

# AUSTRALIAN CRICKET JUNIOR FORMATS

## PLAYING CONDITIONS



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# 20 OVER DETAILED MATCH DAY RULES

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>               | Playing the game   |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>               | Community club and school  |
| <b>DESCRIPTION</b>           | This format is designed for those kids who have completed Cricket Australia's Entry Level Programs and are ready for their first taste of junior club competition. Designed to stimulate action and test game sense and skills whether batting, bowling or fielding.   |
| <b>INDICATIVE AGE</b>        | U10 & U11  |
| <b>COACH</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited Community (Level 1) Coach</li> </ul>   |
| <b>GAME TYPE</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>T20 (20 over game)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BALL</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modified ball (circumference 21-22.5cm, ideal weight 120-140g).*</li> <li>*Synthetic options available as per Stage 1 Modified Balls Guidance.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TIME</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>120 mins (2 hrs)</li> <li>The Association/Competition Manager have the option to include a cut off time for the 1st innings if required for local needs including facilities usage, travel time, daylight issues or heat.</li> <li>Please refer to Match Management document for time saving strategies.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>EQUIPMENT</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Helmet's <b>must be worn at all times</b> whilst batting &amp; wicket-keeping.</li> <li>Pads</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Protector</li> <li>Additional safety equipment can be worn based on match conditions and/or personal preference.</li> <li>2 sets of portable stumps recommended (with base and bails) – minimum 1 set of portable stumps required.</li> <li>Bat size: Size 4 (&lt;1.8lb or &lt;800gm) is recommended</li> <li>Modified ball (as per specifications above).</li> <li>Measuring tape or string to measure pitch length and boundary.</li> <li>Boundary markers</li> <li>Chalk, tape or paint to mark crease.</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOUNDARY</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>40m (maximum)</li> <li>Boundary is to be measured from the batter's end stumps.</li> <li>Refer to Boundary Setup Document for further information on the boundary setup process.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>PITCH TYPE AND LENGTH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outfield or hard wicket surface.</li> <li>16m length – measured stump to stump.</li> </ul>  |

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| <b>OVERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 overs per team (120 balls)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TEAM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 players per team</li> <li>5 players per team is the minimum required to play the game.</li> <li>9 players is the maximum to be allocated to a team (maximum 7 players on field at any given time).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>INNINGS</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 innings of 20 overs per team</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BATTING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All balls (regardless of whether wides/no balls) will be included in the batter's ball count.</li> <li>Batter to swap end following a dismissal. If there is a run out the not out batter is required to face the next delivery.</li> <li>As there is allowances for varying team size, the following retirement rules apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 player team – batters retire at 24 balls</li> <li>6 player team – batters retire at 20 balls</li> <li>7 player team – batters retire at 17 balls</li> <li>8 player team – batters retire at 15 balls</li> <li>9 player team – batters retire at 13 balls</li> </ul> </li> <li>If there is an extra ball to be bowled, the batter facing at the time will face the extra ball (i.e. 17 x 7 = 119)</li> <li>Batters are to retire as soon as they face their allotted balls, not at the end of the over.</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOWLING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 balls per over (maximum)</li> <li>All players are to bowl (each Wicket-Keeper is to bowl one over each)</li> <li>Maximum overs bowled by a player are 4 overs</li> <li>*Please see Recommended Bowling Breakdown for recommended over per player options.</li> <li>Bowlers are to bowl from the one end for entire game</li> </ul>   |
| <b>FIELDING</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rotation of fielders is required to ensure all players experience all positions</li> <li>No fielders within 15 metres of batter or each other (except Wicket-Keeper) to encourage singles and safety</li> <li>Each team is required to use two (2) wicket keepers (10 overs each)</li> <li>If more than 7 players are present at a match, they should rotate onto the field each over.</li> <li>The Association or Competition Manager/s have the option to allow the coach of the fielding team to be present on the field to assist the captain with bowling &amp; fielding changes. If the coach is umpiring, 1 additional parent/coach/team manager from the fielding team can assist.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>DISMISSALS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unlimited dismissals (each player will face the nominated number of balls each)</li> <li>The Association or Competition Manager/s have the option to introduce a consequence for dismissals. If so, then 4 runs per wicket will be added to the opposition (bowling teams) total at the end of the innings.</li> <li>The following dismissals apply in this format: Bowled, Caught, Caught &amp; Bowled, Run Out, Stumped, Hit Wicket.</li> </ul>  |

# 20 OVER DETAILED MATCH DAY RULES - T20

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>               | Playing and competing  |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>               | Community club and school  |
| <b>DESCRIPTION</b>           | A format that looks to further develop the cricket skills of kids that are playing their 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of junior cricket. The emphasis here is on continuous and active participation, where all players get to bat, bowl and field in a 2-hour window.  |
| <b>INDICATIVE AGE</b>        | U12 or U13   |
| <b>COACH</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited Community (Level 1) Coach</li> </ul>   |
| <b>GAME TYPE</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>T20 (20 over game)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BALL</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>142g hard or leather (male)</li> <li>142g hard or leather (female)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TIME</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>120 mins (2hrs)</li> <li>The Association/Competition Manager have the option to include a cut off time for the 1<sup>st</sup> innings if required for local needs including facilities usage, travel time, daylight issues or heat.</li> <li>Please refer to Match Management document for time saving strategies.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>EQUIPMENT</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Helmet's <b>must be worn at all times</b> whilst batting &amp; wicket-keeping.</li> <li>Pads</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Protector</li> <li>Additional safety equipment can be worn based on match conditions and/or personal preference.</li> <li>2 sets of portable stumps recommended (with base and bails) – minimum 1 set of portable stumps required.</li> <li>Bat size: Size 5 or 6 (weight &lt;2lb or &lt;900g) is recommended.</li> <li>Measuring tape or string to measure Pitch length and boundary.</li> <li>Boundary markers</li> <li>Chalk, tape or paint to mark crease.</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOUNDARY</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45m (maximum)</li> <li>Boundary is to be measured from the centre of the pitch.</li> <li>Refer to Boundary Setup Document for further information on the boundary setup process.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>PITCH TYPE AND LENGTH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard wicket or Turf Wicket.</li> <li>18m length – measured stump to stump.</li> <li>For simplicity in measurement, stumps can be brought in at each end to the 2 front crease lines (17.7m).</li> </ul>   |

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| <b>OVERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 overs per team (120 balls)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TEAM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 players per team</li> <li>7 players per team minimum are required to play the game.</li> <li>11 players per team maximum are to be allocated to a team (maximum 9 players on field at any given time).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>INNINGS</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 innings of 20 overs per team</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BATTING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With allowances for varying team size, the following retirement rules apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 player team – batters retire at max 20 balls faced</li> <li>8 player team – batters retire at max 20 balls faced</li> <li>9 player team – batters retire at max 20 balls faced</li> <li>10 player team – batters retire at max 15 balls faced</li> <li>11 player team – batters retire at max 15 balls faced</li> </ul> </li> <li>Retirement limits are based on the assumption that players will be dismissed. Coaches are encouraged to monitor the batting innings &amp; have the ability to retire players at any time prior to the retirement limits set above to encourage maximum participation.</li> <li>Any retired batters can return when all others have batted, in the order they retired.</li> <li>All balls (regardless of whether wides/no balls) will be included in the batter's ball count</li> <li>The innings is deemed as closed after the batting team has completed their allotted overs or the following amount of wickets have fallen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 player team: 6 wickets</li> <li>8 player team: 7 wickets</li> <li>9-11 player team: 8 wickets</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <b>BOWLING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 balls per over (maximum of 8 balls per over except the last over where 6 legal deliveries must be bowled).</li> <li>Maximum of 4 overs per bowler.<br/>*Please see Recommended Bowling Breakdown for recommended over per player options.</li> <li>If the team has 9 players or less, all players must bowl (excluding wicket-keeper).</li> <li>Coaches are encouraged to rotate the opportunity for players to bowl 4 overs in a match.</li> <li>Bowlers change ends at 10 overs.</li> <li>Bowlers can bowl from one end for the entire game at competition manager's discretion.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>FIELDING</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To ensure players experience all fielding positions, fielding rotations can be implemented at the discretion of the Coach.</li> <li>No fielders within 10 metres of the bat (except regulation off side slips, gully and wicket keeper).</li> <li>If more than 9 players are present at a match, they should rotate onto the field each over.</li> <li>Teams have the option to change wicket-keepers after 10 overs.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>DISMISSALS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All modes of dismissal count.</li> </ul>   |

# 30 OVER DETAILED MATCH DAY RULES

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>               | Playing and competing   |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>               | Community club and school   |
| <b>DESCRIPTION</b>           | A format that looks to further develop the cricket skills of kids that are playing their 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of junior cricket. The emphasis here is on continuous and active participation, where all players get to bat, bowl and field in a 3-hour window.   |
| <b>INDICATIVE AGE</b>        | U12 or U13  |
| <b>COACH</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited Community (Level 1) Coach</li> </ul>  |
| <b>GAME TYPE</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>30 over (maximum) One Day game</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BALL</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>142g hard or leather (male)</li> <li>142g hard or leather (female)</li> </ul>  |
| <b>TIME</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>180mins (3hrs)</li> <li>The Association/Competition Manager have the option to include a cut off time for the 1<sup>st</sup> innings if required for local needs including facilities usage, travel time, daylight issues or heat.</li> <li>Please refer to Match Management document for time saving strategies.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>EQUIPMENT</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Helmet's <b>must be worn at all times</b> whilst batting &amp; wicket-keeping.</li> <li>Pads</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Protector (males)</li> <li>Additional safety equipment is able to be worn based on match conditions and/or personal preference.</li> <li>2 sets of portable stumps recommended (with base and bails) – minimum 1 set of portable stumps required.</li> <li>Bat size: Size 5 or 6 (weight &lt;2lb or &lt;900g) is recommended.</li> <li>Measuring tape or string to measure Pitch length and boundary.</li> <li>Boundary markers</li> <li>Chalk, tape or paint to mark crease.</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOUNDARY</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45m (maximum)</li> <li>Boundary is to be measured from the centre of the pitch.</li> <li>Refer to Boundary Setup Document for further information on the boundary setup process.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>PITCH TYPE AND LENGTH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard wicket or Turf Wicket.</li> <li>18m length</li> <li>For simplicity in measurement, stumps can be brought in at each end to the 2 front crease lines (17.7m).</li> </ul>   |

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| <b>OVERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>30 overs maximum per team (180 balls)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TEAM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 players per team</li> <li>7 players per team minimum are required to play the game.</li> <li>11 players per team maximum are to be allocated to a team (maximum 9 players on field at any given time).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>INNINGS</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 innings of 30 overs (maximum) per team</li> <li>The Association or Competition Managers have the option to play split innings/quarters cricket (2 innings per team of 15 overs).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BATTING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With allowances for varying team size, the following retirement rules apply: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 player team – batters retire at max 30 balls faced</li> <li>8 player team – batters retire at max 30 balls faced</li> <li>9 player team – batters retire at max 30 balls faced</li> <li>10 player team – batters retire at max 25 balls faced</li> <li>11 player team – batters retire at max 20 balls faced</li> </ul> </li> <li>Retirement limits are based on the assumption that players will be dismissed. Coaches are encouraged to monitor the batting innings &amp; have the ability to retire players at any time prior to the retirement limits set above to encourage maximum participation.</li> <li>Any retired batters can return when all others have batted, in the order they retired.</li> <li>All balls (regardless of whether wides/no balls) will be included in the batter's ball count</li> <li>The innings is deemed as closed after the batting team has completed their allotted overs or the following amount of wickets have fallen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 player team: 6 wickets</li> <li>8 player team: 7 wickets</li> <li>9-11 player team: 8 wickets</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <b>BOWLING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 balls per over (maximum of 8 balls per over except the last over where 6 legal deliveries must be bowled).</li> <li>Maximum of 5 overs per bowler.</li> <li>*Please see Recommended Bowling Breakdown for recommended over per player options.</li> <li>If the team has 9 players or less, all players must bowl (excluding wicket-keeper).</li> <li>Coaches are encouraged to rotate the opportunity for players to bowl 5 overs in a match.</li> <li>Bowlers change ends at 15 overs.</li> <li>Bowlers can bowl from one end for the entire game at competition manager's discretion.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>FIELDING</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To ensure players experience all fielding positions, fielding rotations can be implemented at the discretion of the Coach.</li> <li>Teams have the option to change wicket-keepers after 15 overs.</li> <li>No fielders within 10 metres of the bat (except regulation off side slips, gully and wicket-keeper).</li> <li>If more than 9 players are present at a match, they should rotate onto the field each over.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>DISMISSALS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All modes of dismissal count.</li> </ul>   |

# 20 OVER DETAILED MATCH DAY RULES - T20

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|------------------------------|--|
| <b>SUMMARY</b>               | Playing and competing  |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>               | Community club   |
| <b>DESCRIPTION</b>           | This format is appropriate for players with developed skills who are ready to apply them in the full dimensions of the game – it is aligned to adult cricket on a full-length wicket with 11 players.  |
| <b>INDICATIVE AGE</b>        | U14-U19  |
| <b>COACH</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited Community (Level 1) Coach</li> </ul>   |
| <b>GAME TYPE</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>T20 (20 over game)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BALL</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>156g leather (male)</li> <li>142g leather (female)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TIME</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>120mins (2hrs)</li> <li>The Association/Competition Manager have the option to include a cut off time for the 1<sup>st</sup> innings if required for local needs including facilities usage, travel time, daylight issues or heat.</li> <li>Please refer to Match Management document for time saving strategies.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>EQUIPMENT</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Helmet's <b>must be worn at all times</b> whilst batting &amp; wicket-keeping.</li> <li>Pads</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Protector</li> <li>Additional safety equipment can be worn based on match conditions and/or personal preference.</li> <li>2 sets of stumps with bails.</li> <li>Bat size: Size 6 (weight &lt;2.2lb or &lt;1000g).</li> <li>Measuring tape or string to measure boundary.</li> <li>Boundary markers</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOUNDARY</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50m (maximum)</li> <li>Boundary to be measured from the centre of the pitch.</li> <li>Refer to Boundary Setup Document for further information on the boundary setup process.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>PITCH TYPE AND LENGTH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard Wicket or Turf Wicket</li> <li>20.1m (standard pitch length)</li> </ul>  |

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| <b>OVERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 overs per team (120 balls)</li> </ul>  |
| <b>TEAM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11 players per team</li> </ul>  |
| <b>INNINGS</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 innings of 20 overs per team</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BATTING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no compulsory retirement in Stage 3.</li> <li>Competition manager/association can enforce player retirement (40 balls faced) at their discretion.</li> <li>If retirement limit enforced, any retired batters may return to the crease once all others have batted, in the order they retired.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>BOWLING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 balls per over (All wides and no-balls are to be re-bowled).</li> <li>A minimum of 5 players must bowl.</li> <li>There is a maximum of 4 overs per bowler.</li> <li>Bowlers change end after each over.</li> <li>The Association or Competition Manager can alter playing conditions to allow 5 or 10 overs to be bowled from one end at a time.</li> </ul> |
| <b>FIELDING</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To ensure players experience all fielding positions, fielding rotations can be implemented at the discretion of the Coach.</li> <li>No fielders within 10 metres (except regulation off side slips, gully and wicket-keeper).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>DISMISSALS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All modes of dismissal count.</li> </ul>  |

# 30 OVER (FEMALE) & 40 OVER (MALE) DETAILED MATCH RULES

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>               | Playing and competing   |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>               | Community club  |
| <b>DESCRIPTION</b>           | This format is appropriate for players with developed skills who are ready to apply them in the full dimensions of the game – it is aligned to adult cricket on a full-length wicket with 11 players.   |
| <b>INDICATIVE AGE</b>        | U14-U19   |
| <b>COACH</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited Community (Level 1) Coach</li> </ul>  |
| <b>GAME TYPE</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>30 over One Day game (maximum) - female</li> <li>40 over One Day game (maximum) - male</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BALL</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>142g leather (female)</li> <li>156g leather (male)</li> </ul>  |
| <b>TIME</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>180mins (3hrs) - female</li> <li>240 mins (4hrs) - male</li> <li>The Association or Competition Manager have the option to include a cut off time for the 1st innings if required for local needs including facilities usage, travel time, daylight issues or heat.</li> <li>Please refer to Time Saving Strategies Document for further information.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>EQUIPMENT</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Helmet's <b><u>must be worn at all times</u></b> whilst batting &amp; wicket-keeping.</li> <li>Pads</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Protector</li> <li>Additional safety equipment can be worn based on match conditions and/or personal preference.</li> <li>2 sets of stumps with bails.</li> <li>Bat size: Size 6 (weight &lt;2.2lb or &lt;1000g).</li> <li>Measuring tape or string to measure boundary.</li> <li>Boundary markers</li> </ul> |
| <b>BOUNDARY</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50m (maximum).</li> <li>Boundary to be measured from the centre of the pitch.</li> <li>Refer to Ground Setup Document for further information on boundary setup process.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>PITCH TYPE AND LENGTH</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard wicket or Turf wicket</li> <li>20.1m (standard pitch length)</li> </ul>   |

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| <b>OVERS</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>30 over maximum (female) per team</li> <li>40 overs maximum (male) per team</li> </ul>   |
| <b>TEAM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11 players per team</li> </ul>   |
| <b>INNINGS</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 innings of 30 overs (maximum) per team (female)</li> <li>1 innings of 40 overs (maximum) per team (male)</li> <li>The Association or Competition Managers have the option to play split innings/quarters cricket (2 innings per team of 15/20 overs each).</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BATTING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is no compulsory retirement in Stage 3.</li> <li>Competition manager/association can enforce player retirement (60 balls faced) at their discretion.</li> <li>If retirement limit enforced, any retired batters may return to the crease once all others have batted, in the order they retired.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BOWLING</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 balls per over (All wides and no-balls are to be re-bowled).</li> <li>A minimum of 5 players must bowl.</li> <li>There is a maximum of 8 overs per bowler (male) and 6 overs per bowler (female).</li> <li>Bowlers change end after each over.</li> <li>The Association or Competition Manager can alter playing conditions to allow 5 or 10 overs to be bowled from one end at a time.</li> </ul> |
| <b>FIELDING</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To ensure players experience all fielding positions, fielding rotations can be implemented at the discretion of the Coach.</li> <li>No fielders within 10 metres (except regulation off side slips, gully and wicket keeper).</li> </ul>   |
| <b>DISMISSALS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All modes of dismissal count.</li> </ul>   |