

ISLE OF MAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION

RULES FOR THE TOM BLINCOE MEMORIAL TROPHY COMPETITION

- 1 The Competition shall be called “The Manx Cricket Knock-Out Competition for the Tom Blincoe Memorial Trophy”.
- 2 The Competition shall be conducted on a knock-out basis.
- 3 The Competition shall only be open to teams competing in the Forrester Division One and Forrester Division Two Competitions. Any players not eligible to play for a team in the Forrester Division One or the Forrester Division Two Competitions shall not be eligible to play for that side in this Competition.
- 4.1 Any player who has played for the Senior Isle of Man First XI on any occasion during the current or previous two seasons or who has been selected for the Senior Isle of Man First XI during the current season, is not eligible to play for any team in this Competition. In the case of a player being selected for the Senior Isle of Man First XI during the current season, this player will not be eligible to play for any team in this competition from the date of notification of selection. For the purposes of this rule, the Senior Isle of Man First XI shall be deemed to mean a team which plays in any competition or fixture arranged by the ECC or any international fixture arranged with another ICC member country. Any other matches in which a player plays for the Isle of Man First XI will be deemed to be a select Isle of Man First XI. The provisions of this rule shall not apply to any player who is under the age of 18 as at 1 September prior to the start of the applicable season when selected for the Senior Isle of Man First XI.
- 4.2 A club permitting a player who is not eligible to participate in a match according to the provisions of clause 4.1 to participate in any match will result in the following penalties being imposed by the Association:
 - (i) the forfeiture of all points gained in the match or matches and in the case of a league game, the full points available for a win in that competition shall be awarded to the opposing team; and
 - (ii) the imposition of a monetary fine of £25 per offence.
- 5 The dates of each fixture shall be determined by the Fixtures Secretary prior to the commencement of the season. In the event of a fixture being postponed the captains shall agree a new date and notify the Fixtures Secretary within 48 hours. In the event of the captains failing to agree a new date the Fixtures Secretary shall be empowered to set such date.
- 6 Innings
Law 12 shall apply, subject to the following:-

6.1 Law 12.1 – Number of Innings

In the matches, save for the semi-final and final, Law 12.1 shall be replaced by the following:

“All matches will consist of one innings per side, each innings being limited to a maximum of 16 eight ball overs”.

6.2 Law 12.2 (Alternate Innings) shall not apply.

6.3 In the semi-final and final, Laws 12.1 and 12.2 shall be replaced by the following:

“1. All matches will consist of two innings per side, each innings being limited to a maximum of sixteen 8 ball overs.”

“2. The team batting first shall bat last and the team batting second shall bat third.”

6.4 Law 12.3(c), (d) and (e) (Completed Innings) shall not apply.

7 Length of innings

7.1 Each innings shall consist of 16 overs of 8 balls each unless all out earlier. Laws 13 (follow on) and 14 (declaration and forfeiture) shall not apply.

8 Number of overs per bowler

8.1 No bowler shall bowl more than 2 overs per innings.

8.2 In the event of a bowler becoming ill, injured or suspended thus being unable to complete an over, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over shall count as a full over against the bowler completing the over.

9 The Result

9.1 The team scoring the greatest number of runs shall be the winner.

9.2 In the event of a tie, namely both teams scoring the same number of runs over the two innings, except in the final, the team playing away from home shall be deemed to be the winner. In the event of a tie in the final, the team scoring the greatest number of runs in the first innings shall be the winner.

10 Any point not provided for in these rules shall be decided by the Committee whose decision shall be final.