

## UNDER 13 LEAGUE RULES

The Laws of Cricket shall apply with the following exceptions/amendments

- 1 In all matches:
  - i The Pitch shall be 21 yards in length
  - ii The ball shall weigh 4  $\frac{3}{4}$  ozs
  - iii The stumps shall be 27 inches above the ground and 8 inches wide
  - iv Each innings shall be 20 overs
  - v No bowler may bowl more than 4 overs in a match
  - vi No fielder, except the wicket keeper shall be allowed to field nearer than 11 yards, measured from the middle stump, except from behind the wicket on the off-side

### Results & Points system

1. Four points for a win
2. In the event of scores being equal the winner shall be determined as follows:
  - i The team which has taken the greater number of wickets
  - ii The team scoring the most runs off the bat
  - iii If still equal the side with the highest score at the end of 19 overs, if still equal after 18 overs etc
3. Two points each for a rained off game (plus any bonus points accrued)
4. A bonus points system shall operate
  - i Batting bonus points – 1 point upon reaching the following amount of runs – 60, 80, 100, 120
  - ii Bowling bonus points – 1 point upon reaching the following amount of wickets – 2, 4, 6, 8
  - iii In the event of a team bowling out a side that has less than 11 players full bowling points shall be awarded
  - iv The maximum number of points a side can achieve is 12.
  - v Full batting points shall be awarded to a team batting second which successfully chases the total (under or above 120)
5. Each of the group winners shall proceed to a quarter-final. When there are six groups, all six winners shall proceed to quarter finals as well as the best two runners up. In the event of seven groups all seven winners plus the best runner up shall qualify. In the event of two or more teams being equal on points at the end of the league the winner and best runners up shall be decided as follows –
  - i The winner in the match between the two teams equal on points
  - ii If there are more than two teams on equal points the team proceeding shall be the one which has taken the most wickets on average per game
6. **The winning team shall be responsible for the reporting of results by fax or email only**
7. Results received after the final play-by date of the season will not be accepted
8. Teams will have to complete at least half of their fixtures for their points to count in the league table in relation to all other teams. The only acceptable reason for non-playing of matches is bad weather.

### Delayed Start Matches

1. When a match does not start on time (due to ground, weather or light) the available overs shall be divided equally between the teams and an assumed finishing time of 8pm for evening matches. A finishing time for morning matches should be agreed between managers.
2. A minimum of 12 overs per team must be available to constitute a match
3. Where 12 overs per team are not possible, the match will be abandoned, and unless re-arrangement before the play-by date is possible, the game shall be deemed as rained-off – two points each.

### Interruptions after the start

1. In all matches, once started, the first innings of a match will not subsequently be reduced in the number of overs
2. The team batting second shall be allocated overs based on the total available playing time from the completion of the innings of the team batting first until 8pm (3 minutes per over) for evening matches. The target shall be calculated by run-rate
3. If less than 12 overs are played in the second innings the match will have a 'no-result'
4. If 12 overs or more are played in the second innings but the match still cannot be completed then the scores of each side at the comparative level of completed overs will count to decide the winners.

### Organisation of matches

The home team will be responsible for contacting the opposition and must offer the away team two dates before the play-by date giving at least seven day's notice

### Qualification of Players

1. All players must have been Under 13 on the 1<sup>st</sup> September of the previous year. (ie should have been aged 12 or below at the start of the academic year)
2. All players must be bona-fide registered members of the club they represent and may only play for one club in the competition in the season.