

Eesti Kriketi Liit



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Welcome

The Eesti Kriketi Liit is proud to host the Super 8 liiga 2023.

This league is designed to provide a way of playing cricket for those new to the game and/or making the transition from soft ball or indoor cricket to outdoor hardball.

Contained inside this Information Pack, you will find the teams, fixtures and rules for the league.

By participating in this league all players and player support personnel agree to abide by and be held accountable to the EKL Code of Conduct.

<https://estoniancricket.com/about-us/code-of-conduct/>

Parental Permission form and player registration form are located here <https://estoniancricket.com/mens-cricket/mens-rules-and-regulations/>

Should you have any questions regarding these rules and regulations, please do not hesitate in contacting operations@estoniancricket.com

Above all, the EKL hopes all players will enjoy the cricket experience. May the best team win!

Terry O'Connor
Operations Manager



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Teams



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Fixtures

Wednesday May 24

18:30 Saaremaa v Punane Bulls - Field 1

Wednesday May 31

18:30 Punane Bulls v Sinine Bulls - Field 1

Wednesday June 7

18:30 Sinine Bulls v Saaremaa - Field 1

Wednesday June 14

18:30 Punane Bulls v Saaremaa - Field 2

Wednesday June 21

18:30 Sinine Bulls v Punane Bulls - Field 2

Wednesday June 28

18:30 Saaremaa v Sinine Bulls - Field 2

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1. FIELDING A TEAM

- 1.1. A game is played between two teams, each with a maximum of 8 players.
- 1.2. No team can play with less than 6 players.
- 1.3. A scheduled game will proceed if a minimum of 6 players for each team are present.
- 1.4. A team must nominate a captain for each game. A key role of the captain is to encourage their team to display a high level of fair play and sportsmanship.
- 1.5. Captains must nominate their players in writing on a team-sheet prior to the toss.
- 1.6 Super 8 liiga is open to male and female players aged 13 and over.

2. THE GAME

- 2.1. The game consists of 1 batting and 1 bowling innings per team.
- 2.2. Each innings consists of 16 overs. For simplicity in these rules, all references will be to 6 ball overs.
- 2.3. For every wicket the batting team loses 5 runs, any other penalties (such as misconduct or uniform penalties) will be 5 runs or multiples of 5 runs.
- 2.4. No player may bowl more than 3 overs

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- 2.5. Prior to the start of each over, the scorer must be advised of the bowler's name for the game to start/resume.
- 2.6. A bowler must not bowl 2 consecutive overs.
- 2.7. A delivery commences from the moment a bowler (with the ball in their hand) starts their run up. The ball becomes dead when neither batter is attempting a run and the fielding team is not attempting to run one of the batters out. The ball is not always live.
- 2.8. The batting team bats in pairs with each pair batting for 4 overs. Before the start of the innings the captain must inform the scorers of the batting pairs.
- 2.9. Batters must change ends at the completion of each over.
- 2.10. Each player must bat in one of the pairs. If a team has only 7 or 6 players then the opposing captain will nominate which batters will bat again.
- 2.11. The team compiling the higher number of runs will be the winner.
- 2.12. Wides and No Balls bowled in the final over of each Innings will be re-bowled. This is irrespective of whether runs are scored from the delivery or a dismissal occurs.
- 2.13. A team is not allowed to declare an innings closed.

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4. THE TOSS

4.1. The captains will toss a coin or token to determine the order of the innings. The “away” team is to call.

4.2. Captains will present their team-sheets to Umpires and scorers prior to the Toss.

5. PLAYING EQUIPMENT

5.1. Bats: Must be made of wood with dimensions that comply with the MCC Laws of Cricket.

5.2. Batting Gloves: Must be worn.

5.3. Wicket-Keeping Gloves: May be worn by the Wicket Keeper only.

5.4. Fielding Protection: Players may wear suitable protective equipment when fielding provided the safety of that player and all other players on the court is not compromised. As a guide, any protective equipment worn on a player’s head should be made of soft material or thin fibreglass and should conform to the contour of the player’s face/body and have no protrusions or sharp edges.

5.5. Balls: The ECA will supply Red cricket balls for teams to use.

5.6. Stumps: Spring or zing stumps shall be used. The base plate is part of the stumps.

5.7. Bails: Will be used.

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6. THE UMPIRE

6.1. The batting team will provide umpires who will do the scoring as well.

7. ARRIVAL/LATE PLAYER(S)

7.1. All teams are to be present no later than 5 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of their game to do the toss.

– Any team failing to arrive on time will forfeit the match.

– If both teams are late, the first team to have 6 players present will have the right to choose to bat or field first.

7.2. Individual players arriving late may join the game, at the end of the next over with the approval of the Umpire.

7.3. No player obviously under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be allowed to take part in, or continue in, a match for safety reasons. The captains must remove any offending player from the game and report the incident to the EKL league administrator. The player may face further disciplinary action.

8. PLAYER SHORT/SUBSTITUTES/INJURED PLAYERS

8.1. Player Short

8.1.1. If a team is 1 or 2 players short:

– When batting: The opposing Captain will choose which batter from Pair 1 or 2 will bat again.

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8.2. Substitutes

8.2.1. A substitute player is one who joins the game, after it has officially commenced, to replace an existing player who is incapable of completing the game due to injury or illness suffered during the game.

8.2.2. Substitutes may not be used under any other circumstance.

9. SCORING

9.1. Runs may be scored in the following ways:

9.1.1. When both batters cross between the batting crease and the non-striker's crease, and make good their ground, 1 run is scored.

9.1.2 When the batter hits the ball and it crosses the boundary without first touching the ground, 6 runs are scored.

9.1.3 When the batter hits the ball and it crosses the boundary and it touched the ground before doing so, 4 runs are scored.

9.1.4 If a batter is given "out", the batting team will lose 5 runs. Any runs scored off that delivery up will not count.

10. NO BALL

10.1. "No Ball" will be called when:

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10.1.1. The ball is clearly/deliberately thrown, not bowled.

Note: As a guide, the bowler's arm should remain straight during the delivery action. However, if the bowler's elbow remains bent throughout the delivery action, this may also be a fair delivery. An illegal bowling action would be where the bowler's delivery arm changes from straight to bent or vice versa during the delivery action in a way that the arm angle changes by more than 15 degrees.

10.1.2. Any part of the bowler's front foot is not grounded behind the popping crease at the moment of delivery.

10.1.3. The wicket Keeper takes a bowled ball in front of the stumps unless the ball first strikes the batter's body or equipment.

10.1.4. A bowler changes style of bowling (i.e. left arm to right arm or vice versa) or changes sides of the wicket (i.e. from over to around or vice versa) without first informing the batters. See Rule 14 (Bowler Changing Direction/Style).

10.1.5. The ball, when bowled, passes the batter over or would have passed over the striker's shoulders on the bounce or above the waist on the full when the striker is in a normal stationary batting stance at the time of the bowler's delivery stride.

10.1.6. Any delivery that bounces more than twice before the batting crease.

10.1.7. A fielder, with the exception of a bowler, moves onto or extends over the pitch from the commencement of the bowler's run up until the ball is played at by the striker.

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10.2. A “No Ball” is included as part of an over except in the last over of each batting pair where it will be re-bowled.

10.3. A “No Ball” incurs a penalty of 2 runs, which is added to the batting pair’s score. Runs scored by hitting any scoring zone and/or physical runs are also added to the score.

11. WIDE BALLS

11.1. A “Wide” will be called when the ball passes the stumps wide of the stumps on the offside, so far that the batter is unable to play a regulation cricket shot.

11.2. Any delivery that passes outside of the batter and the stumps on the leg side will be called a wide.

11.3. Batters may be dismissed by all forms of dismissal when a “Wide” is bowled.

11.4. The penalty for a “Wide” is 2 runs, which will be added to the batting pair’s score, plus any additional physical runs scored.

11.5. A batter dismissed off a “Wide” will be penalised 5 runs and the 2 run bonus for the “Wide” is negated by the dismissal.

11.6. A “Wide” counts as part of the over, except in the last over of each batting pair where it will be re-bowled.

11.7. All “Wides” bowled in the last over of a batting pair will be rebowled.

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12. APPEALS FOR DISMISSALS

12.1. A batter will not be given “out” unless a fielder appeals.

12.2. An appeal must be made prior to the next ball being bowled.

12.3. An appeal will cover all methods of a dismissal.

13. DISMISSALS

The batter who is dismissed will not face the next delivery. A batter can be given “out” for any of the following dismissals:

13.1. Bowled: If the wickets are struck by the ball, including coming from the batter’s body or equipment. Note: The base plate of the stumps is considered to be part of the wickets.

13.2. Caught: If a ball, coming from the striker’s bat or their hand(s) holding the bat, is caught before it touches the ground. The striker will also be out “caught” should the ball pass from their bat onto their body, or vice versa, before being caught.

13.2.3. The striker will be out “caught” should a ball hit the non-striker and then be caught before touching the ground.

13.3. Stumped & Run Out: The difference between “run out” and “stumped” is that in the case of a run out, a batter is attempting to make a run. Whilst in the case of a stumping, the batter has left their crease whilst playing a shot at a delivery.

13.3.1. Stumped

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13.3.1.1. A batter is stumped when the wicket-keeper legally removes the bail(s) while the striker has no part of their body or bat, while held in their hand, inside the crease.

13.3.1.2. The wicket-keeper may use the hand(s) or the arm of the hand(s) holding the ball or from the ball rebounding directly from the keeper's body onto the stumps to attain a stumping.

13.3.1.4. The striker cannot be stumped off a "No Ball".

13.3.1.6. On the line is "out".

13.3.1.7. Only a wicket-keeper can "Stump" a batter.

13.3.2. Run Out

15.3.2.1. A batter is run out when they are out of their crease, and the stumps are hit with the ball or the hand or arm holding the ball, when no part of the batters body or bat is grounded behind the crease.

13.3.2.2. A fielder can run out a batter with either their hand(s) or the forearm of their hand(s) holding the ball, provided the ball is retained in the hand when they hit the wickets.

13.3.2.3. Either batter can be run out from a "No Ball".

13.3.2.4. A batter will be given "out" if the ball, having bounced off a wall, should be touched by a member of the fielding side before breaking the wicket.

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13.3.2.5 If the stumps are broken but neither batter is out and the ball remains live and the batters attempt any further runs, a fielder needs to hold any part (including the base) of the stumps and hold the ball against it to attempt a run out.

13.3.2.6 The non-striker will be given out “Run out” if they leave their crease prior to the ball being bowled and the bowler then completes a delivery action and breaks the stumps with the hand holding the ball.

13.3.2.7. On the line is “out”.

13.3.2.8. The base plate is part of the stumps.

13.5. Hit Wicket: The striker will be out “Hit Wicket” if their body or equipment breaks the stumps whilst either playing the ball or immediately setting off for a run after playing the ball. A batter is not out should they break the stumps whilst trying to regain their crease or complete a run.

13.6. Obstruction:

A batter can be given out for interference:

13.6.1. If either batter deliberately interferes with the ball whilst it is in play.

13.6.2. If either batter deliberately obstructs or interferes with any member of the fielding team.

13.6.3. If the ball is struck or stopped by the striker more than once except when preventing the ball from hitting the stumps. This prevention may only be done with the bat or body but not with the hands. No runs may be scored as a direct result of such action. Any attempt to do so would be interference.

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Note: Should any player deliberately endanger an opponent's safety, irrespective of the right of way provisions, they will be dealt with under the Misconduct Rule. See Rule 19 (Misconduct).

13.7. Batters must not have their running path unfairly impeded. Batters are not to be given out and all runs will count if their running path has been unfairly impeded. The fielding team will be issued a warning for unfair play. A second occurrence may result in a 5-run penalty.

13.8. The fielder has right of way provided they are legitimately fielding the ball.

13.9. A player may not be guilty of obstruction if they do not move.

13.10. If the ball is bowled, then deliberately fielded prior to the batter having the opportunity to hit it, the fielding team will be penalised 5 runs for unfair play and the ball will be re-bowled.

13.11. The non-striker cannot impede the normal run up or follow through of a bowler. This will be deemed unfair play and the fielding team will be issued a warning for unfair play. A second occurrence may result in a 5-run penalty.

14. MISCONDUCT/UNFAIR PLAY

14.1. Any player who breaches the ECA Code of Conduct will be subjected to disciplinary action as set out in the ECA Code of Conduct.

15. RUNNERS

18.1. Runners are not permitted.

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16. Clothing

16.1 Games are played with a red ball, as such players are not permitted to wear red.

16.2 Players are requested to wear white or other light coloured clothing.

16.3 There are no other restrictions on what players wear during matches.



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Captain Responsibilities

Being a team captain is a role of responsibility.

Captains are responsible for submitting the team sheet, bringing a match ball and ensuring that all of their players are on time and ready to play.

Team Captains are responsible for the behaviour of their players and ensuring that their team adheres to the Spirit of Cricket, The playing regulations and the Code of Conduct

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Facilities Care

**Estonian National Cricket and Rugby Field
- Tiskre is the only permanent cricket facility
that we have in Estonia, as such it is essential
that all using it, respects it and looks after it**

**Please ensure that all rubbish taken away from
the ground.**

**If you become aware of any damage to any part
of the facilities please inform the operations
manager operations@estoniancricket.com**



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