



## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

The Canadian Tamil Youth Alliance (CTYA) has adopted the following 'Cricket Laws', primarily based on International Cricket Laws, but with minor modifications to meet the requirements of softball cricket. Since this is a complete set of Cricket Laws, these will be the **only set of laws followed in this tournament**. International Cricket Laws will not override this set of laws.

CTYA, CTSA and the organizing committee acknowledge the origin of International Cricket Laws and the copyright notice of MCC.

### **Proper Use of Grounds**

1. All attendees of TECC Cricket must adhere to the 'Zero Tolerance Policy' outlined below while within the limits of the grounds – this includes the playing grounds, parking lot, and surrounding property.
2. Vehicles must be left in the parking lot. Attendees cannot bring vehicles onto the playing grounds.
3. All attendees are expected to clean up after themselves. Garbage bags will be provided, and the grounds must be left clean at the end of the tournament.

### **Players & Teams**

1. Players are representatives of their team. If any player is found in violation of TECC Cricket Rules & Regulations, the team may be subject to disciplinary action.
2. All players must wear their team's uniform, and this uniform must be the same colour, pattern and design. If a team does not have their own uniform:
  - All players on the team must wear white or off-white (cream) t-shirts and pants to play in.
3. A team that fails to have a minimum of 7 players in uniform before the toss will automatically forfeit the match, and the game will be awarded as a walk-over for the opposing team.
4. Teams will be given a 15-minute grace period from the scheduled start time to begin the game. If the scheduled game does not begin within the 15-minute grace period, the game will be awarded as a walk-over for the opposing team that is present and ready to play.
5. Teams that do not start the game within the 15-minute grace period will also forfeit their entry fee.



## **Privacy and Consent**

1. We may collect personal information such as your name, contact details, date of birth, and playing history for registration and team management purposes.
2. The data collected will be used solely for cricket-related activities, team selection, event participation, and communication regarding cricket-related matters.
3. We will take appropriate measures to protect your personal information and prevent unauthorized access, disclosure, or alteration.
4. By participating in cricket-related activities and providing your personal information, you consent to the collection, use, and storage of your data as outlined in this privacy policy.
5. Your personal information will only be shared with relevant cricket authorities, team members, coaches, and event organizers for legitimate cricket-related purposes.
6. We will not use your personal information for marketing purposes without your explicit consent.
7. You have the right to access, correct, and delete your personal data, as well as withdraw your consent at any time. Please contact us for any such requests.
8. We will retain your personal information for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes outlined in this policy, unless a longer retention period is required by law.
9. If you are a minor, please seek parental or guardian consent before providing any personal information.



### **Umpires**

Before and during a match, umpires shall ensure that all aspects of the game are strictly in accordance with the TECC Cricket Laws.

1. An umpire's decision is final. Teams or team members are not allowed to dispute the umpire's decision.
2. Teams that dispute a decision will receive **one warning** for the entire tournament. If a team continues to dispute a decision, the umpire has the right to disqualify a game and award a win to the opposite team. If both teams continue to dispute a decision, the umpire may disqualify both teams.

### **Disciplinary Committee**

All policy violations will be reviewed by the TECC Cricket Disciplinary Committee, and the Committee will provide the final decision on discipline for the offending TECC attendee.

1. Disciplinary actions provided by the Disciplinary Committee are final.
2. A team or player may formally appeal the decision and present their case directly to the Disciplinary Committee. If an appeal is rejected, the decision is final and cannot be overturned.

### **Zero Tolerance Policy**

This policy applies to **ALL** attendees of TECC Cricket, including players, team members and supporters.

1. Alcohol and illegal substances are not permitted within the limits of the grounds – this includes the playing ground, parking lot, and surrounding property.
2. Harassment and bullying are not permitted before, during or after TECC Cricket.
3. Verbal, physical or sexual abuse are not permitted before, during or after TECC Cricket.

Violations of the zero-tolerance policy are subject to immediate review by the Disciplinary Committee.

**Anyone found in violation of this policy may be given a lifetime ban from TECC Cricket and all other CTYA events.**



### Stats & Scoring

1. The stats will be followed according to the CricClubs app.
2. Any fault stats may lead to disqualify from the award.
3. If any team gives a walk-over win and they are tied with another team in the standings, the team that gave the walk-over will move down below the other team.

For example:

- Team A has 2 wins and 1 loss.
- Team B has 2 wins and 1 walk-over loss.

In this case, Team A will be ranked above Team B in the standings.

### Rematches & Continuations

1. If a game is interrupted and stopped due to rain delays:
  - If the second batting team has played less than 5 overs, or has lost 5 or less wickets, then the game will be announced as rained out. (both teams get 1 point each)
  - If the second batting team has played more than 5 overs **OR** has lost more than 5 wickets, the game will **resume from where it had previously stopped**.

### Disputes, Appeals & Discipline

1. Disputes that are related to tournament activities, which may arise amongst clubs or individual players, must be escalated immediately to the Coordinating Committee or Disciplinary Committee.
2. The decision made by the Coordinating Committee or Disciplinary Committee is final, and must be accepted by all parties involved in the dispute.
3. Any request for an appeal must be made in writing and sent to the Coordinating Committee. A member who appeals a decision must present their case to the Disciplinary Committee and provide evidence/justification to overturn the decision.
4. Once a decision has been made on an appeal, that decision is final and the appealing party may not appeal that decision again.
5. Discipline given to teams or individual members by the Disciplinary Committee take effect immediately.
6. If a suspension cannot be fully served in the current year, the remainder of the suspension will carry over to the following year.



### Throw Ball

1. A list of players banned for throw bowling in previous Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup tournaments will be provided to umpires at the start of the tournament.
2. If a player is banned for throw bowling two times in three years at TECC Cricket, the player will be banned for the next 2 years as a bowler.
3. If the batting side in a match feels a throw bowling infraction has been missed, they may request an umpire review, and provide a warning to the bowling team. The team may also escalate the concern to the Coordinating Committee, with the following information:
  - Video documentation that clearly shows a throw bowling infraction, and clearly shows the arm action of the bowler in question while in motion. This video must be sent by the batting team captain to the Coordinating Committee.
4. The Coordinating Committee will work in conjunction with the umpires to review the video and provide a decision within a reasonable timeframe. If there is clear evidence of a throw bowling infraction, any match result (including the final game) can be overturned.
5. If a throw bowling infraction is confirmed, the offending team will be disqualified from the match and the opposing team will be awarded a win. The bowler will also be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.

### Playoffs

1. The playoff structure (including all specifications and limitations) will be provided at the captains meeting.

### Miscellaneous

1. The team's name must represent a geographical region of Tamil Eelam.
2. TECC Cricket is an open tournament, and there are no restrictions on the make-up of the roster.
3. Priority teams will be confirmed as tournament participants first – additional teams will be confirmed on a first come, first serve basis. In order to participate in TECC Cricket:
  - Team must pay the full entry fee & the deposit (\$300 + \$300 per team)
  - Team must submit a completed registration form
  - Team must submit a completed player list with all required information
  - **Every player must submit a completed Player Waiver form that acknowledges these Rules and Regulations have been read and understood.**



## Player Waiver

I, \_\_\_\_\_, express my intent to play in Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup Cricket 2024 on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, for my team,

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I agree that I am a representative of my team, and any infractions I commit can lead to discipline both individually and as a team.

As a player, I agree that I am responsible for any damage sustained to the Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup trophy while in my team's possession. I understand that my team will be held liable for the complete cost to repair the Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup.

Furthermore, I understand that in the event that my team wins TECC Cricket 2024, the Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup trophy will be provided to us for one hour following the presentation ceremony. After this point, we will be required to return the trophy back to the Canadian Tamil Youth Alliance.

I confirm that I have read, understood and accept the rules and regulations for TECC Cricket 2024, outlined in the 'Rules & Regulations' section.

I confirm that I have understood the **zero-tolerance policy** for alcohol/drug usage, bullying & harassment, and verbal, physical or sexual abuse at TECC Cricket 2024. If I am found in violation of this policy, I will accept any discipline provided by the organizers of TECC Cricket.

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Player Signature

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Date



## **CANADIAN TAMIL YOUTH ALLIANCE**

TAMILEELAM CHALLENGE CUP 2024

### **WARNING & WAIVER FORM**

Cricket is a reasonably safe activity as long as certain guidelines are followed. It is both an aerobic and anaerobic activity that can significantly improve muscular and cardiovascular strength and endurance. In a competitive environment, it is played in a very fast-paced and aggressive manner. If you have any physical condition that precludes you from participating safely in this cricket tournament, you should not compete. By deciding to participate, you are acknowledging that you are both physically fit and skilled enough to play in a safe and reasonable manner.

Although the likelihood is minimized if you participate carefully, there is always the possibility of injury when you place extra demands on the muscles, bones, joints, and ligaments in a competitive environment. Injuries that can occur in cricket include but are not necessarily limited to the following: blisters, muscle strains, ligament and joint sprains, joint soreness, abrasions, contusions, stress fractures, broken bones, head, neck, and spinal cord injuries involving paralysis, and even death. However, if you exercise care for your safety and the safety of your teammates and opponents, the likelihood of such injuries can be greatly reduced.

By signing this form and participating in this cricket tournament on behalf of your team, you are acknowledging that you know, understand, and appreciate the risks inherent in the sport of cricket. Further, you agree to accept and assume those risks, and you agree to release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Canadian Tamil Youth Alliance; the organizers, promoters, volunteers, other participants, officials, sponsors, and everyone else associated with this cricket tournament for any loss, claim, or injury that you might suffer by participating in this cricket tournament. You agree on your team's behalf to be completely responsible for any injuries you sustain as a result of participating in this cricket tournament, regardless of the cause or nature of those injuries.

The person whose signature appears below acknowledges that he has read this form carefully and has decided to participate in this cricket tournament voluntarily and according to the stipulations as described in this document. You acknowledge that your questions and concerns, if any, have been answered to your satisfaction.

**I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Canadian Tamil Youth Alliance; the organizers, promoters, volunteers, other participants, officials, sponsors, and everyone else associated with this cricket tournament for any loss, claim, or injury that you might suffer by participating in Tamil Eelam Challenge Cup Cricket 2024.**