OMAHA CRICKET ASSOCIATION

2018 OCA 11th Annual Summer Blast T15 Tennis Ball Tournament

**Rules & Regulations**

1. **TEAMS THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE TOURNAMENT ARE:**
2. **OCA PATRIOTS – OMAHA, NE**
3. **MAVERICKS – OMAHA, NE**
4. **STALLIONS – OMAHA, NE**
5. **OCA HUNTERS – OMAHA, NE**
6. **OCA GUNS – OMAHA, NE**
7. **THUNDERHAWKS – OMAHA, NE**
8. **MIDWEST RISERS – OMAHA, NE**
9. **LINCOLN CHARGERS – LINCOLN, NE**
10. **TEAMS.**

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| **Group A** | **Group B** |
| **STALLIONS** | **MAVERICKS** |
| **OCA PATRIOTS** | **THUNDERHAWKS** |
| **LINCOLN CHARGERS** | **OCA HUNTERS** |
| **MIDWEST RISERS** | **OCA GUNS** |

**NOTE: Pooling is done based on seeding, seeding is determined based off of the roster to balance the strength of the pool and safe guard the integrity and quality of the competition, any team rep can volunteer in this process.**

1. **Group stage matches will be followed by Playoffs. Top 3 teams from each pool will advance to the playoffs.**
2. **Play-offs format: Table toppers from each pool will advance to semi-finals. 2nd and 3rd ranked teams from each pool will play Quarter Finals to get into semifinals. Semifinals & finals will decide the winner of 2018 OCA Summer Blast T15 Tennis Ball Tournament.**
3. **ROSTER RULES:**
4. **The roster limit per team is 16 and the rosters once submitted are FINAL.**
5. **It is mandatory that each player in the roster has to sign the waiver form before the start of their first game. Failure to do so will make them ineligible to play.**
6. **Any roster changes during the course of the tournament are not encouraged.**

**During a game if any player is identified to be playing the game without his name being present in the roster, he will be sent immediately off the field and the team has to play only with the remaining players for the rest of the game.**

1. **FORFIET RULES:**

**League Phase:**

**Penalty of 2 points will be awarded to the team forfeiting the game besides loss of points.**

**Playoff Phase:**

**In case of a forfeit by a playoff team, the next best-seeded team from that group will take the playoff spot.**

1. **Each innings in the league phase is of 15 overs. An innings break of 5 minutes is provided for every match. The bowling team should complete 15 overs in exactly 70 minutes.**

**Not more than 70 minutes is provided to finish the quota of 15 overs.**

1. **Each bowler has a maximum quota of 4 overs in all the matches.**
2. **Powerplays:**

**4 overs - each team can have a maximum of 2 fielders outside the inner circle in the first 4 overs of match.**

1. **Max. 5 fielders on leg side at any time. Only the 30 yd circle area is used for fielder restrictions. The following fielding restrictions apply to first 4 overs of the innings for both innings of a match. Max. 2 fielders outside 30 yd area.**

**For non-power play overs max. 5 fielders outside 30 yd area.**

1. **If a team bowling first consumes more than 70 minutes to finish their allotted quota of 15 overs, delayed time is compensated by reducing the number of overs in the 2nd innings to the extent of delayed time at the rate of 5 minutes per over to a maximum of 3 overs.**
2. **Team batting first should make sure that their next batsmen is lined up and arrives at the crease in not more than 2 minutes. If the next batsmen consumes more than 2 minutes, captain of bowling team can appeal to umpire for a “Timed Out”.**
3. **Two bouncers per over are allowed (over shoulder and below head).**
4. **Any bouncer over the head is a wide. The umpires will decide whether the bouncer is over the head of the batsman or not.**
5. **NO Balls – Both foot fault (Front and Side) and beamers (full toss ball above waist level) will be given a free hit.**
6. **After a no-ball, whichever batsman is facing gets a free hit. During a free hit, a batsman can be given out only per no-ball rules (run out), even if it is called a ‘wide’. No field changes are allowed for free-hit ball unless there is a different striker. If a free-hit delivery is a no-ball/wide, the next delivery is still considered as free hit. Just a note, A Batsman cannot be stumped off a free hit or a no ball but he can be run out.**
7. **RUN OUT rule: During a run out scenario – if the wickets are already completely down, the fielder/bowler has to remake the wickets before he attempts to run the batsman out.**

**Remaking Wicket:**

**If a wicket is broken or put down while the ball is in play, it shall not be remade by an umpire until the ball is dead.**

**Any fielder may, however, while the ball is in play,**

**- replace a bail or bails on top of the stumps.**

**- put back one or more stumps into the ground where the wicket originally stood.**

1. **All matches will have a Man-of-the Match reward.**

**Most Valuable Player, best batsman and best bowler will be selected based on the performances from the whole tournament.**

1. **Each win gains 4 points while a loss gains no points. If it is a tie, points will be split in league phase but a Super Over will be played to decide the winner during the playoffs stages only. If there are any rained out matches in the league stage, organizing committee will try to reschedule the matches. Otherwise, for rained out matches 2 points will be awarded to each of affected teams.**
2. **Scoring will be done by batting team using Cricclubs app. Please make sure captain and vice-captain have scoring rights to do this. If not, reach out to organizing committee to request one. After each game please review the score card before you publish it. It is captain’s responsibility to make sure the score card is correct for each match.**
3. **Each team has umpiring duties scheduled. Please send 2 umpires from respective teams 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game time and advise them to carefully read the rule book before the game. In case, any team fails to send umpires for their game, 1 point will be deducted. Change of Umpires during the course of the game is not allowed. In any unforeseen circumstances the organizing committee will take the decision about the changes.**
4. **In case if there is any controversy or any conflict situation where umpires are not sure of any rule, umpires or organizing committee has every right to refer to online/ICC rule book in order to make the right decision. Please be patient and cooperate with the umpires and the organizing committee.**
5. **For the purpose of the group stage, a team's Net Run Rate is calculated by deducting the average runs per over scored against that team throughout the group matches from the average runs per over scored by that team throughout the group matches.**

 **In the event of a team being all out in less than its full quota of overs, the calculation of its net run rate shall 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.**

1. **For Rain interrupted/Bad light affected matches:**
	1. **The match will be considered only if 50% of the second innings has been completed.**
	2. **If less than 50% of the second innings is completed, the outcome of the match would be a NO RESULT with 2 point to each side irrespective of the situation.**
2. **For All Rain/Bad Light Interrupted Matches, We will apply Duck worth Lewis method if 50% of the second innings is completed.**
3. **The organizing committee will assess the situation for ground, playing conditions and player safety and take a decision on a game affected by rain/post-showers.**

1. **For dew interruption:**
	1. **The match will start exactly on time; there won’t be any delay due to early morning dew; that has to be considered as a part of winning or losing the toss.**
	2. **In case of objection from batsman/bowlers, umpires will decide to change the damaged ball with an old ball in the dew conditions.**

**Play-Offs:**

1. **All Play-off matches will be of 15 overs each and all the league phase rules will apply to play-offs.**
2. **It is the captain’s responsibility to complete the waiver form with signatures of the playing 11 for the match.**
3. **If a player of the fielding team is outside the field for ‘x’ number of overs, he cannot come to bat until those many overs are complete or after 5 batsmen are out, whichever is earlier. Similarly a bowler is not allowed to bowl until he stays on the field for those many overs.**
4. **Teams are expected to arrive 30 mins before the scheduled start and toss has to be done 20 mins before the start of the game.**

**Please remember that umpires decision is final and no arguments/discussions are encouraged.**

**ALL OTHER ICC RULES ARE APPLICABLE.**

[**https://www.icc-cricket.com/about/cricket/rules-and-regulations/playing-conditions**](https://www.icc-cricket.com/about/cricket/rules-and-regulations/playing-conditions)

**PLEASE ASK THE UMPIRES/OFFICALS IF NEEDED.**

**Ground Clean Up Teams Need To Ensure That The Ground Is Kept Clean During All Time And After The Games. Any Plastic Bottles Used In The Ground Needs To Be Placed In Trash And At No Time Can Be Left On The Ground/CAGES/Shelter Areas.**

**FOOD AND DRINKS ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED AT BATTING CAGES AREA.**

**NOTE:**

1. **Tournament Organizing Committee reserves the right to change the rules anytime during the tournament if deemed necessary.**
2. **In case of any dispute, Organizing Committee’s decision will be final.**

**2018 OCA SEASON Summer Blast T15 Tennis Ball Tournament PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT 6:00 PM ON SUNDAY, JUNE 24th 2018.**