

**MULTI-DAY TOUR MATCHES
AND ENGLAND U19 TEST MATCHES**



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Note on Overriding Safety Concerns

If at any time the Designated Safety Officer at a venue that is hosting a game to which these Playing Conditions apply determines that there is or may be a safety risk to any person at the venue, they should inform the Umpires and other match officials at the earliest possible opportunity. The Designated Safety Officer may take such action and implement such measures as they determine necessary to address that risk, consulting with the Head Grounds Manager and the Umpires (and any other personnel they consider necessary) as appropriate to the nature of the risk identified.

Any requirements within these Playing Conditions may be overridden solely to the extent necessary to address the identified safety risk, and any action or measures taken to achieve this that would otherwise be incompatible with any requirement in these Playing Conditions shall not be deemed a breach of the relevant Playing Condition(s). So far as is possible, all reasonable steps should be taken to implement any necessary actions or measures in a way that mitigates any non-compliance with these Playing Conditions.

If it is alleged that any team has failed to act in good faith when taking certain actions as permitted by this section that would otherwise be in breach of any Playing Condition, or has failed to take adequate preparatory steps or provide sufficient resources to minimise any reasonably foreseeable breach of these Playing Conditions that arises from any action taken to address a safety risk, the matter may be referred to the Cricket Regulator for further investigation.

For the purposes of these Playing Conditions, **Designated Safety Officer** means the person that is designated as the "Venue Safety Officer" on the venue's safety certificate, or, if that person is not present or at venues with no such certificate, the person with overall responsibility for health and safety matters at the venue.

The Playing Conditions for Tour Matches set out hereunder relate to U19 Test Matches and 2-, 3- or 4-day matches between Touring Teams and Professional County Clubs, England Lions or a Professional County Club Select XI.

Except as varied hereunder the Playing Conditions as they apply to Test Matches, including ECB's variations to standard ICC Playing Conditions, shall apply (numbering corresponds to Test Match playing conditions).

(In matches where an ICC Referee has not been appointed, references to the Referee should be altered to the ECB Match Referee, Umpires, Home Authority or ECB as appropriate. If there is any doubt over the jurisdiction of any matter, then ECB should be consulted.)

For Touring Teams: References to the ICC Code of Conduct shall apply to all tour matches. Referees and/or ECB Match Referees/Umpires shall report any breach of the Code of Conduct to the Manager of the Touring Team and to ECB. ECB shall notify the Chief Executive of the Board of the touring team who shall take action as deemed appropriate.

For England and County teams: The ECB Professional Conduct Regulations and Disciplinary Procedure Regulations shall apply.

2 THE UMPIRES

2.1 Professional Umpires shall be appointed by ECB.

2.8.5 ECB will provide Umpires with lightmeters.

2.7 In addition to Test Match Playing condition 2.7, the following shall apply:

The safety of all persons within the ground is of paramount importance to the ECB. In the event that any threatening circumstance to any person, whether actual or perceived, comes to the attention of any Umpire (including for example weather, pitch invasions, act of God, etc), then the players, officials and any other person should immediately be asked to either leave the field of play in a safe and orderly manner and relocate to a safe and secure area, or to remain on the field of play or to not enter the field of play, in each case depending on the particular threat and as instructed by the Designated Safety Officer in accordance with the Note on Overriding Safety Concerns which appears at the top of this document.

7 THE CREASES

7.3 The Popping Crease

Shall only apply as it requires an extension to the popping crease if the match is televised.

10 COVERING THE PITCH

10.2 During the match

Shall be replaced by the following:

The pitch shall be entirely protected against rain up to the commencement of play and for the duration of the period of the match. It shall be wholly covered at the termination of each day's play or providing the weather is fine, within a period of two hours thereafter.

The covers must totally protect the pitch and also the pitch surroundings, to a minimum of 20 feet either side of the pitch and any worn or soft areas in the outfield.

The bowler's run-ups shall be covered during inclement weather, in order to keep them dry, to a distance of at least 10 x 4 yards.

The whole square and outfield shall be covered as much as is practicable.

12 START OF PLAY; CESSATION OF PLAY

12.7 Hours of Play; Minimum Overs Requirement

All days: Scheduled hours of play shall be 11.00am to 6.00pm

Lunch interval: Normal commencement time for the lunch interval shall be 1.00pm

Tea interval: Normal commencement time for the tea interval shall be 3.40pm

12.7.1 Minimum overs in the day (England U19 Test Matches only)

Minimum overs in the day, reduction of minimum overs and Last Hour shall be based on an over-rate of 16 overs per hour and 3.75 minutes per over being allocated.

12.7.11 Test Match playing condition 12.7.11 shall not apply (Penalties for slow over-rates).

13 INNINGS

13.6 Duration of match

Test Match playing condition 13.6 shall not apply. Matches shall be of 2, 3 or 4- days' scheduled duration and of two innings per side.

In 3-day matches only, the first innings of both teams shall be limited to 100 overs.

In 2-day matches only, the first innings of the side batting first shall be limited to 100 overs or the close of play on the first day of the match, whichever is the later. The first innings of the side batting second shall not be subject to this restriction. If a side has scored more runs in its first innings than the opposing side scored in its completed first innings (refer Law 13.3), it shall be deemed to have gained a First Innings Win. If the number of runs scored by each side in their completed first innings is the same, this shall be deemed a Tie on First Innings.

14 THE FOLLOW ON

14.1 Lead on first innings

14.1.1 The side which bats first and leads by at least 150 runs shall have the option of requiring the other side to follow their innings.

14.1.2 The same option shall be available in matches of shorter duration with the minimum leads as follows:

- 100 runs in a 2-day match;
- 75 runs in a 1-day match.

19 BOUNDARIES

19.1 Determining the boundary of the field of play

19.1.3, 19.1.4 and 19.1.5 shall be replaced by:

The Ground Authority shall aim to provide the largest playing area, subject to no boundary exceeding a distance of 90 yards from the centre of the pitch.

In any event, the distance from one square boundary to the other square boundary shall not be less than 120 yards and neither square boundary shall be shorter than 50 yards. The straight boundary at both ends of the pitch shall be a minimum of 60 yards. Distances shall be measured from the centre of the pitch to be used.

A gap of 3 yards between the boundary and any perimeter fencing (or other solid object) is mandatory. If this results in a boundary shorter than the minimum being required, then ECB Domestic Cricket Operations must be contacted for approval for such a boundary to be used.

In the event of the Umpires, during their pre-match inspection, considering that a suitably large area has not been utilised for the marking of boundaries within this Playing Condition, they shall be empowered to have them moved to achieve this objective, subject to consultation with the Ground Authority.

On grounds where the boundary is not clearly defined by a perimeter fence or edge of grass area, it must be marked by a rope.

APPENDIX D

Decision Review System (DRS) and Third Umpire Protocol

Shall only apply if the match is televised.