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# AKKA 2012 Sports Committee Cricket Tournament Rules



## AKKA CRICKET LEAGUE 2012

### ACL 2012 Tournament

We are so glad that you have taken the opportunity to register for the **Gandaberunda Cricket Championship!** Please make sure to send in your registrations by **June 15th 2012**. Following are the rules for the Cricket Championship.

### CRICKET RULES

#### Team Roster

A player representing a team either in the playing eleven or as a substitute shall not represent (playing eleven or substitute) another team during the tournament.

#### Substitute players, Runners and Retiring

- If umpires are satisfied that a playing member of a team has been injured or become ill during the progress of the game, umpires can allow that player to have a substitute acting instead of him on the field.
- Maximum of two substitute player is allowed at any time. In case of play offs the 'minimum games' rule will be applied to the substitute player. A substitute player can only field. He can neither bowl nor bat or be allowed to act as a captain. The substitute fielder cannot be from any other team participating in the league.
- A rested player from the fielding side can bowl/keep only after he is in the field for one full over in that match.
- Umpires reserve the right to disallow substitute fielders for late arriving players of the fielding side.
- A batsman may retire at any time during his innings. The umpires, before allowing play to proceed, should be informed of the reason for a batsman retiring.
- If a batsman retires because of illness, injury or any other unavoidable cause while playing, he is entitled to resume his innings. If for any reason he does not resume his batting, his innings is to be recorded as „Retired - Not Out“. However his runs will be added to his total runs scored.



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- If a retiring batsman resumes his innings, it shall be only at the fall of a wicket or the retirement of another batsman.
- Wicket keeper is allowed to bowl and he can do it any time.
- If both Umpires agree then an injured player can be allowed to have a runner when batting.
- A player acting as a runner for a batsman should be a member of batting team and shall, if possible, should have already completed batting in that innings.
- The regular run out rules is applicable to the player acting as a runner.

### Rules and Regulations

- ACL committee members are responsible to formulate all rules concerning specific circumstances and/or issues
- Most of the rules are covered by this document and addendum(s) to this document. The ACL Sports committee reserves the right to add, modify or delete any rule or guideline during the season if deemed necessary to maintain the integrity of the tournament.
- Any changes made to the rules during the season will be communicated to all participating teams to the registered contact information of Team Owners and Captains.

### Approved equipment

- All teams will be required to use cricket equipment deemed legal as per the ICC regulations.
- For the games played during the convention (SF, and F) the organizing committee will provide teams with approved balls which must be used. Each innings should be started with a new ball. No exceptions.
- Team must use the score sheets provided by ACL and must send the completed scorecard with results and signatures from team captains and umpires. Scores and results of games outside Atlanta will be emailed ([akkawkc2012sports@googlegroups.com](mailto:akkawkc2012sports@googlegroups.com)) by the winning team Captain by end of the next day of the match.
- Selection of umpires for remote games will be the responsibility of the captains of the playing teams. They will provide a copy of the rules herein to the chosen umpires and facilitate smooth game conduct in the best interest of the game and the tournament.
- Selection of umpires for games during the convention will be the responsibility of the organizing committee.



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### Terminology

- Qualifiers: This includes the games before Semifinals. These are played before the convention days in their respective regions.
- Play Offs: This includes Semi-finals and Finals. They are played during convention days in Atlanta.
- Rain Day: If the play is stopped due to rain, then the reserve day will be used. Rain Day holds good only for play offs and ACL will determine whether and when to have rain day or not. It's not necessary that all the play-off matches should have rain day. ACL reserves the right to determine this.
- Home Team: In case of remote games, the home team is team that is responsible coordinating and setting up that particular match. Responsibilities include, but not limited to, coming in early and setting up the ground (boundary, pitch, creases, and so on.) This must be completed before the start time of the match.

### Spirit of the Game

- Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action, which is seen to abuse this spirit, causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.
- Captain's Responsibility - The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws. The responsibility for the team's conduct firmly lies with the captain.
- Player's Responsibility - It's their utmost duty to maintain the spirit of the game till the end
- Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution to this.

### Misconduct Warning

- Each Team has to pick up their trash after their match and should leave the ground in similar condition in which it was before the match.
- Smoking on the field or on the premises is prohibited and all the park rules apply while playing.

### Fair and Unfair play

- The neutral umpire(s) is/are the sole judge(s) of fair and unfair play.
- The umpire(s) may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the captain(s) to take action where required. Umpires must intervene for:
  - Deliberate wasting of time by either team.
  - Damaging the pitch by either team.
  - Dangerous or unfair bowling by either team.
  - Tampering with the ball by either team.
  - Any other action that the umpire(s) may consider to be unfair.

### Clothing

- The Team Sponsors / Owner are encouraged to decide on their team logo and clothing designs and colors to promote their brand.
- In case of no official clothing, any cricket-appropriate sporting clothing should be worn.

### Respect



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- Respect your opponents, your own captain and teammates, the umpires and their decisions and the games traditional values.

### Disputes regarding Field Setup, Boundaries and Boundary Catches

- The home team is responsible to setting up the pitch, field, and boundaries. If the setup is not agreeable to the opposing team, then umpire has to make a call on the field setup. Umpires decision will be final in the event of field setup dispute between teams. Captains and umpires must follow ACL ground rules for setting up the field and boundaries.
- In case of a potential or real dispute regarding a hit for 4/6 runs and /or a catch at the boundary, fielders are advised to stay put and help the umpire make the decision by holding their ground.  
**Benefit of doubt shall always go to the batsman.**

### Against the Spirit of the Game

- To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture.
- To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire.
- There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play. The committee reserves the right to decide the penalty against the team(s) and/or player(s) and/or umpire(s).
- To indulge in cheating or any sharp practice, for instance:
  - to appeal knowing that the batsman is not out
  - to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persist

### Cancellations, Bad Weather & Match Postponement

- Teams are expected to show up for all the scheduled games, and the umpire(s) on the field would make a decision whether the playing conditions are favorable to play or not. Failure to show up for the scheduled game by any side will be considered as "forfeiting the game".
- If both the teams are not ready to play by the adjusted date/time, then the match will be registered as a LOSS to both the teams and no points will be awarded.
- If one of the team captains disagrees with the Umpire's decision and refuses to play, then the game shall be awarded to the opponent team.

### Qualifiers

- If there is a tie then Super Over will be played to decide the winner. Please see the section on Super Over for details. If the umpires decide it is bad light and it is feasible to have a rematch, then there can be a rematch. The committee decision will be final in the best interest of the tournament.

### Play offs

#### Semifinals And Finals

- If there is a tie then Super Over will be played to decide the winner. Please see the section on Super Over for details. If the umpires decide it is bad light, the reserve day will be used to continue the remaining part of the game. However, if both teams and organizing committee agree and it is feasible to have a rematch, then there can be a rematch.

### Finals

- In case of no result Trophy will be shared by both the finalists.

### Game Results

The team scoring the greater number of total runs in the allotted overs shall be declared the winner.



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In case of Qualifiers, if a reserve day is scheduled, then the match should be played again from the start (rematch) on the reserve day.

In case a game has to be shortened due to weather, the minimum over's requirement MUST be satisfied for it to constitute a complete match.

### **SUPER OVER**

A new toss will be done for Super Over.

Each team decides a bowler to bowl and three batsmen to bat during one over named as the super over. The same ball used in the match will be used in super over. The umpires will decide which of the ball (from either innings) to use.

Both the teams need to provide the three batsmen and a bowler before the toss for Super Over.

Team A will score some runs in the first over and team B needs to chase it successfully to win the match. In case, it is unable to chase, team A wins.

In case scores are level, the team hitting maximum sixes in the match will win. If it is also the same, then team with maximum fours wins the match. If still the same then the team that got higher number of wickets will be considered winner. If still same, then one more super over will be played

No last man batting will be allowed for Super Over i.e. if two batsmen are out then the team is considered all out for Super Over

### **Wide Ball**

- Wide markers should be set up before the start of the game and should be set up as follows: Off side wide marker should be placed at 36 inches (3 ft.) from the middle stump. Anything on leg side is wide considering ball crosses the leg side in batsman's normal standing position. The umpire will verify the setup.
- Any ball over the marker is not considered a wide.
- Wide should be called by the main umpire if he feels the ball crossed the plane of the batsman outside the marker. It does not matter where the batsman is at that time.
- Stumping is considered out in wide ball and an extra run will be added to the batting side score. The bowler has to bowl an additional ball.
- After first bounce if the ball is above the head of the batsman standing upright on the crease, then the umpire may call it a wide (Obviously ball should not touch any part of batsman otherwise it will be called as no-ball).
- All ICC rules for scoring, counting the number balls bowled in an over and getting out to a wide ball is valid.

### **No-Ball Rule**

Fair delivery feet

The bowler's front foot must land with some part of the foot, whether grounded or raised, behind the popping crease

The bowlers back foot must land within and not touching the return crease.

Only the back leg should be considered for a no ball for return crease (side lines).

Any delivery, which passes or would have passed on the full above waist height of the striker standing upright at the crease is to be deemed dangerous and unfair, whether or not it is likely to inflict physical injury on the striker and can be called as a No Ball. Over the waist no ball should be considering if it passes the stump in the same height. If a batsman gets bowled, then it's out.

After first bounce if the ball is above the shoulder height of the batsman standing upright on the crease, then the umpire may call it a No Ball. (No warning rule)

If, in the opinion of either umpire, the ball has been thrown, he shall Call and signal No ball.

Caution the bowler, when the ball is dead. This caution shall apply throughout the innings.



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Inform the other umpire, the batsmen at the wicket, and the captain of the fielding side and, as soon as practicable, the captain of the batting side of what has occurred.

If either umpire considers that after such caution a further delivery by the same bowler in that innings is thrown, the umpire concerned shall repeat the procedure set out in (a) above, indicating to the bowler that this is a final warning. This warning shall also apply throughout the innings.

If either umpire considers that a further delivery by the same bowler in that innings is thrown, The umpire concerned shall call and signal No ball. When the ball is dead he shall inform the other umpire, the batsmen at the wicket and, as soon as practicable, the captain of the batting side of what has occurred. The umpire at the bowler's end shall direct the captain of the fielding side to take the bowler off forthwith. The over shall be completed by another bowler, who shall neither have bowled the previous over nor be allowed to bowl the next over. The suspected bowler thus taken off shall not bowl again in that innings. 18.5. All ICC rules for scoring, counting the number balls bowled in an over and getting out to a no-ball is valid.

### Dead Ball Rule

- If a bowler bowls a ball that makes two bounces before the stumps on the batting side, and then the ball should be called a Dead ball by the umpire.
- Any kind of batsman dismissal, scoring rule is invalid with Dead Ball.
- If a fielder is not trying for run out i.e. when a fielder pass the ball to keeper and from then the ball is dead.

### LBW

- **There will be no LBW in ACL**
- However runs for leg byes are allowed as long the batsman does not do deliberate padding.
- Note: There is no such rule saying batsman not offered any stroke. As long as not deliberate padding batsman can have leg bye. For Example if a batsman tries to avoid a bouncer and if it hit his body, there is always run for that.

### Mankadding

- Mankadding is allowed but only after a legitimate warning by the umpire to the bowler and/or the captain of the fielding team. Mankadding means, bowler attempting to run out the non-striker before entering the delivery stride. The umpire should then warn the non-striker. Also the bowler should NOT have completed his bowling action in order to make an attempt for mankadding.
- If the non-striker continues to run after 1 warning and the bowler runs him out non striker can be declared out mankadding if umpire think he was out of his crease.

### Wicket Put Down

- Regular run out rules apply. If all the stumps are put down on the ground, then following two situations apply.
- If regular stumps are used, then one or more stumps has to be put back before run out is made or one of the stump need to be carried by hand with ball in the same hand.
- If spring based stumps are used, then the entire stump pack has to be brought upright before run out is made or the entire stumps to be carried by hand with ball in the same hand.

### Recalling a batsman

- Once a batsman is declared out by the umpire, umpire can revoke the decision before batsman get out of the field or the fielding captain can recall the appeal for out . Stop appealing to the umpire to recall.

### Fair & Unfair Play



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- ICC rules are valid for judging and awarding penalty runs in case of unfair play. The umpire(s) will make the determination and may call the committee for clarifications (even during the game). Any time delays associated with these clarifications will not be considered for game duration rules.

### Scores Cards & Umpire Reports

- Scorecards for all games must include the full batting, bowling, and fielding records.
- It is the sole responsibility of the umpires to provide the committee with the scorecards no later than the Monday after the scheduled game. In case the game is moved to the "rain day" the deadline for submitting the scorecards will be extended. Umpires MUST sign a completed scorecard and ensure that both captains also sign it.
- Both captains are responsible for providing and completely filling in the entire statistics from their innings (this includes their batting and the other teams bowling and fielding details) to the umpires.
- Teams are urged to put names of fielders involved in a dismissal on the score sheets.
- If a game is played under protest, this should be mentioned on the report. Any and all other issues (e.g., delays, misconduct, umpire incompetence, etc.) must also appear on the score sheet.

### Protests & Complaints

- All protests and complaints must be properly signed and submitted to the committee no later than Tuesday following the game day.
- Copies of the complaint letter should also be sent to the officiating umpires and team involved in question in due course. No protests or complaints will be valid if a game is played without an approved ACL umpire.
- The decision of the committee will be final.
- No protests or complaints will be considered unless proper procedures are followed.
- There will be separate document to explain about disciplinary actions.

### Disclaimer

- **The Rules and regulations can be changed by ACL at any time. However the changes to the rules will be announced to the teams via email/website updates. ACL reserves right to modify, add or delete any of the rules and rules addendum at its own discretion.**