

PLAYING CONDITIONS

2022-23



Gillette Venus Finals Playing Conditions

Except as modified hereunder the Women's SS Playing Conditions for Cricket in New Zealand shall apply.

1. THE COMPETITION

The competition shall be open to every female student in New Zealand attending a participating secondary school on a full-time basis and who is 19 years of age or under as of 1st January in the year of the competition.

The Gillette Venus Finals will consist of a full round robin format of Twenty20 cricket followed by a finals round of Twenty20 cricket. The teams will consist of the preliminary round regional winners from each Major Association.

2. NOMINATION OF PLAYERS

Teams may have a squad of twelve players who will participate in the tournament. Additional players can be included in the squad and participate as fielding cover only. If a player suffers an injury which prevents further participation during the tournament they may be replaced (in the playing eleven) by an additional player for the remaining games of the tournament. The injured player cannot play any further part in the tournament once they have been replaced. All injury replacements need to be approved by the Tournament Manager. All costs for additional players will be the school's responsibility.

For each match, teams may be composed of twelve players (as stated above).

- (a) Prior to the toss for each match, team captains must provide opposing captains and the umpires a list of their Batting XI and the Fielding XI.
- (b) The player left out of the Fielding XI will act as 12th for the fielding portions of the match. (i.e. the player may bat in the Batting XI but may not bowl).
- (c) The wicketkeeper cannot be designated as the non-bowler.
- (d) There will be no restrictions on the amount of time a player is required to be back on the field before they are allowed to bowl again or bat during their team's innings.

3. THE BALL

Four piece, 142gm White Kookaburra Senator balls will be used for the competition.

4. HOURS OF PLAY AND INTERVALS:

4.1 The normal session times shall be the following:

10.00am – 11.20am	Session 1
11.20am – 11.40am	Interval
11.40am – 1.00pm	Session 2
2.00pm – 3.20pm	Session 1
3.20pm – 3.40pm	Interval
3.40pm – 5.00pm	Session 2

4.2 Close of play for calculation purposes will be 1.30pm and 5.30pm.

4.3 In the event play is delayed or interrupted the interval may be reduced by mutual agreement between the umpires and the Tournament Manager but shall be not less than 10 minutes.

4.4 Any variation to the normal hours of play for the Finals Tournament shall be the responsibility of the Tournament Manager who shall notify each competing team before the commencement of the tournament. Where the commencement of play has been delayed by weather or ground conditions, the Tournament Manager shall notify all competing teams before the commencement of the day's play.

4.5 The Tournament Manager may direct a change of venue because of weather or ground conditions. This includes the use of all-weather pitches of suitable quality only when grass pitches are not available.

5. NUMBER OF OVERS PER BOWLER

5.1 No bowler shall bowl more than four six-ball overs in an innings. In a match where the start is delayed or play is interrupted and the overs are reduced, no bowler may bowl for more than one-fifth of the total overs allowed except where the total overs is not divisible by five. Where this occurs one additional over shall be allowed to a minimum number of bowlers.

5.2 In the event of a bowler breaking down and not being able to complete an over the remaining balls must be bowled by another bowler. A part of an over will count as a full over only in so far as each bowler's limit is concerned.

6. THE FIELDER

6.1 At the instant of delivery there shall be no more than five fielders on the leg side.

6.2 For the first six overs of each innings, no more than two fielders are permitted outside of the inner circle.

6.3 For the remaining overs of each innings, no more than five fielders are permitted outside of the inner circle.

- 6.4 In a match where the number of overs is reduced, refer to the table below for boundary fielder restrictions.

Total overs in innings	No. of overs Boundary Fielder restrictions apply
5-8	2
9-11	3
12-14	4
15-18	5
19-20	6

- 6.5 In the event of an infringement of any of the above fielding restrictions, the square leg umpire shall call and signal “no ball”.

7. POINTS/TOURNAMENT PLACING

- 7.1 Points shall be awarded as follows:

Win	2 points
No result	1 point
Loss	0 points

- 7.2 The six finalists will each play five round robin matches. The team with the most points after the completion of the round robin matches will be deemed the winner.
- 7.3 If no play is possible during round robin play, the tournament will be abandoned and no award will be made.
- 7.4 A result can be achieved only if both teams have had the opportunity of batting for at least 5 overs unless one team has been all out in less than 5 overs or unless the team batting second scores enough runs to win in less than 5 overs.
- 7.5 In the event of a tie, the Super Over procedure (as set out in the Men’s SS Playing Conditions) will apply to achieve a result. If due to weather interruption the Super Over cannot be carried out a bowl out will apply. See Condition 8 below for bowl out procedure.
- 7.6 If a match is abandoned before it has been played to a conclusion and after the team batting second has received the minimum of 5 overs required to constitute a match then the result shall be decided by the current version of the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern system.
- 7.7 If rain interrupts and prevents each team from completing a minimum of five overs, the match will be called a “no result” and both teams receive a minimum one point.

7.8 In the event of teams finishing on equal points the tournament placings will be determined as follows:

- (i) The team with the most number of wins
- (ii) The team with the highest Net Run Rate per over

8. BOWL OUT

8.1 Five bowlers from each team will, alternately, each bowl one delivery at the stumps in the normal manner. This may be done on any grass or hard surface, indoors or outdoors.

8.2 The team with the highest number of hits will be deemed to be the winner.

8.3 In the event of a tie, a further five bowlers will each bowl one delivery.

8.4 If the scores are still tied, the above process will be repeated using the same groupings and until such time as a winner is found.

8.5 If a bowler bowls a “no ball” it will count as their delivery but will not count towards the score of the team.

9. NO BALL

Refer to Ford Trophy Conditions for free hit following a no-ball.

10. WIDE BOWLING

Refer to Ford Trophy Conditions.

11. DANGEROUS AND UNFAIR BOWLING

Refer to Ford Trophy Conditions.

12. CLOTHING

In all matches, teams will wear coloured shirts which have been approved by New Zealand Cricket. Teams have the option to wear white trousers or a full coloured uniform. Where possible it is requested that playing tops have large unique numbers on the back as these numbers are submitted with the team list when submitted to the umpires at the toss.