

HCL 2024 – T20 Captains meeting – May 30th

Agenda:

Following teams joined the call:

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Houston Stars
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Houston Eagles

Please note, we needed atleast 27 teams captain to meet the quoran and only 14 joined the call. Quorum was not met as per HCL constitution.

T20 Season overview:

- 53 teams registered for the T20 Season.
- T20 Season June 9th– August 31, Jan Feb
- Division structure and No. of games:
 - Premier Division

- Division I
- Division II
- Division III
- Division IV
- Division V
- All teams will play 14 games.
- Every division will have its own playoff. Playoff will be between top 4 teams for the same division. Due to increased number of games , we may do it on Saturday and Sunday.
- T20 Finals will be broadcasted live on Facebook Live and YouTube.

Umpiring Fee:

\$30 / team for T20

Katy Grounds – Home team to be responsible to making sure that trash is picked up from the ground and seating area before leaving.

Only HCL approved games ball with HCL stamps can be used for league games. We have now 5 vendors.

Follow ICC rules at the start of the season, unless it's clearly defined otherwise in HCL playing conditions. New ICC rules implemented during the season will not be applied.

a. Game start times (Details including inning times and breaks are in playing conditions):

Before day light saving ends:

- Morning games:
 - Toss: 8:45 am
 - Start Time: 9:00 am
- Afternoon games:
 - Toss: 1:15 pm

• Start time: 1:30 pm

After day light saving ends:

- Morning games:
 - Toss: 8:45 am
 - Start Time: 9:00 am
- Afternoon games:
 - Toss: 12:30 pm
 - Start time: 12:45 pm

When coming to toss, inform your decision to bat or ball right after toss.

Umpiring assignments are teams responsibilities.

Neutral Umpire makes the final decision if a substitute will be allowed or not by evaluating the need to substitute (injury etc).

PLAY-OFF COMPETITION: Two games qualification to be increased to 3 games for 14 games season

Players Registration - combine players instead of sending multiple requests each week.

Reminder : Reschedule request, need date, Time & ground - confirmation from both teams.

Venue change will not release the umpiring assignment of the teams unless its informed 24 hours before the game.

Umpire should be paid before toss. umpire has right to refuse to toss if not paid.

Discussion points:

Umpiring standards: Few teams complaint about the umpiring standards. It was requested by the team to send either fill up the available umpiring report in scorecard or send the complain to the League Secretary. Please note its team responsibility to send the umpire. Please send only HCL certified umpires or players playing in HCL for more than 2 years. This is in playing conditions. If team fails to do it, it will be reported as missing umpiring assignment.

Two neutral umpires for PD. This was not voted. HCL will not enforce it , however teams can mutually agree to arrange two umpires.

Same brand of the balls used during both innings. This was not voted. HCL will not enforce it. However, team can mutually agree do use the same brand.

Allow teams to demote to a lower division: HCL will not allow it as it really has a significant impact on how leagues are structured.

Allow under 17 and over 45 players to play for one team in each division: To be consistent across all formats in HCL, this will be implemented in T20 as well(Same rule as F40). Last year, we had different roles for F40 and T20 and this caused confusions among the teams.

Smoking and drinking not allowed: Please note drinking and smoking are not allowed in public and private ground. Please report this behavior to HCL and it will be dealt with penalties as per HCL constitution and playing conditions.