

Saturday League Fixtures

Overall School League Structure

All age groups are involved in scoring league points.

- Block points for all age groups – win 4pts, tie (regardless of wickets lost) 2pts.
- If a school cannot provide a team for an age group it shall be deemed to have conceded the match.
- Where a match is rained off each team shall be awarded two points.
- A match that starts but is ended prematurely by rain shall be deemed a match if half the second innings overs have been played. The team with the better run rate at this point shall be the winner.

League points – 4 pts for the school with the greater number of block points, 2 pts each if block points equal.

If two schools finish level on points in the league the team with the greater net block points over the season shall take the higher placing.

LEAGUE RULES

- Block fixtures are based on the specified pools.
- To allow as many pupils as possible to play club cricket in the afternoon, and to allow grounds to be used for afternoon matches, the following arrangements are recommended where feasible:
 - 9.15am (preferably 9am) latest start.
 - Maximum 10-minute break between innings.
 - Encourage 17 overs to be bowled in 1 hour (3½ mins/over).
- Schools can decide the length of match that suits them.
- Bowlers bowl no more than one fifth of available overs.
- In order to make better use of grounds and staff resources, schools may bring forward some of their block matches to dates not earlier than the Saturday preceding the published date, or put back some of their block matches to dates not later than the Saturday following the published date.
- No block match that fails to produce a result may be replayed.
- In order to create some continuity to fixture organisation, when arranging home and away fixtures with another school, the following system is recommended: 1st XI, U13, U12 will play home or away as a block. 2nd XI, U15, U14 will play home or away as a block.
- No player may take part in more than one age-group match against the same opposition.
- A school failing to field its 1st XI in the Final shall be deemed to have lost the block fixture.
- Any batsman reaching the following score:
 - U11 – 30
 - U12, U13, U14 or U15 – 50shall retire immediately and not be eligible to resume his innings until the last remaining wicket has fallen.
- Any bowler taking five wickets shall be deemed to have completed his allocation of overs at the end of the over and shall not bowl again in the innings.
- Where not otherwise specified above, the playing regulations for each age-group shall be those applying to the relevant cup competition.

If an entire block of Final fixtures is washed out, the fixtures shall be rearranged for a date or dates on or before the following Saturday. Such rearrangements shall take precedence over any other fixtures (apart from fixtures in the Schools' Cup or Plate).