler is struggling to bowl a good length (i.e. one bounce), the umpire may shorten the pitch length safely to aid this bowler.

Umpiring and Scoring

- ✓ There is no LBW unless the batsman does not play a shot. A warning is to be given in the first instance.
- ✓ No Balls: A ball pitching off the synthetic surface on the full is a no ball and should be declared a dead ball that can not be hit. Normal no ball rule applies for front foot after one warning. A ball passing on the full above waist height and a short pitched delivery passing above shoulder height should be called no ball.
- ✓ Wides and no balls are 1 run plus runs scored off them.
- ✓ Extras shall be credited to the batsman on strike.
- ✓ No fielders are to be within 10 metres of the batsman (excluding wicket keeper and slip fielders).

Result

- ✓ The result will be determined by game average, divide total runs by total wickets.

We do not have points or ladders in the TCA Junior League Grade 4-5 competition, the competition is for the development of basic skills and enjoyment of the players.