

ADELAIDE TURF CRICKET ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED



PLAYING CONDITIONS

August 2026

Weekly Responsibilities

1. Teams, as per the Team Sheets, must be entered into PlayHQ prior to the match.
2. Live Scoring
 - a. **DO NOT** start a Live Scoring Session until both teams have confirmed Teams are correct in PlayHQ.
 - b. Make sure that the device being used shows as the Primary device. If it shows as Secondary, then the information WILL NOT update PlayCricket.
 - c. When the games starts, check PlayCricket to make sure the data has started to update.
 - d. At the close of play check the scores in PlayCricket agrees to the Live Scoring system.
 - e. make sure Live Scoring is correctly finalised by either closing the game or setting Day 1 to Stumps
 - f. Check PlayCricket shows the appropriate end of play (Completed, Stumps etc.)
3. Match results must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on **Saturday** following the end of play. (Midnight **Sunday** for Junior Grades)
4. Player statistics must be entered into PlayHQ by midnight on **Sunday** following the completion of the match. (Midnight **Monday** for Junior Grades)
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.
6. It is the home team's responsibility to email the match results to results.sundaymail@medialityracing.com.au by 7.15pm.

**ADELAIDE TURF CRICKET ASSOCIATION
SENIOR COMPETITION
U17 AND U15 JUNIOR COMPETITION
PLAYING CONDITIONS - 2026/27**

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D1 LAWS OF CRICKET TO APPLY

Subject to these By-Laws, all matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of Cricket as recognised from time to time by Cricket Australia or as modified by the ATCA Board of Management, and experimental laws as ratified by the Board of Management

- (a) Prior to tossing for the choice of innings, both Captains shall exchange a completed and signed team-sheet unambiguously detailing the names, initials of all players in the team, and indicate any underage players in their side.
- (b) Both captains after exchanging the team sheets will pass them to the umpires who will note any underage players listed and then pass on the sheets to the respective scorers.
- (c) In the event of a failure to do so, the team responsible shall be liable to a fine of \$50.00 at the discretion of the Board of Management
- (d) In the Limited Over Competition, the coin toss must take place at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of play irrespective of the captain's presence. Failure to do so will result in a fine not exceeding \$100.
- (e) At the scheduled commencement start time both teams are required to have at least 8 players present. The Umpires and or the respective captains must be satisfied that 8 players are present at the ground.
Any club found to be in breach may face a fine not exceeding \$100 for each reported breach.
- (f) Where sub junior or school games are played on a wicket that is then used for any scheduled afternoon match the clubs need to have the ability to remark the front crease line if so directed by the umpire or face a fine not exceeding \$100

N.B. All Bylaws reference in this document apply to U17 and U15 grades unless specifically excluded otherwise. Special conditions for these grades can be found at Appendix B.

Comment: (U17 grade captains must indicate if team contains any players who are U15 as bowling restrictions apply. In the event of a failure to do so, the team responsible shall be liable to a fine of \$50.00 at the discretion of the Board of Management.

D2 DURATION OF MATCHES

Unless otherwise authorised by the Board of Management, all matches in the minor round of all grades shall be played on Two Days or on One Day

D3 PLAYING HOURS - TWO-DAY MATCHES

Unless otherwise authorised by the Board of Management, scheduled playing hours in any two-day match shall be:

Grade	A1 – A3 & B1 – B3	C	U17	U15
Minor Round:	12.50 pm to 6.00pm	12.50pm to 5.30pm	1.00pm to 5.30pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm
Afternoon Tea	3.10 pm to 3.40 pm	2.55pm to 3.25pm	3.05pm to 3.25pm	2.50pm to 3.10pm
Final Round:	12.20 pm to 5.30 pm	12.50pm to 5.30pm	1.00pm to 5.30pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm
Afternoon Tea	2.40 pm to 3.10 pm	2.55pm to 3.25pm	3.05pm to 3.25pm	2.50pm to 3.10pm

Provided that in any two-day match, if an innings is terminated within 15 minutes of the time for the afternoon tea adjournment, tea shall then be taken. If lost time means no play takes place within 30 minutes of the scheduled tea adjournment, then no tea adjournment shall be taken.

Note: Provisions of Law 11.7 do not apply and the tea adjournment will be taken at the specified time subject to the conditions contained in this By-Law.

Drinks break 2.00pm and 4.50pm

D4 PLAYING HOURS - ONE DAY MATCHES - (Two-Day Competition)

Grade	A1 - A3 & B1 - B3	C	U17	U15
Minor Round:	12.20pm to 6.00pm	12.20pm to 6.00pm	12.30pm to 6.00pm	12.30pm to 5.15pm
Final round:	10.20am to 5.30pm	10.20am to 5.30pm	11.45pm to 6.00pm	12.15pm to 5.45pm

In all minor round matches on any day outside daylight saving periods playing hours shall be moved forward by 30 minutes. In any One-Day match in the Minor Round and Final Round the first interval between innings shall be of 30 minutes duration, which shall be deemed to be the tea interval.

D5 PLAYING HOURS – VARIATION -TWO-DAY COMPETITION (Minor Round)

In all two-day matches, if for any reason other than light or weather conditions' play does not begin at the appointed time, the procedure laid down in By-Law D6 for the extension of playing hours shall apply.

Play must continue until the scheduled closing time unless: -

An outright result has been reached.

- (a) Play has been abandoned for the day on account of unfitness of the ground, weather or light or, if play in a scheduled two-day competition has not commenced within ninety (90) minutes of the scheduled time for A1 Premier, A2, A3, B1, B2 or B3 or sixty (60) minutes for all other two-day grades including U15 and U17 grades, the days play shall be abandoned.
- (b) Any match commencing after the above cut off time will result in the match result overturned as per By-Law A4.
- (c) Both captains agree that no further result can be achieved, in which case stumps may be drawn earlier than the scheduled hour for completion of play but not more than one (1) hour earlier.
- (d) In the event of an innings closing within an hour of the finishing time of the final day of the match then the umpires shall bring together the captains to ascertain their wishes under this By-Law. Note: This By-Law will prohibit any declaration which has the effect of making play for the remainder of the day impractical by bringing into account the 10 minutes interval allowed between innings and to that extent the right of captains under By-Law D11 to declare at any time will not apply.

D6 INCLEMENT WEATHER – ATTENDANCE AT GROUND/HEAT POLICY - Refer Appendix A

D7 PRACTICE ON THE FIELD/ROLLING OF WICKET

- (a) At no time on any playing day shall there be any bowling or batting practice on the pitch nor on any part of the square or the area immediately adjacent to the match pitch. No practice on the ground will be permitted in the ten minutes immediately prior to play commencing. No Over or Score penalty shall apply for teams contravening this rule.
- (b) The Provisions 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.

D8 PRESCRIBED NUMBER OF OVERS – PENALTIES

The playing hours in Two-Day matches shall be those stipulated by By-Law D3.

In the ATCA, "the prescribed objective minimum number of overs" means:

Grade	A1 - A3	B1 - B3	C	U17	U15
Number of Overs	80	80	72	72	60
Penalty for each complete over not bowled by the scheduled time for completion of play.	0.5			0.5	

Play shall continue until the quota has been bowled except when other conditions of theses, specifically D9 and D19 apply.

The penalty shall also apply on the second day when the team batting second is entitled to receive a quota of overs.

This penalty applies to any innings undertaken in the match where a quota of overs is required to be bowled.

In the event of loss of time due to injury or other unforeseen circumstances the scheduled time for completion of play shall be extended by the amount of time lost for the purpose of determining whether the quota has been bowled by the scheduled time for completion of play

Penalties are to be applied in the following circumstances.

1. In the event a team is dismissed after the scheduled close of play any over penalty will be based on the number of overs the fielding team is short of its mandatory quota at the scheduled close of play
2. Where a team is dismissed prior to the scheduled finishing time
 - a. The required overs to avoid penalties shall be calculated by dividing the Actual Playing time by 3.5, with any fraction being discarded (i.e. rounded down) and deducting three overs. If the bowling team has not commenced this required number of overs at the completion of the innings, then 0.50 of a bonus point shall be deducted from that team's season match points for each over not commenced.
 - b. Penalties shall not apply until the innings has been in progress for a minimum of one hundred and eighty (180) minutes of actual playing time.
 - c. The umpires and/or captains shall record the time when the first innings of each respective team is concluded and throughout each innings, keep a record of all time lost that is outside the normal control of the fielding side, including unfair or unnecessary time wasting by the batting team.
 - d. Normal play events, e.g. wickets taken, retrieving a ball hit beyond the boundary (unless the ball becomes lost), sightscreen changes (unless excessive), drinks breaks shall not be considered as time lost under this clause.

D9 (1) BATTING TIMES - TWO-DAY MATCHES

- (a) In the first innings, the team batting first shall, unless the innings is terminated beforehand, bat until it has received the prescribed minimum number of overs applicable to its grade on the first day (even if play extends beyond the scheduled finishing time). When the first innings of the team batting first is compulsorily closed, the team batting second shall receive in its first innings (unless the innings is terminated beforehand), the same number of overs as the team which batted first received, at which time the innings shall be compulsorily closed.
- (b) All over calculations referred to in this By-Law shall use a standard time to complete an over of 3.5 minutes. The calculations will commence by calculating the remaining time (in minutes) to the scheduled (or delayed in the case of weather interruptions) finishing time, after allowing for any intervals. The resulting number of minutes will be divided by 3.5 to calculate the minimum number of overs to be bowled to complete the day's play. A new calculation will be made only after more than 60 minutes playing time has been lost in accordance with (c) or at the beginning of a new innings.
- (c) Should any time be lost due to an interruption on any day, up to one hour of lost time can be made up even if such interruption occurs after the scheduled finishing time. The delayed scheduled finishing time is to be no later than the following.

Grade	A1 - A3	B1 - B3	C	U17	U15
	7.00pm Daylight Saving time		6.30pm DST	6.30pm DST	6.00pm DST
	6.30pm Standard Time		6.00pm STD	6.00pm STD	5.30pm STD

Note: Play will only continue after these times to allow the recalculated minimum number of overs to be completed, unless the players have had occasion to leave the field either prior to or after the revised scheduled finishing time then there will be no resumption of play and stumps will be drawn. In these circumstances, the afternoon tea adjournment shall be taken at the midpoint of the new starting and finishing times.

- (d) If, in the circumstances described in (b) above, the side batting first has not completed its first innings and the minimum objective number of overs has not been bowled, then play shall cease at the revised scheduled finishing time. The total number of overs bowled on the first day shall be added to the prescribed minimum number of overs for the second day from which 3 overs shall be deducted for the change of innings. The total remaining being divided by 2 to decide the quota of overs for each innings. Where a change of innings occurs during a break in play, the 3 overs will not be deducted.

Unless: on the second day of play if the team batting first's first innings is terminated before its quota of overs are completed then the team batting second shall be entitled to the greater of its first innings quota of overs or the calculated number of overs available till the scheduled finishing time using time remaining divided by 3.5 to determined overs applicable

Example

If a game has been shortened. (e.g. to a 55 Over per side game), and Team A batting first is dismissed in 40 Overs, the overs remaining shall be calculated by dividing the Time remaining by 3.5, however Team B is entitled to receive a minimum of 55 Overs.

- (e) On the first day of a two-day match, stumps will be drawn upon the completion of the minimum objective of overs, unless the team batting first has been dismissed at which time the remaining overs for the day will be recalculated.

Example #1

Team A batting first completes its 72/80 overs without being dismissed, Stumps are drawn.

Team B is therefore only entitled to receive 72/80 overs on the second day and if either completes or is dismissed prior to completion of the scheduled close of play then Team A may commence its second innings using the overs calculator regarding overs remaining."

Example #2

Team A batting first is dismissed prior to completion of 72/80 overs and time remains before the scheduled close of play then the innings of Team B commences using the overs calculator regarding minimum number of overs to be bowled. In addition to the overs Team B receives on Day 1, Team B is also entitled to receive at least 72/80 overs on the second day of the match as play must continue until the scheduled close of play.

Unless: If Team B exercises its option not to bat under By-Law D9 (1) (j) (6 Over rule) then it is only entitled to receive a maximum of 72/80 overs on the second day, at which point its innings will be compulsorily closed. However, play shall continue until the scheduled close of play and if time remains then Team A may commence its second innings using overs calculator regarding minimum number of overs.

Note: By-Law D9 (1) (j) "Six Over Rule" does not apply in the Junior competition

- (f) If a result has not been achieved and the prescribed minimum number of overs is not completed on the second day of the match, then the match shall be drawn.
- (g) The team leading on its first innings after both sides have batted and their innings have been either compulsorily closed or terminated before the minimum number of overs shall be the winner on the first innings. If the team batting second has not received its calculated minimum number of overs, and it has scored less runs than the team batting first, then the match will be drawn.
- (h) Where no play is possible on the first day the game will be played as a one-day match (By-Law D9 (2)), and captains will toss again.

- (i) Judging a Wide – Negative bowling outside the Leg Stump. A1 Premier to A3 Grades Only.
Where the Bowler's end Umpire considers a bowler to be bowling outside the leg stump as a negative tactic, the strict "Limited Over Competition Wide interpretation" will apply.
- (j) On the first day (First Innings Only) of a two-day match if: The side batting first (Team A) is dismissed prior to completion of its over quota and the time remaining before the scheduled finishing time results in (31 minutes) six overs or less being required to be bowled, then the fielding side (Team B) has the right to forfeit receipt of those overs and stumps will be drawn. Upon Team B choosing to forfeit receipt of those overs it is only entitled to receive 72/80 overs on the second day. This rule does not stop a captain from declaring it innings after the 31 minutes cut off time.
Note: By-Law D9 (1) (j) Six Over Rule does not apply in the Junior competition
- (k) Teams whose innings are compulsory closed under D9 (1) (e) (they have batted the entirety of their 72/80 overs without being dismissed) and/or invoked the six over rule D9 (1) (j) are the only two instances where a maximum of 72/80 overs are applied to Team B on Day 2. In all other instances Team B is entitled to a minimum of 72/80 overs on day 2.

D9 (2) BATTING TIMES - ONE DAY MATCHES

- (a) The playing hours in One Day matches shall be those stipulated by By-Law D4
(b) In the ATCA, "the prescribed objective minimum number of overs" means:

Grade		A1 - A3	B1 - B3	C	U17	U15
Number of Overs	Minor Round	40	40	40	40	36
	Major Round	50	50	50	50	45

Penalty for each complete over not bowled by the scheduled time for completion of play.

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- i. An interval of 30 minutes shall be taken at the conclusion of the innings of the team batting first, which shall be deemed the Tea Break.
- ii. If the innings of the team batting first is terminated prior to receiving its full quota of overs, the team batting or fielding second are entitled to complete its full quota of overs irrespective of the fact that a result may have already been achieved. Only if both captains agree can stumps be drawn early. Upon both sides completing its first innings stumps will be drawn
- iii. No bowler shall bowl more than; **8** overs out of an innings of 40 overs, or 10 overs out of an innings of 50 overs.
In the event of a bowler completing an over commenced by a different bowler, such part over shall count as a full over for each in so far as this limit is concerned.
- iv. In any match where a reduction of overs has occurred both teams shall be entitled to the same individual allocation of overs for its bowlers
- v. In the event of either team (A1 to A3 grade and U17 only) failing to bowl its 40 overs in 2 hours 35 minutes, there shall be a penalty deducted for each over not bowled by the scheduled time for completion of the innings. The overs are still required to be bowled. No bonus incentive points for completing overs in less time shall apply.
- vi. To avoid the imposition of a penalty as outlined in (v) above, the time available for the bowling team to complete the number of overs necessary shall be increased by the total of all time lost for stoppages due to exceptional circumstances, which, in the opinion of the umpires, are beyond the control of the fielding team.
- vii. Each team shall be entitled to receive in its first innings the allocation of overs applicable to the match (unless the innings is earlier completed or terminated beforehand), and if on completion of the allocation the innings has not been completed, it shall be compulsorily closed. Play may continue beyond the scheduled time for the conclusion of the match, if required, to allow the team batting second to receive its allocation of overs.
- viii. In the situation where the team batting 2nd, may face the possibility of not receiving the full quota of overs it is entitled to, the umpires are instructed to strictly observe the requirement for overs to be bowled within the required time frame of 4 minutes per over to limit the chance of teams using go slow tactics.
In such situations umpires may apply penalties for slow over rates as per By-Law D8. Captains are reminded to strictly adhere to the Code of Conduct (5. Laws of Cricket and Spirit of the Game) regarding time wasting
- ix. In the case of the team batting second not being the winner and having not concluded its first innings but having been prevented by pitch, ground, weather or light conditions, and/or any other suspension of play, from receiving its allocation of overs, the match shall be drawn.

D9 (2) (b) LOST TIME - One Day Matches

- i. Should any time be lost due to an interruption in play, up to 60 minutes of lost time can be made up even if such interruption occurs after the scheduled finishing time.
- ii. If the scheduled start of play is delayed, the total playing time, in minutes remaining until the scheduled time for conclusion of play (after allowing for any scheduled intervals) shall be divided by 4 and the resultant nearest higher even number shall become the quota of overs for the match. Each team shall receive half of the quota in its first innings.
- iii. By-Law D11(b) must first be satisfied before any declaration is made prior to the team batting first receiving its full allocation of overs.
- iv. If the umpires deem that no play is possible by 3.00pm the match shall be abandoned
- v. Overs are only ever recalculated for time lost prior to the commencement of the match.
- vi. In a major round match where the number of overs is reduced, no bowler shall bowl more than one fifth of the total overs allowed, except that, where the total overs are not divisible by five (5), an additional over shall be allowed to the minimum number of bowlers needed to make up the balance.

Example #2:

Match commences with 33 overs to be played in each inning.

Limit per bowler is 7 overs (for any 3 bowlers), 6 overs for others.

- vii. In the event of a bowler completing an over commenced by a different bowler, such part over shall count as a full over for each in so far as this limit is concerned.
- viii. In any match where a reduction of overs has occurred both teams shall be entitled to the same individual allocation of overs for its bowlers.

If play begins at 3.00pm, close of play will be 7.00pm which equates to a 28 over per team.

D9 (2) (d) WIDE BALL - Judging a Wide – One Day Matches – Senior Grades Only

- i. Umpires are instructed to apply a strict and consistent interpretation to this law in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.
- ii. Any offside or leg side delivery which in the opinion of the umpire does not give the batter a reasonable opportunity to score shall be called wide.
- iii. In relation to the off side any delivery outside the off side wide line, provided the batter maintains a normal batting position and has not brought the ball within reach, shall be called a wide.
- iv. Any delivery that passes outside the return crease will automatically be called a wide.
- v. A ball landing clearly outside the leg stump going further away should be called wide.
- vi. A leg side wide shall not be called where the ball passes between the striker and the stumps.
- vii. The above provisions do not apply if the striker contacts the ball.

Note: Clubs must ensure that lines are drawn in the batting boxes at both ends of the pitch in the following manner, A line (approx. ¾ inch wide) shall be drawn in the batting boxes at each end of the pitch (1 foot 4 inches from the inside edge of the return crease) and each shall be at right angles from the bowling crease and shall continue to meet the popping crease at right angles. The use of the lines is to assist the umpires in their interpretation of the "call of wide" on the off side of the wicket only.

Junior Grades – Refer Appendix B.

D9 (2) (e) FIELD RESTRICTIONS – One Day matches - All grades (includes U17 and U15 grades)

- i. In regard to One Day matches, two semi-circles (or alternative markings) are to be drawn on the field of play. The semi-circles have as their centre the middle stump at either end of the pitch. The radius of each of the semi-circles is 30 yards (27.4 metres). The ends of each semi-circle are joined to the other by a straight line drawn on the field on the same side of the pitch.
- ii. Where no such markings have been drawn the proximity of same shall be decided by the umpires. Any club failing to provide such markings shall be liable for a minimum fine of \$100.
- iii. In regard to 40 over matches (Minor Round) for the first 10 overs only two fieldsmen are permitted to be outside the field restriction marking at the instance of delivery. For the remaining overs only 5 fieldsmen are permitted to be outside the field restriction marking
- iv. In regard to 50 over matches (Major Round) for the first 15 overs only two fieldsmen are permitted to be outside the field restriction marking at the instant of delivery. For the remaining overs only five fieldsmen are permitted to be outside the field restriction marking
- v. At the instant of delivery, there may be no more than five fieldsmen on the leg side.
- vi. In the event of an infringement of the above, either umpire shall call and signal "No Ball."
- vii. Where overs are reduced in a one-day game, field restrictions shall apply to 25% of the overs to be bowled.

D10 DRINKS ON FIELD

- (a) Drinks shall not be taken on the field more often than once in each session of play. However, if the estimated maximum temperature for the day is more than 30°C, it shall be permissible, with the authority of the umpires obtained prior to the commencement of play for drinks to be taken twice in each session if there has not during such a session been an interval between innings, but in any case, no drinks may be taken on the field within a period of forty minutes before the time fixed for an interval or for drawing stumps.
Where this By-Law may inhibit the practicable timing of a drink break, such as in U15 matches, drink breaks may be taken on the field at a time within forty minutes but not within thirty minutes of a scheduled interval or stumps.
- (b) An individual player may be given a drink either on the boundary edge or, at the fall of a wicket, on the field, provided that no playing time is wasted. No other drinks shall be taken onto the field without the permission of the umpires.
- (c) Drink breaks A1 Premier to B3 Grades — in normal conditions drinks shall be taken at 2.00pm and 4.50pm.

D11 CLOSING AN INNINGS

- (a) In the event of a Captain advising the opposing Captain during the period between the close of play on one day and ten minutes prior to the commencing hour for play on the following day, or during any interval, that they intend closing his/her innings, the time ordinarily allowable between innings shall not apply and play must commence at the time fixed for the commencement of resumption of play.
- (b) The Compliance Committee shall have power to investigate a game or the actions of the captains of the clubs or any players involved in a match if it suspects reasonably that the competing clubs with or without the assistance or collusion of any other person or club has colluded to contrive the result of a match. It shall also have the power to investigate such decisions/declarations that are deemed reckless in nature, and which consequences seem to have limited benefit to the club making such decisions but have direct and adverse implications on the season's fortunes of other clubs.
If the Compliance Committee decides to conduct an investigation it will conduct such inquiries as it sees fit and invite submissions about the match or the conduct of either captain or any player and will give any person, the opportunity to be heard.
If the Investigation Committee finds that the clubs, Captains, or players have colluded to contrive the outcome of a match, the Investigation Committee may, in its absolute discretion, impose any penalty including:
 - i. fine a club, Captain, or player
 - ii. the loss of match and bonus points
- (c) This By-Law will prohibit any declaration which has the effect of making play for the remainder of the day impractical by bringing into account the 10 minutes interval allowed between innings and to that extent the right of captains under the Laws of Cricket to declare at any time will not apply.

D12 REPLACEMENT OF PLAYERS

If a player from a SACA Premier Club, which has a team or teams in ATCA, is selected as a replacement player in an Australian or South Australian representative team and is currently playing in a SACA Premier match they shall be replaced in the SACA Premier match by another player.

Subsequent replacements may be made in the club's other teams including any in ATCA. A permit application under this By-Law for the replacement(s) must be notified in writing to the Executive Officer within forty-eight (48) hours of the event giving rise to the application, indicating the replacement(s), the replaced player(s), and all consequential replacements in lower Grades.

The replacement player shall complete the match then being played, with the full rights of the player originally selected provided that the replacement shall be of a similar type of player (e.g. batter, bowler, and wicketkeeper) as the one they replace. The Executive Officer will be responsible for informing the opposition captain and umpire. By-Law C6 - Playing in more than one team does not apply under the conditions of this By-Law.

This provision does not apply in Major Round matches.

Any variation of player replacements by SACA clubs that does not include representative cricket must first gain approval of the opposing captain. It is the responsibility of the SACA club to inform the Executive Officer of any such changes prior to start of play of the match in question.

D13 DRESS - All players are to be dressed in accordance with Association By-Law B13

D14 USE OF NEW OR SUBSTITUTED BALL

In all matches a new ball shall be used at the commencement of each innings (for types of approved balls please refer to By-Law D16) and a new ball may, at the option of the fielding side, be used after 80 overs.

Provided that if in the opinion of the umpires, the ball in use becomes unfit for play, another ball which has had similar use to the one discarded shall be used.

Provided that in the second innings of a match the use of a new ball shall be optional with the fielding side subject to the ball in use being, in the opinion of the umpires, fit for play.

In the event of a ball in play being lost, a ball in as like condition as possible thereto shall be substituted, therefore.

D15 CUSTODY OF BALL IN USE

- (a) The ball in use in an uncompleted innings shall at the termination of the day's play (except at the conclusion of a match) be taken charge of by one of the Umpires and such ball shall be used upon the resumption (if any) of such uncompleted innings. Should such a ball not be available, another ball in as like condition as possible thereto shall be used.
- (b) During play, Umpires shall periodically and irregularly inspect the condition of the ball and shall retain possession of it at the fall of a wicket, a drinks interval, or during any other disruption of play.
- (c) **CHANGING THE CONDITION OF THE BALL**
A Bowler placing his/her hand in the dirt or roughened area of the pitch may be asked to remove any grit from the palm before rubbing his/her hand on the ball.

D16 BALLS PERMITTED

All senior grades shall use an ATCA approved 4-piece Kookaburra ball.

All matches in the Under 17 competition shall use an ATCA approved 4-piece Kookaburra Cricket Ball

All matches in the Under 15 competition shall use an ATCA approved 2-piece Kookaburra Cricket Ball.

Association Approved Cricket Balls are as follows:

A1 Premier to A3 Grades	Regulation or Club Match
All other senior grades	Regulation, Club Match or Senator
Under 17	Regulation, Club Match, Regulation Reject or Senator
Under 15 (2 Piece)	Tuf-Pitch or Senator

All cricket balls used in the Adelaide Turf Cricket Competition **must be a genuine Kookaburra Ball and must have both Kookaburra and ATCA** logo imprinted on the ball (unless otherwise approved by the Board of Management). Failure to do so will incur a fine of \$50 for each offence.

D17 HARDWICKETS - SURFACE MATERIAL

Unless otherwise authorised by the Board of Management all hard wicket pitches used in Association matches shall be covered with matting or other approved surface material.

If the only matches to achieve a result are matches played on hard wicket the whole round will be considered abandoned

D18 HARDWICKETS - PITCHING OF BALL

Any bowled ball which pitches on the edge or off the pitch shall be deemed dead. The Umpire shall call and signal wide, and a wide shall be recorded and no other extras shall be allowed.

D19 APPENDIX B – JUNIOR COMPETITION SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

D20 BOUNDARIES

All scheduled two-day games must as a minimum have boundaries defined by a continuous or dotted line further defined by markers or flags. Any breach of this clause will result in a fine not exceeding \$100.

Where there are no white line or objects providing continuous marking, items such as flags, posts or boards may be used to mark specific points on the boundary. The boundary shall be the imaginary straight line on the ground joining the two nearest marked points.

Boundary allowances shall be guided by the prevailing custom of the ground. Where the dimensions of the ground allow, they shall be not less than 60m radius. In all other instances the minimum recommended boundary allowed is 50m radius unless playing field dimensions/obstacles dictate otherwise.

For safety reason a 2m buffer between the boundary line and permanent fence should be maintained.

Boundary dimensions are measured from midpoint of the centre pitch square or midpoint of the match day pitch.

D21 AUTHORITY OF NON-OFFICIAL UMPIRES

Where no, or insufficient, Umpires have been appointed to officiate at any match in any competition, the person or persons discharging the functions of an Umpire for the time being shall be bound and shall exercise all the powers conferred on an Umpire by the Laws of Cricket and these By-Laws.

D22 SCOREBOARDS

At all matches played in the Premier A1 to B3 grades must have an operational scoreboard. Failure to provide a scoreboard shall result in a fine not exceeding \$75 for the home team. It shall be the duty of the batting side to maintain the correct score on the scoreboard. Updating must be the minimum of every (2) overs. Failure to comply with a request to update scoreboard by Umpires or Captains shall result in a fine not exceeding \$50.

D23 FIELDER'S ABSENCE; SUBSTITUTES: Laws of Cricket 24.1 applies in full.

During the Minor Round only, should an injury occur to a player, the opposing team shall provide a substitute fieldsman where the team with the injured player does not have a substitute fielder available.

Should the injury occur on the first day of a two-day match, the team with the injured player is expected to provide its own substitute fielder on the second day.

The onus to provide a substitute fielder for any player leaving the field for a reason other than injury is dealt with in Law 24 of the Laws of Cricket.

Where there are no official umpires appointed by the Association there must be an agreement between both captains regarding Law 24.1

D24 PLAYER RETURNING TO THE FIELD OF PLAY

Law 24.4 of the Laws of Cricket to apply, which includes a 5 run penalty.

D25 CHANGE OF UMPIRE

An official umpire shall not be changed in a match other than in exceptional circumstances, in which case both team captains are to be notified. The replacement umpire shall have the full responsibilities of an umpire.

D26 BOWLING OF DANGEROUS, UNFAIR NON-PITCHING AND SHORT PITCHED DELIVERIES

1. The following shall apply in addition to Law 41.6 Bowling of Dangerous and Unfair Short Pitched Deliveries

- (a) A bowler shall be limited to two (2) fast, short-pitched deliveries per over.
- (b) A fast, short-pitched delivery is defined as a ball which, after pitching, passes or would have passed above shoulder height of the batter standing upright at the popping crease.
- (c) The umpire at the bowler's end shall advise the bowler and the batter on strike when each fast, short-pitched delivery has been bowled.
- (d) In addition, a ball that passes above head height of the batter, standing upright at the popping crease, which prevents him from being able to hit it with his bat by means of a normal cricket stroke shall be called a Wide.
- (e) For the avoidance of doubt any fast, short-pitched delivery that is called a Wide under this playing condition shall also count as one of the allowable short-pitched deliveries in that over.
- (f) If a bowler delivers a third fast, short-pitched delivery in an over, the umpire, after the call of No ball and when the ball is dead, shall caution the bowler, inform the other umpire, the captain of the fielding side and the batters at the wicket of what has occurred. This caution shall apply throughout the innings. A differential signal shall be used to signify a fast, short-pitched delivery. The umpire shall call and signal 'No ball' and then tap the head with the other hand.
- (g) If there is a second instance of the bowler being No balled in the innings for bowling more than two fast, short-pitched deliveries in an over, the umpire shall advise the bowler that this is his final warning for the innings.
- (h) Should there be any further instance by the same bowler in that innings, the umpire shall:
 - i. call and signal No ball.
 - ii. when the ball is dead, direct the captain of the fielding side to suspend the bowler immediately from bowling.
 - iii. inform the other umpire for the reason for this action.

The bowler thus suspended shall not be allowed to bowl again in that innings. If applicable, the over shall be completed by another bowler, who shall neither have bowled any part of the previous over, nor be allowed to bowl any part of the next over. The umpire shall inform the batters and, as soon as practicable, to the captain of the batting side. The umpires may then report the matter to the Executive Officer who shall take such action as is considered appropriate against the bowler concerned.

2. The LAWS OF CRICKET at 41.7.1 and 41.7.2 BOWLING OF DANGEROUS, UNFAIR NON-PITCHING DELIVERIES shall be extended to include a second and final warning in all Grades of the ATCA Competition with the exception of Grades A1 to A3 and the Senior MensT20 Competition.

Note: The umpire is to consider a common-sense approach when applying this By-Law in that any delivery which passes well wide of the batter or clearly over the batter head so that he is unable to play a proper cricket shot and therefore unlikely by its nature to inflict physical injury shall not be deemed as falling within the parameters of this By-Law.

D27 THE MATCH BALL - CHANGING ITS CONDITION

In the event of a player changing the condition of the ball unfairly, as set out in Law 41.3 of the Laws of Cricket, the umpires after consultation shall:

- i. change the ball forthwith. It shall be for the umpires to decide on the replacement ball, which shall in their opinion, have had wear comparable with that which the previous ball had received immediately prior to the contravention.
- ii. Inform the batter that the ball has been changed.
- iii. Inform the captain of the fielding side that the reason for the action was the unfair interference with the ball.
- iv. Inform the captain of the batting side as soon as practicable of what has occurred.
- v. Report the player contravening this Law to the Association
- vi. If there are any further instances of unfairly changing the condition of the ball the umpires shall repeat the procedure in D27 (i) to (v) above.
- vii. Where no umpires are present, the duties of the umpire will fall to the captain.

D28 PENALTY RUNS

- (1) Where an official umpire is present the laws of cricket regarding penalty runs shall apply including By-Law D32.
- (2) Where an official umpire is not present there shall be no penalty runs awarded to teams participating in a recognized ATCA Competition, as set out in Law 24.4 Player returning without permission, Law 41.9 Time wasting by the fielding side and Law 41.10 batter wasting time and By-Law D32

D29 ATCA TWENTY/20 PLAYING CONDITIONS - Refer Appendix D

D30 LIMITED OVER COMPETITION -PLAYING CONDITIONS - Refer Appendix C

D31 PLAYER OR UMPIRE SMOKING ON THE FIELD OR CONSUMING ALCOHOL

- (a) A Player or umpire shall not be permitted to smoke on the field during a match or during drink intervals. This By-Law also applies to any persons who act in the capacity of an Umpire during a game. For each infringement of this By-Law the Club or Umpire shall be liable for a fine not exceeding \$50.00
- (b) A player or umpire participating in a game shall not be permitted to drink alcohol during the duration of that game. For each infringement of this By-Law the Club or Umpire shall be liable for a minimum fine of \$150.00 and shall be subject to a formal report.

D32 PLAYER BEHAVIOUR (this By-Law acts in lieu of Law 42 of the Laws of Cricket)

If during the course of a game an umpire/s feels that a player/s or team is acting in a manner in breach of the Spirit of the Game or the ATCA Code of Conduct as spelt out in part below, they shall take the following actions.

Offences Deemed Unacceptable Conduct

- Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action
- Using language that, in the circumstances, is obscene, offensive, or insulting whether directed towards another player, umpire, team official or spectator or not.
- Making an obscene gesture whether directed towards another player, umpire, team official, or spectator.
- Making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with another player
- Appealing excessively or advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
- Intimidate an umpire by language or gesture.
- Threatening to assault a player, umpire, official, or spectator.
- Any other misconduct, the nature of which is covered under the ATCA's Code of Conduct Guidelines

Action by Umpires

- (1) a) If either umpire considers that the conduct of a player, at any time during the match, is unacceptable, the umpire concerned shall call and signal Dead Ball.
This call may be delayed until the umpire is satisfied that it will not disadvantage the non-offending side.
- b) The umpire concerned shall then call time and together with his colleague (if applicable) decide whether misconduct has occurred and the level of the offending.
- c) Together the umpires shall inform the offending player and his captain, in the case of a batter the other batter can deputise for the captain, if they deem that an offence has occurred and the manner in which it is being treated.
An official first and final warning now applies.
A first and final warning along with an official report now applies.
- d) The issuing of a first and final warning shall apply to all members of the team for the entire match.
- e) If the umpires after imposing a first and final warning upon a team deem that further misconduct offences have occurred, they shall adopt the procedure outlined above and award 5 penalty runs to the opposition team in every instance.
- f) As soon as practicable after each occurrence the umpires shall call play
- g) When a 5 run penalty has been awarded to the fielding side, they shall be added as penalty extras to that side's total of runs in its most recently completed innings.
- h) When a 5 run, penalty is awarded to the batting side then they shall be scored as penalty extras and shall be in addition to any other penalties. They shall not be credited to the batter.
If the fielding side has not completed an innings the 5 penalty runs shall be added to its next innings.
The umpires together shall report all occurrences of warnings issued under this By-Law, whether subject to an official report or not, as soon as possible after the match to the Executive Officer. This By-Law also now has the effect of placing the onus upon the umpires to officially notify the offending player and his Captain at the actual time of the offence that an official report has been laid.
- (2) The umpires must maintain a record of all such warnings and on each occasion such a warning is noted, notify the Executive Officer (or delegate) of the ATCA who will in turn notify the Secretary of the Club for which the player participates.
 - i. Should a player be officially reported for an offence of similar kind to those encompassed by this By-Law and subsequently found guilty by a Commissioner, the Executive Officer (or delegate) must inform the Commissioner of any recorded warnings still current against the player concerned.
 - ii. Should the number of such warnings given to players in a Club, over all Grades, exceed 3 in any one season: the Club shall be fined \$75.00 for each warning over 3.
 - iii. Warnings will remain current for two seasons after which they shall be annulled.

D33 USE OF HELMETS – SENIOR AND JUNIOR COMPETITION

All senior and junior players will be required to adhere to the ATCA Helmet Policy available on the ATCA website. By-Laws and Policy page as per link below [Helmet Regulations](#)

D34 CAPTAINS RESPONSIBLE FOR PLAYERS

Under the Laws of Cricket Captains are responsible for their players and therefore when any player from a team is reported during the season the captain of that team will be required to also appear before the Commissioner. The Commissioner has in his/her power the ability to record penalties against the captain should the commissioner believe the actions of the captain were not in the Spirit of the Laws of Cricket.

D35 PLAYERS ABSENT AT COMMENCEMENT OF INNINGS – A1 PREMIER TO A3 ONLY

This is an addendum to Law 24 and Law 25 in that if a player is absent from the ground at either the commencement or resumption of his side's innings and is not subject to any application of Law 24.2 (fielder absent of leaving the field of play) or Law 25.3 the umpire or opposing captain shall be informed of the reason for the absence.

He shall not be recorded as being present until the umpire and opposing captain have been advised of their arrival.

He shall not be permitted to bat for at least the length of playing time for which he was absent up to a maximum of 90 minutes or even if the unserved penalty time has not expired, that player may bat after his/her side has lost 5 wickets.

If a batter is unable to commence his innings as a consequence of the implementation of this by-law the innings is to be recorded as "Retired - not out."

Note:

This is to be read in isolation from Law 24.2 Fielder absent or leaving the field of play and Law 25.3 Restriction on batter commencing an innings.

Under the Laws of Cricket, Penalty Time only arises when a fielder fails to take the field at the start of a match or at any later time or leaves the field during play. The only time a batter will incur such a penalty under the Laws of Cricket is when he has unserved Penalty Time carried over from the application of Law 24.2.

By-Law D35 deals exclusively with the situation where a batter, who is not subject to any, unserved Penalty Time, as a consequence of the application of Law 24.2, is absent at the commencement of his teams' innings.

Example 1

Team A fields all day on Day 1 and player 'x' is present for the duration (no Penalty incurred). On Day 2 he is not present at the start of his team's innings, By-Law D35 comes into play, so he is unable to bat for at least the length of time for which he is absent up to a maximum of 90 minutes or after his team has lost 5 wickets whichever is the earlier.

Example 2

Team A fields all day on Day 1 and player X is absent for the duration (Penalty Time incurred is the maximum of 90 minutes). He is under the Laws of Cricket (25.3) unable to bat on Day 2 up to a maximum of 90 minutes or after his team has lost 5 wickets whichever is the earlier.

Example 3

Team A fields on Day 1 and is dismissed at tea, player x was present during the entire innings but leaves prior to the commencement of his team's innings and remains absent for the remainder of the days play. He does not incur any penalty under the Laws of Cricket but now falls within the parameters of By-Law D35 and has incurred a maximum penalty of 90 minutes which is too be served on Day 2. The Penalty is negated upon the fall of the 5th wicket and should that occur on Day 1 then no penalty remains to be served on Day 2.

D36 PAYMENT OF UMPIRES

Each Team shall be responsible for paying the umpires. Payment must be received prior to the commencement of each day's play.

Failure to comply with the By-Law will result in the offending team being fined \$50 for each occurrence.

D37 NAMING AND PLAYING OF A 12TH PLAYER - ALL SENIOR GRADES

- a) Before the toss of the coin each captain shall exchange the players list in accordance with By-Law D1.
- b) **If naming a 12th player, the captain must** note on the player list one player who will be absent for day two and a twelfth player who shall replace them from the conclusion of the first day's play. The replaced player shall have a specific replacement. The replacement player shall take part in the match as if they were the replaced player, completing his innings or any over in progress if necessary. None of the replaced or replacement players shall take part in any other match during the period of that round be that in the ATCA, SACA or any SACA affiliated competition.
- c) No player other than those named, except substitute fieldsmen, shall be allowed to participate in the match.
- d) Any team that includes a player in contravention of this rule shall forfeit the match and bonus points in which such a player takes part in. The opposing team shall receive the forfeit points or the greater of match and bonus points achieved during the match.
- e) Both players using this rule will be recorded as having played half (0.5) of a match for the purposes of qualification for finals. Both replacement players' statistics are to be recorded separately on PlayHQ.
- f) Defence and Emergency services players may use this By-Law if the player's employment dictates his unexpected unavailability on week 2 of any two-day game. The replacement player must also fall within all other conditions of this By-Law. For clubs to use this option must first submit a permit in writing to the association outlining the reason for seeking such a permit. Only one such permit per game will be allowed.
- g) This By-Law applies to minor round matches only.

1) Matches in which Covers MUST be used: Minor Round

- a) Each Club may use pitch covers in the following circumstances:
- b) It notifies the ATCA in writing 7 days prior to their nominated use and the dimension of the covers to be used. Once the ATCA has been notified the provisions relating to the use of covers (By-Law D38.2) will automatically apply in full and for the remainder of the season
- c) The Executive Officer will notify each club secretary by email, as well as placing notification on the ATCA website before Thursday 4.00pm each week outlining the conditions under which the application of covers for that weekend will apply, then all pitches shall be covered by no later than 7.00pm on the day preceding each playing day or as soon as practical after the close of play of any programmed match on a nominated ground. If ATCA does not provide notification, clubs must use their discretion regarding the application of covers.
- d) The Executive Officer may grant an exemption to clause (c) in exceptional circumstances, if a club considers that the placing of covers on the pitch would be detrimental to the fitness of the pitch on the following day may seek an exemption to this clause. The exemptions referred to in this clause may be granted with whatever conditions the Executive Officer decides and must be sought not later than 4.00pm on the day prior to play.
- e) In matches on consecutive days, all such exemptions following the first day's play (or abandonment) shall be in the hands of the umpires rather than the Executive Officer.
- f) It is the home Club which is responsible for ensuring these actions are conducted as required. In the case of neutral grounds, the first named club in the program of matches shall have this responsibility in relation to all days of the match, and the evening prior to each playing day.
- g) Once the umpires arrive at the match, the further placement or removal of the covers shall be subject to their direction. Players from either or both teams may be requested by the umpires to undertake or assist with this work, and if requested must perform such work.

2) Provisions Relating to the Use of Covers

- a) Covers must be at least 10m wide and 30m long and must comply with such minimum standards of construction (including material and edging) as may be determined by the ATCA. Clubs that have 3.6m (one pitch) covers and 10m plus (full pitch) covers will be required to use the full pitch covers at all times. The use of the 3.6m wide (one pitch) covers in preference to the full pitch covers will first need the approval of the ATCA.
- b) In addition, a hessian underlay at least 3.0m wide and 25m long must be provided.
- c) Clubs who fail to nominate and it can be established that covers have been used contrary to this By-Law will be subject to a fine of \$300 and the potential loss of premiership points, as decided by the Compliance Committee under clause D38.3 f)
- d) The dry hessian underlay must always be laid on the pitch before the covers are placed (to absorb sweating), unless it becomes wet, in which case it must not be used.
- e) On the morning of the match the covers must be removed no later than 10.00am, if weather conditions permit; otherwise, they must be removed as soon as conditions subsequently permit.
- f) Should the need for rapid covering of the pitch arise during play, the use of the hessian underlay may be dispensed with at the umpires' discretion.

3) Non-Compliance with these Provisions

- a) In the event of any failure to comply with the provisions of this By-Law, it shall be the responsibility of any Club aware of such failure, and of the umpires, should they be aware, to lodge a written report to the Executive Officer as soon as practical, and no later than 48 hours following the scheduled end of that day's play.
- b) Unless such protest is received by the Executive Officer within 48 hours following the scheduled end of that day's play, then, although the protest may still be investigated, no variation to match result or points will be permitted.
- c) Umpires should report any alleged material failure, even though they themselves may have no direct evidence of a breach.
- d) On receipt of such a report or protest, the Executive Officer considers that the matter is insignificant; the breach shall be disregarded, other than a report being made to the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Management.
- e) In all other cases, non-compliance shall be referred to the Compliance Committee for investigation.
- f) If the Compliance Committee determines that a breach has occurred, it may:
- g) If the breach did not affect the match in any way, impose a penalty by way of a fine on the Club responsible (all or part of this fine may be suspended) or may reprimand the Club.
- h) If the breach unfairly affected the Club not responsible, impose a penalty by way of
- i) reversal of the result (with effect on premiership points, as determined), OR
- j) any other change to premiership points, as determined, may be imposed.
- k) In addition to, or in lieu of, these penalties, a fine may be imposed. All or part of this fine may be suspended for up to 2 years.

4) Provisions relating to the use of covers for all Finals in A1 to A3 grades only

- a) Clubs hosting A' Grade Semi or Grand Finals must have the use of covers that covers the entire pitch square. Clubs unable to fulfil this requirement may lose the right to host A' Grade Finals
- b) From the Wednesday preceding any final, all pitches shall be covered by no later than 7 pm on the day, unless a prior exemption has been granted pursuant to clause (c)
- c) The Executive Officer may grant an exemption to clause (a) and (b) if the weather forecast indicates no possibility of rain. In addition, in exceptional circumstances, a Club which believes that the placing of covers on the pitch would be detrimental to the fitness of the pitch may seek an exemption to this clause. The exemptions referred to in this clause may be granted with whatever conditions the Executive Officer decides and must be sought not later than 4.00pm on the day.
- d) All other provision as set out in D38 (2) applies to all A' Grade Finals.

D6 INCLEMENT WEATHER - ATTENDANCE AT GROUND/HEAT POLICY

a) WET WEATHER

In the event of wet weather, the Emergency Committee is empowered, after inspection of various grounds, to call off play for the day in any or all matches. The Executive Officer at his discretion may not abandon games where Clubs have notified the Executive Officer in writing that club covers are available for use as per By-Law D38. Such a decision shall be announced over the ATCA website by 10.00am on day of the match.

On all other occasions when play may be in doubt due to wet weather (on either the 1st or 2nd day) teams and umpires shall attend the scheduled grounds. In all cases, the fitness of the pitch, ground, weather, or light shall be decided by the umpires acting in accordance with Law 6.2 of the Laws of Cricket.

After inspections, play may be abandoned for the day if at the time it is considered not possible to commence play due to the conditions prevailing. If in the opinion of the umpires, play would cause damage to the pitch area and seriously affect the pitch area, they should not allow play until such damage is unlikely to occur.

Allowing play to continue, start or resume in light rain or drizzle is acceptable provided the ground conditions are not deemed dangerous or unreasonable. Refer to the Laws of Cricket - 2.7 Fitness of play for further clarification.

Any dispute which arises regarding the fitness of play due to unfavourable weather conditions shall be resolved by the captains (manager/coach for U15/U17 grades) where no official umpires, ATCA Executive Officer or his nominee, are present. The ATCA Executive Officer or his nominee shall have the same power as an umpire to act on the fitness of play.

If the captains (manager/coach for U15/U17 grades) cannot come to an agreement over the commencement or re-commencement of play where no official umpires, ATCA Executive Officer or his nominee are present the players of both teams shall remain at the ground until the scheduled time for cessation of play.

Note: Other than the ATCA making the decision to abandoned play the home club can only call the game off if:

- i. They first contact the ATCA via email, text or phone explaining the reasons behind the game's abandonment. The ATCA will then either manage the process or request the home club to contact the visiting club.
- ii. If the visiting club elect to accept the decision of the home club, both clubs will be required to ratify its decision with the ATCA via email, text or phone, the decision is not valid until the ATCA both receives then ratifies the decision.
- iii. If the visiting club chose to query the home clubs request, will mean both teams are required to attend the ground where an assessment on the ground can be made by both captains in the absence of umpires.
- iv. On match day If the visiting club chooses to make a report to the ATCA it will first make sure it has at least 8 players present at the ground before they contact the ATCA Executive Officer via mobile phone. The Executive Officer will then instruct the clubs if any further action is required.
- v. Where both clubs agree to abandoned the game, the Executive Officer will be responsible for contacting the umpires.
- vi. **All matches are to apply the Cricket Australia Lightning Safety Policy using the 30/30 Rule for lightning safety.**

b) EXCESSIVE HEAT POLICY - SENIOR COMPETITION

- i. The Heat Policy as it relates to the senior competition is implemented when the forecast temperature of day is recorded at 40 degrees or greater. The temperature used will be taken from the BOM forecast in Adelaide 5000. Play will proceed with restrictions as set out below in the A1 Premier to A3 Grades and in relation to all other senior grades play will be cancelled for the day.
- ii. Complete abandonment of the competition will take place at a forecast of 42 degrees.
- iii. The decision to abandon the competition at 42 degrees is solely the responsibility of the association. If play has commenced and the temperature exceeds 42 degrees during the days play the umpires have no authority to call off play.
- iv. **The ATCA will make an initial decision regarding game abandonment due to heat at 6:00pm on the Friday preceding scheduled matches. If, based on available forecasts, the temperature is expected to comfortably exceed the prescribed heat thresholds, the ATCA may abandon play. This decision will be final and binding.**
- v. **If play is not abandoned on Friday evening, a second assessment will be conducted by 10:00am on Saturday morning. The ATCA reserves the right to abandon play at that time should conditions warrant.**
- vi. **Once the temperature has reached 30 degrees Celsius, drinks shall be taken every 40 minutes. If two umpires are present following the first drinks break in each session of play, umpires will be entitled to a 15-minute rest period. During this time, the batting team will be required to provide an umpire at square leg to ensure play continues safely and fairly.**
- vii. **All clubs are required to provide adequate shade, eskies, and ice for both teams during match days. These provisions are essential for player welfare in hot conditions.**
- viii. **Failure to meet these requirements may result in a fine of \$200.**

Limited Over Games (LO1-LO7)

- i. If the forecasted temperature is expected to reach 38°C or 39°C, matches will be converted to T20 fixtures.
- ii. The ATCA will make the first call at 6:00pm on the Friday night prior to the scheduled match.
If the ATCA is satisfied that the temperature will exceed 38°C, the decision to reduce play to a T20 fixture will be final and binding, (subject to Subclause iii)
- iii. A further call will be made at 10:00am Saturday morning and if at that time the Forecast exceeds 41 degrees, the game will be abandoned.
- iv. If no decision is made on Friday night, a second call will be made at 10:00am on Saturday morning to either reduce the match to a T20 fixture or abandon play entirely.
- v. T20 fixtures will be played in regular Saturday attire with red balls but will follow T20 fielding and bowling restrictions. The timing restrictions normally applied to T20 matches will not be enforced.

c) Special Heat Policy Conditions for Juniors Playing in Senior Competition

- i. Any junior player that has turned 15 years of age during the current season may participate in the senior competition if the forecasted temperature for that day is recorded as 38 degrees or higher as long as the association has received written consent of their parent/guardian and the club secretary prior to the scheduled start of play.
- ii. If this rule is enacted on Day 2 teams with junior players that have not received written consent will not be able field those players. A 12th man may be used only in the role of a substitute player.
- iii. Any player that has turned 18 years of age during the current season will not require prior approval from parent/guardian to participate in the senior competition.
- iv **NO PERSON IS FORCED BY THE ATCA TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY MATCH**

d) Special Two-Day Playing Conditions

If the heat policy is implemented on Day 1 of the match the following will apply:

72 overs in lieu of 80 overs. Playing times remain as scheduled with the introduction of a 30-minute tea break.

There is available a maximum of 72 overs to be bowled on the day at which time if the team batting first is not dismissed then the innings will be compulsory closed. If the innings of the team batting first is terminated prior to the receipt of 72 overs, then the second team after the deduction of 3 overs for the changeover shall receive the remainder of the quota of overs left in the day and stumps will then be drawn. If the heat policy is implemented on Day 2 the same conditions apply

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Example # 1

Day 1: Team A dismissed after 59 overs
Team B faces 10 overs (13 minus 3 for change over)
Day 2: Team B is entitled to receive a maximum of 72 overs.
Team B dismissed after 40 overs
Team A entitled to receive a maximum of 29 overs (32 minus 3 for changeover)

If the heat policy is enacted on Day 1 but Day 2 proceeds under normal playing conditions, then the second team is only entitled to receive a maximum of 72 overs at which time if not dismissed the innings will be compulsory closed. The second innings of the match will continue using two-day rules with the tea break of 30 minutes.

Example # 1

Day 1: Team A bats its 72 overs without being dismissed the innings is compulsory closed.
Day 2: Team B entitled to a maximum of 72 overs at which time the innings is compulsory closed.
Team A may commence its 2nd innings subject on time remaining using the over calculator.

Example # 2

Day 1: Team A dismissed after 65 overs
Team B faces 4 overs (7 minus 3 for change over)
Day 2: Team B entitled to further 68 overs (72 overs max) after which if not dismissed the innings is compulsory closed.
Team A may commence its 2nd innings subject to time remaining using the over calculator.
If the match was played under normal conditions on Day 1 and the heat policy is enacted on Day 2 then conditions of play will remain but there will be no second innings with stumps being drawn at the conclusion of the second teams first innings. Common sense will need to apply as it relates to over rates and strict observance of the scheduled finish time.

Example # 1

Day 1: Team A bats 80 overs without being dismissed innings compulsory closed.
Day 2: Team B entitled to a maximum of 80 overs.
Upon Team B being dismissed or batting out the day match reaches its conclusion as there are no second innings available

Example # 2

Day 1 Team A dismissed after 64 overs.
 Team B after calculating time remaining using over calculator is entitled to receive 8 overs.
Day 2: Team B entitled to a minimum of 80 total overs.
 Team B dismissed after 65 overs then stumps are drawn as there is no 2nd innings.

Example # 3

Day 1: Team A dismissed after 72 overs and Team B applies 6 over rule.
Day 2: Team B entitled to a maximum of 80 overs and upon either the completion of the 80 overs or being dismissed then stumps are drawn as there is no second innings available.

Note By-Law D9. (1) (j) the six over rule does not apply on days where the heat policy is activated.

JUNIOR EXCESSIVE HEAT POLICY

The Emergency Committee shall have the power to cancel play in all U15 and U17 grades on any match day that at 9.00am the forecasted temperature for Adelaide is recorded as 38 degrees or more. **If the ATCA is satisfied that the forecast temperatures for Sunday's fixtures are expected to exceed the designated heat policy thresholds, we will make the initial call to abandon play FROM 12:00 pm Saturday.**

Important Note- The ATCA does not compel an individual to participate in any sanctioned match; it is their own personal choice/decision. Clubs and Players are encouraged to reference the SACA Affiliates and Club Protection Policy and Extreme Heat Guide available on the ATCA website (ATCA Policies Page) highlighting important guidelines for clubs and individuals.

APPENDIX B - JUNIOR COMPETITION SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

1 NAMING AND PLAYING OF A 12TH PLAYER.

Prior to the toss of the coin, both Captains shall exchange a completed and signed team-sheet clearly detailing the names, initials of all players in the team, and indicate any underage players in their side. **The team sheet shall contain a maximum of 12 players.**

Only 11 players (not limited to the same 11) shall be permitted to bat or bowl in any innings. The captain is not required to nominate the player who will not bat or bowl in advance and may make such decisions at any time during the game. Only 11 fieldsmen may be on the field of play at any one time. Interchange of fieldsmen without restriction is permitted (provided no time is wasted) and there shall be no requirement for a bowler to be on the field for a certain length of time following interchange under this By-Law. Both captains after exchanging the team sheets will pass them to the umpires who will note any underage players listed and then pass on the team sheets to the respective scorers.

If a named player is subsequently selected to play in the SACA U17 Premier Competition and is unable to participate in Day 2 of a scheduled 2-day match, they can be replaced by a "Like for Like" "substitute/slash" player. The replacement player must be advised and agreed by the ATCA in advance of Day 2.

If the replacement player in U17 is currently named in an ATCA U15 team, then the same replacement provisions apply to the U15 player.

2 WIDE BALL - Judging a Wide – One-Day and Two-Day Matches

Umpires are instructed to apply consistent interpretation to this law in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.

Any offside or leg side delivery which in the opinion of the umpire does not give the batsman a reasonable opportunity to score shall be called wide. As a guide, on the leg side a ball pitching clearly outside the leg stump going further away should be called wide. The above provisions do not apply if the striker makes contact with the ball.

3 BOWLING AND BATTING RESTRICTIONS - UNDER 15 STANDARD RULES ONLY

- a) In either the first or second innings of a Two Day Match no bowler shall bowl more than ten (10) overs in an innings.
- b) The limit of ten (10) overs shall be reset once the 60 over limit is reached provided the batting team has reached the winning target.
- c) To promote Player Safety/health no bowler may bowl more than the Cricket Australia guidelines of a maximum DAILY requirement of 12 overs.
- d) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.
- e) No other bowler may bowl more than six (6) overs in a spell without taking a break from bowling for a period of twelve (12) overs.
- f) A bowler who bowls less than 6 overs in a spell and then has a break of 12 overs may subsequently commence a new spell of 6 overs (subject to his innings limit).
- g) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than 6 overs may resume bowling prior to the elapse of 12 overs but this will be considered a continuation of the same bowling spell and the limit of 6 overs in that spell shall still apply. Following the completion of the spell the normal requirement for a break of a period of 12 overs shall apply.
- h) This rule shall include the number of overs bowled between a first and second innings where a team has been made to follow on i.e. A bowler who bowls his last 6 overs in the last 12 overs in the first innings where an innings is followed on is unable to bowl until 12 overs have been bowled in the second innings.

Examples

- 1) Bowler bowls 6 overs he cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 2) Bowler bowls 4 overs and taken off, if he is brought back on within a period where less than 12 overs have elapsed since his earlier spell, he can only bowl a further 2 overs. He then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 3) Bowler bowls 4 overs and taken off, he is brought back after 12 overs have elapsed, he then is eligible to bowl a fresh spell of 6 overs.
- 4) Bowler bowls 3 overs at end of innings and team is dismissed and forced to follow on. If bowler commences to bowl at beginning of second innings, he can only bowl a spell of 3 overs. He then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 5) Team B commences innings late on day one and 10 overs are bowled between 2 bowlers. Both bowlers if they bowl at the commencement of play on day two are only entitled to bowl 1 over and then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs
- i) In a **One Day Match** no bowler shall bowl more than eight (8) overs in an innings. After a bowler has completed four (4) overs he/she shall not bowl for a period of eight (8) overs from the time that the bowler completed his/her last over in the innings. What constitutes a spell is as outlined in the previous paragraph.
- j) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.

- k) Batsman upon reaching a score 100 runs **shall be** compulsorily retired (immediately even if the 100-run target is achieved midway through the over) but can recommence his/her innings at the fall of the last wicket of the team's innings or penultimate wicket if more than one batsman has compulsorily retired.
- l) In the interest of providing a more enjoyable playing experience in the match a Coach may choose to retire a batter who has scored at least 50 runs but can recommence his/her innings in the same order of which any such players retired.
For the purpose of individual performance returns and match results statistics, the retired batter shall be treated as not out.

4 U15 COMPETITION – SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- a) All players must wear a Helmet when batting and keeping up to the stumps.
- b) Field Restrictions: -Except for the wicket keeper, slips and gully fielders no player shall be permitted to be positioned within 10m of the batter's middle stump. No player may enter this restricted zone until after the ball:
- c) Is hit by the batter or strikes the body or equipment of the batter, or
- d) Passes through to the wicket keeper.
- e) If a fieldsman takes up a position in contravention of this rule the umpires should inform the fieldsman and assist him to comply with the by-law.
- f) Should a fielder not comply with the umpire's request or move into a position which contravenes this by-law during the bowler's delivery the umpire must call and signal no ball.
- g) At the instant of delivery, there may be no more than five fieldsmen on the leg side.

5 BOWLING RESTRICTIONS - UNDER 17 COMPETITION ONLY

- a) In either the 1st or 2nd innings of a Two Day Match no bowler shall bowl more than 14 overs in an innings
- b) The limit of fourteen (14) overs shall be reset once the 72 over limit is reached provided the batting team has reached the winning target.
- c) To promote Player Safety/health no bowler may bowl more than the Cricket Australia guidelines of a maximum DAILY requirement of 16 overs.
- d) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.
- e) No other bowler may bowl more than 6 overs in a spell without taking a break from bowling for a period of 12 overs.
- f) A bowler who bowls less than 6 overs in a spell and then has a break of 12 overs may subsequently commence a new spell of 6 overs (subject to his innings limit).
- g) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than 6 overs may resume bowling prior to the elapse of 12 overs but this will be considered a continuation of the same bowling spell and the limit of 6 overs in that spell shall still apply. Following the completion of the spell the normal requirement for a break of a period of 12 overs shall apply.
- h) This rule shall include the number of overs bowled between a first and second innings where a team has been made to follow on. i.e. A bowler who bowls his last 6 overs in the last 12 overs in the first innings where an innings is followed on is unable to bowl until 12 overs have been bowled in the second innings.

Examples

- 1) Bowler bowls 6 overs he cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 2) Bowler bowls 4 overs and taken off, if he is brought back on within a period where less than 12 overs have elapsed since his earlier spell, he can only bowl a further 2 overs. He then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 3) Bowler bowls 4 overs and taken off, he is brought back after 12 overs have elapsed, he then is eligible to bowl a fresh spell of 6 overs.
- 4) Bowler bowls 3 overs at end of innings and team is dismissed and forced to follow on. If bowler commences to bowl at beginning of second innings, he can only bowl a spell of 3 overs. He then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs.
- 5) Team B commences innings late on day one and 10 overs are bowled between 2 bowlers. Both bowlers if they bowl at the commencement of play on day two are only entitled to bowl 1 over and then cannot bowl again for a period of 12 overs
- i) In either the first or second innings of a One Day Match no bowler shall bowl more than eight (8) overs in an innings. After a bowler has completed five (5) overs he/she shall not bowl for a period of ten (10) overs from the time that the bowler completed his/her last over in the innings. What constitutes a spell is as outlined in the previous paragraph.
- j) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.

6 U/17 COMPETITION – SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- a) All players must wear a Helmet when batting and keeping up to the stumps.
- b) Coaching on Field is not permitted the on-field leadership of players is the responsibility of the captain.
- c) Coaching shall be restricted to drinks and afternoon intervals, during the break of innings and prior to the start of play. It is not appropriate for a coach to be calling out to players on the field, or in other ways conveying messages, while the game is in progress (including between overs).
- d) Officials acting as Umpires are required under the Laws of Cricket to be impartial. As a result, on field coaching by umpires is not permitted.
- e) Any violation of this By-Law is to be reported to the Executive Officer of the ATCA by the independent officiating umpire.
- f) The limitations as they apply to any players who are aged under 15 or under 17 on July 1st in the current season are to be enforced in this competition.
- g) Field Restrictions: -Except for the wicket keeper, slips and gully fielders no player shall be permitted to be positioned within 5m of the batter's middle stump unless wearing protective equipment (helmet and protector) No player may enter this restricted zone until after the ball is:
 - i) hit by the batter or strikes the body or equipment of the batter,
 - ii) Passes through to the wicket keeper.If a fieldsman takes up a position in contravention of this rule the umpires should inform the fieldsman and assist him to comply with the by-law. Should a fielder not comply with the umpire's request or move into a position which contravenes this by-law during the bowler's delivery the umpire must call and signal no ball. At the instant of delivery, there may be no more than five fieldsmen on the leg side.

7 BOWLING AND AGE RESTRICTIONS FOR JUNIORS PLAYING IN THE SENIOR COMPETITION

- a) In relation to junior players playing in the senior competition the age restriction is as of September 1st in the current season not the 1st of July as it applies in the junior competition
- b) Over restrictions for U17 juniors playing in the senior two-day competition is a maximum spell of six (6) consecutive overs. A maximum daily allocation of sixteen (16) overs
- c) Over restrictions for U15 juniors playing in the senior two-day competition is a maximum spell of six (6) consecutive overs. A maximum daily allocation of twelve (12) overs
- d) The break between spells is to be a minimum of thirty (30) minutes (including the Tea interval and any unscheduled breaks in play).
- e) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than the maximum spell permitted for his/her age (defined above) may resume bowling prior to the completion of the necessary break, but this will be considered an extension of the same spell and the maximum spell limit for that age of player shall still apply.
- f) Following the completion of the extended spell, the normal break of thirty (30) minutes between spells will apply.
- g) If a change of innings occurs, and a bowler commences bowling in the new innings within thirty (30) minutes of bowling in the previous innings, this will be considered an extension of the same spell and the maximum spell limit and daily limits for that age of player shall still apply.
- h) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.

D19 (2) (d) LOST TIME - One Day matches – Junior Grades

- a) In the situation where the team batting 2nd face the possibility of not receiving the full quota of overs it is entitled, the umpires are instructed to strictly observe the requirement for overs to be bowled within the required time frame of 3.5 minutes per over to limit the chance of teams using go slow tactics.
- b) In such situations umpires may apply penalties for slow over rates as per By-Law D8. Captains are reminded to strictly adhere to the Code of Conduct (5. Laws of Cricket and Spirit of the Game) in regard to time wasting
- c) In the case of the team batting second not being the winner and having not concluded its first innings but having been prevented by pitch, ground, weather or light conditions, and/or any other suspension of play, from receiving its allocation of overs, the match shall be drawn.

D19 (3) NO CHATTER TO THE BATTER POLICY – Junior Competition Only

- a) Umpires or coaches where official umpires are not present, observe any on field or sideline banter/sledging that is seen to be directed towards a junior cricketer (U12 to U17), must take immediate steps to inform the captain and coach of the offending team that such comments are deemed unacceptable conduct and the provisions of By-Law D32 apply with any further transgression resulting in an official first and final warning.
- b) The issuing of a first and final warning shall apply to all members of the team for the entire match.
- c) If, after imposing a first and final warning upon a team, deem that further unacceptable conduct offences have occurred they shall adopt the procedure outlined within By-Law D32 and award 5 penalty runs to the opposition team in every instance.

JUNIOR EXCESSIVE HEAT POLICY

The Emergency Committee shall have the power to cancel play in all U15 and U17 grades on any match day that at 9.00am the forecasted temperature for Adelaide is recorded as 38 degrees or more.

(a) **PLAYING HOURS**

Minor Round: 12.30pm to 5.30pm with a twenty (20) minute break between innings.

Major Round: 12.30pm to 5.30pm with a twenty (20) minute break between innings.

Matches will start and finish 30 minutes earlier outside daylight-saving hours.

Note: The scheduled time for the change of innings shall be 2.50pm and match conclusion of 5.30pm. Captains are requested to inform the Executive Officer of teams that excessively exceed the cut-off times. Teams repeatedly found to have a slow overrate will first be issued a warning with continued transgressions resulting in a financial penalty to be determined by the association applied to the club.

(b) **OVERS – 40 Overs Maximum**

- i. If the innings of the team batting first is completed in less than 40 overs, then the team batting second shall be entitled to receive the maximum of 40 overs unless:
- ii. The team batting second has passed the total of the team batting first. The match shall be completed, and stumps will be drawn.
- iii. In order to save time, overs will be bowled in 5 over blocks from each end. The batter will change ends at the end of each over.

(c) **BOWLERS - Maximum of 8 overs per bowler – Standard hours of play.**

- i. Prior to the commencement of a bowler's last over of the maximum of 8, it shall be the duty of the scorers to notify the fielding captain and umpires.
- ii. Juniors (U17 or younger) are subjected to a maximum of six (6) consecutive overs.
- iii. A maximum allocation of eight (8) overs applies with the following restrictions.
 - a) The break between spells is to be a minimum of thirty (30) minutes (including any unscheduled breaks in play)
 - b) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than the maximum spell (6) may resume bowling prior to the completion of the necessary break, but this will be considered an extension of the same spell, and the maximum spell limit shall still apply.
 - c) Following the completion of the extended spell, the normal break of thirty (30) minutes between spells will apply.
 - d) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell, providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler.
- iv. If for any reason a bowler should commence an over beyond the maximum of 8, the captain of the fielding side upon being informed shall immediately remove the bowler. If required another bowler shall complete the over provided that he does not bowl two overs consecutively. The bowler completing the over shall be recorded as having bowled a full over.
- v. Any score or dismissals that have occurred prior to a bowler being suspended shall stand.

D26 - BOWLING OF DANGEROUS, UNFAIR NON-PITCHING AND SHORT PITCHED DELIVERIES shall apply however only 1 short ball per over is permitted.

(d) **WIDE BALL:**

- a) Umpires are instructed to apply a consistent interpretation to this law in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.
- b) Any offside or leg side delivery which in the opinion of the umpire does not give the batter a reasonable opportunity to score shall be called wide.
- c) In relation to the offside, any delivery outside the Offside Wide Line, provided he/she maintains a normal batting position and has not brought the ball within reach, shall be called a wide.
- d) Any delivery that passes outside the return crease will automatically be called a wide.
- e) On the leg side a ball landing clearly outside the leg stump going further away should be called wide.
- f) A leg side wide shall not be called where the ball passes between the striker and the stumps.
- g) The above provisions do not apply if the striker contacts the ball.

Clubs must ensure that lines are drawn in the batting boxes at both ends of the pitch in the following manner, A line (approx. ¾ inch wide) shall be drawn in the batting boxes at each end of the pitch (1 foot 4 inches from the inside edge of the return crease) and each shall be at right angles from the bowling crease and shall continue to meet the popping crease at right angles.

The use of the lines is to assist the umpires in their interpretation of the "call of wide" on the off side of the wicket only. The calling of the wide on the leg side is as per the interpretation outlined in the above paragraph.

Note: Where no official umpires are present it is recommended that both captains agree on a sensible leg side wide interpretation prior to the toss of the coin

(e) **D9 (2) (e) FIELD RESTRICTIONS – Shall Apply (excluding section iv.)**

(f) **LOST TIME**

- i. Should any time be lost due to an interruption in play, up to 60 minutes of lost time can be made up even if such interruption occurs after the scheduled finishing time. Play shall not continue later than 6.30pm during daylight savings time or 6.00pm during standard time.
- ii. If the scheduled start of play is delayed by more than 60 minutes, the total playing time, in minutes remaining until the scheduled time for conclusion of play (after allowing for any scheduled intervals) shall be divided by 3.5 and the resultant nearest higher even number shall become the quota of overs for the match. Each team shall receive half of the quota in its first innings.
- iii. Bylaw D11(b) must first be satisfied before any declaration is made prior to the team batting first receiving its full allocation of overs.
- iv. If the umpires/captains deem that no play is possible by 2.30pm the match shall be abandoned.
- v. **Overs are only ever recalculated for time lost prior to the commencement of the match.**

Example

Start of play delayed by 75 minutes – 60 minutes can be made up,

Actual time lost 15 minutes.

Time remaining 265 (280 minus 15)

265 divided by 3.5 = 76 (rounded up to nearest whole number) 38 overs per team

If play has commenced and any time is lost during the innings of the team batting first, then the team batting first unless dismissed prior shall be entitled to receive its full quota of overs as determined prior to the start of play.

(g) **MATCH POINTS - HOW AWARDED**

The following points shall be awarded for all matches:

- (i) Win: 10 Points
- (ii) Draw: (to be read in conjunction with By-Law B5)
 - (a) Where only one team has batted 5 Points
 - (b) Where neither team has batted 5 Points
 - (c) Where both teams have batted and the team batting second has received a lesser number of legal balls than the team batting first 5 Points.
- (iii) Tie: (to be read in conjunction with By-Law B6)
Scores being equal after both teams had batted 5 Points.
- (iv) Forfeit: A team receiving a forfeit shall be awarded the maximum number of points gained by a team in that grade for that round.
The team that forfeits the match will incur a penalty of one additional match point.
- (v) There shall be no incentive points in the L O Grades, and the Premiership Table shall be calculated using Match Points and Averages (as explained in By-Law B9).

(h) **SPARE DAY GRAND FINAL ONLY**

In the event of no play being possible on day one (Saturday) of the Grand Final then subject to weather and conditions the match will proceed on the following day (Sunday) in order to achieve a result. This bylaw only applies to the Grand Final and not the Semi-Final where the highest ranked side advances if match abandoned.

(i) **BALLS PERMITTED —**

All grades must use a four-piece Kookaburra Regulation, Club Match or Senator cricket ball.

Over Rate Reckoner					
1st Innings			2nd Innings		
	Minutes	Overs		Minutes	Overs
12.30pm			3.10pm		
12.40pm	10	3	3.20pm	10	3
12.50pm	20	6	3.30pm	20	6
1:00pm	30	9	3.40pm	30	9
1.10pm	40	11	3.50pm	40	11
1.20pm	50	14	4.00pm	50	14
1.30pm	60	17	4.10pm	60	17
1.40pm	70	20	4.20pm	70	20
1.50pm	80	23	4.30pm	80	23
2.00pm	90	26	4.40pm	90	26
2.10pm	100	29	4.50pm	100	29
2.20pm	110	31	5.00pm	110	31
2.30pm	120	34	5.10pm	120	34
2.40pm	130	37	5.20pm	130	37
2.50pm	140	40	5.30pm	140	40

APPENDIX D - D29 ATCA TWENTY/20 PLAYING CONDITIONS

1. Duration of Match

All matches will consist of one inning per side. Each inning is limited to a maximum of 20 overs unless bowled out prior. The game is considered completed once a result is achieved.

2. Hours of Play

Round 1 to Quarter Final.....5.10pm – 7.50pm

Semi and Grand Finals..... 4.50pm – 7.30pm

Clubs are required to utilise oval floodlighting for the second session of all evening games.

3. Oval and Pitch Markings

As with normal one day games the oval is to have the 30-yard circle clearly marked and guidelines marked 75cm from the outside of the stumps to gauge offside wide deliveries.

4. Balls

The approved ball is the Kookaburra Pink (4 piece) Senator or Regulation.

5. Field Restrictions

Between overs 1-6 only two players are permitted to be outside the inner circle. For overs 13 to 20 a maximum of 5 players are permitted to be outside the inner circle. At the instant of delivery, there may be no more than five fieldsmen on the leg side.

The umpire shall call and signal No Ball if the above conditions are breached.

6. Time Restrictions

Each inning is to be a maximum of 80 minutes. If a team fails to bowl the allotted overs in this time allowed, they shall be penalised 6 runs per over not bowled by the scheduled close of innings. The overs must be completed with the time taken off the interval or play overtime.

The umpire can deduct 6 runs from the batting teams score if they believe the batters are deliberately wasting time. It is the batsman's job to be ready to face as soon as the bowler is ready.

After the fall of a wicket the incoming batter has 90 seconds to be ready to face the next delivery. If the batter is not ready, he can be timed out by the umpire.

In order to save time, overs will be bowled in 5 over blocks from each end. The batter will change ends at the end of each over.

7. No Balls

Free Hit after a No-Ball

The delivery following a No Ball shall be a free hit. If any subsequent delivery is not a legitimate delivery, the free hit shall be carried forward. For any free hit, the striker can only be dismissed under the circumstances that apply for a No Ball even if the delivery for the free hit is called a Wide. Changes to fielding positions are only permitted if a different batter is on strike for the free hit delivery.

D26 - BOWLING OF DANGEROUS, UNFAIR NON-PITCHING AND SHORT PITCHED DELIVERIES shall apply, however only 1 short ball per over is permitted.

8. Wide Balls

Normal One Day wide rules apply to this competition. The major change is that "ANY" ball that passes outside the leg stump, regardless of where it pitches, of the batter on strike, which does not get hit or strike the batter, is to be called a wide. The ball upon being called a wide is to be re-bowled. (Penalty = 1 run).

A leg side wide shall not be called where the ball passes between the striker and the stumps.

9. Bowlers

Bowlers are permitted to bowl no more than 1/5th of the total amount of overs. I.e., no more than 4 overs in a completed innings.

ATCA also requires the overs to be bowler in blocks of five overs each from one end to reduce the amount of non-productive time.

10. Tied Game

- a) In the event of tied game during the minor round the premierships points will be shared. The winner of a tied game during the knockout/elimination and division 2 and 3 grand final phase of the competition will be determined firstly on the least number of wickets lost. Only in the event of wickets lost being equal will a bowl off be used to decide the winner.
- b) In the event of a "bowl off" each team is to select 3 bowlers. The 3 bowlers from each team are to take alternate turns in bowling 1 delivery at the stumps. The team that hits the stumps the most will be declared the winner. If teams are equal after 3 deliveries each then the "bowl off" will continue in a sudden death play-off by teams taking alternate turns in bowling a single delivery each until a winner is determined. The same rotation of bowlers will be used. Each team is to have equal number of deliveries.
- c) Any tied Division 1 Grand Final game played at Adelaide Oval or equivalent ground will be determined by a "Super Over" unless otherwise determined by the association.
 - i) Toss of the coin to determine which team bats first
 - ii) Prior to the start of each inning the batting team will nominate 3 batters
 - iii) At the loss of the 2nd wicket the innings is terminated
 - iv) Fielding restrictions - Only 2 players are permitted to be outside the inner circle.

11. Heat Policy

All matches are to proceed regardless of the forecast temperature unless otherwise determined by the association. This position is taken in view of the short duration of each match.

12. Player Registration/Guest Player

- a) All players participating in the competition are required to be registered with the ATCA in accordance with Bylaw C2. The registration process must be completed no later than the Friday following the match.
- b) Players who have appeared for a club during the competition but subsequently transferred to another club are ineligible to play for the new club in the remainder of that season's competition.
- c) Players may not play for more than one team in the same round irrespective of when that round is scheduled.
- d) A maximum of 2 guest players are allowed to play in any team. A guest player is defined as someone who in the current or preceding season was or is registered with the SACA or any club or association within Australia who pursuant to Bylaw C 2.2 (a) would require a registration or permit in order to play for the ATCA club.
- e) For the purposes of this Bylaw, any former junior who has played at least 3 years for the club or is playing in the Junior competition in the current season for the ATCA club is to be considered as a qualified club player and not subject to the conditions of a guest player for the minor round (see 13 (d) for finals qualification). This will also apply to Old Scholars clubs within the college system. Players qualifying under this provision must be Under 25 as of the 1st of September prior to commencement of the current season.
- f) A team is limited to no more than 4 guest and former junior players as per Bylaw 12 e) in total, of which no more than 2 can be guest players.
- g) 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 bylaw. Any transfer of players between these teams during the finals will therefore be subject to finals qualification of this bylaw.

13. Finals Qualification

- a) For the purposes of this Bylaw there will be separate T/20 Divisions. Division 1 will be considered the higher competition.
- b) No player is qualified to play in finals, commencing with the **Knockout phase**, unless they have played at least two minor round matches.
- c) Players qualified under (b) cannot play in a lower team unless at least 50% of matches played were in the lower team. However, free transfer will be allowed between two or more consecutive teams playing finals.
- d) In order for junior players to play in finals commencing with the Round of 16, they must have played at least 4 weeks within the ATCA junior competition in this season to be considered as a qualified club player and not subject to the conditions of 12 (e) and 12(f).
- e) Where consecutive teams are competing in finals any player selected in that team is free to play for that team in any subsequent final, even if the consecutive team chain is broken.
- f) Where a club has more than one team within a division those teams will be rated as per (12 (f) and any player movement between these teams will be permitted provided they have met the qualification as per clause (c) of this bylaw
- g) Where consecutive teams, within a division, are competing in finals, any player selected in that team is free to play for that team even if the consecutive chain is broken.
- h) Any player, including Guest players, having qualified for a lower Division as per clause 13 (b) is allowed to play in a higher division final.

- i) Any player who does not meet the qualifications can only play with the permission of the association. Permission to play must be lodged by 12.00pm on the day of the match, permits lodged after 12.00pm will not be considered.
- j) Any team that includes a player in contravention of this bylaw shall lose the match in which such a player takes part, as well as being subject to bylaw C2 1 (i) and (ii).

14. Dress

Standard ATCA dress code to apply. Any new club uniform must first be approved by the ATCA.

15. Inclement Weather

In the event of a match starting late due to ground weather or light conditions the number of overs in each inning shall be reduced on the basis of one over every 4 minutes of playing time lost.

A reduction in overs is only recalculated for time lost prior to the commencement of the match.

Once play has started and time is then lost, the team batting first is entitled to receive its allotted overs, taking into consideration any adjustment for a late start.

The match shall not commence unless the umpires consider that there is sufficient time remaining for each team to receive 10 overs. If the revision results in an odd number of overs, then one over shall be added and the total divided in half.

If the team fielding first fails to bowl the revised number of overs by the specified time play shall continue until the required number of overs has been bowled or the innings completed.

The opposition shall then be entitled to receive 10 overs so that a decision may be reached.

If owing to either the suspension of play or interruptions to play results in the team batting second not receiving the same number of overs as the team batting first the match shall be decided on the scores at that point provided a minimum of 5 overs have been received by the team batting second.

16. Drawn Game

A fully or partially drawn game in the minor round will not be rescheduled.

The ATCA reserves the right to reschedule fully abandoned rounds.

The ATCA reserves the right to reschedule major round games.

If a suitable replay cannot be arranged a final decision is at the association's discretion based on minor round placings, percentage.

17. Scorers

All teams participating in the Division 1 competition must supply a scorer for the entire game.

18. Net Run Rate – to determine final division standings.

A team's net run rate is calculated by deducting from the average runs per over scored by that team during the competition, the average runs per over scored against that team during the competition.

In the event of a team being all out in less than its full quota of overs, the calculation of its net run rate shall be based on the full quota of overs to which it would have been entitled and not on the number of overs in which the team was dismissed.

B11. FINAL MATCHES - ALL SENIOR MENS 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 made 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 10.20am. The playing conditions as per D9 (2) (ii) and (iii) apply.
 - ii. Should time be lost 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 in 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 10.20am 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.**

D (2). BATTING TIMES –

- (a) The playing hours shall be.
U15 - 12.15pm to 5.45pm U17 – 11.45pm to 6.00pm
- (b) The maximum number of overs for each team in its first innings shall be: -
U/15 45 overs U/17 50 overs

Note

If time remains at the conclusion of both teams first innings a second innings may take place. When a team's second innings commences the remaining available time in minutes divided by 3.5 becomes the minimum overs to be completed.

- (c) Each team shall be entitled to receive in its first innings the allocation of overs applicable to the match, and if on completion of the allocation of overs the innings has not been completed, it shall be compulsorily closed. Play may continue beyond the scheduled time for the conclusion of the match, if required, to allow the team batting second to receive its allocation of overs
- (d) If the commencement of the days play is delayed due to pitch, ground, weather or light conditions, the total playing time, in minutes, remaining until the scheduled time for conclusion of play (after allowing for a 20-minute tea intervals) shall be divided by 3.5 and the resultant nearest higher even number shall become the quota of overs for the match. Each team shall receive half of the quota in its first innings.
 - i. Play will be abandoned if the match has not commenced by 3.30pm for the U15 competition or 3.45pm for the U17 competition, but where play has been undertaken a minimum requirement of the team batting first in order to constitute a match is twenty-five (25) overs. The minimum requirement can take the form of the team batting first being dismissed prior to the completion of twenty-five (25) overs or either a compulsory declaration upon reaching that requirement or a declaration prior to the expiration of the 25 overs.
 - ii. Where lost time results in the match played under reduced overs, no bowler may bowl more than 1/5th of the overs. Should 1/5th of the overs not result in a whole number for each bowler, round up or down to reach the required number of overs per bowler?
 - iii. In order to fulfil the requirements of these revised playing conditions, play may continue beyond normal hours, light and weather permitting, but if the match is interrupted by light or weather for a period or periods exceeding in total 60 minutes during the first innings of the team batting first then the team batting first is still entitled to receive its allocated overs as determined at the start of its innings unless dismissed prior. The team batting second is entitled to receive its allocation of overs as determined at start of the match.
 - iv. The team which scores the greater number of runs in its first innings shall be declared the winner on the first innings. In the case of the team batting second not being the winner and having not concluded its first innings having been prevented by pitch, ground, weather, or light conditions from receiving its allocation of overs, the match shall be drawn.

Comment:

In relation to one day matches recalculation of overs as a result of time lost only applies at the commencement of the days play. Overs are not recalculated as a result of any time lost during the innings of the team batting first.

- (e) Prior to the toss of the coin, both Captains shall exchange a completed and signed team-sheet clearly detailing the names, initials of all players in the team, and indicate any underage players in their side.
The team sheet shall contain a maximum of 12 players. Only 11 players (not limited to the same 11) shall be permitted to bat or bowl in any innings. The captain is not required to nominate the player who will not bat or bowl in advance and may make such decisions at any time during the game. Only 11 fieldsmen may be on the field of play at any one time. Interchange of fieldsmen without restriction is permitted (provided no time is wasted) and there shall be no requirement for a bowler to be on the field for a certain length of time following interchange under this bylaw. Both captains after exchanging the team sheets will pass them to the umpires who will note any underage players listed and then pass on the sheets to the respective scorers.
- f) **WIDE BALL - Judging a Wide** - Umpires are instructed to apply consistent interpretation to this law in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket. Any offside or leg side delivery which in the opinion of the umpire does not give the batsman a reasonable opportunity to score shall be called wide. As a guide, on the leg side a ball pitching clearly outside the leg stump going further away should be called wide. The above provisions do not apply if the striker makes contact with the ball.
- g) **NO BALL (Short Pitched)**
If either umpire considers that the ball passes, or would have passed, overhead height of the striker standing upright at the crease, he/she shall call and signal 'no ball'.

3) BOWLING AND BATTING RESTRICTIONS JUNIOR SECTION - UNDER 15 COMPETITION ONLY

- a) In either the first or second innings of a **One Day Match** no bowler shall bowl more than ten (10) overs in an innings.
- b) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a Slow bowler
- c) No other bowler may bowl more than six (6) overs in a spell without taking a break from bowling for a period of twelve (12) overs.
- d) A bowler who bowls less than 6 overs in a spell and then has a break of 12 overs may subsequently commence a new spell of 6 overs (subject to his innings limit).

- e) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than 6 overs may resume bowling prior to the elapse of 12 overs but this will be considered a continuation of the same bowling spell and the limit of 6 overs in that spell shall still apply. Following the completion of the spell the normal requirement for a break of a period of 12 overs shall apply.
- f) This rule shall include the number of overs bowled between a first and second innings where a team has been made to follow on i.e. A bowler who bowls his last 6 overs in the last 12 overs in the first innings where an innings is followed on is unable to bowl until 12 overs have been bowled in the second innings.
- g) Batsman upon reaching a score 100 runs shall be compulsorily retired (immediately even if the 100-run target is achieved midway through the over) but can recommence his/her innings at the fall of the last wicket of the team's innings or penultimate wicket if more than one batsman has compulsorily retired. For the purpose of individual performance returns and match result statistics, the retired batter shall be treated as not out.

4) **U/15 COMPETITION – SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- a) All players must wear a British Standard Helmet when batting and wicket keeping up to the stumps.
- b) Field Placement: -
 Except for the wicket keeper, slips and gully fielders no player shall be permitted to be positioned within 10m of the batter's middle stump. No player may enter this restricted zone until after the ball:
 - i. Is hit by the batter or strikes the body or equipment of the batter, or
 - ii. Passes through to the wicket keeper.

If a fieldsman takes up a position in contravention of this rule the umpires should inform the fieldsman and assist him to comply with the by-law.

Should a fielder not comply with the umpire's request or move into a position which contravenes this by-law during the bowler's delivery the umpire must call and signal no ball.

5) **BOWLING RESTRICTIONS JUNIOR SECTION - UNDER 17 COMPETITION ONLY**

- a) In either the 1st or 2nd innings of a **One Day Match** no bowler shall bowl more than 10 overs in an innings
- b) Slow bowlers may bowl their quota of overs in one spell providing their total overs are bowled as a slow bowler
- c) No other bowler may bowl more than 6 overs in a spell without taking a break from bowling for a period of 12 overs.
- d) A bowler who bowls less than 6 overs in a spell and then has a break of 12 overs may subsequently commence a new spell of 6 overs (subject to his innings limit).
- e) A bowler who has bowled a spell of less than 6 overs may resume bowling prior to the elapse of 12 overs but this will be considered a continuation of the same bowling spell and the limit of 6 overs in that spell shall still apply. Following the completion of the spell the normal requirement for a break of a period of 12 overs shall apply.
- f) This rule shall include the number of overs bowled between a first and second innings where a team has been made to follow on i.e. A bowler who bowls his last 6 overs in the last 12 overs in the first innings where an innings is followed on is unable to bowl until 12 overs have been bowled in the second innings.

6) **U/17 COMPETITION – SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- a) All players must wear a British Standard Helmet when batting and wicket keeping up to the stumps
- b) Coaching on Field is not permitted the on-field leadership of players is the responsibility of the captain
- c) Coaching shall be restricted to drinks and afternoon intervals, during the break of innings and prior to the start of play. It is not appropriate for a coach to be calling out to players on the field, or in other ways conveying messages, while the game is in progress (including between overs).
- d) Officials acting as Umpires are required under the Laws of Cricket to be impartial. As a result, on field coaching by umpires is not permitted.
- e) Any violation of this Bylaw is to be reported to the Executive Officer of the ATCA by the independent officiating umpire
- f) The limitations as they apply to any players who are aged under 15 or under 17 on July 1st in the current season are to be enforced in this competition
- g) **Field Placement: -**
 Except for the wicket keeper, slips and gully fielders no player shall enter the restricted zone (which is 5 metres from the batter's middle stump), unless wearing protective equipment i.e. helmet and protector until after the ball:
 - i. Is hit by the batter or strikes the body or equipment of the batter, or
 - ii. Passes through to the wicket keeper.

If a fieldsman takes up a position in contravention of this rule the umpires should inform the fieldsman and assist him to comply with the bylaw.

Should a fielder not comply with the umpire's request or move into a position which contravenes this by-law during the bowler's delivery run the umpire must call and signal no ball.