

# For Sunday Over 40's - 40 Over Matches

## **PREAMBLE (adapted from the Queensland Veterans Cricket Rules 2021)**

- These Rules are written in the "Spirit of Veterans Cricket".
- Like Qld Veterans Cricket, the Queensland Sub Districts Cricket Association encourages all players and administrators to follow them with that in mind.
- "Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse the spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with captains" from the **Laws of Cricket (2017 Code 3rd ed.)**

## **Culture of the Competition**

- Whilst the structure of the competition provides for a competitive approach, the committee believes this should not result in over-competitiveness or over-shadow what they believe is the competition's main purpose — to provide an opportunity for cricketers of all standards, despite their advancing years, to continue to participate in a sport we all love.

## **20 HOURS OF PLAY**

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- 20.1** Morning Session 9.30 to 12.15pm.
- 20.2** Interval 12.15pm to 12.45pm.
- 20.3** Afternoon Session 12.45pm to 3.30pm.

**21** NIL

## **22 INTERVALS**

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- 22.1** When playing time is lost the length of the interval will vary as follows.

| <b>Time Lost</b>      | <b>Interval</b> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Up to 60 min.         | 30 min.         |
| Between 60 & 120 min. | 20 min.         |
| More than 120 min.    | 10 min.         |

- 22.2** If the innings of the team batting first ends before 11.00 am, then the innings of the team batting second will start after a 10 minute innings break.
- 22.3** If the innings of the team batting first ends after 11.00 am, the lunch interval will be taken immediately after the close of the innings.
- 22.4** At the conclusion of the interval (maximum of 30 minutes), the team batting second, will commence its innings.

**23 REPLACEMENT PLAYERS**

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**Preamble: Substitute fielders are defined in Law 24.1 (2017 Code). Eligibility to bat is defined in Law 25.1 (2017 Code). The "Super Sub Rule" applies only to the Sunday 50 over competition.**

**23.1-23.5 NIL**

**23.6** Each team may add a 12th player to their Team List.

**23.7** All 12 players will be permitted to bowl.

**23.8** If either team names only 11 players then both teams can bat only 11 players.

**23.9** The 12th player will be permitted to bat only if an earlier batter retires.

**23.10** The 12th player must bat before any batter who has retired under **Playing Regulation 31.6** resumes their innings.

**23.11** The bowling team needs to take a maximum of 10 wickets to dismiss the batting team.

**PLAYER AGE QUALIFICATIONS**

**23.12** To play in the Over 40's competition, a player must have reached 40 years of age or be turning 40 before 30 June of the last year the competition is running in.

**23.13** For example in the 2024/25 season the cut off date is 30 June 2025.

**23.14** Each team may be permitted to play two under-age players who must be turning 38 or 39 in accordance with **Playing Regulation 23.12**

**23.15** An application for approval of further underage players must be submitted to the Management Committee (cricketops@qsdca.com.au) before the start of the match, stating player name, DOB and reason.

**24 LENGTH OF INNINGS**

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**24.1 NUMBER OF INNINGS**

**24.1.1** A match will be one innings for each team.

**24.1.2** Each team will take their innings alternately.

**24.1.3 Law 14 The Follow-On (2017 Code 3rd ed.)** will not apply.

**24.1.4 Law 15 Declaration And Forfeiture (2017 Code 3rd ed.)** will not apply.

**AN UNINTERRUPTED MATCH**

**24.2** Each team will bat for 40 overs unless all out earlier.

**26 IN A DELAYED OR INTERRUPTED MATCH**

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**26.1** Delayed means a match which does not begin at the scheduled time for reasons of weather, light, or other conditions.

**26.2** Interrupted match means any suspension of play that has occurred under **Law 2.7 Fitness for Play** or **Law 2.8 Suspension of play in dangerous or unreasonable circumstances (2017 Code 3rd ed.)**

**26.3** If play is delayed or interrupted the match may be shortened by:

- reducing the number of overs for both teams
- reducing the number of overs for the team batting second
- moving Innings Finish Times
- reducing over limits for bowlers.

- 26.3.1** In addition for Sunday Over 40's - 40 matches only, intervals may be shortened. See **Playing Regulation 22.1** for Sunday Over 40's - 40 Over Matches.
- 26.4** Unless either team is dismissed in less than 20 overs, to make a completed match each team must receive a minimum of 20 overs. See **Playing Regulation 33**.
- 26.4.1 For example**, if the team batting first completes its innings then the team batting second (unless all out or having passed the first team's score) must face at least 20 completed overs to achieve a result.
- 26.5** In the event of a suspension occurring in the middle of an over, the number of total overs lost will be calculated as in **Playing Regulation 26.6** and the innings of the team batting will continue from the point of the interruption.
- 26.6 Interruptions to a 40 Over One Day Match** Calculation Sheets 1A, 1B, 2A and 2B may be used to determine the match progress.

See **FORM in the DIAGRAMS APPENDIX**  
or at <https://qsdca.com.au/05-playing-regulations>

**26.7** NIL

**THE TEAM BATTING FIRST**

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- 26.8** If play is suspended and time is lost before the end of the first innings the number of overs remaining in the match will be the remaining amount of available playing time in minutes divided by four.
- 26.9** When calculating the remaining playing time available for the match the duration of the interval between innings will be taken into account.
- 26.10** On Sundays the interval is varied as shown in **Playing Regulation 22** for Sunday Over 40's - 40 Over Matches.
- 26.11** In the first innings calculations resulting in a fraction of an over the fraction will be rounded up.
- 26.12** If the total number of overs in the match (remaining plus completed) results in an odd number, then one over will be added.
- 26.13** Remaining overs in the match will be split so that both teams have the opportunity to bat for the same number of overs.
- 26.14** Example:
- After 15 overs and 60 minutes of play in the first innings, 161 minutes time is lost.
  - The interval is reduced to 10 minutes.
  - Playing time lost reduces to 141 minutes.
  - When play restarts, total remaining playing time is 129 minutes.
  - 33 overs can be bowled in the remaining time (round up calculations as in **Playing Regulation 26.11**).
  - The first innings will be 9 more overs and second innings will be 24 overs.
  - First innings will restart at 1.11pm
  - New first Innings Finish Time will be 1.47pm.
  - Second innings will start 1.57pm
  - New second Innings Finish Time will be 3.33pm.
  - After restart bowlers will be limited to 5 overs each.

**NEW FIRST INNINGS FINISH TIME**

- 26.15** When playing time is lost in the first innings a new First Innings Finish Time will be calculated by multiplying remaining first innings overs by four minutes and adding to the restart time.

- 26.16** If new required number of overs in the first innings are not completed by the new Innings Finish Time, play will continue until the new required number of overs has been bowled or the innings is completed in the same manner as in **Playing Regulations 25**.
- 26.17** All relative delays, interruptions in play, and the duration of the interval will be taken into account.
- 26.18** If there is more than one interruption to the innings of the side batting first, calculations will be based on the original scheduled close of play, rather than any rescheduled close resulting from the previous interruption.

#### **THE TEAM BATTING SECOND**

- 26.19** If play is suspended and time is lost after the end of the first innings the number of overs remaining in the match will be the remaining amount of available playing time in minutes divided by four.
- 26.20** In the second innings calculations resulting in a fraction of an over will rounded down.
- 26.21** Example:
- After 10 overs and 40 minutes of play in the second innings, 72 minutes playing time is lost.
  - When play restarts, total remaining playing time is 53 minutes.
  - The second innings will be 13 more overs to play. (Round down calculations as in **Playing Regulation 26.20**).
  - A new target score will be calculated. See **Playing Regulation 33.4**
  - Second innings will restart at 2.37pm
  - New second Innings Finish Time will be 3.29pm
  - After restart bowlers will be limited to 5 overs each.

#### **NEW SECOND INNINGS FINISH TIME**

- 26.22** When playing time is lost in the second innings a New End Time of Innings Time will be calculated by multiplying remaining second innings overs by four minutes and adding to the restart time.
- 26.23** For any match not completed by scheduled close of play, play may continue subject to conditions of weather, round and light until required overs have been bowled or the innings is complete.
- 26.24** If the innings of the team batting first has been completed prior to the Innings Finish Time or new Innings Finish Time (see **Playing Regulation 25 and 26.15**), then any calculation relating to the revision of overs will not be effective until an amount of time equivalent to that by which the second innings started early has elapsed.
- 26.25** The team batting second will not bat for a greater number of overs than the first team unless the latter completed its innings in less than its allocated overs.
- 26.26** The timing and duration of all relative delays and interruptions in play with respect to the second innings will be taken into account in specifying this time.

**27 NUMBER OF OVERS PER BOWLER**

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**27.1** In an uninterrupted innings no bowler will be permitted to bowl more than 8 overs.

**27.2** In an interrupted innings, where the overs are reduced, each bowler is limited to the number of overs shown below.

| Total Overs | Max. overs each bowler |
|-------------|------------------------|
| 36 to 40    | 8                      |
| 31 to 35    | 7                      |
| 25 to 30    | 6                      |
| 20 to 25    | 5                      |

**27.3** Note: **Playing Regulation 27.2** does not apply in uninterrupted matches in which Innings Finish Time has made an innings shorter. See **Playing Regulation 25**.

**27.4** Any bowler who has exceeded the new maximum over limit prior to an interruption has finished their overs.

**27.5** When play is suspended mid-over and on resumption the bowler has exceeded the new maximum limit, he/she will be allowed to finish the incomplete over.

**27.6** If any bowler is unable to complete an over, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler.

**27.7** Such part of an over will count as a full over only in so far as each bowler's limit is concerned.

**28 ONE DAY WIDES**

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**28.1** Official Umpires and player umpires are instructed to apply very strict and consistent interpretation of **Law 22 Wide Ball (2017 Code 3rd ed.)** in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.

**28.2** Any off side or leg side delivery that in the opinion of the umpire does not give the batter a reasonable opportunity to score will be called a Wide.

**28.3** As a guideline to the umpires for the calling of wides, the crease markings detailed in the Wide Marking Appendix will be marked in white at each end of the pitch.

See **DIAGRAM** in the **DIAGRAMS APPENDIX**  
or at <https://qsdca.com.au/05-playing-regulations>

**29 NO BALLS****29.1 WAIST HIGH NON-PITCHING BALLS**

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**29.1.1** Waist high non-pitching balls are considered dangerous and unfair.

**29.1.2** Any delivery which passes or would have passed on the full above waist height of the striker standing upright at the crease will be a No Ball.

**29.1.3** In the event of a bowler bowling a waist high non-pitching ball the umpire at the bowler's end will call and signal No Ball.

See **DIAGRAM** in the **DIAGRAMS APPENDIX**  
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## 29.2 SHORT PITCHED BALLS

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- 29.2.1** A short-pitched ball is any ball which after bouncing on the pitch passes or would have passed above the shoulder height of the batter standing upright at the batting crease.
- 29.2.2** The umpire at the bowler's end will advise the bowler and the batter on strike when each short pitched delivery has been bowled.
- 29.2.3** In any one over there will be a limit of one such short pitched ball.
- 29.2.4** The second and any subsequent short pitched balls will be called a no ball by the bowler's end umpire.
- 29.2.5** **Law 21.10 (2017 Code 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)** will be replaced by the following.
- 29.2.6** The bowler's end umpire will call and signal Wide for any ball which after pitching passes over head height of the batter standing upright at the batting crease.
- 29.2.7** For the avoidance of doubt any short pitched delivery that is called a Wide under **Playing Condition 29.2.6** will also count as one of the short pitched deliveries in that over.

See **DIAGRAM** in the **DIAGRAMS APPENDIX**  
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## 29.3 FREE HIT

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- 29.3.1** The delivery following a no ball called (all modes of no ball) will be a free hit for whichever batter is facing it.
- 29.3.2** If the delivery for the free hit is not a legitimate delivery (any kind of no ball or a wide ball), then the next delivery will become a free hit for whichever batter is facing it.
- 29.3.3** For any free hit, the striker can be dismissed only under the circumstances that apply for a no ball, even if the delivery for the free hit is called wide ball.
- 29.3.4** Neither field changes nor the exchange of individuals between fielding positions are permitted for free hit deliveries unless:
- \* There is a change of striker or
  - \* The No Ball was the result of a fielding restriction breach, in which case the field may be changed to the extent of correcting the breach.
- 29.3.5** For clarity, the bowler can change their mode of delivery for the free hit delivery. In such circumstances **Law 21.1.1 (2017 Code 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)** will apply.
- 29.3.6** The umpires will signal a free hit (after the normal No Ball signal) by extending one arm straight upwards and moving it in a circular motion.

## 29.4 FIELDING RESTRICTIONS

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- 29.4.1** At the instant of delivery there will not be more than five fielders on the leg side.
- 29.4.2** For the purposes of this rule the bowler is not counted as a fielder.
- 29.4.3** On infringement of the above fielding restriction, either umpire will call and signal 'No Ball'.

## 29.5 PENALTY

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- 29.5.1** **Law 21.15 (2017 Code 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)** will apply. The penalty for a no ball will be 1 run.

**30 TIMED OUT**

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**30.1 Law 40 (2017 Code 3rd ed.)** will apply.

**31 RUNNERS FOR INJURED BATTERS**

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**Preamble: This competition will allow any injured batter to have a runner since this is regarded as more desirable than forcing a player to stop playing if injured.**

**31.1** A batter may have a runner provided:

**31.2** The batter has become injured since the completion of the Team List.

**31.3** This does not apply when a batter is already carrying an injury at the start of the match or if the batter becomes tired.

**31.4** The runner must wear equipment matching the batter's equipment including helmets and other protective equipment.

**31.5** Runners will only be allowed with the express permission of the umpire(s).

**BATTERS RETIRE AT 50**

**31.6** Batters will retire on scoring 50 runs in Over 40's matches.

**31.7** Subject to the dismissal of all other batters, retired batters must return to the crease in the order that they retired.

**31.8** Any batters retiring due to genuine injury or illness with the umpires agreement (as opposed to being compulsory retired under **Playing Regulation 31.6**), may continue their innings at the fall of a wicket as per normal "retired hurt" rules. See **Law 25.4 (2017 Code 3rd ed.)**

**32 DRINKS BREAKS**

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**32.1** Drinks breaks will be taken off the field.

**32.2** Each Drinks break will be limited to as short a time as possible.

**32.3** No time or minimum overs will be deducted from the day's play to make up for drinks breaks.

**32.4** On playing days the time and frequency of drinks breaks will be agreed prior to the start of play between captains and umpires.

**32.5** Captains will agree about the timing and frequency of extra drinks breaks in extreme heat conditions prior to the start of play on any playing day.

**32.6** Extra drinks breaks on hot weather days are encouraged.

**32.7** See Appendix H Hot Weather Guidelines.

**32.8** Suggested times for drinks breaks are:

- Sunday 40 over: after 13 and 27 overs are complete in each innings.
- On a hotter day after 10, 20, and 30 overs are complete.

**32.9** If there is an innings change within 30 minutes of a drinks break then skip the drinks break.

**32.10** A recommended safe maximum time between drinks breaks is 75 minutes however circumstances such as mild weather might cause this to be extended.

**33 RESULT OF THE MATCH**

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- 33.1** Unless either team is dismissed in less than 20 overs, to make a completed match each team must receive a minimum of 20 overs.
- 33.2** If the required number of overs to be bowled to each team is completed and either or both teams have not been fully dismissed, the team having scored the greater number of runs will win the match.
- 33.3** If both innings of a match are completed and the number of runs scored by each team is the same even if the number of wickets is different then the result of the match is a tie.
- 33.4** In a match where the team batting second has not had the opportunity to bat for the target number of overs and has not been dismissed and has not passed its opponent's score, the result will be decided on the average run rate throughout each innings.
- 33.5** For example:
- Team A scores 200 runs batting first (40 overs).
  - Average Run Rate is  $200/40 = 5.00$
  - Team B batting second scores 130 runs in 25 overs (bad light stops play).
  - Average Run Rate is  $130/20 = 6.50$
  - Team B wins the match.
- 33.6** For example:
- Team A scores 180 runs all out batting first (30.2 overs).
  - Average Run Rate is  $180/40 = 4.50$
  - Team B batting second scores 85 runs not all out in 20 overs (rain stops play).
  - Average Run Rate is  $85/20 = 4.25$
  - Team A wins the match.
- 33.7** Note: When innings ends with a fraction of an over, the correct fraction will be used to calculate average run rate.

**34 POINTS**

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**34.1 MATCH POINTS**

**34.1.1** Teams in all grades will be allocated points for one day limited over matches as follows.

**34.1.2** Win... 4 points

**34.1.3** Tie... 2 points

**34.1.4** Draw... 2 points

**34.1.5** Loss... 0 points

**34.2.1- 34.2.5** NIL

**34.2.6 SUPER BONUS POINT**

**34.2.7** A super bonus point will be awarded for a win achieved by the end of 25 overs.

**34.2.8** A super bonus point will be awarded if the team bowling second restricts the team batting second to less than 60% of the target score.

**34.2.9** The maximum number of super bonus points awarded will be 1.

**34.2.10** This will not apply in any match delayed, interrupted or rearranged as in **Playing Regulation 26**.



**34.3 NET RUN RATE**

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**34.3.1** A team's net run rate is calculated by deducting from the average runs per over scored by that team throughout the competition, the average runs per over scored against that team throughout the competition.

**34.3.2** If a team is all out in less than its full quota of overs, the calculation of its net run rate will be based on the full quota of overs to which it would have been entitled and not on the number of overs in which the team was dismissed.

**34.3.3** In a match declared no result, net run rate does not apply.

**35 SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES**

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**35.1** After completion of the competition round of matches teams placed first to fourth in each grade will play in SEMI FINAL and GRAND FINAL MATCHES.

**35.2** In grades with small numbers of teams the Management Committee may elect to dispense with SEMI FINALS and proceed directly to a GRAND FINAL MATCH between teams placed first and second.

**QUALIFYING FOR FINALS**

**35.3** The team with the highest placing in each grade at the completion of the preliminary matches will play the fourth placed team in SEMI FINAL No. 1.

**35.4** The team with the second highest placing in each grade at the completion of the preliminary matches will play the third placed team in SEMI FINAL No. 2.

**35.5** The winner of SEMI FINAL No.1 will play the winner of SEMI FINAL No.2 in the GRAND FINAL.

**35.6** Any team playing in a SEMI FINAL OR GRAND FINAL MATCH whose club is not in good financial standing may be excluded by the Management Committee from playing in SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES.

**35.7** Any team(s) that are excluded from playing in SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES will be replaced by the next highest placed team(s) in that Grade as determined in

**Playing Regulation 35.8****DETERMINATION OF PLACINGS**

**35.8** In the event of teams finishing on equal competition points, the placings will be determined as follows:

**35.8.1** The team with the highest net run rate.

**35.8.2** The team with the most number of wins and ties.

**35.8.3** The team with the most number of wins over the other team(s).

**VENUE AND DATE FOR SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL**

**35.9** The venue and date for all Semi-Final and Final matches will be determined by the Management Committee.

**35.10** Finals will be played with same playing conditions as other round matches.

**35.11-35.14** NIL

**PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES**

**35.15** To be eligible to play in a SEMI FINAL or GRAND FINAL MATCH of the Sunday 50 over competition a player must have appeared in 3 matches of the current season

\* for the same club

\* in the same grade (or a lower grade)

\* for the same team (or the same club in a lower grade)

- 35.16** Note: in the case of clubs with more than one team in a single grade this means that players can not become eligible using games played in the other team in that grade.
- 35.17** Any exceptions to **Playing Regulation 35.15** must be submitted to the Management Committee for approval.
- 35.18** Request for exception of a player who has appeared in two or less matches in the current season in that particular grade or a lower grade will be denied in all cases.
- 35.19** Players listed for abandoned or forfeited matches count toward qualification for SEMI FINAL and GRAND FINAL MATCHES. See **Playing Regulation 13**.
- 35.20** When a club has consecutive teams in SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES a maximum of 2 eligible players may be downgraded from the higher grade team to the next lower grade team without approval.
- 35.21** Any player downgraded as in **Playing Regulation 35.19** for a SEMI FINAL MATCH will become ineligible for the GRAND FINAL MATCH if the higher grade team is eliminated.
- 35.22** All other player downgrades in SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES are not permitted unless approval is granted by the Management Committee.
- 35.23** See **Playing Regulation 4.5** for additional finals eligibility conditions.

#### **UMPIRES IN SEMI FINAL AND GRAND FINAL MATCHES**

- 35.24** Official umpires will stand in all SEMI FINAL and GRAND FINAL MATCHES.
- 35.25** If official umpires are not available, neutral umpires who have passed umpire training examinations approved by the Management Committee will stand.

#### **36 DETERMINATION OF WINNERS**

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- 36.1** NIL
- 36.2** The winner of the GRAND FINAL in each grade will be determined as the Premiers for each grade.
- 36.3** NIL
- 36.4** If any SEMI FINAL or GRAND FINAL MATCH ends in a tie, is abandoned or there is no result, the highest placed team of the finalists at the end of the preliminary matches will be determined as the winners.
- 36.5** The Management Committee will have the sole authority to determine winners in the event of any disputes resulting from SEMI FINAL or GRAND FINAL MATCHES.
- 36.6** Any such decisions made will be final and conclusive.
- 37-39** NIL