**PBCA INTERMEDIATE HARDBALL CRICKET**

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Participation is the aim of Intermediate Cricket to give each player the opportunity to both bat and bowl to grow their cricket experience and skills.

TEAM                                    -               9 - players per team

PITCH                                   -               Length size 18m

BALL                                     -         Hard Cricket Ball 142gm - PBCA supply

SCORE SHEETS                 -               Will be supplied with gear

1. Teams shall consist of **maximum** **9 players** on the field at a time.
2. Games to comprise of **maximum 25 overs**.  All players must bowl a minimum of 2 overs max 3 each; no player to bowl their third over until each player has bowled their second.
3. An over shall be **7 ball max** regardless of wides and no balls.  **Bowlers will bowl from one end only in 5 over blocks.**
4. Batters must retire after facing **25 balls.**
5. **Wides** and **No Balls** scored as **2 Runs** – Free Hit for “all not balls “ If there is a “no ball” off the 7th ball the 8th ball must be bowled. Last over must be 6 legitimate deliveries.
6. No LBW’s unless player is deliberately not playing a shot in front of stumps, a warning must be given.
7. All other methods of dismissal apply.
8. When a batsman is out they are out and will not bat again, only retired batsmen may return to bat after other batsmen have been dismissed.
9. If there is ever any **doubt** about whether a batter is out, then he/she shall be given **‘NOT OUT’**.
10. No player is to field closer than 10m from the batter facing the bowling except for the wicket keeper or slips.
11. **Umpires** only are allowed to coach and assist the players on the field during the game.
12. Should teams have spare players, please try to arrange for the spare players to play in the other team if they are short, or if other teams on the same ground are short of players, then the spares should be offered the available spaces.
13. Normal scoring system to apply

**Helmets are compulsory for batters and for wicket keepers standing within 3m of stumps.**