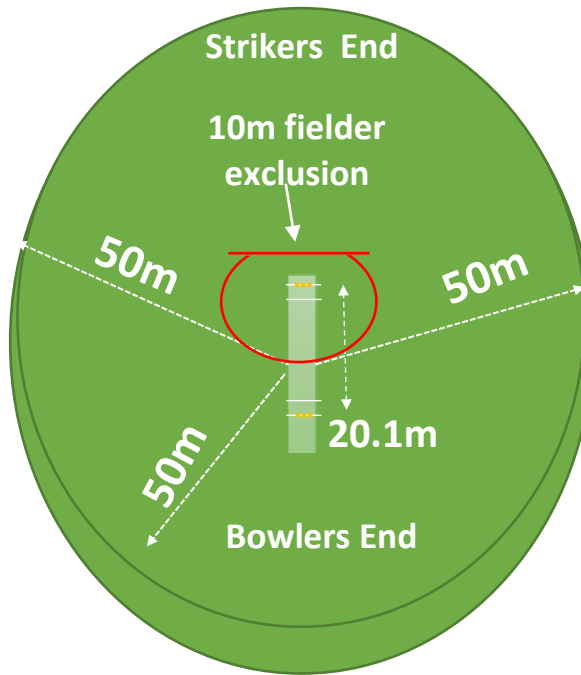






NEJCA U14 RULES 2024/2025

AGE	U14 as of 1 st September 2024
ELIBILITY	Players must be registered with NEJCA via Play HQ online before they can play.
BALL	NEJCA Two-Piece 142g Leather Ball
TWO-DAY MATCH	50 Overs maximum per side
ONE DAY MATCH	28 overs maximum per side
TIMES	Sunday: 8:30am - 12:00noon Matches must not go past 12:10pm
INNINGS	1 st Innings 8:30am - 10:10am 2 nd Innings: 10:20am - 12:00noon
TEAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 minimum to play, 13 maximum per team. • Recommended is 11 players per team. • 11 maximum on the field at any given time. • Sub fielders are required from the opposition team to make 11 fielders on the ground
EQUIPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helmet's must be worn at all times whilst batting & wicket-keeping. • Pads, Gloves and Protector must be worn at all times whilst batting & wicket-keeping. • Additional safety equipment can be worn based on match conditions or personal preference.
BOUNDARY AND PITCH LENGTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Length of the Pitch: 20.1m • Boundary is to be measured from the centre of the pitch with a tape measure: 50m Circle., marked with cones/rope. • Two sets of standard stumps with bails. • Chalk is required to mark the crease
Slips Fielders	Slips Fielders &/or a Gully Fielder are exempt from the 10m exclusion zone, however player safety must be a priority when setting fields



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ROTATION EXPERIENCE		It is required that batting orders/bowling orders and fielding positions are rotated around all the players in the team to ensure all players experience all the different positions within the Game of Cricket across the season																																										
COACHES DISCUSSION		The pre match discussion between coaches is very important and can prevent undesirable altercations during a junior cricket game.																																										
SUSPECT BOWLING ACTIONS		Coaches, please discuss at the pre-game discussion and alert spectators to the ongoing education of the player, this is NOT a no ball																																										



<p>BOWLING AND FIELDING</p> 	<p><u>Two-Day Matches</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All players must bowl a minimum of 3 overs (exception: wicketkeepers), with no player bowling more than 6 overs. All players must bowl a fourth & fifth over before any other player bowls a sixth. Opportunities for regular wicket keepers who show genuine interest in developing skills. If the wicket keepers change, the two wicket keepers must bowl two overs each. <p><u>One-Day Matches</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All players must bowl a minimum of 2 overs, with no playing bowling more than 4 overs. All players must bowl a third over (with the exception of the wicket keeper) before any other players bowl a fourth. If the wicket keepers change, each wicket keeper must bowl two overs. <p><u>Both One- & Two-Day Matches</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 balls per over maximum except the last over of each innings, where there is a maximum of 8 deliveries if 6 legal deliveries are not reached. Wides & no-balls will incur a 1 run penalty No fielders within 10 metres of the batter (exception: wicketkeeper). Teams with more than 11 players will be required to rotate fielders. 	<p>ADVERSE WEATHER</p>	<p>The full <u>Adverse Weather Policy</u> is available on the NEJCA Website: nejca.com.au</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme wet weather conditions may lead to an Association cancellation of games – notification will be via NEJCA Facebook If a ground is unsuitable for play, the home team may source an alternative suitable ground and notify the opposition by 6pm on the day prior for a Sunday game of alternative venue or cancellation of the game. If no cancellation all players from both teams must attend the ground ready to play <u>U14 SACA Umpired games</u> that are cancelled due to wet weather please notify nejcapresident@gmail.com asap, so the umpires can be notified of the cancellation. In the event of a Lightning flash followed by thunder less than 30 seconds later play must cease immediately - please refer to the policy for resumption of play. Heat guidelines refer to the BOM APP temperature at Windsor Gardens @ 12:30pm for a Sunday game, as published at 6:00pm on a Saturday, 38 degrees or above, matches will be cancelled.
<p>WIDE</p>	<p>Wide: Any ball passing outside the reach of a batting player in their normal batting stance that DOES NOT bounce off the pitch. Will incur a one run penalty.</p>	<p>SPIRIT OF CRICKET</p>	<p>Junior Community Cricket games should be played according to the Laws of Cricket AND within the Spirit of Cricket</p>
<p>NO BALL</p>	<p>No Ball: Full toss above waist height of the batter in a standing position - called by the square leg umpire.</p> <p>Above shoulder height of the batter, in an upright standing position from a short pitched ball - called by the square leg umpire</p> <p>A ball that bounces more than once OR rolls along the ground before it reaches the popping crease called by the square leg umpire.</p> <p>Any ball that lands or bounces off the pitch. The heel of the bowler's front foot lands on or in front of the popping crease</p> <p>A no ball will incur a one run penalty.</p>	<p>PLAY HQ</p>	<p>All team players names must be entered on Play HQ by 8pm on the Saturday evening prior to the match's commencement.</p>
<p>DEAD BALL</p>	<p>Dead Ball: The ball deviates from the edge of the wicket matting, concrete, or raised piece of turf.</p> <p>OR A fielder is inside the 10m exclusion zone prior to the batter hitting the ball/ball passing through to the wicketkeeper.</p> <p>Dead Balls ARE re bowled.</p>	<p>SCORING</p>	<p>Electronic scoring is encouraged - the home team may live score; the away team may off-line electronically score or book score.</p>
		<p>RESULTS</p>	<p>All Scores and Player statistics must be entered onto Play HQ by Tuesday evening following the conclusion of the match.</p>
		<p>UMPIRES</p>	<p>SACA Umpires will be appointed to U14 games on a rotational basis – please check the weekly NEJCA Coaches Newsletter to see which week you will have an Umpire/s</p>
		<p>NO CHATTER TO THE BATTER</p> <p>Season Dates</p>	<p>Teams, adults & players are to promote encouragement of all players from both teams. It is the coach's responsibility to ensure there is no sledging towards opposition players.</p> <p>Sunday 13th October – Sunday 15th December 2024 Sunday 12th January – Sunday 9th March 2025 SF Sunday 16th March & GF Sunday 23rd March No games scheduled Adelaide Test Match Weekend 2024 or Long Weekend January 2025</p>