

GEOFF RICHARDS TROPHY (U11)

(leading to the ESCA Saracens Cup)



PLAYING REGULATIONS: (Geoff Richards Trophy)

1. The Laws of Cricket - 2017 Code, including the size of bat, ball and wicket, will apply, with the following exceptions:
2. Each team will consist of 8 players who will bat in pairs. Squads for 1-day tournaments may be of up to ten players.
3. Each pair of batters will bat for three consecutive overs. If the Group Phase is played as a 1-day tournament, this may be reduced to 2 overs per pair.
4. No bowler may bowl more than two overs in any one game.
5. The wicketkeeper may not bowl.
6. In the event of an injury to a player a substitute will be allowed on the field but not bowl. Should such an injury prevent the player from batting, a substitute from the team's squad will be allowed to bat.
7. Each team will commence its innings with a score of 200. When a batter is out for any reason five runs will be deducted from the total. Otherwise runs will be scored in the normal way.
8. If a batter is dismissed he/she will not face the next delivery, even if this means changing ends.
9. The pitch shall be **17 yards** long.
10. The ball shall be 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. 1 new ball provided by the home side will be used for each match. SSCA will provide the match balls for the Finals Day.
11. Wides and No-balls will count for 2 penalty runs. No extra ball will be given for a wide or no-ball unless this occurs in the last over of an innings.
12. Any delivery bouncing more than twice, or rolling, before it reaches the striker will be called a no-ball.
13. No-one may field within 11 yards of the wicket, measured from the middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off-side. A fielder may move into the restricted area to make a catch or to field a ball provided he was outside the area when the stroke was made.
14. The captain is in sole charge on the field and any coaching from the side by team managers or parents is to be discouraged.
15. The ECB Fast Bowling Directives will apply (Total number of overs in a day).
16. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches according to age (see *APPENDIX C*).