**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

These are the rules formed by the OYA Committee and every individual is expected to abide by all these rules. Committee expects all the individuals to know the rules before taking the field. No expectations no matter what!!!

### **GENERAL**

* The list of Final 11 must be finalized before the toss & submitted to one of the 2 umpires.
* The toss will happen 15 minutes prior to the scheduled time. The match will start at the scheduled time sharp. Both teams must continue even if they do not have their listed 11 players present
* To avoid any unfair advantage to latecomers, any player of either side who is not present within 15 minutes of the start time will not be allowed to take part in the game. The decision of the umpire will be final in this regard.
* We urge all players to involve in fair-play under all circumstances. Flags will be placed at regular intervals to mark boundaries, but the fielder’s co-operation is highly recommended in close boundaries. Fielder should not move in after taking a catch close to the boundary to avoid controversies.
* In case a fielder moves inwards from the fence after taking a close boundary catch umpire can call it a six.
* If ball will hit any obstacles inside the ground then batsman can take run and run out is also there.
* If the ball hits the tree then it should be umpires decision by looking at deflection of ball whether that should be six, four or runs taken by batsman and if the ball hits the tree and fielder is taking catch then the batsman will not be out.

### **Uniform/JERSEY**

### We request all participating teams to be in **100% UNIFORM.**

* **Team Jersey and** **shoe** is **MANDATORY** for each player playing for their respective teams.

### **UMPIRING**

* The Committee will take up the responsibility for setting up the panel of umpires.
* It’s a humble request from OY committee that the winning team has to provide two umpires for the next match.
* The decisions of the umpires would be final and binding. No dispute would be taken out of the ground to the Organizing Committee. Any concerns that a team may have, should be recorded with the officiating umpires and he will in turn discuss the same with Organizing Committee if needed. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to a final decision.
* In case of any dispute or conflict, only the Captains will be allowed to speak to the Umpires.
* The benefit of doubt in close calls of a run-out or stumping goes to the batsmen. Umpires decision is final in any case.
* There will be no LBW and hence no leg byes. There is also no run out on a LEG BYE.
* Scorers should not point out any ball count misses or any other mistake by the umpires (unless consulted by any of the two umpires). It is the responsibility of the two umpires in the middle.
* ONLY the umpires of that match have the right to declare if the match cannot be continued. The batsman can only appeal if he thinks he cannot see the ball or appeal for other unplayable conditions but if the Umpire thinks otherwise and requests that play shall be continued, then match MUST be continued. If not, the team who does not want to play still, will forfeit the match and declared to have lost the match.
* Also, if a team misbehaves on the field such as abuse a player/ umpire or indulge in any activities that may cause un-necessary problems, the Umpires have the right to STOP the match at any time and penalize fine or declare the Winners.

### **AUDIENCE**

* There will be designated place on the ground for each of the teams. The committee encourages the teams to invite their supporters to accompany them at these designated areas.
* Every player is advised not to react to any comments from the audience. The OYA committee will not assume responsibility for any problems or conflict situations that this may give rise to.
* The Umpires will monitor player’s conduct on the ground. The players shall not make any such gestures or comments on the ground on any umpiring decision, which may provoke the spectators. Any such act by the player will be considered as dissent and will attract penalty.
* OYA committee requests the spectators, supporters and players to watch their language and body gesture as there will be people around who have come to cheer and have a good time. Sure no one wants to disappoint them.

### **SCORING**

* Scorecards will be maintained for every match by the playing team’s representative under the supervision of a committee member.
* One member from both the playing teams will be involved in this activity.
* Scorecards (signed by the two Captains) submitted to one of the two officiating umpires. It’s the responsibility of the two Captains to ensure correctness of the scorecards along with names of their players, runs scored & wickets taken by their team mates.
* The concerned umpire will then submit it to one of the organizing committee member for records.
* Once the scorecards are officially submitted and uploaded, any request to make changes in the scorecard will not be entertained.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

* Everyone involved should follow the rules and regulations of appropriate conduct on the field.
* As far as the cricketing code of conduct is concerned; the teams are here to have fun and sigh a bit of relief during the weekends. So we expect to see a sense of camaraderie and

sportsmanship. Sledging is strictly prohibited. But the difference between encouraging one’sown teammate and sledging can sometimes get unclear. Under such circumstances, the umpires will have the say in deciding what a tolerable limit is. If the umpires find things exceeding the limit, they might recommend expulsion of player(s) or disqualification of the team. The final decision will lie with the organizers.

* We encourage the participating teams to play in line with the laws and spirit of the game.
* We strongly discourage any physical or verbal (direct or implied) attack by a player(s) against:

A) The Umpire B) other Crickets C) The stumps, ball or other cricket gear D) Spectators.

* Unruly and un-sportsman like behavior will not be tolerated. Guilty players will be ejected. If the player refuses to leave the field, the team will be penalized with forfeiture of the match. No substitutes will be allowed for the ejected player.
* Determination of what constitutes unruly or un-sportsman like behavior will based on the umpire and adjudicators combined opinion. Players abusing or threatening either umpires or opponent team members will be suspended for 1 or more matches.
* It’s the duty of the Captain to maintain discipline and decorum on the field.

### **FIELDING**

* At any instant, a team can have more than 5 fielders on leg side.
* No more than 2 fielders can be set behind square-leg line of a batsman. If a deep fine leg, deep backward square leg & leg gully or slip is set by a fielding captain – IT’S A NO BALL.
* At any instant, no more than 5 fielders can be set on the boundary… which means leaving wicket-keeper & the bowler at least 4 fielders have to be inside the 30 yard circle at any moment of the cricket match.

### **POWER PLAY**

* **There will be one mandatory power play of 4 overs at the start of the innings for each sides.**
* During mandatory power play only 2 players can be out of 30 yard circle.
* There will be No Additional over of power play available for the entire game
* If the match is reduced due reasons specified in (DELAY IN GAME) category, power play overs will not be reduced unless game is reduced to 13 overs or less per side.

### **DELAY IN**

* All players from both playing teams should be present at ground 20 minutes before scheduled start time.
* Both umpires should be present 15 minutes before the scheduled start time.
* Toss should be done 10 minutes before the scheduled start time.
* At the time of toss if any team has less than 7 players then opponent team qualifies to win the toss.
* Game should start at scheduled time. Any delay in starting a match will attract penalty to team who comes late. If game starts 30 minutes after the scheduled time, then to not affect next scheduled games, umpires/organizer will reduce overs or depend on the situation of that day.

### **TIME**

* Each match (15-15 over) should be played within 2hr 10smins.
* Each innings (15 over) should get over in 1hr 05mins and a break of 5mins between two innings will be provided.
* A 2mins Drinks Break/Time out is applicable on each innings.
* All timings will stay the same as mentioned above only if match starts at scheduled start time. Else the officiating Umpires will have the final call on time limits and over reductions.

### **ADDITIONAL RULES**

* Abusing and foul language is strictly prohibited. Penalty could result in a suspension for that match and next match, after a maximum of 2 warnings.
* If any fielder changes fielding position (e.g. moves to gully from Slips) after the bowler start his run up, then the umpire can signal a No Ball.
* The Leg Umpire will declare a No Ball if the bowler chucks the ball. No Warnings will be given to bowler. It is not necessary for the batting team to appeal for chucking. This is solely the leg umpire’s decision and the appeal can be over ruled.
* One bowler can bowl a maximum of 3 overs.
* New ball would be used in each innings. The Organizing Committee takes the responsibility of providing similar balls for a match.
* If a batsman needs a runner, it’s solely fielding captain’s decision.
* Any fielder can be substituted by a player in the team list. The substitute will not be allowed to bat or bowl. The umpires should be notified of a fielder change.
* A Team gets 4 points for a win.
* If a team will get walkover, then Organizing committee will decide the run rate of winning team(may be 1,2,3 etc..)
* Please note that once a team member has been named as part of one team, he will not be allowed to play for any other teams.
* Teams will not be allowed to replace players, during the tournament. It should be as per declaration forms given by team list.

**COMMON & CONFUSING RULES**

* Every **No Ball** is a Free Hit.
* No changes in the field placement are permitted on a free-hit ball unless the batsman changed ends and in case of Walk Over all player must be present on field for the Team to get full points. Unless the Organizing Committee sees Full squad, points will be shared.

**FINAL NOTE**

* All teams and their players must abide by the rules and regulations of the Park they are playing in; like no alcoholic drinks, no public indecent exposure.
* The Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend the Rules at any time if it considers such action to be in the best interests of the competition.

THE ORGANIZERS WOULD LIKE TO SEE ALL TEAMS RESPECT THE RULES AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TRUE

SPIRIT OF SPORTSMANSHIP.

Wishing You and Your Team a Great Tournament.

Thanks

Odisha Youth.