

NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS' CUP – WEST REGION RULES, 2017

1. Each team will consist of 11 players and teams are to consist of pupils in S1-3.
2. If a school has entered both the National Secondary Schools' Cup and the Cricket Factory BIG Blast! for this current season, any player who has played in the Secondary Schools' Cup cannot then play in the BIG Blast!. However, if a player has played in the BIG Blast! first, they can then be 'promoted' to the Secondary Schools' Cup team.
3. Each school should provide one scorer and one umpire. (This can be the same person.)
4. All matches will be played using a 5 ½ oz cricket ball and on a 22-yard pitch.
5. A toss will take place, with the away team getting to 'call'. The winning team may choose whether they bat or bowl first.
6. Each innings will consist of 20 overs, or until the final wicket falls.
7. There is no limit to the number of runs that an individual batsman can score. A bowler may bowl no more than 4 overs.
8. All Laws of Cricket relating to methods of dismissal, and age-related guidance, apply.
9. The penalty for each no-ball and each wide ball will be 1 run. An extra delivery will be bowled immediately following each no-ball and each wide delivery. In addition, the delivery immediately following a front-foot 'no ball' will be a free-hit for whichever batter is on strike. (A field change is only permitted if the batters have swapped ends during the completion of the 'no ball' delivery.)
10. A wide ball is a delivery which the umpire judges that the batter cannot be reasonably expected to hit. (Please note that every delivery which passes on the leg-side of the batter should not be called as a 'wide ball'. Only deliveries which the umpire judges that the batter could not be reasonably expected to hit should be called as a 'wide ball'.)
11. The team which scores the greater number of runs will be declared as the winner. In the event of both teams scoring the same number of runs, the team which has lost fewer wickets will be declared the winner. If this still does not separate the teams, then the game should be decided by the teams playing a 'Super Over'. (Each team bats for one further over, which is bowled by one bowler. If a team loses 2 wickets in that over, their innings is immediately declared closed. Again, the higher total wins. If this does not separate the teams, wickets are taken into account. If still tied, another 'Super Over' occurs...until a winner is found.)
12. The winning school should e-mail Tim Hart (timhart@cricketscotland.com) with the result and a short score including details of any batsman who has scored 30+ and any bowler who has taken 3+ wickets. For example: School A 120/0 (20 overs), A Player 88* lost to School B 121/9 (19.5 overs) B Player 55, C Player 4/19.
13. The team which wins the West Region Tournament will proceed to National Finals' Day on Tuesday 13th June 2017. All matches at Finals' Day will also be played with 30-yard fielding circle rules in operation – only 2 fielders are allowed outside this area during the first 6 overs of the innings, with a maximum of 5 being permitted outside for the remaining overs. (If, and only if, both schools agree, this rule may be adopted during any West Region Tournament match too.)