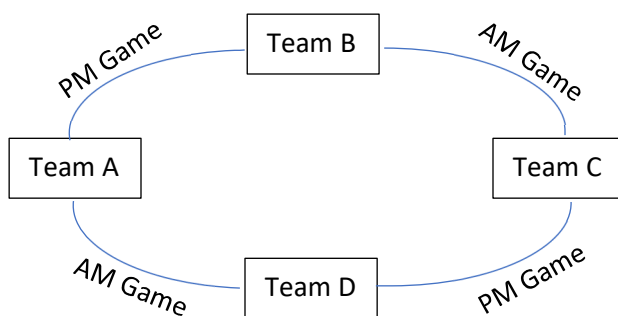


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Except for those laws unique to local playing situations and conditions listed below, the tournament will abide by the latest International Cricket Council (ICC) Laws of Cricket document. The complete and latest rules and conditions can be found on ICC's website (*ICC Men's Twenty20 International Playing Conditions*). In the event of conflicts, the rules stipulated by the committee shall supersede.

1. Each team will be assigned up to 15 players before the start of the tournament. Only two pre-assigned backup (reserve) players per game will be allowed after announcing to the opposition team and only be able to participate as a fielder in the remainder of the game. No substitutes outside of the roster are allowed, even for fielding.
2. The tournament's preliminary stage (Day 1) will be conducted in a round-robin format, and each team will be played against two teams during this stage. The top two teams by rank will play in the *Gold-cup* final game, while the remaining two teams will play in the *Silver-cup* game.



3. There will be 4 points awarded for each win, 2 for a tie, and 0 for no result. If any team forfeits the game, the opposition team is awarded 5 points. If teams finish with the same number of points, the following criteria will be used to determine the ranking in the exact order.
 - Higher net run rate.
 - if any two teams' ranks are equal by using the criteria mentioned above, then a Super-Over shall be played.
4. The designated tournament officials will do the scoring. The coordinators shall set up live scoring on the *CricClubs* mobile app or any approved digital scoring platforms.
5. If a team is all out in less than its full quota of overs, its net run rate calculation 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.
6. Team captains shall assemble on the grounds at 8:00 am for a random draw for all four matches and determine the opposing teams for the tournament's group stage. The first ball will be bowled at 8.30 am. If a team cannot start at 8:30 am, then the captain of that team could speak to their opposing captain to start the game later with reduced overs. Such extensions would only be granted till 8.50am, when the maximum number of overs would be reduced to 18 per team. Thereafter penalties would be imposed on teams which delay after 8.50 am. Penalties would be based on reducing one over for every 5 minutes or part thereof.

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7. Each team is restricted to a maximum of 20 overs. Fielding restrictions shall apply to the first 6 overs of each innings (Powerplay overs). [ICC Rule 28.7.2]
8. The wicketkeeper is the only member of the "fielding" side permitted to wear protective gloves. Both batsmen are allowed to wear gloves while batting.
9. Lunch would be limited to one hour from the end of the first game. Penalties would be imposed for teams not starting in one hour in the same way as in the morning. The umpires would be told these rules and requested to adhere to them strictly.
10. The Yellow *Nivia* heavy tennis ball for cricket will be used in all tournaments. If the ball is changed, it must be done at least two months before the start of the tournament and with the consent of the captains of all the participating teams. If a ball to be used is agreed upon per rules above, then that ball would be used in all tournaments thereafter.
11. Each bowler is restricted to a maximum of 4 overs per innings (One over shall consist of six deliveries).
12. Switching of bowling ends after every over is required unless external factors such as ground dimensions or pitch conditions are restricted. In case of limitation arises, the bowling would be from the same side of the wicket for ten consecutive overs, and change ends permitted at the end of 10 overs or half the number of overs if in an interrupted match.
13. Any ball that passes down the leg side and behind the striker shall be interpreted as negative bowling and called "Wide". For each wide ball, a run and any runs completed by the batsman or a boundary allowance shall be scored as wide balls. All runs resulting from a wide ball shall be debited against the bowler, and one additional delivery shall be added for each wide ball. [ICC Rule 25:6]
14. The following rules would apply to No- Balls: [ICC Rule 25:6]
 - Front foot of a bowler is completely outside the batting crease or outside the pitch's boxed area. [ICC Rule 24:5,I]
 - Back foot lands in line outside the continuation of the pitch. [ICC Rule 24:5,ii] The committee of captains shall demarcate this area. This committee shall also have the right to change this rule to suit the community's welfare.
 - Bent elbow while delivering the over-arm ball. [ICC Rule 24:5,3]
 - Balls above the shoulder of the batsman. [ICC Rule 42:6,a]
 - Damaging the pitch after one warning. . [ICC Rule 42:11,12]
 - Balls pass or would have passed on the full above waist height. [ICC Rule 42:6,b]
15. For each no-ball a run and any runs completed by the batsman or a boundary allowance shall be credited to the striker if the bat and one additional delivery have struck ball shall be added for each no ball. [ICC Rule 25:6]

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16. A Free Hit will be allowed after a foot-fault no-ball; the delivery following a no-ball called for a foot fault (Law 24.5) shall be a free hit for whichever batsman is facing it. If the delivery for the free hit is not legitimate (any kind of no-ball or wide-ball), then the next delivery will become a free hit for whichever batsman is facing it.
17. For any free hit, the striker can be dismissed only under the circumstances that apply for a no ball, even if the delivery for the free hit is called wide ball. The umpires will signal a free hit by (after the normal No Ball signal) extending one arm straight upwards and moving it in a circular motion. [ICC Rule 24.2]
18. A batsman shall be deemed out if:
 - He is bowled (bails must fall off). [ICC Rule 30]
 - LBW, if we have neutral umpires. In such an event, an LBW shall be given only if the ball lands within the line of the stumps and at least one foot of the batsman is within the batting crease. [ICC Rule 36]
 - Stumped for being outside the crease while the ball is still live or until the ball is returned to the bowler for his next delivery. [ICC Rule 39]
 - Hit wicket [ICC Rule 35]
 - Caught off the bat or the region of the hand restricted from the wrist to the tips of the fingers. [ICC Rule 32]
 - Run out. [ICC Rule 38]
 - Mankading (If the non-striker is out of his ground from the moment the ball comes into play, to the instant when the bowler would normally have been expected to release the ball, the bowler is permitted to attempt to run him out).
19. In the event of substitution on the field, New Player (reserve) may not bat, bowl, keep wicket, or act as captain. The original player may return if he has recovered. To do this, umpires should be consulted before joining the team for fielding. A captain cannot object to the substitution or where the fielder stands. Suppose a fielder fails to take the field with his side at the start of the match or at any later time or leaves the field during a session of play. In that case, the umpire shall be informed of the reason for his absence, and he shall not thereafter come on to the field during a play session without the umpire's consent.
20. Neutral umpires shall officiate games. All Neutral umpires should have a good knowledge of the game. A neutral match referee shall also be appointed for each game. Failing this, the committee of captains shall submit the names of at least three players with a good knowledge of the game from their team, who will be called upon to umpire the game in which they are not playing. If a team or player does not cooperate with the decision of the committee that team shall be penalized at least 5 overs or 25 runs.
21. Team leader or coordinator/ captain of each team is responsible for building a team of players. Teams shall be grouped as Miami (includes Ft. Myers, Naples, Keys, Port Charlotte), Orlando (includes Daytona Beach, Ocala, Vero Beach, and Melbourne), Tampa (includes Venice, Tallahassee, and Gainesville), West Palm Beach (includes Stewart and Fort Lauderdale). If a Coordinator is not playing in the team, then that coordinator can appoint the team leader to assist with all team matters and issues and work together with the captain.

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22. Trophies will be awarded to the winning teams and the best-performing individuals. The Hosting team shall appoint a committee to decide on the selection of award winners.
23. Changes to rules would only be made after an agreement between the ten-person steering committee that includes the four current team captains, the four local coordinators, and the two tournament coordinators. These ten would be considered the steering committee for all decisions.
24. The city coordinator shall nominate a deputy coordinator to work alongside the current coordinator and as a replacement to step in the event of retirement/unavailability of the current coordinator to represent each city. These deputy coordinators would automatically be added to the steering committee for a quadrangular of a year the in the event of the retiring/unavailability of a coordinator for that year.
25. In the event of rain (any interruption), the number of overs in the innings of either team has to be revised to a lesser number than originally allotted (minimum of 5 overs), then a revised target score (to win) should be set using the program listed below for the number of overs which the team batting second will have the opportunity of facing. The revised target is to be calculated using DLS and one run less will constitute a Tie.
 - [Duckworth-Lewis-Calculator](#)
26. Each over above 5, one bowler will be able to bowl one more over. This increment will only be allowed for different bowlers for each increment above 10. In other words:
 - 5 overs – Each bowler is restricted to 1 over each
 - 6 overs – One bowler is allowed a maximum of 2 overs, and the rest of the bowlers are restricted to 1 over each
 - The same formula will be applied thereon
27. No Super Over (one-over eliminator) matches are permitted in a round-robin format (preliminary round) unless the team ranks are equal. During the final round, if the teams' scores are equal after both innings have been completed (if applicable under DLS method), then a Super Over shall be played. If the Super Over is a tie, then unless exceptional circumstances arise, subsequent Super Overs shall be played until there is a winner. If the overs cannot continue for any reason, the match result is declared a tie.
28. The use of a runner for the injured batsman is restricted without the opposition team's permission. If not granted, the batsman may consider retire-hurt and allowed only after the fall of the 9th wicket.
29. If the bails are used and due to wind, if one of the bails falls when the ball is live, then the batsman can be run out by dislodging the other bail. If both bails have fallen, then stumps must be uprooted with the ball touching the stumps.

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30. Usage of bails depends on the umpire and both playing team's captain's agreement. If the bails are not used and the fielding team hits the stumps to claim a run out first time and the batsman is in the crease, then fielder must uproot the stumps while trying to get the batsman run out again while the ball is still alive.
31. Players must be Florida residents. However, with prior approval from other teams, any team can play up to two players who have previously lived and played in the Sri Lankan Cricket Quadrangular Tournament.
32. Any member of the organizing committee will not be held liable for any accidents or injuries that a player may suffer while traveling to/from the grounds, while playing, or even simply spectating a game.