



SWWACO training 2021 - **SWCA League & Cup matches** **(and some other stuff)**



2021 Fixtures

All fixtures are on the SWCA play-cricket site

Subject to amendment if there are Covid restrictions

Appointments will be sent out via WTU once we know the league programme is going ahead – May's roster is ready to fire



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Matches are 50 overs per side with no transfer of unused overs

Team A can declare but “freak” declarations are reportable

Treated as all out for DLS and bonus points purposes

A nominated player who arrives after the 1st innings is complete may only field



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Leg side wide rule – outside the batsman and outside leg stump = Wide Ball

Offside wides as per Laws of cricket

4 fielders inside the 30 yard circle throughout



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Match length is 6 hours 20 minutes

2h 55m playing time per innings

30 minutes for tea interval

Umpires will allow time for injury, frequent movement of sightscreens or other unforeseen delays



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Drinks intervals are not playing time – Law 11

SWCA Readers Sovereign balls to be used
2 new balls per match

Pink balls in Division 1

Red balls in Divisions 2 and 3



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Spare balls must also be SWCA Readers Sovereign, either red or pink

SWCA teams may wear coloured clothing. Must be worn by all players including subs

Umpires' choice whether they are in white or coloured kit



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Liaise with colleague in advance –

White

Match - blue & green

Match Pro - blue, green, red

Black or blue hat with coloured kit.

Strictly, black trainers too



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Default start time is 1.00pm

Matches can start at any time between 12.30 pm and 1.30pm by prior agreement

Agreement must be by 6.00pm on the preceding Thursday and notified to Hon Asst Sec by that time or 1.00pm applies



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Hon Asst Sec or Richard Lewis will inform umpires of changed start time

Finishing time is adjusted so that the match length remains at 6h 20m

12.30pm start = 6.50pm finish; 1.00pm start = 7.20pm finish; 1.30pm start = 7.50pm finish



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Early start does not mean match time can be extended. The finishing time is fixed by the start time

Mutually agreed cancellation window is now 9.00am until 10.30am. After that, the umpires must be involved

Umpires responsible for GW&L as soon as either of them has arrived at the ground



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Separate presentation on delay and interruption calculations

Delayed start reduces match length by one over per side for each complete 7 minute loss

Matches cannot start if there is not time for 30 overs per side



Playing rules – Divisions 1-3

Interrupted matches work on time left, not time lost

Work back from the scheduled finishing time – Overs/Time table in the rules

DLS required if overs are lost because of interruption. Protocol on the Wales ACO website.



Laws 41 & 42 – Divisions 1-3

Penalty runs for Law 41 offences may only be awarded if there are two league umpires standing

Suspension or removal for Level 3 or Level 4 offences may only be imposed if there are two league umpires standing

A single league umpire may award Penalty runs under Law 42, and report for all Levels



The rules are where?

Definitive version on the league website at www.swca2.com

Rely on the website for up to date club contact details

No full handbook for 2021 but a Match Rules booklet is with the printers



Match reporting

Match report at <https://tinyurl.com/l54punj>

Disciplinary at <https://tinyurl.com/n2ufugb>

Authorisation code is “wacoswca”



Disciplinary reporting

Suggest lodge the form with report to follow

Agree text with your colleague

Email report to sw1swca@gmail.com



Disciplinary reporting

Hon Sec liaises with Disciplinary Chairman

No automatic suspensions

Level 1 and Level 2 offences referred to club



Disciplinary reporting

Club's proposed sanction is subject to review if inadequate

If they refuse to amend, matter is dealt with by a Disciplinary Panel

Level 3 and Level 4 offences go to Panel automatically



Disciplinary reporting

Sanctions reported to Cricket Wales under the Disciplinary Memorandum of Understanding

Sanctions apply to all cricket run by the signatories to the MoU



Playing rule changes - main Cup

Highest placed SWCA team in the main Cup is entered in the ECB National T20 plate competition in the next season

For consistency, the main Cup will play to the ECB T20 rules, linked from the Wales ACO website



Playing rule changes - Cup

Main provisions of generic rules:

6 over Powerplay – only two fielders out

One bouncer per over

Super Over as tie-breaker

DLS with a minimum of 5 overs

League will specify playing hours



Playing rule changes - Intermediate Cup

20 overs must be played or the match has to be replayed

1h 15m to start the last over

Venue rules for postponements slightly altered

Additional tie-break provisions



Live Streaming of matches

Clubs are actively looking into this possibility

ECB has issued some very limited draft guidance

No guidance yet from any leagues or Cricket Wales



Live Streaming of matches

Written permission from the League Secretary required

The club filming the game must obtain prior approval from both teams and the umpires

Safe Hands Management Protocols must be followed

Every effort to be made to ensure spectators are aware that filming is taking place

Ensure permissions are in place in time for the start of the match

League's Social Media Policy must be fully observed



Live Streaming of matches

Live streaming can be an extremely effective tool but it is not a DRS system

Players or club officials videoing umpires on phones or cameras is not permitted at any time

Clubs are responsible for the actions of their players

Cameras can be located in any position including on the sight screen, subject to any Home ground regulations and agreement with the umpires operating in the Division.



Umpires' fees

League Match £40 – each team pays one
£60 if solo – each team pays half

Cup matches £20 – each team pays one
£25 if solo – each team pays half

An away club who insist on travelling when
the home team proposes cancellation must
pay all the umpires' fees if there is no play



ACO training

Face-to-face umpiring and scoring courses are suspended for the time being

Online training is being developed



ACO training

Stage One umpiring course is now online. It's free and entirely self-taught. Register at <https://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/r7qw03>

Stage Two umpiring is now also online. Cost is £30. It includes five online tutorial sessions as well as some self-learning content.



ACO training – 2020-21

Stage One Online registrants – 8,700

Stage One Online completed – over 2,500



ACO training

Stage Three online is in development. Format will follow Stage Two online – some self-learning and some online tutorial sessions

New package for 2021 called “Are you ready to call PLAY?”. Intended as an introduction to the practicalities of umpiring



ACO training

Online scorer courses are in development and will be available shortly

Seventeen scorer tutorials by Sue Drinkwater (National Scorers Officer) are on YouTube - her channel is called RunsWktsOvers



ACO training

Accreditation was suspended for 2020. We hope to be able to resume the programme in 2021

A number of people have expressed an interest in acting as observers. Training course coming shortly



ACO training

The Safeguarding Young Children online course for coaches is being modified and will be available to officials and committee members soon

Free of charge and takes about 40 minutes to complete – more details when available



Links

All the links mentioned above and the documents to which they refer can be found on the Wales ACO website – www.walesaco.org.uk

The Library page will take you to links to 2021 competition regs – most now available



The End