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1. AFFILIATION

All clubs must submit their Affiliation form by the 1st Delegates meeting of the season. The Affiliation fee must be paid by the 1st of October. Team nominations are due as and when requested by the Management Committee and are to include a nominated plate umpire per team. Additional base duties will be allocated to the club when a plate umpire has not been nominated.

2. DEFINITIONS

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| Junior Player | is any member of the Association who is eligible to play in junior competition grades as specified by Central Districts Softball Association |
| Member | is any member of any club affiliated with the Association and includes umpires, scorers and players; however, members do not have to be affiliated with any club to be considered a member of the Association (e.g. independent umpires, Honorary Life Members etc) |
| Senior Player | is any member of the Association who is eligible to play in senior competition grades and cannot be defined as a junior player |
| SSA | Softball South Australia |
| SAL | Softball Australia |

3. TEAM NOMINATIONS

a) Number of Teams

- (i) The Secretary must receive all team nominations no later than the date specified annually by the Management Committee.
- (ii) Where a club nominates more than one team in a grade, clubs must nominate which team is considered the higher graded team.

b) Club Uniform

- (i) Every Club shall be required to register its uniform style, colour, number placement, etc., as stipulated on the affiliation form. Such registration will be subject to the approval of the Management Committee.
- (ii) New or existing clubs wishing to register/ alter their uniform shall submit their preferred design and colours to the Management Committee for approval.
- (iii) Where a club has several items of uniform that are interchangeable, each player will have the right to choose which item of clothing he/she wears, so long as the items are of the same style and colour.

c) **Non-playing Members**

All non-playing members of the Association will be registered via the Sports TG database in the relevant category (i.e. Official or Off-Diamond) and shall pay a fee as fixed by SSA.

d) **Withdrawal/Late nomination of Teams**

Should a Club withdraw a team (or teams) or submit a team (or teams) after nominations have been accepted at a date determined annually by the Management committee, it shall incur a fine as set annually by the Management Committee. Submission of teams after the nomination date will be at the discretion of the Management Committee.

e) **Defunct Clubs**

All financial members of the Association registered with a defunct Club shall be eligible for registration with any other Club within this Association without incurring a further registration fee to the Association.

4. REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER OF PLAYERS

a) **Registration**

- (i) All players and officials with the Association shall be required to be registered with the Association and shall pay a registration fee, fixed annually by Softball South Australia. Honorary Life members (player or official) are required to register and pay the prescribed fee, and may provide the CDSA Treasurer with proof of payment for their refund.
- (ii) Registration of Players and Officials is completed within the Sports TG membership database. The Softball Australia Registration form captures the minimum registration information required to play softball at CDSA. New players, playing their first game who have not been entered into the membership database, must have their name and details entered on the score card for that game.
- (iii) Any new player or official not registered in this season may compete in a maximum of 3 weeks of minor round games only without registering. Such new players / officials shall be recorded on the rear of the match card with the words "Fill-in" notated next to their name. Please note this does not apply to members who have previously been registered with CDSA or another association within the last 7 years.
- (iv) All new players/officials must be registered before they take the field for their fourth game. The registration fee must be paid prior to midnight of the preceding day on which the fourth game is played. Penalties will apply if the player/official is not correctly registered.
- (v) The player/official must be eligible to represent your club (e.g. not registered elsewhere, not un-financial elsewhere, etc.) and be eligible to participate in softball in accordance with CDSA Bylaws. All applications for permits are to be submitted in accordance with Clause 4. d).

- (vi) A member who has registered as an official and decides to compete as a player in the same season **MUST** amend & pay their registration from official to player prior to midnight of the day on which they participated in a game as a player. Penalties will apply if the player is not correctly registered.

Failure to comply with parts (i) to (vi) above will result in a penalty for playing an “Unregistered Player” - Appendix B – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties.

- (vii) For members playing in an age dependant grade (i.e. U16, U14, U12, T-ball), proof of date of birth must be supplied to their club registrar when registering on the Sports TG database. Clubs may be required to show proof of age if requested by CDSA.
Proof of age may be a copy of the member's:
- Birth Certificate
 - Student Identification Card
 - Passport
 - Letter from the members school
- (viii) Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Managers or Sports trainers working or volunteering with children under the age of 18, must provide evidence of a current Working With Children Check, as legislated by a number of South Australian Child and Vulnerable Persons Protection Acts, unless they are in an approved exempt category.
- (ix) Clubs can initiate checks for new members, and must provide evidence of checks to CDSA Management when requested

b) **Clearances**

- (i) Once a player has registered and played with a Club in any one season, he/she must remain with that Club for the remainder of that season. A permit to transfer within the season may be considered for extenuating circumstances. Only one clearance per player per season within the Association will be allowed. Clearances are to be approved by the Club for which the player had previously been playing via the Sports TG player record system.
- (ii) Applications for Clearances
- a. Applications for clearance from one Club to another within the Central Districts Softball Association will only be permitted until the 31st December in any given season. Applications for clearances to the Central Districts Softball Association from other Associations shall be received at any time. All clearance requests will be completed via the Sports TG membership database request system, where a player has a membership record in the database.

- b. The Club from whom the player is seeking a clearance must be satisfied all outstanding matters relating to the player are completed prior to the granting of the clearance.
- c. All applications for clearances must be logged within the Sports TG membership database by no later than Thursday 9:00pm prior to the match.
- d. Club Registrations officials will have 14 days to respond to clearance requests, after which they will be automatically granted.
- e. If a player is not in the registration database but has previously played in an Australian competition governed by SAL within the last seven (7) years, the Club requesting the player should e-mail the Secretary of the last club, including the Registrations Director of CDSA, to request clearance.

c) Clearance Appeals

- (i) Disputes related to outstanding matters, including bad financial standing or unreturned property, will be referred to the CDSA Registrations Director and Management Committee Executive for adjudication. The decision of this committee shall be final.

d) Permits

- (i) Players registered and competing with CDSA may compete in competition matches for other Associations upon obtaining a permit. Players not intending to compete in CDSA will require a clearance.
- (ii) Players may be permitted to compete in competition matches for clubs in Central Districts Softball Association from another Association in which they are a registered player, after obtaining a permit via the Clearance and Permit request system of the Sports TG Database.
- (iii) All applications for permits must be logged within the Sports TG membership database, by no later than Thursday 9:00pm prior to the match.

5. PLAYING QUALIFICATIONS

a) Eligibility for Players

- (i) Players may not compete in a team more than one (1) division lower than the division in which they were previously qualified, in any SAL competition within the last two (2) years.
- (ii) To compete in a major round a player must play in a minimum of 30% of scheduled minor round games for the team they are intending to represent.
- (iii) Where a player plays more than one game in the senior competition for any given minor round, the game played in the highest grade in that round will be determined as the qualifying game.

- (iv) Where a player competes in an equal number of qualifying games for two or more grades the player is deemed to have qualified in the highest grade for major round games.
- (v) Once a player has qualified for a lower grade, they are eligible to compete in a major round game for any higher grade.
- (vi) In the event of any Club fielding two or more teams in the one grade of a competition, players may be permitted to transfer from one team to another, provided that the number "one" team is regarded as the higher team, thus being subject to the usual playing qualifications- 5. a) (i)-(v).
- (vii) No Club may forfeit a higher senior grade game while fielding a team in a lower senior grade. If a higher senior grade team forfeits, the lower grade senior game(s) for that round will also forfeit for that day.
Exception: If the forfeit occurs because of an injury during the game, lower grade teams are not required to forfeit.
- (viii) A club must submit a permit request for a player to play in a match they would otherwise be ineligible to play. The Management Committee shall appoint an Assessment Panel. The player must be appropriately assessed, and the player may play in any matches subject to conditions imposed by the Assessment Panel. (see appendix 'C' for Permit Policy and Procedures)

b) Eligibility for Junior Players

- (i) Only players under the specified age as at 31st day of December in the current season of competition may play in underage grades.
- (ii) Junior players must only play in their age appropriate group (e.g. a 15-year-old player cannot play in an U14 game, etc.) if they are playing in the junior competition, except for permitted players.

c) Eligibility for Junior Players competing in Senior Competition

- (i) Junior players 13 years or older, are eligible to compete in senior grades. Junior players 12 years and under may compete but must have written consent of the parent or guardian. The club will accept responsibility by providing supporting information for this permit in the form of an assessment of the player's ability. This process shall also apply to 4 year old's wishing to play Tball.
- (ii) Junior players who have not qualified as per 5. a) (ii) in a senior grade, are eligible to compete in any senior major round game, provided they have qualified in their junior grade.

d) Major Round Permits

- (i) If any junior or senior player is unable to obtain qualification in at least 30% of minor round games for a grade/division, that player may apply for a permit for the major round competition. The Secretary must receive all permit applications by 6pm the Monday following the last minor round match.
- (ii) Major round permits will consider extraordinary circumstances such as: games cancelled due to weather, injury, or late registration of new players (i.e. a new player is one not registered in the association in the

previous season). Acceptable reasons should be provided for all missed games and accompanied with evidence.

6. PLAYING RULES

a) **Grades**

- (i) All grades shall be determined by the Management Committee.
- (ii) There will be no mixed competition except in specific mixed gender junior grades.

b) **Number of Players**

- (i) Teams in Division 1 must commence the game with at least 9 players (10 - when using a DP/Flex) but **may** finish with a minimum of 7 if injury and lack of available legal substitutes occurs. 2019/20 – This shall also apply to teams in Division 2 during the joined minor round draw.
- (ii) Teams in lower Senior Divisions and all Junior grades must commence and complete the game with a minimum of 7 players.
- (iii) In the event of a team being unable to continue the game, due to having less than 7 players and no available legal substitute, the game will end and become a forfeit in favour of the non-offending team, except:
 - a) T-ball – unlimited substitutions are permitted, and
 - b) U12 – In the event of injury or illness to a player where there is no legal substitute available, a replacement player may be used.
- (iv) A player may not be listed on more than one scorecard of games occurring at the same time. The only exception is a player may leave a game to take the place of a player injured in a higher-grade game to avoid forfeit. A time limit of five minutes will be allowed for a substitute to be found.

c) **Junior Grades**

The pitching distance, diamond and ball size varies between the Junior Divisions, and are specified according to age. The following shall apply:

- (i) U15 Mixed Grades & Below – the softballs used shall be 11” and pitched over a distance of 40’. Base paths shall be 60’. (Exception Tball and U12 Modball as per respective rule books).
- (ii) U16 Grades & Above – the softballs used shall be 12” and pitched over a distance of 43’. Base paths shall be 60’.
- (iii) Each innings shall cease after seven runs have passed home plate and any subsequent play has been completed. A maximum of seven runs will be recorded per inning. (Exception – T-ball)
- (iv) In mixed gender grade games above U14’s, a boy will only be allowed to pitch a maximum of 2 complete innings or part thereof. A boy must pitch to a girl catcher.
- (v) There will be no Intentional Base on Balls.

d) **Balls**

Two identical brand and condition optic yellow ASF approved match balls are to be supplied by the first named team.

e) **Uniforms**

All players must be in full Club uniform after the player's third week of games. Permits will only be issued by the Management Committee when there is supporting evidence from the supplier. Numbers of uniforms shall be within the range 1 - 99 inclusive. No metal cleats shall be worn.

Junior players in junior age division games, must wear a hat (unless unable due to wearing a facemask), and sleeves that fully cover the shoulders, for the duration of the game including pre-game warm-up.

Protective face shields/masks are compulsory for all junior grade pitchers. Facemasks may be worn by players in any position, with or without a hat, with or without a helmet. Priority is to the protection of the face.

f) **Games – Minor Round**

- (i) The score of a called regulation game in Minor Rounds for all Divisions, shall be the score after 75 minutes from the scheduled start of play (except for Div 1 & 2, who will complete the even innings). In all grades no new innings will commence with 5 minutes or less remaining of the scheduled allocated game duration.
 - In an incomplete innings, to determine the final score refer to decision chart Appendix A .
- (ii) If games are late in commencing because of umpire delays, then the full 75 minutes should be played from the actual start time - with the umpire advising both coaches the "end" time of the game
- (iii) A game called by the Umpire shall be regulation if 45 minutes has elapsed, or 2 or more complete innings have been played (or if the team second at bat has scored more runs than the team first at bat has scored in 2 or more innings).
- (iv) Both teams must be on the diamond and in their allocated bench areas a minimum of fifteen minutes before the game is scheduled to start. The first named team will bat first.
- (v) The allotted time before a forfeit is called shall be ten minutes from the scheduled starting time. Any team forfeiting any match shall incur a penalty as set annually by the Management Committee.
- (vi) Each team will be allowed 1 declaration during the game whilst batting. This declaration can only be made by the team ahead on runs at the time.
- (vii) 2019/20 – In the combined Division 1 & 2, and 3 & 4 minor rounds, when a Division 1 team plays against a Division 2 team, and a Division 3 team plays against a Division 4 team each innings shall cease after five runs have passed home plate and any subsequent play has been completed. A maximum of five runs will be recorded per inning

g) Games – Major Round

In addition to Bylaws 6. c) (i)-(v), and 6. f) (ii)-(vi):

- (i) All junior major round matches shall be a duration of no more than 75 minutes provided that they complete the even innings.
- (ii) The highest competing grade in the association will play a maximum of 120 minutes or 7 even innings (whichever occurs first). All other Senior major round matches shall be a duration of no more than 90 minutes provided that they complete the even innings.
- (iii) In the Qualifying- and Semi-finals the team finishing higher on the minor round premiership ladder will choose who will bat first. In the Grand-final, the team qualifying to play in the Grand-final first will choose who will bat first.
- (iv) In all grades no new innings will commence with 5 minutes or less remaining of the scheduled allocated game duration. In the event of a tied score, a tiebreak will commence.
- (v) At the beginning of each season the Management Committee will decide on a plan to manage the situation if a major round game is abandoned due to inclement conditions.

h) Throwing the Bat

Any batter who throws a bat that endangers a player, spectator or official shall be called out by the Plate Umpire.

i) Scorecards

- (i) The first named team shall supply the scorecard.
- (ii) Scorecard details to be printed in ink pen, **not pencil**.
- (iii) Substitutions are not to be entered on the scorecard unless players take part in the game. The innings must be shown when a substitute enters the game.
- (iv) Scorecards are to be held by the Plate Umpire whilst each match is in progress. All substitutions and pitching changes must be entered on the scorecard before play recommences.
- (v) At the end of the match the Plate Umpire will check both scorebooks before entering the final score, and then complete all details on the scorecard. In the event of a scorecard handed in with no score there on, the first base bench scoresheet shall be classified as official.
- (vi) It is the winning team's obligation, and in the event of a tied game, the first-named teams obligation to ensure that the scorecard is correctly completed and placed in the score box within 20 minutes of the completion of the final game on the day of the match. Failure to do so will incur a penalty as set by the Management Committee.
- (vii) In the event of a forfeit the scorecard must be completed and submitted by the team receiving the forfeit within 20 minutes of the completion of the final game on the day of the forfeit, to enable all eligible players to be credited with a match. Failure to do so will mean no premiership points will be awarded for that match.

j) **Premiership Table**

- (i) The Records Officer shall maintain a weekly premiership table during the minor rounds for all grades except T-ball.
- (ii) The positions in each grade shall be determined by wins and runs against. Teams are to be credited with 2 points for a win and 1 point for a draw.
- (iii) Teams equal on points shall be separated by runs scored against, with the team with the least runs against being higher on the premiership table.
- (iv) If the teams still cannot be separated, then a percentage of runs for versus runs against shall be used.
- (v) If still unable to separate, then the team which won the last head to head match between the 2 teams shall be the higher placed.

7. UMPIRES

- a) If an umpire is not scheduled to umpire at the game, or the umpire fails to arrive the first named team will be responsible for the supplying of a suitable Plate Umpire for the game. The second named team will be responsible for supplying two (2) base umpires for the game.
- b) Any Club which fails to supply its total allocation of umpires on any given match day will be deemed to have committed an offence, and will be penalised.
- c) A fine will be imposed on any Club or independent umpire inappropriately attired or equipped.
- d) The Umpires shall be responsible for the selection of the 3 best players in each game for grades eligible for a Best and Fairest award. Their names & clubs shall be written in order of merit on the "Best & Fairest" slip provided. The Plate Umpire will then place the sealed envelope in the voting tin provided, on the day of the game within 20 minutes of the completion of the final game of the day.

8. MISCONDUCT

Misconduct is an infringement against the Code of Conduct/Member Protection Policy directed toward a player, playing official or spectator of the game that is considered not in the spirit of the game. Breaches will be reported to the Secretary of the Management Committee who will initiate the process in accordance with the Member Protection Policy.

a) **Tribunal**

- (i) The Management Committee shall establish a Tribunal to hear and deal with any reports of misconduct or infringement of the CDSA Constitution, Bylaws or Policies.
- (ii) The Tribunal shall consist of persons appointed by the Management Committee and any three shall sit on a Tribunal at any one time.
- (iii) The Tribunal shall be provided with administrative support in the conduct of the proceedings.

- (iv) The members of this Tribunal shall, comprise persons who have a sporting knowledge or background but have no direct relationship to any member before the Tribunal.

b) Powers

The Tribunal shall have the power to suspend, fine or direct Clubs, Teams or Members of the Association to undertake such remedial action as they determine.

c) Timings

- (i) The person responsible for lodging the complaint shall advise the Association Secretary, stating terms of the complaint, in which the incident arose. Such report shall be set down in writing and lodged within 48 hours of the conclusion of the match in which the incident occurred. Failure to comply with this procedure shall render the report invalid.
- (ii) The Tribunal shall meet during the week following the receipt of the report to adjudicate the matter.
- (iii) The Secretary shall provide to the reported person a copy of the umpire's report.
- (iv) The Secretary shall provide details of the Tribunal (venue, date, time, etc.) and a brief description of the report to the reported persons Club Secretary.

9. PROTESTS

- a) Protest Committees shall be the Umpires Director or his/her nominee, and any 2 Umpires appointed by the Director. They must not in any way be associated with the game being protested.
- b) For all minor round matches, the Umpires Director is to be notified of any protest in writing within 48 hours of completion of the game in which the incident occurred.
- c) In all major round matches, a protest committee shall receive protests verbally at the time of the protest. The protest shall be adjudicated before the re-commencement of play. Time taken to adjudicate the protest will be added to the game time.
- d) The Protest Committee is to adjudicate at a closed hearing. All Protest Committee decisions are binding. No appeals will be entered into.
- e) For protested matches being replayed, the following rules apply for the team line-up:
 - (i) All players must be eligible to play under Bylaw 5 for the day the game was originally played. All available players shall play. The players not available shall be substituted.
 - (ii) The original players that do play must be in the same position in the batting order.
 - (iii) The previous scorebook shall be available to the umpires for the purpose of judging Best Player Votes. Only the parts of the game prior to the protest shall be considered.

10. FEES, FINES AND PENALTIES

All fees and fines as determined by the Management Committee shall be paid on the due date as listed in the Schedule of Fees, Fines and Penalties. Any Club failing to pay all monies due to the Association on or before the due date may have its teams barred from taking part in competition matches until such time as all outstanding monies are paid. Unfinancial Clubs that take the diamond may incur a penalty for those matches played.

11. PENALTIES AND SUSPENSIONS

a) Persons Under Suspension

Any person under suspension or disqualification shall be barred from playing or taking part in any match under the control of Softball Australia. Should any Club permit a suspended or disqualified person to participate during the term of their suspension, the team concerned shall forfeit the match.

b) Forfeiture of Rights and Privileges

Any affiliated body, Club, team or person under suspension shall, during such period of suspension, forfeit all rights and privileges held under or in the Association or its property, and its members shall be barred from taking part in any match played under the auspices of the Association.

c) Endorsement of Suspension

The Management Committee shall endorse any suspension or disqualification imposed by any controlling body of softball, either in or outside of South Australia, provided that the notification of suspension or disqualification is received in writing.

d) Violation of Registration and Playing Qualification Rules

- (i) The penalty against a Club or player for violating these rules shall be as the Management Committee determines if not specifically stipulated in these Bylaws.
- (ii) Any Club breaching these rules shall be notified by the Records Officer of such breach within 7 days.

e) Eligibility for Awards

If a player comes before the Tribunal and is found guilty of the charge; the said player shall not be eligible for any Association awards.

12. ASSOCIATION UNIFORMS

- a) The uniform of the Association shall be a design approved by the Management Committee and incorporating the colours of red, white and blue. Notwithstanding anything contained within these by-laws, the Management Committee may determine any other uniform considered advisable for representative teams.
- b) No bond shall be payable on the loan of Association uniforms, however should uniforms not be returned in good order to the Association Uniforms

Officer by the 2nd Saturday following the Championships, the players concerned shall be ineligible to play for their Club and the suspension shall remain in force until such time as the uniforms are returned.

- c) A list of such offending players shall be displayed on the noticeboard.
- d) Should uniforms be returned in an unsatisfactory condition (as determined by the uniform officer) player/s concerned shall be responsible for the cost of such repair or replacement of such uniforms and until such amount has been paid, the player/s concerned are to be ineligible to play in any match conducted under the auspices of the Association.
- e) Association uniforms must be issued with a circular outlining the exact method of return.

13. ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE SIDES

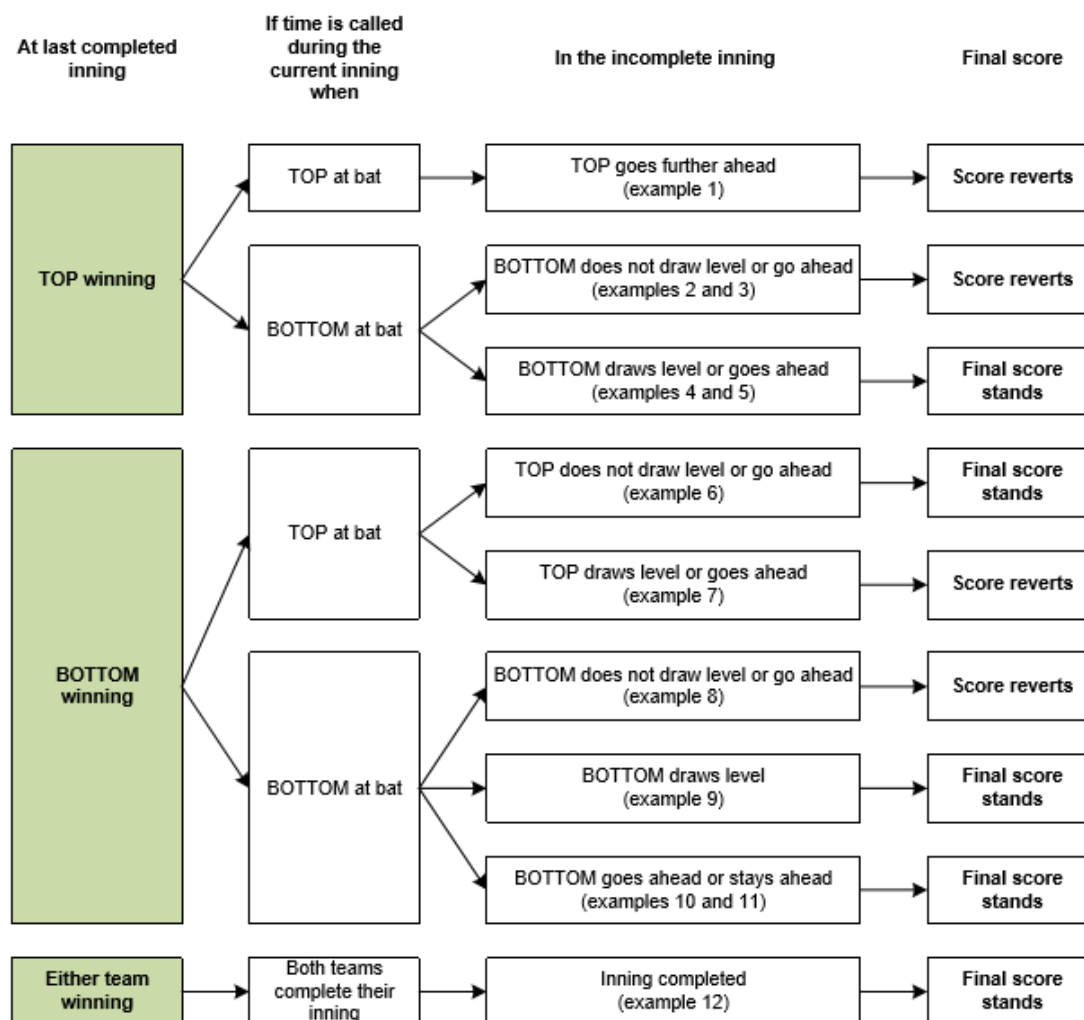
All players, coaches, umpires and officials registered to CDSA and intending to participate in Representative teams shall make themselves available to CDSA teams in the first instance.

14. ASSOCIATION TROPHIES

Association trophies are determined and awarded in the following manner:

- a) **Best and Fairest and Runner-up Best and Fairest** (in each grade) determined from the Votes collected each match throughout the season. Votes for each team will be tallied separately. Any trophies determined from the "Best & Fairest" votes shall not be subject to count back.
- b) **Association Person of the year** (Player or Non Player)
Nominations for Association Person of the Year must be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary by the last minor round. Nominations should describe in sufficient detail how the activity has benefited the association. The winner of this award will be determined by the management committee. The management committee may, if deemed necessary, invite a member/s of the association to assist in adjudicating nominations. Should the management committee determine that no nomination has sufficiently addressed the criteria, no award shall be made for that season.
- c) **Player of the Year** The player who polls the highest average number of "Best & Fairest" votes in a single grade. The total number of votes for the player will be divided by the number of scheduled games for that grade to give a vote percentage.
- d) **Umpiring Trophies** the Umpire's Director may award trophies for Senior Umpire, Junior Umpire, First Year Umpire and Encouragement awards.
- e) **State Championship Awards** to be made at the Management Committee's discretion.

Appendix A – Incomplete Inning Decision Chart



Incomplete inning examples

| # | At the last completed inning | In the final (incomplete) inning | Result |
|----|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | TOP leading 7–5 | TOP scores more runs | BOTTOM does not bat Score reverts to 7–5 |
| 2 | TOP leading 7–5 | TOP does not score | BOTTOM scores less than 2 runs Score reverts to 7–5 |
| 3 | TOP leading 7–5 | TOP scores 3 runs | BOTTOM scores less than 5 runs Score reverts to 7–5 |
| 4 | TOP leading 7–5 | TOP scores 3 runs | BOTTOM scores 5 runs Score stands at 10–10 |
| 5 | TOP leading 7–5 | TOP scores 3 runs | BOTTOM scores 6 runs Score stands at 10–11 |
| 6 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 3 runs | BOTTOM does not bat Score stands at 5–6 |
| 7 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 4 runs | BOTTOM does not bat Score reverts to 2–6 |
| 8 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 4 runs | BOTTOM scores less than 2 runs Score reverts to 2–6 |
| 9 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 6 runs | BOTTOM scores 2 runs Score stands at 8–8 |
| 10 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 6 runs | BOTTOM scores 3 runs Score stands at 8–9 |
| 11 | BOTTOM leading 2–6 | TOP scores 2 runs | BOTTOM does not score Score stands at 4–6 |
| 12 | BOTTOM leading 4–7 | TOP scores 5 runs | BOTTOM scores 1 run and completes the inning Score stands at 9–8 |

Appendix B – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties

Fees

| Description | Charge | Due Date |
|--|---|--|
| <u>Club Affiliation</u> | \$100.00 | By 1 st October each year |
| <u>Softball SA Player or Official Registration & Insurance Fee</u> | Paid via the registration database | By date of first game, except for "Come and Try"- allowed for 3 weeks – new to softball only. |
| <u>Softball SA Independent Umpire Registration & Insurance Fee</u> | Paid via the registration database | |
| <u>Match Fees (per match)</u> Senior Teams Junior Teams U12/Modball Teams T-ball Teams | \$95.00/ game / team \$80.00 / game / team \$400/season \$200/season | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Canteen Hire Fee</u> <i>*For use of Canteen facilities</i> Oil when using Fryer | \$100 per week \$30 per week | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Withdrawal of Teams</u> After nominations close | \$100.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Late Nomination of Team</u> After nominations close | \$50.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Forfeit of match</u> Senior Team Junior Team (U12 and Tball – no charge) | \$95.00 \$80.00 | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Unregistered Player/Official</u> First offence Further offences – same player Winning Team Losing Team <i>*A player shall be deemed unregistered if they do not comply with Section 4a) of the CDSA Bylaws.</i> | \$50.00 Forfeit and \$100.00 \$100.00 | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Ineligible Player</u> Winning Team Losing Team | Forfeit and \$50 \$50.00 | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |

Appendix B – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties cont'd

Fines & Penalties

| Description | Charge | Due Date |
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| <u>Player out of Uniform</u> | \$20.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Umpires Missing</u> 1 st & 2 nd Offence | \$50 per Umpire/Club | 14 days from date of invoice |
| Subsequent Offences | \$75.00 per Umpire/ Club | 14 days from date of invoice |
| Independent Umpire | \$50.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Umpires Inappropriately Attired</u> | \$20.00 per Umpire | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Untidy Bench Areas</u> | \$50.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Late Scorecards</u> <i>*No points awarded until scorecard received by Records & Clearance Officer</i> | \$20.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Non-Attendance at Compulsory CDSA Meetings</u> | \$50.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Frivolous Protest</u> | \$30.00 | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Un-Financial Club</u> | Management Committee Discretion | 14 days from date of invoice |
| <u>Club Room Hire</u> Regular group hirers Clubs Hiring for a Meeting Clubs Hiring for a Function CDSA Member for Private Function Private Function non- CDSA Member Kitchen access for function Optional cleaning fee | \$10/hour \$10/hour (min. \$20) \$100, \$100 deposit \$100, \$100 deposit \$150, \$150 deposit \$25 \$50 | 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice 14 days from date of invoice |

Appendix C

CDSA Policy and Procedure for assessing and granting permits.

As per Bylaw 5 (a) (viii)-

A club must submit a permit request for a player to play in a match they would otherwise be ineligible to play. The Management Committee shall appoint an Assessment Panel consisting of 1 member from each affiliated club. The player must be appropriately assessed, and the player may play in any matches subject to conditions imposed by the Assessment Panel.

There are 3 types of permits regularly applied for:

1. A player applies to play finals matches they would otherwise be ineligible to play. This may be due to playing an insufficient number of games during the season, or applying to play in a lower grade than the player qualified in. Permits of this nature will only be considered for extenuating circumstances. The committee will take into consideration weeks the player was injured, unexpected work commitments, or matches cancelled by CDSA due to weather concerns.

2. A player wishes to play in a higher grade than their age allows.

This would apply to a 4-year old wishing to play T-ball, or a 12-year old wishing to play in the senior competition.

The player concerned may compete but must have written consent of the parent or guardian. Additionally, the club will accept responsibility for ensuring the player's mental aptitude and physical ability is sufficient to cope by providing supporting information for this permit in the form of an assessment of the player's ability.

A permit is not required for a junior age player to compete in a higher junior grade (e.g. a T-ball player playing in U12 etc), however the club will take responsibility to ensure the player is competent to play safely in that grade.

3. A player wishes to play in a lower grade than they are otherwise qualified to play in (either by age or by previous season qualifications)

Permits of this nature will not be considered for such reasons as "we need them for numbers in that grade", or "she wants to play with her friends". It will only be considered for cases that it is unsafe or inappropriate for that player to play in their relevant qualified grade. This may be due to physical or mental disability, physical stature, inexperience or injury. In such cases The Assessment panel will conduct an assessment which may include up to 3 games to ensure the level of play is appropriate for the grade they wish to play in. Factors assessed will include size, strength, endurance and game knowledge.

The Assessment panel may impose a restriction on the permit at their discretion which must be followed, or the permit will be considered void. For example: An U16 player is granted a permit to play U13 due to factors considered above. If the player subsequently plays a game in U16, the permit to play U13 will be revoked. If circumstances around a restriction change, the player may apply for a review.

Bylaw Change History

This appendix documents all changes that have occurred to the bylaws since 8/5/2006. New changes between revisions are indicated by the section being underlined.

| Revision | Section(s) Changed |
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| 20060508 | 3 (a) (i),(ii),(iii) modified 3 (a) (iv), (v), (vi) deleted |
| 20060608 | 12 completely rewritten Appendix A added |
| 20060828 | 4 (a)(ii),(iii),(iv) & (e) modified |
| 20070115 | 5 (h)(x) added |
| 20071115 | 5 (h)(i) modified Bylaw Change History/Bylaw Update procedure Added. |
| 20080102 | 12 (b) Modified for season 2007/08 |
| 20080102 | 5 (b) (e) updated to change age group from under 14's to under16's |
| 20080102 | 5 (h) (ix) re written to update declaration rule |
| 20080226 | Added 12 (h) Not withstanding bylaw 12(g) all junior players must make themselves available for there respective age groups |
| 20080226 | Added 5 (d) iii Not withstanding playing rules & qualifications 5(d) a player can no be listed on more than one scorecard for any one timeslot. |
| 20081127 | Updated 4 (a) (i), (b) (ii) (iv) playing qualification changed |
| 20081127 | Updated 5 (h) (i) (ii) Modified |
| 20081127 | Updated 7 (g) Modified |
| 20090107 | Updated 5 (h) (x) modified declaration rule |
| 20090107 | Updated 5 (h) (ix) added 5 minute rule |
| 20091026 | Added new Section 2 AFFILIATION Updated Sections 3 and 4. Updated Section 5 and added Section 5c) Eligibility for Junior Players competing in Senior Competition. All other Bylaws numbering updated. Updated Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties and added to Bylaws after Appendices. |
| 20091104 | Added new Sections 4b)(ii)(b) & 4b)(ii)(c) Added new Sections 4d)(ii), 4d)(iv) & 4d)(v) Added new Sections 5a)(iii), 5a)(iv) & 5a)(viii) Added new Section 6a)(i)(a) Amended 6c)(i) Added new Section 6c)(ii) Amended 6e) Amended Fees, Fines & Penalties |
| 20101123 | Added new section Definitions Amended Clause 9 Misconduct in its entirety |
| 20110722 | Amended Clause 10 Misconduct Amended clause 10d)(v) Amended clause 10e)(iv) |
| 20111020 | Updated Fee's Fines & Penalties Moved 4 a iii to be 5 a iii and renumbered rest of 5 a from iii to iv etc Altered wording on 6 a iii from Upon completion of Round 1 to Upon completion of Week 6 Insert of new by law 5 d v and renumbered 5 d v to vi etc of that section Amend 7 a i a from Modball to U13's Amend 7 iv to (9 years and older are ineligible to play tee ball) Plus fixing up of minor renumbering errors from insertions from 20091104 |

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| 20111114 | <p>Inserting numbers for 7 e iii & iv where the numbering was missing and altering 7 e iv to reflect max runs of seven per innings now</p> <p>Putting headings into section 7 H to better describe what relates to Minor Round and Major Round games</p> <p>Insertion of new rule 7 h iii re run limit for senior grades below div 2 and clarification of mercy rule for seniors and juniors and then renumbering for rest of section</p> <p>Old 7h x has become 7 h viii where it discusses the declaration rule</p> <p>Renumbering of 7 h xi which was 7 h ix in the prior version</p> <p>Removal of Catcher speed up rule 7K and re numbering current 7I to 7K</p> <p>Re wording of 7 g re players in uniform after the players third week of games</p> |
| 20111212 | Rewording of 7h xi in regards to major round game time and innings |
| 20120116 | Rewording of 7h xi in regards to major round game time and innings to reflect wording prior to above change |
| 20120223 | Change to by law 16 b) ii) voting of how Association person of the year is awarded |
| 20120910 | <p>Change to by law 6 b) i) & ii) re age of junior qualifications</p> <p>Insert by law 7 e) i and then renumber i – iv to be ii – v</p> <p>Rewording of 7 h) i re Div 1 & 2 games now to be even innings</p> <p>Rewording of 7 h) iii removal of run limit for senior grades</p> <p>Removal of by law 14 b) and then re number of c to q to be b to p</p> <p>Re wording of 14 c) re submission of rep team coaching applications</p> |
| 20130906 | <p>Removed underlining from previous bylaw updates</p> <p>Amended bylaw 2 – Affiliation – date for Affiliation requirements.</p> <p>Removed /Coach from Player/Coach out of uniform in Appendix C Fines and Penalties</p> |
| 20131024 | Change to by law 9 (d): Removed All Junior Age Base Umpires must wear a helmet. |
| 20131103 | Updated Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties: Player / Official Registration & Insurance Fee, Match Fee. |
| 20140115 | <p>Amended bylaw 6 (a) (i) change from 6 games to 30% of games</p> <p>Added 6 (c) (iv)</p> |
| 20140915 | Amended bylaw 2 – Affiliation. Added additional wording to end of paragraph: <i>and are to include a nominated plate umpire per team. Additional base duties will be allocated to the club when a plate umpire has not been nominated.</i> |
| 20141007 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amended 6 a (v) re ineligible players and added the penalty (decision made and published on 10 Feb 2014 but was not updated at that time in the bylaws) - Updated Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties: updated fees charge for 2014/15; independent umpire Reg&Ins; withdrew Gawler fee; withdrew clearance fee; changed wording of withdrawal/nomination of teams in-line with existing bylaw 4d; deleted pre-game bench infringement - Added 7 h (xii) (decision made and published on 20 Mar 2014 but was not updated at that time in the bylaws) |
| 20141021 | - Amended 7. G) All junior players must wear a hat and sleeves that fully cover shoulders throughout the duration of a game. |
| 20141204 | - Added 7 (l) Jewellery |
| 20152408 | Appendix C – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties – up date registration and match fees, added non playing official |
| 20151008 | <p>3 Definitions – Junior player</p> <p>4d Team Nominations&Registration – addition of penalty for Late nominations, and conditions.</p> |

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| | <p>5 a) (i-vi) Changes to reflect operation of new electronic player database superseding paper based system.</p> <p>5b(ii)a-d. 5c&d. Changes to reflect operation of new electronic database.</p> <p>6a-f Playing qualifications up-dated to reflect use of an electronic database, amendments to rules regarding playing down in the last 4 minor round games, amendments to junior eligibility and qualification in senior grades.</p> <p>7a) Playing rules, minor wording clarifications.</p> <p>7e) Suspension of (iv)</p> <p>7h) (i) additional clarification</p> <p>7h)(iii) addition for clarity</p> <p>14a)&d) Representative Teams and Selection – Suspended for 2015/16</p> <p>16c) Association Trophies Player of the year votes to be averaged for fairness between grades with differing numbers of games.</p> <p>Appendix A & B Suspended for 2015/16</p> <p>Appendix C Canteen Hire - \$50</p> <p>Ineligible player addition of fine for winning team.</p> |
| 20151111 | <p><u>Appendix C – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties</u></p> <p>Registration cost of U/13 and Tee-ball amended to \$33</p> <p>Additional one off charge for Tee-ball team \$100</p> <p>Increase of fine for non supply of umpire \$75 first two offences, \$150 thereafter.</p> |
| 20161014 | <p>Bylaw 5 Registration and Transfer of Players. Replacement of FoxSportsPulse with SportsTG in reference to the player management database and well as corrections to procedure consistent with database operation.</p> <p>5d(iv) Permits addition of registration responsibility in relation to permitted players.</p> <p>Bylaw 6 Major re-write of 6.a-d Playing qualifications for juniors, seniors and juniors playing in the senior competition and major round permits.</p> <p>Bylaw 7 a) (v) removed – covered in rulebook Rule 3 Sec 6 c.</p> <p>Bylaw 7 c (ii) wording and clarification</p> <p>Bylaw 7e (i) Length of time Police or DCSI checks considered valid</p> <p>Bylaw 7 h) (iii) Inclusion of run limit for combined Div1&2 minor round games 2016/17, and 7 h)(iv) suspension of Run Ahead Rule for 2016/17 Division 1&2.</p> <p>Bylaw 7 k) removed the words “a non-player blocks”</p> <p>Bylaw 7 l) removed – covered by rule book Rule 3 Sec.8 g</p> <p>Bylaw 9 a) and b) Umpires Director replaced by Umpires Allocation Officer</p> <p>Appendix C – Schedule of Fees, Fines & Penalties SSA Player Official</p> <p>Registration fees and Insurance specific amounts replaced with: “Paid via the registration database”.</p> <p>Correction of incorrect reference number 4(a) to 5(a)</p> |
| 20161027 | <p>Bylaw 7 c change to number of starting/completing players</p> <p>Bylaw 7 g clarification on junior uniform requirements, and statement on faceshields.</p> |
| 20180404 | Complete overhaul – multiple additions, deletions, re-wording and movements. |
| 20190106 | Additions to Fees Fines and penalties on Club Room Hire Costs and change to wording of Unregistered Player to become Unregistered Player / Official |
| 20191111 | <p>4. a) (vii) Age groups updated from U13 to U14 & U12</p> <p>4. a) (viii) & (ix) New NPC process due to changes to government policy</p> <p>5. a) (viii) Reference added to new Permit policy (now appendix C)</p> <p>5. c) permit process added for 4-year old's to play Tball</p> <p>6. b) (i) Change date to 2019/20 season re: combined Div1/2 draw (starting number of players)</p> <p>6. b) (iii) Change grade reference from U13 to U12</p> <p>6. c) (i) New parameters for U15 and below in line with new national guidelines</p> <p>6. c) (ii) New parameters for U16 and above in line with new national guidelines</p> |

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| | <p>6. c) (iv) Grade reference U13 to U14.</p> <p>6. e) Facemasks compulsory for junior pitchers.</p> <p>6. f) (vii) Change date to 2019/20 season re: combined Div1/2 and 3/4 draw (run limit)</p> <p>Appendix B Match fees updated, Hall hire charges updated, added Forfeit of match fees</p> <p>Added Appendix C – Permit Policy and Procedures.</p> |
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Bylaw Update Procedure

1. Remove Underlining from changes to the previous version of the bylaws.
2. Update section(s) to be changed
3. Update Bylaw Change History
4. Update Website – PDF Only
5. Provide update bylaws to all clubs & committee members.