

CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIPS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Ismaili Sports Committee shall be responsible for the format of this Competition depending upon the number of entries received.
2. Participants must be 14 or over (born on or before 7 September 1999). Players 16 or under (born after 8 September 1997) must submit a consent form.
3. Players 19 or under (born on or after 8 September July 1994) must wear a helmet when batting and/or when keeping wicket. The minimum requirement for all other players when batting or keeping wicket is that gloves and pads are worn. If these conditions are not met a player will not be permitted to bat or keep wicket.
4. Players must wear the same colour shirt as their teammates at all times during the tournament.
5. Any player playing in this tournament will not be permitted to consume alcohol or smoke any substance whilst participating in this tournament. If a player is found to be in breach of this rule that player will be immediately disqualified from the tournament. The bar staff at Gidea Park & Romford CC will be aware of this rule and will be in contact with the organisers if this rule is breached.
6. Violent and aggressive conduct, whether physical or verbal, is strictly prohibited. Any player found to be in breach of this rule, whether it be towards umpires, opposition, team-mates, supporters, organisers, venue staff or any other person, will be immediately disqualified from the tournament and possibly future Ismaili Sports Committee tournaments at the discretion of the Ismaili Sports Committee.
7. **Teams:** Teams shall consist of eight (8) players, plus two (2) reserves that may play in any round and may bat and bowl as a substitute for any player who may be incapacitated.
8. **Batting Side:** The batting side shall bat until the last man is out provided that the fielding side has not finished their allotted seven (7) over's. A batsman shall retire once he has scored 25 runs. If the other batsmen are bowled out before the fielding side bowl all seven (7) over's, the retired batsman may return to the crease and continue batting.
9. **Fielding Side:** The fielding side shall bowl seven (7) six (6) ball over's. Bowlers are permitted to bowl one (1) over per game. The wicket keeper shall wear pads and gloves, and may not be changed during the game except in case of injury.

There must be a minimum of 3 fielders on the offside at all times.

10. **Bowlers:** The Bowler's run-up shall be limited to ten (10) yards.
11. **Wides:** Any ball, whether on the leg-side or the off-side which is deemed a wide by the umpire. A penalty of four (4) runs shall be added to the batting side's score; however an extra ball shall not be included in the over, apart from in the final over of the innings where a wide ball will result in an extra ball.

NOTE 1: This rule shall apply even when the striker plays at and misses the ball, even if by moving from his guard he has brought the ball within reach. Only if the ball has been hit by or hits the striker shall a wide not be signalled.

NOTE 2: The ball does not become dead on the call of "wide ball" and the striker may be out "Stumped" or "Hit Wicket". In addition, either batsman may be "Run Out", "Handled the Ball", or "Obstructed the Field".

NOTE 3: Any byes which may occur from the "wide ball" will count in addition to the four (4) penalty runs.

12. **No Balls:**

- a. If in the opinion of either umpire, as delivery passes or would have passed, over the shoulders of the batsman standing upright at the crease, the umpire at the bowlersend shall immediately call and signal "no ball". A penalty of four (4) runs shall be added to the batting side's score; however an extra ball shall not be included in the over, apart from in the final over of the innings where a wide ball will result in an extra ball. Furthermore, any runs scored off the "no ball" shall be added to the batting side's score in addition to the four (4) penalty runs.
- b. Any full toss which, in the opinion of the Umpire at the bowler's end, passes or would have passed, above the shoulder of the batsman for a slow bowler or above the waist of the batsman for a fast bowler at the crease shall be called a "no ball". The distinction between a slow/fast bowler is at the sole discretion of the umpires. A penalty of four (4) runs shall be added to the batting side's score and an extra ball shall be included in the over. Furthermore, any runs scored off the "no ball" shall be added to the batting side's score in addition to the four (4) penalty runs.
- c. A penalty of four (4) runs shall be added to the batting side's score for any other "no ball" (e.g. the bowler's front foot is over the popping crease line). An extra ball shall not be included in the over, apart from in the final over of the innings where a no-ball will result in an extra ball. Furthermore, any runs scored off the "no ball" shall be added to the batting side's score in addition to the four (4) penalty runs.

NOTE 4: The final over must be legally completed; wides and no balls will be re-bowled.

13. *The Result*: The Team scoring the greater number of runs shall be the winner. In the event of a tie the winner will be:-
- a. The side losing the fewer number of wickets; or
 - b. If both sides have lost the same number of wickets, the team with the higher scoring rate per ball faced; or
 - c. If the result cannot be decided by (a) or (b) above, the side with the higher score
 - i. after four (4) over's,
 - ii. or if still equal after three(3) over's,
 - iii. or if still equal after two (2) over's.
14. If the competition is held in groups and two (2) or more teams have equal points, and are in a position to qualify for the next stage, then the team with the best net run rate shall qualify. Where they are still equal a coin shall be tossed to decide which team qualifies.
- NOTE 5:** Except for the above rules the Laws of Cricket as detailed at <http://www.lords.org/laws-and-spirit/laws-of-cricket/laws/> as applicable to a single innings match, shall apply.
15. The umpire's decision is final. Any point not provided for in the Rules shall be decided by the Ismail Sports Committee whose decision shall be final.