

ANTALIS SENIOR CUP 2007

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Regulations

1. Senior Cup matches to be a maximum of 60 overs per side with a maximum of 12 overs per bowler.

1.1 Restriction on Placement of Fieldsmen

In addition to the restrictions contained in General Regulation 10 of the Senior Competitions Regulations, for the first 18 overs of a match, a maximum of two fielders may at the instant of delivery be outside the "fielding circle". In addition, at least two fielders (not including the wicketkeeper) must at the instant of delivery be stationary and in a close catching position. A close catching position is one which is within 15 yards of the centre of the striker's popping crease, although fielders in an orthodox Slip or Leg Slip position may stand deeper than 15 yards from the popping crease. It will not be necessary for circles indicating this 15 yard area to be marked but to assist the Umpires dots should be placed 15 yards from the line of middle stump on the popping creases either side of the stumps, and 11.5 yards from and at right angles to the line of middle stump either side of the middle of the pitch. In the event of an infringement the striker's end Umpire shall call and signal no ball.

1.2 No-Balls and Free Hits.

A No-Ball called for a front foot fault shall be followed by a "free hit", i.e. a ball off which the batsman cannot be out in the same way as if such ball itself was a No-Ball. The free hit ball shall count as a delivery in the over. The fielding side may amend the field for the free hit subject to the rules regarding field placing applicable to this Competition. If the delivery for the free hit is not a legitimate delivery (i.e. any kind of No Ball or a wide ball) then the next delivery will become a free hit and shall be subject to the conditions of this clause.

2. All matches to be started on Saturday or Sunday as arranged.
3. Hours - Match to commence at 11.00am with Lunch (40 Minutes) at 1.00pm and tea (30 Minutes) at 5.15pm. Intervals may be changed by agreement of the teams in the event of rain affected matches. Any amendment of the Lunch interval must be in consultation with the Home team caterers.
4. If no start is possible due to weather, the match will be played starting on the following week night. However, if all clubs involved on the proposed alternative date agree, the Cup game can be played on such other date as the two Clubs involved shall agree on the original date of the Match (provided such alternative date is not later than the Tuesday preceding the scheduled date for the next round) with original hours as in 3.
5. If the game is started and is not completed, the match will continue on the next following week night. If the clubs agree - without cancelling any other match - the cup game may continue on the Sunday, or on a week day agreed by the clubs. Hours of play to be agreed according to the state of play when interrupted.

6. When a game is not completed on the Saturday and play is not resumed until later than the Monday of the following week the wicket may be cut and rolled for a period not exceeding 7 minutes on each day of the intervening period. On the day play is to resume the cutting and rolling must be done under the supervision of the umpires.
7. In the event of a tie the match will be awarded to the side which loses the least number of wickets. If the number of wickets are equal, in rounds other than the final, the match will be replayed on the reverse ground on or before the subsequent weekend and will take priority over league games. In the event of the scores being equal in the final and if the number of wickets are equal the match will be replayed on a date and at a venue determined by the Union.

8. REGULATIONS FOR CUP FINAL

In a weather interrupted match the following regulations shall apply:

- (a) If more than 30 and less than 90 of the 120 overs have been bowled, play will resume on the Sunday at 2.00pm.
- (b) If 30 or less overs remain to be bowled, play will resume on the Monday evening at 6.00pm and continue on subsequent weekday evenings if necessary.
- (c) In the event of less than 30 overs being bowled on the Saturday play will commence at 11.00am on the Sunday morning. The Cup Final shall take precedence over any other league games which may have been arranged for the Sunday.

In the event of circumstances other than those covered by the above regulations arising the Union officers shall decide on what action is necessary to ensure the early completion of the Cup Final.