

# CRICKET EXPRESS JUNIOR LEAGUES

## U12 Junior Hearts

### Team Composition

Maximum 8 players.

Girls only.

Girls should be under the age of 12 as at September 1 in the year of the competition.

However, Auckland Cricket are very lenient when granting dispensations in girl's grades.

### Hours of Play

T20 Competition (Before Christmas): 8.30am – 10.30am.

Limited Overs (After Christmas): 8.30am – 11.30am.

The toss must be made by 8.15am, should a team not be at the ground by 8.15am they will be deemed to have lost the toss.

Coaches and umpires must ensure an over rate of 21 overs per hour is maintained.

### Intervals

Maximum of 10 minutes between innings.

### The Result

The side which has scored the most runs in their complete innings will be deemed the winner.

All results must be uploaded to CricHQ by Monday at 5pm if not live scored.

### Overs

T20 Competition (Before Christmas): 20 overs

Limited Overs (After Christmas): 30 overs

### Pitch Length

16m

### Boundaries

35m. The boundary should be measured from the batter's end.

### Ball

The approved 142g, 2-piece balls are as follows; Kookaburra Menace and Dukes Top Line (equivalent or a higher standard ball). The match ball does not have to be new, but umpires must agree that it is fit for play. A new ball can only be taken at the beginning of each innings.

### Batting

The batting 8 must be named prior to 8.30am.

T20 Competition (Before Christmas):

- The batting 8 must be named prior to 8.30am.
- Batters bat in 5 over partnerships.

- For each dismissal 3 runs will be deducted from the batting side.
- Batters will not leave the crease until their 5 over partnership is completed.
- Batters swap ends at the end of each over and when they are dismissed.

#### Limited Overs (After Christmas):

- All batters get ONE life within the first 6 balls. If a batter is dismissed a 2nd time they are out. Batter swap ends after first dismissal within 6 balls and the delivery is treated as a penalty -3. When scoring in CricHQ you select “Extras” then “P3” then “Action” then “Switch facing batsman” then finally record a “Dot” ball.
- Compulsory retirement of batters after 18 balls. Retired batters may only return at the end of the innings in the order of the lowest scoring retired batters (e.g. 1st retired batter who scored least runs returns 1st, 2nd retired batter who scored 2nd lowest retired total returns 2nd).
- Batsman cannot be retired early unless injured. Returning batsman cannot be retired a 2<sup>nd</sup> time once returned to the crease.

**Note:** Manipulating batting so that batters deliberately get out (batting side) to bring back “better” batters or deliberately not getting batters out (bowling side) to stop “better” batters coming back, are both against the spirit of cricket.

#### **Modes of Dismissal**

Normal cricket rules apply except in the case of LBW. No LBWs are to be given. The umpire can insist the batter take a stance on middle and leg.

#### **Bowling**

- Play switches end after each over.
- One over consists of a minimum of 6 balls and, if at least two wides and/or no balls are bowled, a maximum of 8 balls.
- Where there are more than 8 players, any player not named in the batting 8 must bowl.

#### T20 Competition (Before Christmas):

- All players must bowl a minimum of 2 overs. No player may bowl their third over until all others have bowled 2. No player can bowl more than 3 overs.

#### Limited Overs (After Christmas):

- All players must bowl a minimum of 3 overs. No player may bowl their fourth over until all others have bowled 3. No player cannot bowl more than 4 overs.

#### **No Balls and Wides**

- Umpires must agree wide lines prior to the game.
- Any delivery which passes, or would have passed, above the batter’s shoulder is a no ball. Any delivery which passes, or would have passed, above the batter’s waist on the full is a no ball. If a ball bounces more than twice before reaching the popping crease it is a no ball.
- There shall be no restriction on the number of wides or no balls called in an over. However, each over will consist of a maximum of 8 balls.

#### **Fielding**

- Players switch ends after each over.
- No player may field within 10 metres of the bat except between 'point' and the wicket keeper. This fielder is to be stationary and is not allowed to walk in with the bowler.
- No more than two wicketkeepers are to be used during an innings. Should the wicketkeeper change they must bowl the minimum number of overs.

### **Umpiring**

Coaches are not permitted to umpire except in exceptional circumstances – i.e. there is no parent, player, or other person present on the day who can act as umpire.

### **On Field Coaching**

Allowed only from coaches. Coaches may only provide advice between overs to ensure that the match is not unduly delayed. At no stage during the match should the coach be on the field, unless he/she is umpiring. In the interest of player development coaches should direct their advice to the captain.

### **Uneven Team Numbers**

The batting team must provide up to 2 players to assist with fielding if requested.

### **Replacement Players**

A maximum of 2 players can be used as replacements during a game. Replacement players cannot bat or replace a wicketkeeper.

### **Competition Format**

The competition format for 2017 / 2018 is as follows:

#### **U12A**

Pre Xmas - T20 competition (8 Weeks). Home and Away round robin format (6 weeks). Then 1 week Semi Finals and 1 week Finals

Post Xmas - Limited Overs Competition. Format TBC depending on team entries.

#### **U12B**

Pre Xmas – T20 competition (8 Weeks). Round robin format then 1 Week of Finals

Post Xmas – Limited Overs Competition (8 Weeks). Format TBC depending on team entries.

