

**ADELAIDE TURF
CRICKET ASSOCIATION
INCORPORATED**



BY-LAWS & CODE OF CONDUCT

Excludes Playing Conditions

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ADELAIDE TURF CRICKET ASSOCIATION INC.

By-Laws governing cricket played under the management of the above Association
Notes to the By-Laws shall form part of the By-Laws.

PART A. ADMINISTRATION

A1. ALTERATIONS OF BY-LAWS

No alteration or addition shall be made to these By-Laws except at a meeting of the Board of Management called for that purpose of which at least three clear days' notice has been given.

A2. BOARD OF MANAGEMENT POWERS

The Board of Management may at a properly convened meeting deal with all and any matters affecting cricket in the Association whether referred to in these By-Laws or not and the decision of the Committee thereon shall be final and binding.

A3. SUB-COMMITTEES

The Board of Management may delegate the exercise of any of its powers herein conferred to such sub-committee or sub-committees as it may from time to time appoint with or without power to act.

One of which shall be the Emergency Committee of the ATCA which shall consist of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Executive Officer and may deal with matters of urgency upon which all decisions shall be ratified at the next Board of Management Meeting.

The Emergency Committee, when dealing with any dispute, only must establish on the balance of probability that an action took place when arriving at its decision.

A4. DISPUTES SUBMITTED TO ASSOCIATION

Any club or team desiring the Association to adjudicate in any dispute which may arise in connection with any match shall forward to the Executive Officer of the Association within five days after such dispute shall have arisen a clear statement in writing of the matter in dispute signed by the Secretary or by a responsible officer.

The club or team against whom the dispute is directed will be given a further five days to provide its statement in response. At the expiration of this period the matter will be referred to the appropriate body for adjudication with that decision forwarded to the Board of Management for ratifying.

Any club or team affected by a decision has a right to appeal. The grounds of appeal are limited to an incorrect application of the By-Laws, further evidence which was not available at the time the appeal was heard and severity of penalty imposed. The appeal must be lodged within 7 days of notifying the decision to the parties concerned and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$300. The deposit will be forfeited to the funds of the Association if the appeal is deemed frivolous. If no appeal is lodged within the stipulated timeframe the decision will become final and binding.

NOTE: In the application of these By-Laws the decision of the umpires shall bind the players but the Board of Management, on the application thereafter of either team or the umpires, may consider the decision of the umpires and may affirm or reverse that decision and may so vary the premiership points awarded to either or both teams, as it sees fit in consequence of its decision

A5. ASSOCIATION FINES

Where subsequent By-Laws allow for fines or other penalties to be imposed, the Executive Officer or the Board of Management may precede the imposition of a fine by a warning and/or final warning as determined from time to time. The broad parameters of such a policy will be communicated annually to clubs and other interested parties at the beginning of each season.

A6. AFFILIATION OF A NEW CLUB

In considering an application for affiliation by a new Club the ATCA must consider the impact of the application on the viability of any existing ATCA Clubs within a catchment area.

The catchment area is to be determined by the Board of Management with regard to the existing number of Clubs in an area and the available grounds not currently used by an ATCA club.

No start up clubs will be accepted into the ATCA

PART B. THE COMPETITION

B1. AFFILIATION OF TEAMS

- (a) (i) A club may apply for affiliation to the Association of such number of teams representing that club as that club may think fit. Applications for affiliation shall be lodged annually, in accordance with the provisions of this By-Law and the Constitution. Affiliation with the Association shall terminate on the 30th day of September following completion of the season for which affiliation is granted.
- (ii) Clubs wishing to play in the Premier A1 competition must have a second team that plays in the ATCA Senior Men's Saturday competition the whole season. The application for affiliation shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Executive Officer of the Association no later than the 30th day of June prior to the commencement of the season for which affiliation is sought, except for underage teams which shall be the 31st of August.
- (b) The application shall: -
 - (i) set out the number of Senior and Junior Teams for which affiliation is sought.
 - (ii) state that each team for which affiliation is sought, a ground available for all minor round and major round matches scheduled by the Association between the 1st day of October and the 31st day of March next following year.
 - (iii) list in respect of each team for which affiliation is sought, the full name and address of the home ground.
 - (iv) in the case of a club which is a member of or associated with a group of sporting bodies sharing common facilities, it is signed by an authorized member of each group.
 - (v) contain an acknowledgement that in consequence of the application for affiliation being received by the Association, the club and its officers, members and players are bound by the Association's Constitution and Rules and By-Laws and the decision of the Board of Management in considering the application.
 - (vi) be signed by the Chairperson and Secretary of the club seeking affiliation and.
 - (vii) contain such other information, conditions and consents as the Board of Management may require from time to time.
- (c) In considering an application for affiliation by a new or existing club the Board of Management may in its discretion: -
 - (i) accept the application in whole or in part
 - (ii) reject the application in whole or in part and.
 - (iii) without limiting the generality of the foregoing subparagraph (ii) reject any application which does not comply with paragraph (b) of this By-Law, or which is received by the Executive Officer after the 30th day of June prior to the commencement of the season for which affiliation is sought.
 - (iv) subject to the foregoing rules the Board of Management in considering an application for affiliation shall have regard to the following: -
 - the standard of ovals and associated facilities provided by the club.
 - the financial viability (including the financial status of a Club in relation to the relevant association) shown by the Club.
 - the standard of administration shown by the club.
 - the behavior of members of the club both on and off the field.
 - (v) the factors as set out in By-Law A6.

NOTE: Clubs must be financial to the ATCA by June 30th

B2. GRADING OF TEAMS

- (a) There shall be two sections within the Association to be known as Senior and Junior
- (b) The Senior Section shall comprise those teams which play all their matches on Turf unless otherwise notified by the association.
- (c) The Junior Section shall comprise those teams whose members are under an age specified by the Association for that chosen age group; - as at the nominated date each year for each grade as determined by the Board of Management.
- (d) Within each section there shall be such grades, and such teams in each grade, as may be determined annually by the Board of Management.
- (e) In determining which team shall belong to which grade the Board of Management shall abide by the following guidelines.
- (i) A club shall not have more than one team in any one grade except in exceptional circumstances in the junior section or in limited overs competition.
- (ii) A1 Premier grade shall comprise only of first senior teams of clubs. In the lowest grade of the A grade competition the Board of Management shall have the discretion to allocate one or more first senior teams which would otherwise have been included in that grade to other lower grades as it sees fit.
- (iii) the following rules shall apply to promotion and relegation: -
 - (1) A1 Premier Grade - the bottom two teams shall be relegated to A2 grade and provided they meet the criteria for the A1 Premier Grade competition the final premier and minor premier of A2 grade shall be promoted.
If the final premier and the minor premier are one and the same team the final runner up shall then be promoted also:
If either the final premier, minor premier or final runner up are not first senior teams then any promotion or relegation is at the discretion of the Board of Management taking into account the factors set out in B2 (e) (ii), (iii) and (4) also:
 - (2) In grade A2 the two bottom teams shall be relegated to the A3 grade and the final premier and minor premier of the A3 grade shall be promoted. Should the final premier and the minor premier be one and the same team, the final runner up shall be promoted also:
If either the final premier, minor premier or final runner up are not first senior teams then any promotion or relegation is at the discretion of the Board of Management taking into account the factors set out in B2 (e) (ii) and (iii) (4) also:
 - (3) The two bottom teams in A3 and any other lower grade in the senior two-day competition shall be relegated to the next lower grade whilst the final premier and minor premier shall be promoted to the next higher grade. Should the final premier and the minor premier be one and the same team, the final runner up shall be promoted.
 - (4) At all times the question of promotion and relegation will be at the discretion of the Board of Management who when applying that discretion will consider the following:
The standard of cricketing ability attained by that team.
The standard of the oval and associated facilities provided by that team or by the club to which that team belongs.
The standard of administration is shown by the club.
The behavior of club members both on and off the field.
 - (5) Clubs attaining promotion to any A' Grade Competition as defined in this By-Law will be required to accept such promotion unless exceptional circumstances preclude such a promotion
- (f) The Board of Management shall have full discretion to deal with the extraordinary vacancies in the competition and admission of new clubs and teams.

B3. ORDER OF PLAYING MATCHES - ALL GRADES

The teams in all grades shall, except when otherwise determined by the Board of Management or the program Committee, play matches in the minor round in the order shown in programs prepared.

B4. ALTERATION OF PROGRAM

The Board of Management or the Program Committee may, if necessary, alter the Program with respect to the date or ground on which any match is to be played. Any proposed change of venues on match day will be restricted to the clubs listed home or away grounds.

B5. DECISION ON FIRST INNINGS

- (a) If two innings are not completed the match shall be decided on the 1st innings. Should neither side have won on the 1st inning (except as provided for in the By-Law B11 unless the result is a tie, such match shall count as a draw.
- (b) The team which scores the greater number of runs shall be declared the winner irrespective of the number of wickets lost by either side, unless pitch, ground, weather, or light conditions prevent the team batting second from receiving the same number of overs and part thereof as the side batting first, in which case the result shall be a draw.
- (c) In the event of an equality in the aggregate number of runs in which each side has two innings, one of which is not completed, the match shall be decided on the first innings.

B6. TIED MATCHES

If at the conclusion of the available playing time of a match, the first innings score of the team batting second equals the first inning score of its opponents and has completed its innings, the result of the match shall be regarded as a tie on the first innings.
In the event of an equality in the aggregate number of runs in which each side has two completed innings, the match shall be regarded as an outright tie.

B7. FORFEITS AND/OR ABANDONMENT

- (a) For the purposes of this By-Law a forfeit can be awarded in the following instances.
 - (i) At the expiration of 30 minutes after the scheduled time for the start of play, it fails to present 8 or more players for play at the ground scheduled for the match; or
 - (ii) By notice, oral or written, to the Executive Officer of the Association, or to a designated Officer of the Association it concedes that it will so fail; or
 - (iii) It is the subject of a determination under paragraph (i) hereof.
- (b) A club which is unable to field a team in the two-day competition shall, for the purpose of premiership points, forfeit the match.
In the case of a forfeit in the Limited Over competition the club will also incur a penalty of one additional match point.
Clubs forfeiting a match shall be liable to a fine of \$150 for senior grades and \$50 for junior grades. Each subsequent forfeit shall see the fine increase by \$150 for senior grades and \$50 for junior grades.
- (c) It shall be the responsibility of the defaulting club to notify the Executive Officer as soon as possible that the match is to be forfeited and the Executive Officer shall in turn notify the opposing Club. Any breach of this By-Law may be the subject of fines and/or loss of points to the defaulting Club.
- (d) A team that forfeits 3 or more matches in the current season will not be eligible to contest finals.
- (e) A team that forfeits 5 or more matches may be removed from the competition at the sole discretion of the ATCA
- (f) No team shall be entitled to receive a forfeit and to be awarded premiership points prescribed for a forfeit if it is also unable to field a team for that match. If a team wins a match on forfeit in accordance with the By-Laws, it shall enter the match result and selected team using PlayHQ.
- (g) If a club is unable to field one or more teams, then the team or teams forfeiting must be the lowest graded team or teams of the club. Should a club forfeit a match in a grade other than their lowest grade the club will be subject to fines and loss of match points including bonus points of all teams relevant to the competition as determined by the ATCA Board of Management. For this By-Law the Senior Two Day Competition and the Limited Over Competition shall be classed as Two Separate Competitions. Where clubs are fielding only two teams in total, one of which is A1 to A3, it must be the lower team that forfeits. This By-Law also applies in the T20 competition.
- (g)(h) Where, in the opinion of the Emergency Committee the home club can be fairly regarded as responsible for the unavailability of any oval or the non-preparation of the wicket for the scheduled match, which by its very nature prevents any play at all in the game, the Emergency Committee shall, subject to paragraph (g) hereof make a determination to that effect.
Clubs are required to notify the association if on any day leading up to a scheduled match any wicket or oval damage that may by its nature delay or prevent play to any scheduled match. Failure to do so will subject the club to section (g) of this By-Law.
Clubs using school grounds will be held responsible for non-preparation or unavailability of such grounds even though the ground comes under the authority of the school.
NOTE: The home club is responsible for not only the provision of the oval and pitch but also the availability of all equipment necessary to enable the match to be played on the oval, including the stumps, balls, boundary markers and pitch marking materials. This responsibility also extends to the requirement to have in place a contingency plan to cater for preparation of the wicket outside the normal ground arrangements.
- (g) The Emergency Committee shall not decide under (f) hereof without first affording a reasonable opportunity to the home club to make representation to it through the Executive Officer. The determination can also consider whether or in their opinion the home club was able to field a team for that match. The matter will then be placed in the hands of the Board of Management who after considering all the evidence may subject the club to fines and/or loss of match points as prescribed for a forfeit.
- (h) **UNAVAILABILITY OF GROUNDS** – It shall be the responsibility of the home club to notify the Executive Officer of the Association as soon as possible of the unavailability of any oval for a scheduled match. Where, in the opinion of the Executive Officer, the home club may not be regarded as responsible for the unavailability of the oval, the Executive Officer shall notify the opposing club, and if possible, make alternative arrangements acceptable to both clubs. Any breach of this By-Law may be subject to fines and/or the awarding of a forfeit against the home team by the Board of Management.
NOTE: If in the opinion of the Executive Officer he/she considers the notification that comes within the bounds of B7 (f) he shall refer the matter to the Emergency Committee.
- (i) Where after the commencement of play of a scheduled match a club is regarded as responsible for the unavailability of any oval, the non-preparation of the wicket, refusing the direction of an umpire, or subject to a Tribunal finding, the Board of Management who after considering all the evidence may subject the club to fines and or loss of match points including bonus points as prescribed for a forfeit.
- (j) All Clubs shall play all their home games on the grounds nominated in the Official Fixtures and grounds list posted on the ATCA website. If any Club wishes to change the venue of a match to another ground, the approval of the Executive Officer or Emergency Committee must be obtained prior to any proposed change.
- (k) Any dispensation in compliance with Law 6.4 of The Laws of Cricket - (Changing of pitch during a match) shall require the prior approval of the Executive Officer or Emergency Committee.
Any dispute which arises in the Junior Competition regarding the fitness of play as per Law 6.4 (Changing the Pitch) shall be resolved by the umpires. The umpires are directed to first consider the Spirit of Cricket in that Law 6.4 can be disregarded if they feel the wicket is of similar condition to the first day, play will continue as normal. If the umpire considers the wicket is of sub-standard condition, then Law 6.4 is to be invoked.
Where no official umpires are present and captains can't come to an agreement, the association Executive Officer or his nominee shall have the same power as an umpire to act on the fitness of play. In this instance any decision to claim a forfeit or abandon the match must first have the approval of the Executive Officer. If Law 6.4 is breached regardless of the outcome of the match both clubs and umpires are required to report the breach to the association. Clubs found to be in breach of Law 6.4 will face a fine not exceeding \$200.

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- (l) When a round is abandoned, all teams receive 5 pts. If in that same round play has been completed outside the normal Saturday/Sunday times e.g. Friday night game, the match is declared as null, and void and the two teams receive 5 pts each. If a team forfeits before the round is abandoned the team claiming a forfeit will only receive 5 pts. If a team forfeits within 24 hours of the scheduled start of play that team will receive a further \$100 fine.
- (m) Junior grades - players from a Higher ranked team that has forfeited are not allowed to play for a lower ranked team, without the approval of the ATCA.

B8. POINTS - HOW AWARDED

- (1) The following match points shall be awarded for all matches:
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| (a) Win on First Innings (without subsequent outright loss) | 10 points |
| (b) Win on First Innings (with subsequent outright loss) | 10 points |
| (c) Loss on First Innings | Nil |
| (d) Outright Win (additional) 5 points | |
| (e) Outright Loss | Nil |
| (f) Draw (to be read in conjunction with By-Law B5) | |
| (i) where only one team has batted | 5 points |
| (ii) where neither team has batted in a one-day match | 5 points |
| (iii) where neither team has batted in a scheduled two-day match | 8 points |
| (iv) where both teams have batted, and the team batting second has received a lesser number of balls than the team batting first | 5 points. |
| (v) if less than 6 overs are bowled on day 1 and the match is abandoned then both teams will receive | 8 points |
| (g) Tie (to be read in conjunction with By-Law B6) | |
| (i) on First Innings | 5 points |
| (ii) on First Innings and subsequent outright loss | 5 points |
| (iii) on First Innings and subsequent outright win | 10 points |
| (iv) on First and Second Innings | 7.5 points |
| (v) loss on the First Innings and subsequent outright tie | 2.5 points |
| (vi) win on the First Innings and subsequent outright tie | 12.5 points |
| (h) Forfeit. A team receiving a forfeit under By-Law B7 (a) shall be awarded the following points: | |
| Two Day Match | 18 points |
| One Day Match | 15 points |
| Limited Overs | 10 points |
| A team receiving a forfeit under By-Law B7 (i) shall, in addition to receiving any bonus points gained will be awarded the following match points on top of any bonus points: | |
| Two Day Match | 18 points |
| One Day Match | 15 points |
| Limited Over | 10 points only |
- Note:
The side that has had the forfeit awarded against them under By-Law B7 (i) will lose all matches and bonus points gained for the match.
The points referred to above are based around the fact that the round is not classified as a washout/heat cancellation and a result has been achieved by at least one team in the grade.
If the only matches to achieve a result are matches played on hard wicket the whole round will be considered abandoned.
Where there are an uneven number of byes in a grade, teams that are unfairly disadvantaged by the second bye in the season will be awarded the maximum number of points, normally awarded for a forfeit under By-Law B8 (h). In the case of a washout/heat policy cancellation or no team achieving a result it shall receive the maximum number of points achieved in that round.
- (2) Incentive Points – All Senior Two Day and Junior Competitions
Incentive points shall be awarded in all matches for both innings performances as follows,
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|---------------------------|------|------------------------|
| (a) Batting First Innings | .015 | for every run |
| Batting Second Innings | .010 | for every run |
| (b) Bowling First Innings | .30 | for every wicket taken |
| Bowling Second Innings | .20 | for every wicket taken |
- (c) When an innings is considered all out or closed due to player/s that are recorded as retired hurt and unable to continue batting, or are not present and unable to bat, this will count as a dismissal/s with the batter recorded as "timed out" with the appropriate incentive points recorded to the bowling team.
Where a team's innings is declared 0/0 without a ball being bowled, this will be recorded as 10 wickets lost with the proper first or second innings incentive points recorded to the bowling team.
- (3) **CORRECTNESS OF SCORES – LAWS OF CRICKET (2.15)**
Consultation between umpires or captains and scorers on doubtful points is essential. They shall throughout the match satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the number of runs scored, the wickets that have fallen and, where appropriate, the number of overs bowled. They shall agree these with the scorers at least at every interval, other than a drinks interval, and at the conclusion of the Match.
- (4) **RESULT NOT TO BE CHANGED – LAWS OF CRICKET (16.10)**
Once the umpires have agreed with the scorers the correctness of the scores at the conclusion of the match the result cannot thereafter be changed.
Comment: Umpires and or Captains must sign off, by initialing the score books, on the correctness of scores at the conclusion of each innings and end of the days play.

B9. TO DETERMINE POSITION ON AVERAGES

- In the event of two or more teams gaining the same number of points in the limited over competition, their relative position shall be determined by averages. For ascertaining averages, the following system shall be adopted:
The batting average for a team shall be obtained by dividing the total number of runs scored by the total number of wickets lost. The bowling average against a team shall be obtained by dividing the total number of runs scored against it by the total number of wickets taken. The former shall be divided by the latter and the team having the higher quotient shall be considered to have the better performance.
- In the event of two or more teams gaining the same number of points in the two-day competition, their relative position shall be determined with the following system adopted:
In-season results will be used to break ties between teams, if this result is a draw, then B9 (1) will apply. On the occasion where the in-season results in two matches played during the minor round and one win apiece is recorded, their relative position shall be determined by the team that received the greater combined number of match points. If teams are still unable to be separated, then the team that has accumulated the greater number of match bonus points over those matches will be declared as the higher ranked team.

B10. MATCH REPORTS AND TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

The following reports and PlayHQ updates as set out below with areas of responsibility are required to be lodged as advised

ATCA Senior Competition

Home Team Responsibilities

1. Selection of the Home team must be entered into Play HQ prior to the toss of the coin. Failure to comply will incur a fine of at least \$50.
2. Match results must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on **Saturday** following the end of play.
3. Player statistics must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on **Sunday** following the completion of the match.
The Home team is required to record all Match results and Player statistics and resolve any discrepancies.
4. Captains report, which includes both the umpires' report (if applicable) and ground assessment, must be completed as required by midnight on **Monday** following the completion of the match
5. It is the home team's responsibility to email the match results to results.sundaymail@medialityracing.com.au by 7.15pm.
Non-Compliance will result in a \$25 fine.
Please Note: The away team may enter the match results if the home team has not done so.

Away Team Responsibilities

1. Selection of the Away team must be entered into PlayHQ prior to the toss of the coin. Failure to comply will result in a fine of at least \$50.
2. The Away team is responsible for advising the ATCA if there are any unresolved discrepancies with the results as loaded by the Home team.
3. Captains report which includes both umpires report (if applicable) and ground assessment, must be completed as required by midnight on the Monday following the completion of the match.

ATCA Senior T20 Competition

Home and Away Team Responsibilities

1. Selection of teams must be entered into PlayHQ prior to the toss of the coin.
2. Match results and individual player statistics must be entered into PlayHQ within 48 hours following the completion of the match

ATCA Junior Competition

Home Team Responsibilities

1. Selection of teams must be entered into PlayHQ prior to the toss of the coin.
2. Match results must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on the **Sunday** following the end of play.
3. Player statistics must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on **Monday** following the completion of the match.
4. The Home team is required to record all Match results and Player statistics resolve any discrepancies.
5. Captains report, which includes both the umpires' report (if applicable) and ground assessment, must be completed as required by midnight on Monday following the completion of the match

Away Team Responsibilities

1. Selection of teams must be entered into PlayHQ prior to the toss of the coin.
2. The Away team is responsible for advising the ATCA if there are any unresolved discrepancies with the results as loaded by the Home team.
3. Captains report, which includes both the umpires' report (if applicable) and ground assessment, must be completed by midnight on **Tuesday** following the completion of the match.

PENALTY FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

Any Team that fails to submit the above reports will be subject to the following penalties:

- (i) In relation to Reports 1, 2 & 3 a fine not exceeding \$50.00 for each separate transgression. Clubs that continue to transgress will be subjected to increased fines not exceeding \$75.00.
- (ii) Fines may extend to loss of match points in the event a team has more than 3 transgressions in one season

B11. FINAL MATCHES - ALL GRADES

(a) Semi-Final Round Matches

- i. The four teams leading on points at the completion of the minor round in each grade shall compete in a final round as set out hereunder or in such manner to decide the Premiership.
Semi-Finals: First v Fourth
Second v Third
- ii. In the event that no decision can be obtained within the time allowed for the match or it ends in a tie on the first innings and no subsequent result is obtained, the team finishing higher on the premiership table at the end of the minor round shall be deemed the winner. In the event of an outright tie, the match shall be decided on the first innings.

(b) Grand-Final Round Matches –

- i. If no play is possible on both days of a scheduled two-day match and a spare weekend has been scheduled into the match program, then the match may be re-scheduled for the spare weekend.
- ii. All clubs earning the right to host A' grade grand finals must first meet all conditions set within ATCA policy "Criteria for hosting A' grade grand finals". Policy available on ATCA website
- iii. If no other result than a tie can be obtained, the two teams involved shall be declared joint premiers.
- iv. If no decision can be obtained within the time allowed for the match, the team finishing higher on the premiership table at the end of the minor round shall be deemed the winner.

(c) Other Two-Day Playing Conditions for all final Matches –

- i. If no play is possible on the first day of a scheduled two-day match, the match shall be played as a One Day Match with a start time of 10.30am. The playing conditions as per D9 (2) (ii) and (iii) apply.
- ii. Should time be lost due to an interruption on any day of a two-day final, the conditions in D9 (1) (c) and (d) shall apply.
- iii. Play must continue until the scheduled closing times unless play has been abandoned for the day on account of unfitness of the ground weather or light or if play in the game has not commenced prior to the scheduled time for the commencement of the tea interval for A1 Premier to C3 grade, the days play shall be abandoned.
- iv. Should any time be lost prior to the commencement of play on the first day then that time lost can be made up by continuing play on the first day by up to an hour and by commencing play earlier on the second day by up to the time outstanding to be made up. This can also include any time lost due to an interruption on the first day, even considering a delayed start.
- v. The conditions set out in this By-Law that apply to the second day's play shall be applied as written with the following exception:
 - (a) If play has been undertaken on the first day and if in the opinion of the umpires a result can still be achieved in the remaining time, then the scheduled commencement time on the second day can be delayed till 4.00 p.m. The umpires coming to this decision must weigh up the fact that pitch, weather and light conditions are equally fair to both sides.

- vi. The highest ranked team will be deemed the home team. If the highest ranked teams designated ground or nominated ground is either not available or deemed unsuitable by the association, the opposition, being subject to the same criteria, will be given the choice of hosting the match. If both teams are unable to provide a satisfactory venue, then it will be the responsibility of the highest ranked team to secure a suitable ground and all the associated costs.
- vii. Clubs hosting A' grade finals must have the use of covers that cover the entire pitch square. Clubs unable to fulfil this requirement may lose the right to host A' Grade Finals.
- viii. All final matches will be played on turf. If the higher ranked teams' normal ground is a hard wicket, then the lower ranked team will have the option of hosting the game on a turf wicket.
- ix. Any Club in violation of Rule 34 of the Constitution is ineligible to field sides in the finals of any grade.
- x. Clubs must refer to Laws of Cricket- Law 9 for pitch preparation for all final games with the exception of Law 9.1.1 the rolling of the wicket on a Match Day between innings is not permitted if the change of innings takes place during the days play unless the umpires are notified prior to the toss of the coin that this provision is available at all times throughout the match
- xi. In either a Semi-Final or Grand Final match, on Day 1, where both umpires and captains agree that because of extending the playing hours by no more than 30 minutes a result can be reached, then play can continue to achieve that result.

(d) **One Day Matches (Two Day Competition)**

- i. Scheduled playing hours for all two-day grades will be 10.30am to 5.30pm
- ii. In the event of a match starting late due to ground weather or light conditions play can be extended to 6.30pm
- iii. If the umpires deem that no-play is possible on account of unfitness of the ground weather or light by 2.00pm the match will be abandoned.
- iv. Over calculations will be conducted by dividing the amount of time remaining by 8 to determine the number of overs each team is entitled to receive.
- v. Bowling and fielding restrictions apply as per relevant sections in By-Law D9 (2) referencing major round matches.
- vi. Recalculation of overs is only applicable for time lost prior to commencement of match.

- (e) Finals - Limited Over Competition: Playing conditions of By-Law D30 apply.

B12 LIVE SCORING

All games are to be Live Scored. The Home team is responsible to Live Score the match with the option for the Away team if agreed. The team not Live Scoring MUST complete a manual scorebook in parallel to the Live Scoring system.

Teams competing in the A1 to A3 grades that do not Live Score will result in a fine not exceeding \$100 for each separate transgression. Match. Clubs that continue to transgress could be subjected to increased fines.

Systems issues and incidents that prevent Live Scoring, shall be advised to the ATCA immediately.

B13. DRESS

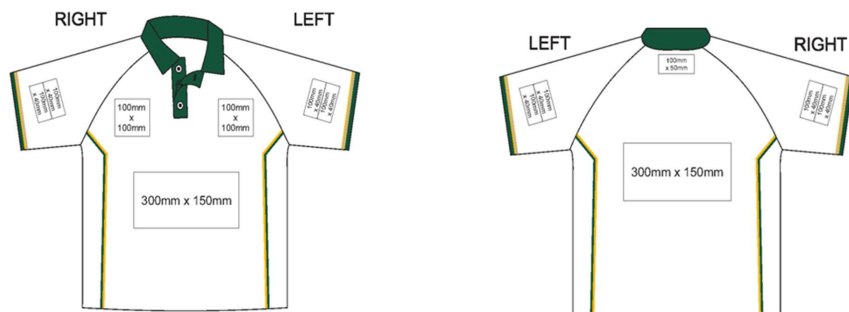
All players and umpires participating in matches arranged by the association shall be properly attired:

- 1) All member clubs on-field apparel must be purchased from one of the associations listed approved licensed apparel suppliers.
- 2) Players' shirts with collars, trousers, socks, pullovers, hats, and footwear shall be white, except as approved by the association. (Note that footwear that is predominantly white will be deemed white for the purposes of this By-Law).
- 3) Club motifs as approved by the association may be worn on pullovers, helmets, and hats (Note that hats may include a protective flap at the back and sides of the hat).
- 4) White long or short sleeve shirt with collar may bear the club motif on the left-hand breast and an association approved advertising logo may be worn on the right breast. Two (2) association approved sponsorship logos may be worn on each sleeve, one of which must be the association and licensed supplier's logo as a combined logo worn on the left sleeve. One (1) association approved sponsorship logo on the back and front of shirt may also be worn. All logos and club motifs must meet below guidelines.

The size of motif must not exceed the following:

- (i) A logo on the front and/or back of a shirt must not exceed 30 x 15 cm or 450cm².
 - (ii) Numbers and/or players surname may be displayed on the back of a shirt in place of the logo at (i) above.
 - (iii) Maximum of two logos on either shirt sleeve must not exceed 10cm x 4cm or 40cm².
 - (iv) A logo on the left shirt sleeve must have a combined logo containing the ATCA and licensee logos and must not exceed 10cm x 4cm or 40cm².
 - (v) A logo on either breast badging must not exceed 10cm x 10cm or 100cm².
 - (vi) A yoke placement logo below the back-collar seam must not exceed 10cm x 5cm or 50 cm².
 - (vii) A logo on either side of cricket trousers must not exceed 8cm x 8cm or 64cm².
 - (viii) Any alteration to the above dimensions must first be approved by the association.
 - (ix) Any additional club monikers or club symbols that decorates the playing shirt will only be approved if deemed appropriate by the association.
- 5) Any colour included in the design of the shirt will need prior approval with colour on the playing trousers limited to piping and must be the predominant club colour and first be approved by the association.
 - 6) Clubs seeking approval for a new club uniform will need to provide details of the type and style of the uniform. Upon the association granting approval that shall then become the registered uniform of the club and any future changes to that uniform will require the same procedure to be followed.
 - 7) Clubs who have been granted approval are required to have both first and second XI teams fully compliant in year one and within two years the whole club will need to be compliant. This does not prevent the club from having a designated uniform for a specific team within the club.
 - 8) Individuals wearing shirts containing club colours shall only do so if the complete team is so attired.
 - 9) Caps if worn, shall be the cap of the Club for which the player is participating or the representative cap of the association. It shall not display designs markings or advertising that is not directly related to the club or association.
 - 10) Cream clothing (shirt, pullovers, trousers, and socks) shall be deemed white.
 - 11) All clothing shall be worn neatly. It is recommended that player's shirts be "tucked in" at the waist at all times.
 - 12) Coloured uniform's will be permitted to be worn in the T/20 competitions but any variation from the standard club uniform will first require the approval of the association.
 - 13) The association reserves the right to reject any new club shirt if it deems the design does not meet the guidelines specified within this By-Law.
 - 14) Fines for Non-Compliant Clubs/Players
 - (i) It shall be the responsibility of Clubs to ensure that all conditions of this By-Law are strictly observed. Umpires, captains, and official association observers shall report all breaches of this By-Law, including the names of offending players. All breaches of this By-Law shall incur a fine of \$25 for the Club for which the player participates unless the association determines otherwise.
 - (ii) In making such decisions the association will consider if the breach is a result of the associations preceding supplier licence agreement.
 - (iii) Clubs in breach of clause D13 (1) will face an initial upfront fine of \$1000 with \$500 of that suspended for 12 months, in addition clubs will also forgo any rights to host any senior finals.
 - (iv) Continued Non-compliance in each remaining season over the life of the agreement will result in the \$500 suspended fine rescinded and an additional financial penalty of \$100 per team per match imposed, for both seniors and junior teams, dispensed to clubs. The loss of the right to host finals will be continued.
 - 15) Approved Licenced Suppliers up to an including 2027/28 Season as follows,

• ISC Teamwear	• Belgravia Apparel	• O'Neills Sports
• Sportscenter	• Nelson Teamwear	• Macron
• Paladin	• Cricket for All	• Helix
		• ORTC Legend Sports



PART C. PLAYER QUALIFICATION

C1. NA

C2. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

1.

- i. All players taking part in any competition of the Association shall be registered by their respective clubs, and no team shall include an unregistered player. For the purposes of this By-law a Season Permit is equivalent to a Registration.
- ii. Any club playing an unregistered player in any match in the Senior Competition shall be fined \$200.00 for each offence. For the Junior Competition, the fine shall be \$50.00 for each offence.
- iii. Registration of players shall be affected by first completing the appropriate PlayHQ registration or permit.
- iv. If the players Primary club is not the ATCA club, then a Transfer (refer to By-law C3) or a Permit must be obtained.
- v. All players applying for a Transfer or Permit must ensure all parties have approved or have ATCA approval before they can play for the ATCA Club.
- vi. Any team playing a player without the necessary registration or permit as defined in this By-Law in any match shall lose that match and all points earned in that match unless otherwise decided by the Board of Management.
 - (1) Completion of Registration/Permits must be completed no later than Tuesday following the completion of the match unless approved by the Executive Officer.
 - (2) The Board of Management shall have the discretion to impose further penalties as it sees fit. This may include awarding a first inning win of 10 points to the opposition.
- vii. A Fill In player as outlined in By-Law C2.3 is considered a valid registration. No player may play more than one match as a Fill In without the approval of the ATCA Executive Officer
- viii. Exchange of Players is permitted in accordance with By-Law C2.4
- ix. Appeals: - Any person prevented from playing under this By-Law may through the club for which he/she seeks to play, appeal to the Board of Management, and such committee after reviewing such evidence as is available shall give a decision which shall be binding

2. Season Permit – Players registered in other Senior Competitions (including SACA clubs)

- i. Players applying for a permit to play under this clause (Dual registered players) must ensure all parties approve the Season Permit or have ATCA approval before they can play for the ATCA Club.
- ii. A player permitted to play under this clause must always complete the entire match in which he/she was named to play in.
- iii. The relevant ATCA By-Laws pertaining to eligibility to play in finals shall apply to this player (See By-Law C5)
- iv. In the senior Two Day or Limited Over competitions no more than one such registered player can be selected to play for an individual team in each officially programmed match. This restriction does not apply in the junior competition
- v. Clubs playing players under this By-Law in the senior ATCA competition have no restrictions on the number of non ATCA clubs they can use.
- vi. Any player granted a Season Permit after 31st December shall not be eligible to play finals.
- vii. Any team playing a player without the necessary registration or permit as defined in this By-Law in any match shall lose that match and all points earned in that match unless otherwise decided by the Board of Management. Completion of Registration/Permits must be completed no later than Tuesday following the completion of the match unless approved by the executive officer.
- viii. The Board of Management shall have the discretion to impose further penalties as it sees fit. This may include awarding a first innings win of 10 points to the opposition.
- ix. Appeals: Any person prevented from playing under this By-Law may through the club for which he/she seeks to play, appeal to the Board of Management, and such committee after reviewing such evidence as is available shall give a decision which shall be binding

3. Fill In Players

- i. A player may play no more than one game as a Fill In player unless approved by the ATCA.
- ii. If the player has an existing registration, a Permit must subsequently be obtained.
- iii. Player stats must be transferred to the "Permit player" once the permit has been approved.
- iv. A player playing under a false name will result in a forfeit and penalties as determined by the Board of Management
- v. Games played as a Fill in player result in
 - a) The player is not insured.
 - b) The game WILL NOT be included in determining qualification for finals.
 - c) Player statistics will not be recorded unless (iii) above is action.

4. Special Provisions

- i. Exchange of players is permitted within clubs playing within the ATCA competition
- ii. This provision cannot be used when either club or team has a bye.
- iii. This provision places a limit of five (5) players that can be exchanged each round or play in a particular team.
- iv. This By-Law differs from By-Law C2 (iv.) in that it allows more than one such player to be selected to play for a club.
- v. Clubs may share players with more than one club.
- vi. Both clubs exchanging and playing players under this provision shall provide the names of the players to the Executive Officer prior to the match commencing.
- vii. The relevant ATCA By-Laws pertaining to eligibility to play in finals shall apply to a player using this provision.
- viii. For players using this provision to qualify for finals the club for which they are playing must be the players' primary club.
- ix. Any variation to this provision will require the prior consent of the association.

C3. CLUB TRANSFERS (Formally referred to as a club clearance)

- i. All transfer applications to play shall be attained by first completing a Transfer request through Play HQ.
- ii. All players applying for a Transfer must ensure all parties approve the Transfer or have ATCA approval before they can play for the ATCA Club.
- iii. The transfer must be sought from the summer competition the player last played in.
- iv. For the Senior competition only, if a player has not played cricket in any of the 5 previous seasons for any club or association within Australia a transfer may only be refused if he/she is prohibited from playing for a club pursuant to paragraph (v) hereof.
- v. No player shall be permitted to play for a club if he/she owes money to a club or association or is under suspension or disqualification by any association.
 - a. Such prohibition shall continue until the player in question has met his/her obligations or until the disqualification has been removed.
 - b. Monies owed are only limited to club membership and match fees. Any clothing, player match payments, etc. will not be considered as monies owed.
- vi. Any player applying for a Transfer or a Season Permit, after the 31st of December, having played for an ATCA club, or any other club affiliated with SACA or any other cricket association within South Australia in the current season is ineligible to play finals
- vii. Any team playing a player without the necessary registration s or permit as defined in this By-Law (except for Fill In players), in any match shall lose that match and all match and incentive points earned in that match unless otherwise decided by the Board of Management.

- viii. The Board of Management shall have the discretion to impose further penalties as it sees fit.
- ix. Appeals: Any person prevented from playing under this By-Law may through the club for which he/she seeks to play, appeal to the Board of Management, and such committee after reviewing such evidence as is available shall give a decision which shall be binding

C4. No longer required

C5. (1) QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND GRAND FINAL (SENIOR) MATCHES

1. For the purpose of this By-Law, there will be two separate competitions, the Two-Day competition and the Limited Overs Competition. The Two-Day competition will be considered the higher competition.
2. NA
3. No player is qualified to play in the Finals unless the player has played at least 3 matches in the Two-Day Competition or 5 matches in the Limited Overs Competition (or at least 25% of matches played in the competition) respectively. A combination of Two-Day Competition and Limited Overs Competition matches cannot be used to meet this standard. Forfeits, byes or completely abandoned matches cannot be used to meet the above qualification standards.
4. A player shall not be eligible to play in Finals if they have not met criteria (3), and subject to section (5), cannot play in a lower team or competition unless at least 50% of the matches played, in which the player has participated, were in the lower teams or in the lower competition. For the purpose of C5 (4), two Limited Overs Competition matches equal one Two-Day Competition match. For the purpose of C5 (4), two Limited Overs Competition matches equal one Two-Day Competition match. A one-day game in the Two-Day competition is equivalent to a Two-Day game.
5. No player is able to migrate between the Two-Day Competition and Limited Overs Competition unless they meet the qualification standards of each respective competition. If a player is eligible for both competitions, then initial finals selection in that competition restricts that person to that competition. However, free transfer will be allowed between two or more consecutive club teams in either the Two-Day Competition or Limited Overs Competition which qualify for Finals and are participating in the same round of matches in Finals.
6. By-Law D37(e) relating to the naming and playing of a 12 player applies. Such a player is deemed to be counted as participating in the game irrespective of whether both days proceed. Now includes A1 to A3
7. Where consecutive teams are competing in Semi-Finals, any player selected in that team is free to play for that team in a subsequent Grand-Final, even if the consecutive team chain is broken, provided they are qualified for that competition under criteria (3).
8. Should a player who plays in a higher team under section (6) and that side subsequently lose, that player shall not be allowed to return to a lower team unless otherwise previously qualified
9. Any player using the consecutive chain clause (to play in a semi-final), which is then broken, is entitled to use the semi-final match to qualify for the grand-final for that same team. SACA clubs fielding teams in the ATCA competition will be able to use SACA 4th Grade as part of the consecutive chain rule.
10. For a dual registered player, who has met the qualification standards to be eligible, he must not have played more than 50% of his total matches in another Senior Association. No player dual registered after the 31st December will be eligible to play finals
11. For the purposes of this Bylaw SACA One-day matches will be compared to ATCA weeks played to determine if the 50% threshold has been met.
12. Any player who does not meet the qualifications will not be granted a permit to play under any circumstances.
13. Any team that includes a player in contravention of this By-Law shall lose the match in which such a player takes part, as well as being subject to By-Law C2 (1, (i) and (iii)) (b).

Note: Permits may be considered for the T20 men's competition (see D29 clause 13)

To be replaced by

C5. (1) QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND GRAND FINAL (SENIOR) MATCHES

No player is eligible to play in finals unless they meet each of the following three criteria.

1. The club they are playing for is their primary club, or they are playing on a season permit where:
 - a. The season permit was established prior to December 31st, and
 - b. At least 50% of the matches they played were within the ATCA competition, (weeks for SACA 4th Grade)
2. They have played at least the minimum number of matches required for the competition they intend to play finals in.
 - a. The minimum number is 3 matches for the two-day competition.
 - b. The minimum number is 5 matches for the LO competition.
 - c. Forfeits, byes and completely abandoned matches cannot be used to meet the above criteria, nor can matches played as a "fill-in".
3. At least 50% of the matches in which they have participated were in the team they intend to play finals in, or lower.
 - a. For the purposes of part 3, the two-day competition is considered higher than the LO competition.
 - b. Two matches in the LO competition shall equal one match in the Two-day competition.
4. Where clubs have consecutive teams competing in finals, free interchange of players who qualify (using all of the above 3 criteria) for any team on the consecutive chain shall be permitted between those consecutive teams.
 - a. Any player who plays in the semifinal using the consecutive chain is free to remain with that team for the grand final, even if the consecutive chain is broken.
 - b. Any player who wishes to move teams for the grand final, shall recalculate their qualification using criteria 1-4 based on the updated consecutive chains and games played, noting the semifinal match counts in all recalculations.

C5. (2) QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL (JUNIOR) MATCHES

1. No player is qualified to play in Finals unless the player has played at least 25% of matches played in the respective competitions. Forfeits, byes or abandoned matches cannot be used to meet the above qualification standard. **N.B. Games played as a Fill In don't count towards finals qualification.**
2. A player shall not be eligible to play in Finals if they have not met criteria (1), and subject to section (3), cannot play in a lower team or competition unless at least 50% of the matches played, in which the player has participated, were in the lower teams or in the lower competition.
3. Where a club has more than one team in a particular grade they shall be rated by the association prior to the commencement of the season as to which shall be deemed the higher ranked team for the purpose of this By-Law. Any transfer of players between these teams during the finals will therefore be subject to section C5 (1) clauses 5,6,7,8,10 and 11.
4. To **determinework-out** if a U17 junior requires a permit as a result of playing matches in the SACA 1st grade competition, the following criteria will apply:
 - a. In respect to a player who has played 4 or more matches in the SACA 1st grade competition a permit will be required.
 - b. In granting a permit the association will consider how many ATCA junior games they have played. It will be the sole responsibility of the association in determining if the club has applied the spirit of cricket in qualifying players playing in the SACA first grade competition
 - c. Where any junior player is faced with the possibility of participating in a SACA match which clashes with the ATCA junior finals, such player can only represent one association on that day
5. **Games played in a Sub Junior grade for the same club, even if in another association competition, are included to determine if a player is permitted allowed to play finals-up in the U15 or U17 grade**

C6. PLAYING IN MORE THAN ONE TEAM

No player may play for 2 or more teams and/or clubs in the same round of ATCA fixtures without the prior permission of the association. In each match in which a player plays without such permission the opponents of the offending team shall receive the greater of the actual match and incentive points earned by it or the points which would have been awarded had it been in receipt of a forfeit from the offending team. The offending team in each case shall lose all match and incentive points earned by it in the match plus ten (10) additional points. For the purpose of this By-Law the ATCA considers the same round to be the corresponding dates within the two-day competition and the limited over competition. See example below

Example #1

Round 1 of the Two-Day Competition is scheduled to be played over the first two weekends of the season. That Round also corresponded with Rounds 1 and 2 of the Limited Over Competition.

This By-Law does allow discretion for the following scenario. A player after being originally selected to play the first week in the Limited Over Competition to then being selected (subject to a permit) in the second week for the Two-Day Competition as a result of week 1 of the two-day competition having been washed out.

This By-Law does not allow players originally selected in the Two-Day Competition that subsequently is washed out in week one, then play in the Limited Over Competition that particular week and then being considered as eligible to play in the Two-Day Competition the following week. In this case those players are not eligible to play in the Two-Day competition the following week.

SACA players that play in any SACA scheduled match will not be able to play in the ATCA if both matches are scheduled on the same day

Comment:

This also applies to juniors whose club has more than one team in the same grade. This does not apply to juniors playing in the ATCA Senior Competition.

C7. PLAYING UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME

No player may play under an assumed name. In each match in which a player plays under an assumed name the opponents of the offending team shall be in receipt of a forfeit from the offending team. The offending team may lose all match and incentive points it has received for the season.

C8. JUNIOR SECTION (U15 and U17)

All new registrations are subjected to the association on request, produce proof of the player's date of birth. Any Club playing over-age players without the permission of the permit Sub-Committee shall be fined \$75.00. The Junior Section shall comprise those teams whose members are under the age specified by the Association for that chosen age group; - as of the 1st of March in the current season.

C9. Minimum age for juniors' players participating in the senior competition.

- Junior players including Sub Fielders must have turned 12 years of age during the current season to play in the senior competition.

PART E. REPORTS OF BREACHES OF BY-LAWS

- Entire Section of this By-Law is available on ATCA Website. See link [here](#)

E3 UMPIRES TO REPORT BREACHES OF BY-LAWS

It shall be the duty of the umpires to report in writing to the Executive Officer of the Association not later than 1.00pm on the Monday after the end of the match any case of lateness in commencement in play on either day or any breach of these By-Laws and they shall notify the captain of the team concerned on the day the breach was committed of their intention to submit such report. The Executive Officer of the Association on receipt of such report shall communicate the report thereof to the club or clubs concerned.

E6 RESTRICTION OF COMMENT BEFORE HEARINGS

No player or Club official, nor any umpire, may make any comment to any media organization, or representative of such organisation, or via any public media, prior to the official filing or hearing of any charge, report or protest which has been laid pursuant to the provisions of these By-Laws. Any breach of this By-Law must be investigated by the Commissioner, who may take such action against the player or Club official and/or his/her Club, as the Commissioner deems appropriate.

PART F. EXPERIMENTAL AND CRICKET AUSTRALIA LAWS

This section contains Experimental laws and Interpretations received from Cricket Australia which have been adopted by the ATCA and shall apply to grades as shown

F1 UMPIRES PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Umpires shall have the option of wearing any recognised sporting protective equipment that would reduce the chance of injury to any part of his/her body.

PART G. ADELAIDE TURF CRICKET ASSOCIATION CODE OF CONDUCT AND GUIDELINES FOR PENALTIES

- Entire Section of this By-Law is available on ATCA Website. See link [here](#)

LOST PLAYING TIME - OVERS CALCULATOR					
MINUTES	OVERS	MINUTES	OVERS	MINUTES	OVERS
3.5	1	122.5	35	241.5	69
7.0	2	126.0	36	245.0	70
10.5	3	129.5	37	248.5	71
14.0	4	133.0	38	252.0	72
17.5	5	136.5	39	255.5	73
21.0	6	140.0	40	259.0	74
24.5	7	143.5	41	262.5	75
28.0	8	147.0	42	266.0	76
31.5	9	150.5	43	269.5	77
35.0	10	154.0	44	273.0	78
38.5	11	157.5	45	276.5	79
42.0	12	161.0	46	280.0	80
45.5	13	164.5	47	283.5	81
49.0	14	168.0	48	287.0	82
52.5	15	171.5	49	290.5	83
56.0	16	175.0	50	294.0	84
59.5	17	178.5	51	297.5	85
63.0	18	182.0	52	301.0	86
66.5	19	185.5	53	304.5	87
70.0	20	189.0	54	308.0	88
73.5	21	192.5	55	311.5	89
77.0	22	196.0	56	315.0	90
80.5	23	199.5	57	318.5	91
84.0	24	203.0	58	322.0	92
87.5	25	206.5	59	325.5	93
91.0	26	210.0	60	329.0	94
94.5	27	213.5	61	332.5	95
98.0	28	217.0	62	336.0	96
101.5	29	220.5	63	339.5	97
105.0	30	224.0	64	343.0	98
108.5	31	227.5	65	346.5	99
112.0	32	231.0	66	350.0	100
115.5	33	234.5	67		
119.0	34	238.0	68		
IF TIME LOSS IS BETWEEN GRADUATIONS TAKE HIGHER GRADUATIONS					