**JUNIOR RULES - SECTION THREE**

**RULES OF PLAY FOR THE UNDER 15s COMPETITION**

1. From 2024, Under 15 games are scheduled on a **Wednesday** evening.
2. Each match shall be a minimum of 40 six ball overs. Each Under 15 side shall comprise 11 players. Under 15 matches shall commence at 6:15pm for a Wednesday evening match except for the first two matches of the season which shall commence at 6:00pm.
3. Only League approved cricket balls shall be used.
4. Games shall consist of one innings per side with an interval of 10 minutes between innings.
5. If, for any reason, a match does not start by 7:00pm (6:45 pm for a 6:00 pm start) the match becomes a 30 over game. No match shall start after 7:00pm (6:45 pm for a 6:00pm start).
6. In a 40 over game, no player shall bowl more than 4 overs and for a 30 over game no more than 3 overs.
7. A batter shall retire following the scoring stroke which takes their score to, or past, 30 runs and may not return.
8. The points shall be as follows:
	* 25 points for the winning team
	* For the losing team
		1. 1 point for every 25 runs scored, up to a maximum of five points
		2. 1 point for every two wickets taken
		So the losing team can score a maximum of 10 points
	* 12 points for a tie / abandoned game
9. League Winners

In the 2024 Season, the winners will be decided in two seeded divisions

The season will start as two unseeded divisions, and after an initial round of fixtures these will be split into a first and second division.
The league results will depend only on these later fixtures, once in seeded divisions.

There is no finals day.
In the event of two teams scoring the same number of points at the end of the season, please see the main rules for detail. In summary, the positions will be decided first by head-to-head results between the teams, then by Group Match Ratio applied to those head-to-head results.

1. No Balls, Wides, LBW

Extra ball and 1 run for each no ball and wide. Max of 8 ball overs.

These rules are also in place to help include more and less able players on a more level playing field.

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|  | Under 15s |
| No Balls | Full Toss over waist heightBouncer over shoulder height |
| No Balls: Throws | No-ball. |
| No Balls: Over-stepping | Warn the bowler, no-ball if subsequently clearly over step |
| No Balls: Multiple bounces / rolling | No-ball if bounces twice before the popping crease |
| Wides | Consider if balls passing leg side are genuinely hittable` |
| LBW | LBW, but if in any doubt, not out |