2020 NTCA T20 Tournament – Playing Conditions (Last Updated 8.28 12:15 PM)

Please see below the playing conditions for the NTCA T20 tournament. As we are playing in Covid-19 environment, NTCA is trying to take as much precaution in ensuring we have a safe tournament. We wish everyone a safe and successful tournament. It is important for teams to follow the rules and guidelines. We expect each and every club, team and individual participating to clearly understand the NTCA Covid-19 guidelines and follow them. Participation is voluntary as stated in the email communications.

Club PCO/SCO are responsible to make sure all team captains/vice captains are aware of these guidelines.

Ensure every player playing in the tournament understands and voluntarily signs the participation waiver prior to participation. This is mandatory requirement for participation.

NTCA Player Participation Waiver form. https://forms.gle/17tgkVvFfsnWKguy6

- Having a player play in a team WITHOUT signing and providing a waiver will not be allowed nor accepted and that team will face heavy penalty, including monetary and non-monetary. NTCA is NOT responsible for any health consequences to any player taking part in the tournament and hence REQUIRES every player to sign a waiver before participating.
- Clubs/Teams must require all their participating members to complete the forms NLT Tuesday, August 25, 2020.
 - Club is responsible for ensuring only players who sign the waivers are included in the Cricclubs team roster. Keep track of all waiver submissions.
- Upon Completion of waivers by deadline, EC/OC will email clubs the list of players who have completed waivers for validation with rosters. OC will lock rosters, the day before start of tournament.
- Only players on cricclubs team roster will be allowed to play in the game. NOTE: For clubs with multiple teams, as long as player is on one of the roster, he can play for both teams.
- The list of players who signed the waiver will be posted in cricclubs (name, club, team, cricclubs ID) before start of tournament.

List of Teams

North Texas Cricket Association

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#	Rank	Club Name	Team Name	Ground	Ground Availability					
1	1	Dallas County Cricket Club	DCCC	PCA						
2	2	Metroplex Cricket Club	Metroplex	MHCG	Confirmed.					
3	3	Frisco Cricket Club	Frisco Lions	Frisco CG	Confirmed.					
4	4	Irving Cricket Club	Irving Whites	Irving CG	Confirmed.					
5		Plano Cricket Club	PCC	PCA						
6	6	Dallas Fort Worth CC	DFW Scorpions	PCA7						
7	7	Irving Cricket Club	Irving Blues	Irving CG	Confirmed.					
8	8	Nortex Cricket Club	Nortex Spartans	NMCG	Confirmed.					
9	9	Hawks Cricket Club	Hawks	Frisco CG	Confirmed.					
10	10	Grand Prairie Cricket Club	GPCC Gladiators	GPCG	GPCG Ground Unavailable due to Covid (City restrictions)					
11	11	United Cricket Club	United XI	United CG	Confirmed.					
12	12	Texas Cricket Club	TCC Panthers	Garland CG2	Confirmed.					
13	13	Frisco Cricket Club	Frisco Cobras	Frisco CG	Confirmed.					
14	14	Texas Cricket Club	TCC Tigers	Garland CG2	Confirmed.					
15	15	Lanka Cricket Club	Lanka Colts Cowboys	Lanka CG						
16	16	Strikers Cricket Club	Strikers Mayans	Frisco CG	Confirmed.					
17	17	Grand Prairie Cricket Club	GPCC Mavericks	No Home	GPCG Ground Unavailable due to Covid (City restrictions)					
18	18	North Dallas Cricket Club	NDCC Royals	No Home						
19	19	Plano International Cricket Club	PICC Knights	PCA						
20	20	Nortex Cricket Club	Nortex Cruisers	NMCG	Confirmed.					
21	21	Colonials CSC	Colonials	Garland CG	Confirmed.					
22	22	Elite Cricket Club	Elite Lions	NMCG	Confirmed.					
23	23	Nepali Rhinos	Rhinos T20	No Home						
24	24	F16 T20	F16 T20	No Home						
25		Falcons Cricket Club	Dallas Zalmi	Garland CG	Confirmed.					
26		Longhorns Cricket Club	Kerala Royals	No Home	Ground Unavailable due to Covid (City restrictions)					
27		Hawks Cricket Club	Hawks T20	No Home						
28		United Cricket Club	United Strikers XI	United CG	Confirmed.					
29	29	Plano International Cricket Club	Panthers T20	No Home						
30	30	Frisco Cricket Academy	Thunder Birds	No Home						

Groups	NTCA T20 Grouping							
#	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E			
1	DCCC	Metroplex	Frisco Lions	Irving Whites	PCC			
2	GPCC Gladiators	Hawks	Irving Blues	Nortex Spartans	DFW Scorpions			
3	United XI	Frisco Cobras	TCC Panthers	TCC Tigers	Lanka Colts Cowboys			
4	Nortex Cruisers	PICC Knights	NDCC Royals	GPCC Mavericks	Strikers Mayans			
5	Colonials	Elite Lions	Rhinos T20	F16 T20	Dallas Zalmi			
6	Panthers T20	Thunder Birds	United Strikers XI	Hawks T20	Kerala Royals			

Playing Conditions – Part 1

- 1. Fees \$250 (with ground) & \$400 (no ground)
- 2. Tournament Format
 - 30 Teams divided into 5 groups of 6 teams
 - Club structure based (Players can transfer to independent teams or club for participation)
 - Games will be played during AM and PM. (9 AM & 1 PM starts. If night slot available, games will be scheduled based on the confirmation)
 - No games during labor day weekend.
 - Round-Robin format
 - Total 6 games during the round-robin stage.
 - 5 Games against each other
 - 6th game within the group based on group rankings at the end of 5 games in Week 7. Games will be played between the team ranked 1 vs 6, 2 vs 5, 3 vs 4. (This game is removed if there are changes to the calendar. For ex., tournament start date delayed from 8/29 to 9/12 weekend)
 - Week 1 8/29 (possibility of moving to 9/12)
 - Week 2 9/12
 - Week 6 10/10
 - Week 7 -10/17. (Final week of round-robin games)

Playoffs

- Finish in 3 weeks max.
- Starts Week 8 10/24
- Played during Week 8-10
- Top 16 teams qualify based on rankings.
- o Top 3 teams from each group plus the 16th best team.
- Teams are re-ranked for playoffs. Group winners are ranked 1-5. All others ranked based on Points, NRR, win count and group ranking.
- Pre-QF, QF, SF, Final rounds played.
- EC, plans to conduct playoffs in 2-3 week window. Expect playoff games on back-to-back days.
- NTCA provide umpire only for Finals.
- Reserve day/week only for Finals.
- No Reserve day for all other rounds, higher ranked team advances in playoffs.
- 3. Each team will have a bye week for umpiring during weeks (1-6).
- 4. Teams will be assigned 5 umpiring's during the bye week. Each team will be assigned a Bye week will be during Weeks 1-6.
- 5. Teams playing from week 7 onwards will play and umpire same day or weekend.
- 6. Player Transfer: NTCA will allow player transfer between clubs. The member must complete the waiver form for the new team in order to be eligible to play. Player transfer window opens on 8/20/2020 and closes on 8/25/2020 at 5:00 PM. No

- further club transfers permitted after start of the tournament. This will be strictly enforced to minimize risk.
- 7. The NTCA T20 tournament playing conditions specified here are applicable for the tournament. NTCA Bylaws and Covid-19 Back to Cricket framework cover items not covered in this document.

Playing Conditions (Part 2) - Covid specific

- 1. Follow the Covid-19 guidelines in the NTCA Back to Cricket framework. Covid-19 guidelines for hygiene, Cricket specific guidelines etc. are to be followed at all times.
- 2. If you have symptoms, inform your team and isolate. Contact your Primary care provider or physician to have necessary tests done.
- 3. A player who tested positive must have completely recovered and be cleared to resume activities after negative tests by the Primary care provider. Until then the player cannot return back to cricket in NTCA.
- 4. EC reserves the right to update the playing conditions for league safety and to adhere to any State/City directives.
- 5. If there is any State/City directive to close parks early in fall, severely impacting ground availability, the 6th round of group stage (week 7) and/or playoff rounds may be cancelled or truncated.
- 6. The tournament is played based on the NTCA Covid-19 guidelines, this playing condition's document and NTCA bylaws. Covid-19 Cricket specific playing conditions override the bylaws if there are identical if not conflicting rules.
- 7. If a team is unable to fulfill it's commitment to play due to players (3 or more) falling sick, their game results will be considered **Forfeit**. However, no additional penalties will be assessed.
- 8. Team is still responsible for Pending Umpiring assignments and must find umpires. If NTCA OC helps find umpire, for each assignment, the cost of paid umpire will be assessed to umpiring team.

Playing Conditions (Part 3) - Operations

- 1. All communications, notifications during tournament regarding participation, Covid impact, waivers, team roster, cricclubs scorecards etc. and any other operational items must be sent to Operations Committee (<u>dl-oc@ntcricket.org</u>).
- 2. Team must notify NTCA OC, if there is any known sickness or if any player showed symptoms. This will allow us to notify clubs immediately, especially the most recent opponent and officials. Follow Covid-19 protocols outlined in NTCA Covid-19 framework.
- 3. NTCA OC will be managing the rosters and will lock the rosters the day before the start of tournament. Request to add/remove a player must be made via email to OC. Rosters can be modified at any time during the tournament with club members as long as they voluntarily complete the waiver form.
- 4. Clubs must provide evidence of waiver signed by player and notify OC NLT 12 Noon on the day before the game. OC acknowledgement and update to cricclubs roster must be completed before the player is eligible to play. Otherwise the player will be required to wait until the following week to play.

- 5. Accuracy in selecting the correct playing 11 in Cricclubs is a must. No player shall play under another player's name. Failure could result in Forfeit and additional penalties.
- 6. Clubs/teams will face strict disciplinary penalty for any attempt to play a player who has not signed waiver or for falsification by attempting to play a player under different name. Since this is a safety issue, breach of Covid-19 safety protocols could cause irreparable harm to NTCA and it's players. NTCA EC/DC will determine the severity of punishment.

Playing Conditions (Part 4) - Umpiring

- 1. Teams are responsible for sending 2 (two) umpires per game as assigned in the schedule
- 2. ONE of the umpires MUST be NTCA certified!!
- 3. If the 2nd umpire is not certified, then that umpire can only perform leg umpire duties.
- **4.** If a team is sending an umpire that is not part of the registered team and/or has not filled out the liability waiver already, then that team must get a liability waiver from the person being sent to umpire. The waiver must be submitted to OC before game day. Failure to submit a waiver will result in \$100 fine per occurrence. The fine must be paid before the team's next game.
- 5. Umpires must arrive atleast 15 minutes before start time. Check Cricclubs schedule for game start times.
- 6. Umpires and team captains must make sure accurate playing XI is selected and verify if the players have submitted the voluntary waiver.
 - Waiver List: https://cricclubs.com/NTCA/document.doc?documentId=145&clubId=343 (This list is as of 28-Aug-20 noon. Go to Cricclubs documents section for latest list. We will try to post as frequently as we get notified)

Appendix:

NTCA Covid-19 Back to Cricket Framework https://cricclubs.com/NTCA/document.doc?documentId=142&clubId=343

COVID-19 - CDC Resources

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html.

NTCA Bylaws

https://cricclubs.com/NTCA/document.doc?documentId=135&clubId=343

Covid Posters

https://cricclubs.com/NTCA/document.doc?documentId=138&clubId=343