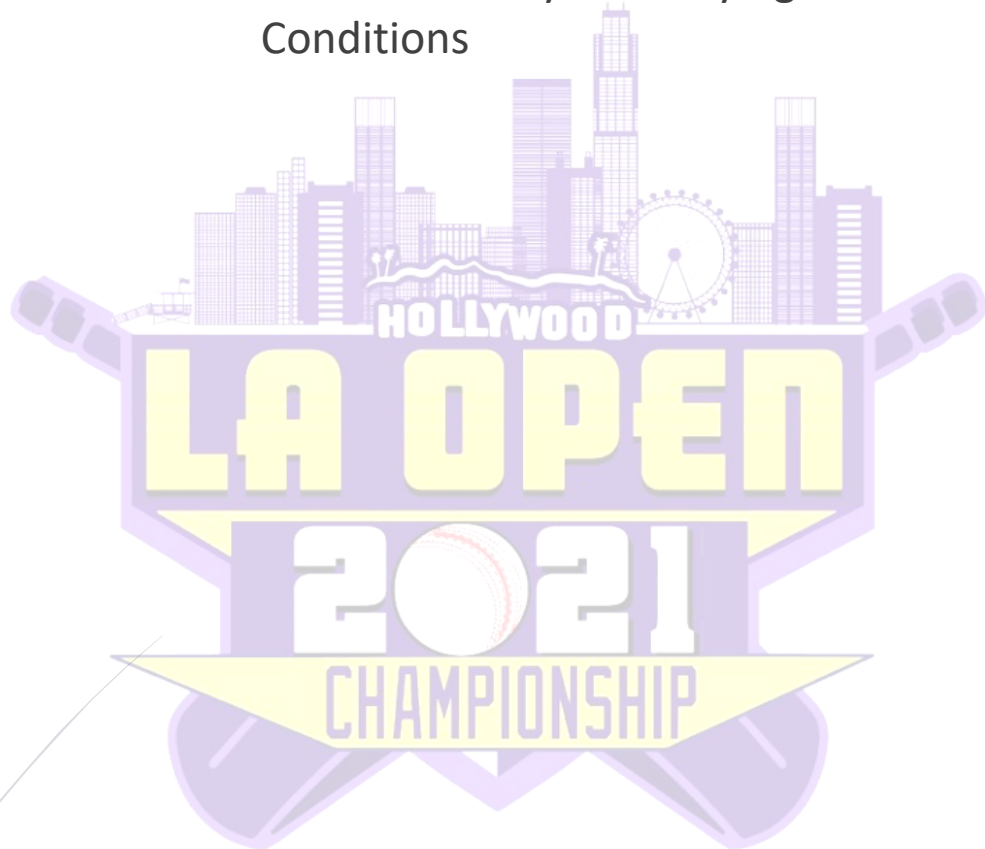




LA OPEN 2021

Rules Summary and Playing
Conditions



LA OPEN Organizing Committee



LA Open 2021 Rules Summary

Tournament Format

Playing Conditions:

- ICC T20 Rules and Regulations will be used with few changes to meet local ground conditions.
- Duckworth Lewis will be used if required

Location:

- Woodley Cricket Fields, Los Angeles, California, USA
 - All the matches will be played here

Date: July 1st, July 2nd, July 3rd, July 4th and July 5th

Teams: 20

Pool: There will be a total of 4 groups. 20 Teams will be divided into 4 groups, there will be 5 teams in each group. Below table shows how it would look like.

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
MCP Eagles	Atlanta Fire	PV Hurricanes	LA Titans
Somerset Cavaliers	Kesari Yodhaz	Arizona Suns	SAMP Army
Gladiators	St Louis Americans	Master Blasters	Lashings
Nepali Rhinos	Himal CC	RDU Samp Army	San Diego All Stars
Punjab Blue	Houston Falcons	Nepali Rhinos All Stars	Bakersfield Strikers

Competition Format: Teams in each group will play Round Robin matches against each other with each team playing a total of 4 matches and total of 40 Round Robin league matches.

Playoffs Qualifiers

- Top 2 teams in each group will advance to the playoffs or Quarterfinals.

- If teams in the same group have equal number of points, then run rate will be used to break the tie and determine standing in the group.
- All 8 teams that advance to the Playoffs will be ranked from 1 to 8 based on total points after the group stage. In case of any ties, Net Run Rate will be used to determine the standing.

POINTS

- A team that wins will be awarded 2 points
- A team that loses will receive 0 points
- No-result each team will receive 1 point
- In case the match result is a tie, a super Over will be used to break the tie.

Playoff Match-ups chart

Quarter-Final match up	Semi-Final Match
Quarter-Final 1: Team Ranked 1 vs Team Ranked 8 Quarter-Final 2: Team Ranked 2 vs Team Ranked 7 Quarter-Final 3: Team Ranked 3 vs Team Ranked 6 Quarter-Final 4: Team Ranked 4 vs Team Ranked 5	1st Semi-Final: Winners of QF1 vs QF4 2nd Semi-Final: Winners of QF2 vs QF3
Final: Winner Semi-Final 1 VS Winner Semi-Final 2	

Team Composition

Each side shall consist of 11 players, one of the players shall be captain. Each captain shall provide the player **nomination sheet consisting of 11 players** in writing to UMPIRES who will submit the list to LA OPEN 2021 Match Referee/Official before the toss. No Player (member of the playing eleven) may be changed after the toss without the consent of the opposing captain. Only those players submitted in the team roster can act as substitute fielders.

In addition, all players shall be deemed to have agreed to abide by all the applicable ICC/MCC and LA Open Regulations pertaining to international cricket and in particular, the Clothing and Equipment Regulations, the Code of Conduct for Players and player Support Personnel hereafter referred to as LA Open Code of Conduct and ICC Code of conduct, ICC Anti-Racism Code for Players and Player Support Personnel and ICC Anti-Doping Code and the Anti-Corruption Code

Tournament Schedule

- Tournament will start on the 1st of July 2021
- All teams must arrive on June 30th at 6PM to attend the Captain's meeting.

- All teams please attend the Opening Ceremony on the June 30th at 6PM and Closing Ceremony on July 5th at 3:30PM.
- Toss will be done 30 minutes before the match start time.
- Before the toss Captain will submit the team nomination list to the umpire/match official coordinating the toss.
- **All the teams must play their scheduled match on the exact scheduled date and time, no request will be accepted for amendment to the date and/or time. NO Late arrival request will be accepted.**
- **If the team arrives late for the match, overs will be reduced for that specific team only. That decision will be made by Match Officials (umpires or match referee)**
- Schedule will be out on LA OPEN official website 1-2 weeks before the start of tournament.

Registration

- Registration fee is non-refundable. If the team registered and did not come to play or cancelled their registration, the registration fee will not be refunded.
- LA Open tournament committee and its members do not guarantee and/or responsible for player's visa and visa issues. It is solely responsibility of the participating team management and its representatives such as coach/Manager or Owner.
- Registration deadline is June 7th 2021 and it will be confirmed when:
 - Full registration fee is paid
 - Hotel booking confirmation is submitted
 - Proof of Travel Arrangement is received by LA OPEN committee
- If the team fails to complete the above requirements, the teams spot will be given to the team from waiting list.
- Player MILC draft will be held on June 10th.
- Team Groupings will be held on June 14th.
- All team captains must sign-off on the tournament rules and waiver forms.

Duration of matches

The matches will consist of one innings per side and each innings will be limited to 20 (six balls) overs.

- Total time to bowl 20 overs per inning is 1 Hour and 20 minutes (4 minutes/over or 80 minutes total)
- Time between innings will be strictly 10 mins.
- A minimum of five (5) overs to be bowled to the team batting second to constitute a match.
- Teams cannot declare their innings close.
- ALL MATCHES SHALL START ON TIME AND END ON TIME, UNLESS TARGET SCORE IS REACHED

- Allotted overs in each inning must be completed within the specified allotted time.
- In case of overs bowled short by the scheduled time of close of innings (in either innings), inning will be closed, Umpires may use D/L to calculate the target for the 2nd inning.
- Second innings overs cannot be more than the maximum allowed overs of first innings.

Ready to Play

Ready to play means a minimum of 9 players in the team's official uniforms, present at the ground and in clear visible view of umpires. No players will be allowed to play without team's official uniform.

Drinks

There will be no intervals for drinks during an inning. An individual player may be given a drink either on the boundary edge or at the fall of a wicket, on the field, provided that no playing time is wasted. No other drinks shall be taken onto the field without the permission of the umpires. Any player taking drinks onto the field shall be dressed in proper cricket attire. Match official can action against it if these rules are not followed.

Rained out situation and unexpected delays

If tournament is affected by rain or unexpected delays following rules may be applied.

- In case of rain or unexpected delays affect the day, matches may be played with reduced overs.
- If full day is lost due to rain or unexpected delays, all the remaining matches in the group or round robin stage may be played with reduced overs as determined by the LA OPEN tournament committee.
- If the tournament is impacted due to rain and no further matches can be played, then the total prize money of \$65000 (Champions and Runners up) will be split among the remaining teams. If the tournament gets cancelled in the league stage, the prize money will be split among all the participating teams in the league stage.
- If the tournament gets cancelled at the playoff stage (Quarter Finals), then the prize money will be split among the top 8 teams that qualified to the Quarterfinals.
- If the last day (July 5th) is washed out, then the prize money will be split among the 4 semifinalists.
- Tournament committee will make the final decision on all situations and the committee's decision will be final.

Prize Money

Teams that qualify to receive prize money must be present at prize distribution ceremony at the conclusion of the tournament with at least 9 of the team's players dressed in team uniform to collect the prizes. Failure to comply with guidelines will result in the team forfeiting the prize money

Winner: \$50,000

Runner's up: \$15,000

The IRS requires us to collect a w9 from each of the prize winners.

As a condition for each Team, Player, Manager, Coach and/or owner to participate in this tournament, each shall individually and collectively waive all claims against LA OPEN, it's owners and organizing committee for any damages or loss of monies arising at any time and from any cause, whatsoever. All Teams and their players shall protect, indemnify and save harmless, LA OPEN from all liabilities, damages, penalties, costs and expense arising out of such cancellation and termination of LA Open 2021 T-20 tournament.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Every player taking the field in the tournament must be on the team and LA OPEN registered list.
2. NO Exceptions will be made to the above rules regarding player participation as a "declared player"
3. The player/player support personnel who have been suspended/banned in accordance with the ICC Code of Conduct for Player and Player Support Personnel are not allowed to participate in the tournament in any capacity.

Tournament Committee:

- Tournament Committee reserves the right to change the schedule as needed.
- The Committee's decision is final and binding on its absolute discretion to impose any penalty by way of warning and/or fine and/or reprimand and/or suspend the participants in respect of the tournament.
- Tournament committee in details:

Positions	Names
President	Mehul Dave
Director of Operations	Jaideep Reddy
Secretary	Mangesh Chaudhari
Treasurer	Sidhant Mohanty
Umpiring Chair	Kalpesh Patel

Roster Committee	Jaideep Reddy
Judiciary Committee POC	Mangesh Chaudhari
Anti-Corruption Committee POC	Jaideep Reddy
Facilities Chair	Rodney Cutting

LA OPEN 2021 Playing Conditions

- Team Owners should get their players ready 30 minutes prior to start of match
- **All teams should have their respective color uniforms and no player will be allowed to play without proper uniform. There will be no exception to this.**
- **There will be 3 games played in each ground every day.**
- **First game will start sharply at 8:30 AM. Team will be given 80 mins to complete their overs. 2nd Game will start at 12:30 PM sharp and 3rd game will start at 3:30 PM sharp.**
- **There are cut off times for each match. If the first match of the day doesn't start by 10 AM then the whole match will be called off. Similarly, if the second match doesn't start by 1 PM and 3rd match doesn't start by 4 PM then those matches will be called off as well.**
- Only eligible/Register players are allowed to play. Playing illegal players will result in forfeiting of the match and opposition team will be declared winner of the match.
- In case of Intentional delay of match, with two warnings by on field umpires- with the consultation and discretion of Match Referee – may ask the offending player to leave the field. In such case, no substitution will be allowed. If the offender is batsman - batsman will be asked to leave the field and new batsman will be requested to take his place.
- If LA OPEN Management is notified of any fraud, identity theft, corruption and any kind of foul play the LA OPEN Management committee will take serious actions against the individual and/or team. In addition to this the individual and/or team will be banned from further participation in the tournament and any future editions.
- In case of batsman injury: If batsman is not ready to resume his innings within three (3) minutes, then batsman will be asked to leave the field. If this happens to be the last wicket then the innings will end.
- **Runners for batsmen will not be allowed in this tournament**
- **Ball Lost:** Lost ball will be replaced by Match Referee/Umpires with similar wear and tear of the lost match ball.
- **In Windy Condition:** Bails will be removed from both ends until condition improves to keep the bails on the stump.
- **Pitch will not be rolled between innings, curator will be sole adjudicator of pitches and will decide when it needs to be rolled.**

- All trees, branches and leaves are considered out of the ground. If a ball touches any of these obstacles on the full will be awarded SIX runs and catch will be not valid.
- **In a disputed play – such as a fielder claiming a catch at or near the boundary should stand his ground until on field umpires are satisfied and communicates to the fielder to move; failure to do so the on-field umpires will be the only ones that would determine the outcome of the play and the umpires call will be FINAL.**
- The group winner will be based on Total number of points and Net Run Rate. Net Run Rate (NRR) will be calculated From Round Robin 20 over matches in their respective group matches. The NRR in a tournament is the average runs per over that a team scores across the whole tournament, minus the average runs per over that is scored against them across the whole tournament.
- Match Referee and tournament committee will determine ALL Tournament individual AWARDS.

SUPER OVER FORMAT:

- The Super Over will commence immediately after the main match. There will not be a break after the match. Each team bats one over under the same restrictions as for the final over in a pool match.
- The team batting second in the main match will bat first in the Super Over.
- Each side has three nominated batsmen, meaning that the loss of two wickets ends the Super Over.
- Team scoring more runs in SUPER OVER will be a winner of the match.

In the event of the scores being level in the Super Over, the team with the most number of boundaries combined from the main match and the Super Over is the winner. If the boundary count is the same, then the team with most number of sixes combined from the main match and the Super Over is the winner. If boundary count/total number of sixes is the same, the team having lost the fewest number of wickets combined from the main match and the Super Over is the winner.

WAIVER

Every Player participating in the LA OPEN 2021 CRICKET TOURNAMENT refer as “LA OPEN” must sign the waiver form. It is team management responsibility to ensure players meets this requirement.

Any games in the tournament will be played in accordance with LA OPEN Playing conditions. Any exceptions to this document will be governed by the current ICC Men’s T20I playing conditions and those rules shall apply as directed by the on-field umpires.