



LADY TAVERNERS
UNDER 15
GIRLS SCHOOL INDOOR COMPETITION

ENGLAND & WALES CRICKET BOARD RULES
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ENGLAND & WALES CRICKET BOARD – RULES

- 1 TITLE
The title of the Competition shall be the Lady Taverners U15 Girls School Indoor Competition.
- 2 MANAGEMENT
The control of the Competition shall be undertaken by the Executive Director of Women's Cricket and **WRCM's** all decisions relating to these rules or to matches played in the Competition shall be final and binding on all concerned.
- 3 COMPETITION STRUCTURE
3.1 COUNTY: The Competition shall be organised on a county basis and each County Board shall organise their own competition to determine a winner to enter the regional and national stages of the Competition. All arrangements for county competitions shall be the responsibility of each County Board and must be completed 2 weeks prior to their relevant regional final. The name and contact of the winning club in each county competition must be immediately notified to the ECB regional **WRCM's**.

3.2 REGIONAL & NATIONAL FINALS: All arrangements for Regional and National Finals shall be made by the ECB regional **WRCM's**.
- 4 ELIGIBILITY
The Competition shall be open to all schools through their County Board. Schools shall enter the competition of the county in which they are physically located (as per the ECB cricketing county boundaries as currently defined). If a school wishes to enter the competition of another county for reasons of easier travel or historical precedent, or because their County Board does not enter the Competition, this can be arranged. **No team shall progress to a Regional Final without entering a County Tournament.** A School may enter one or more teams but rule 5 will apply insofar as each team will be considered a separate school. Schools will obtain information from their County Cricket Board on local competitions.
- 5 QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS
A player may represent a club in the competition if they are Under 15 years of age at midnight on 31st August prior to the season of the Competition. **Players may play for only one team in this Competition in any one season. Players that have played in Senior Super 4's or Senior County Division 1, 2,3 or 4 are not eligible to play in this competition.**
- 6 CRICKET BALLS
Each County Board shall be responsible for supplying their own inter-cricket balls for their county competitions. The ECB shall be responsible for supplying the balls for each match played in the Regional and National finals.
- 7 UMPIRES & SCORERS
Each club will be responsible for supplying an umpire and a scorer, for each team entered, for the county and regional rounds of the competition. Umpires will be provided by the ECB for the national finals.
- 8 FINANCE
Each County Board will receive £75 for running an U15 Lady Taverners county competition. **This will be paid after satisfactory completing an official ECB claim form.** A contribution towards travel expenses will be paid to each school in the Regional and National Finals subject to a completed claim form being submitted by the 31st August in the year of the Competition.
- 9 MATCH RESULTS
9.1 COUNTY: Each County Board will be responsible for forwarding the details of the county winner to their respective regional **WRCM**.

9.2 REGIONAL & NATIONAL FINALS: A completed score sheet must be returned to the WRCM immediately following each of the regional and national final matches.

PLAYING CONDITIONS

TEAM REQUIREMENTS

- A squad may consist of 10 players, with 8 selected for each match.

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

- All competitors must be under 15 as of the 31st August prior to the season of the Competition.

PITCH

- The length of the pitch will be 22 yards.

BATTING

- Each game shall consist of one innings per side. Each inning to be of 16 overs duration. An over is made up of 6 balls. *At Regional & National Finals the number of overs may vary depending on number of pitches. The minimum number of overs is 8 and the maximum is 16. The numbers of overs played at the county festival stage can also be reduced to fit in with the time and space available to play.*
- Batters may run on any ball whether it is hit or not.
- An innings is closed when an agreed number of overs has been bowled or all batters are out
- A single remaining batter may continue batting, changing end as necessary to receive strike; a partner must run with remaining batter; either batter may be run out to end the innings
- A batter retires on 20 but the last scoring hit counts.
(I.e. if on 19 and score 6 on next hit the batter retires on 25)
- A retired batter may resume their innings when only one batter remains.
- A batter may be dismissed LBW only if they deliberately block the ball from hitting the stumps with their pads. Except in the National finals where neutral umpires will adjudicate on the full LBW law.

BOWLING

- Players will bowl with an incrediball
- The wicket keeper will be the only player who can not bowl.
- Over arm bowling only. Only 6 balls to be bowled in any over, except in the final over of an innings.
- At least 50% of the team must bowl.
- No bowler may bowl more than 25% of the overs available
- Should the ball bounce more than twice or roll along the ground, before reaching the striker the umpire shall call and signal no ball at the instant of the third bounce or when ball starts to roll.
- 2 Runs will be awarded to the batting team for each wide ball and no ball bowled but no extra ball will be allocated, except in the final over of each innings when in addition to the 2 runs an extra ball will be bowled.

SCORING

Standard cricket scoring applies except:

- Any completed runs, zone scores or boundaries are added to the team score.
- Add 1 run (zone score) to the batter's score if a ball is hit outside the inner zone but does not cross the boundary line
- Add 2 extra runs to the team score for each no ball or wide bowled by the opposing team.
- The **batting** team will be **deducted** 3 runs each time a batter is out.
- Score sheets will be provided by the regional **WRCM'S**.
- A tied game is acceptable.
- **The team with the highest score wins. If a tie, then the team losing the least wickets, if it still a tie then the game will be declared a tie.**

RESULT

- County competitions may be run on a league or knock-out basis.
- The format of the regional and national finals will be dependent upon the number of teams and the playing facilities available at each venue
- If a league format is used 3 points will be awarded for a win, 2 for a tie or 1 for a loss.
- At the end of the league stage, if two or more teams have the same number of points, the one that has scored the most runs in total throughout the competition should be the winner.
- If there are teams with the same number of points and the same total of runs, then the one that has lost the fewest wickets in total throughout the competition shall be the winner.

- If the above fail to determine a winner, a match of two overs per side shall be played to determine the winner. Captains shall nominate before the start of the match which two members of the team shall bowl the overs. Both overs should consist of six fair balls. If these two-over matches fail to determine a winner, then the sides concerned shall toss a coin.

Organiser's decision

- In all matters relating to the competition the organiser's decision shall be final and binding.

THE LADY TAVERNERS

For further information on the Lady Taverners as an organisation please visit their website on www.lordstaverners.org.

REGIONAL ECB WRCM'S:

<p><u>NORTH REGION:</u> Northumberland; Durham; Yorkshire; Lancashire; Cheshire; Cumbria</p> <p>Co-ordinator – Pauline Peel Durham County Cricket Club County Ground Riverside Chester-le-Street County Durham DH3 3QR</p> <p>0191 388 2832 07799 477759 pauline.peel@ecb.co.uk</p>	<p><u>MIDLANDS REGION:</u> Worcestershire; Herefordshire; Shropshire; Warwickshire; Leicestershire; Lincolnshire; Nottinghamshire; Northamptonshire; Staffordshire; Derbyshire</p> <p>Co-ordinator – Sue Redfern Northamptonshire County Cricket Ground Abington Avenue Northampton Northamptonshire NN1 4TJ</p> <p>07920 581408 sue.redfern@ecb.co.uk</p>
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