

## **UMPIRES' CHECKLIST AT THE TOSS**

Captains to be advised of their responsibilities for directing their team and to agree to the following:

- No sweat or saliva may be applied to the ball;
- Players must maintain social distance at all times;
- Ball to be returned <u>directly</u> to the bowler (on the full or rolled along the ground);
- Only the umpire to re-make a wicket once the ball is dead;
- Players must place any drinks, sweaters or other kit at least one metre beyond the boundary;
- Ensure players understand batting lines;
- Hygiene breaks every six overs or 20 minutes (a wicket break may be used to re-start the count).

Captains to be made aware that any breach of the above could result in a first and final warning to the team concerned and any subsequent transgression will result in the award of five penalty runs.

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## **USEFUL TIPS FOR HYGIENE BREAKS**

A 'hygiene break' using sanitiser on hands and a wipe for the ball takes place every 6 overs or 20 minutes whichever is the sooner. To ensure this break is efficient and effective the following is suggested:-

- A small bottle of Hand sanitiser (100ml/250ml) is placed behind the middle stump at each end of the pitch. Individuals can use their own 50ml pocket tubes and keep on their person.
- Having more than one bottle of sanitiser available in different locations – eg place a bottle on the boundary at fine leg or cover to save all fielders coming in
- To reduce the number of stoppages, the hygiene break can be instigated at the fall of any wicket even if is less than 20 minutes or 6 overs since the last one or where the ball is lost. eg if wickets fell at overs 5, 10, 15, etc there would be no need for any further breaks in play. Agree to use 3rd or 4th break as a drinks' break if needed.
- The fielding Captains should carry sanitising wipes for the ball in their pocket.
- Avoid the hygiene breaks becoming team talks.

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